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Ormet Hires Vice President of Operations

Hannibal, Ohio – Ormet Corporation, a top U.S. producer of aluminum, announced today it has hired Mike Griffin as the organization's vice president of operations effective in early June. He will be responsible for the operations at Ormet's Hannibal, Ohio, reduction plant.

Griffin joins Ormet from Alcoa Primary Metals in Massena, N.Y., where he most recently served as the manufacturing manager for the 123,000 metric tonne smelting and casting facility. He also served in other managerial capacities while at Alcoa, including plant manager of the Alcoa Carbon Products facility in Lake Charles, La.

"Mike has the experience, knowledge and leadership to help us move the Hannibal operation forward. He shares our philosophy in working together with the union and our community," said Mike Tanchuk, Ormet's chief executive officer.

Prior to joining Alcoa, Griffin held various managerial roles at Reynolds Metals Company and has over 20 years experience in the metals industry.

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Headquartered in Hannibal, Ohio, Ormet Corporation is a major U.S. producer of aluminum, aluminum billet products and smelter-grade alumina. Ormet employs approximately 1,000 people. For more information, visit the website at www.ormet.com.