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Graz, 12 November 2007. Andritz Sundwig is to supply a hot-dip galvanizing plant to voestalpine Stahl GmbH in Linz, Austria, as part of the Linz 2010 project. The hot-dip galvanizing plant #5 will produce strip ranging from 800 to 1,750 mm in width, with thicknesses between 0.4 and 2.0 mm. The product quality and output of 400,000 tons p.a. are geared to producing top-quality surface finish, as well as new heavy-duty steel grades for the automotive industry, the household goods sector, and for steel profiles/building components. The galvanizing unit is designed for three types of coating: zinc, zinc-iron, and zinc-aluminum-magnesium. Start-up is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2009.

Andritz Sundwig in Hemer, Germany will handle overall planning and coordination of the project, as well as supply, installation, and start-up of the mechanical equipment. Supply of the thermal process equipment, including installation and start-up, will be covered by Andritz Selas, Paris, France.

The total order value of approximately 60 MEUR comprises the equipment supply, installation, and start-up. Award of this major order to Andritz reaffirms many years of highly successful cooperation by these two companies.

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