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PRESS RELEASE

TMK Supplies the Sakhalin - Khabarovsk - Vladivostok Pipeline

TMK, one of the world's leading producers of oil and gas pipes, announced today that it began shipments of longitudinal welded large-diameter pipes to Gazprom for the construction of the Sakhalin - Khabarovsk - Vladivostok gas pipeline.

During the month of September, TMK shipped 8,000 tonnes of 1220mm K60 grade longitudinal welded pipe with wall thickness between 17.8 and 21.2mm and internal protective coating. This pipe range is produced at Volzhsky's large-diameter longitudinal welded pipe mill, which was commissioned in late 2008 as part of TMK's Strategic Investment Programme.

Before the year's end, TMK expects to supply more than 70,000 tonnes of large-diameter longitudinal pipe for the construction of the Sakhalin – Khabarovsk - Vladivostok gas pipeline.

TMK (<u>www.tmk-group.com</u>)

TMK (LSE: TMKS) is the largest pipe producer in Russia and one of the three global market leaders. In 2008, TMK shipped over 3.2 million tonnes of pipes. TMK supplies to companies in more than 65 countries.

TMK production facilities are located in Russia, the United States, Romania and Kazakhstan

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- Seversky Tube Works
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- Sinarsky Pipe Plant
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