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PRESS RELEASE

TMK Large-Diameter Shipments to Gazprom

TMK, one of the world's leading producers of pipes for the oil and gas industry, announces today that it began shipments of large-diameter pipe to Gazprom for the construction of the Pochinki-Gryazovets pipeline.

Shipments for the Pochinki-Gryazovets will run from December 2009 to January 2010 and will consist of 40,000 tonnes of Volzhsky spiral welded 1,420 mm pipe with wall thickness of 15.7mm and 18.7mm and anticorrosion coating.

Additionally, TMK will ship a total of 20,000 tonnes of 1,420mm longitudinal welded pipe with 25.8mm wall thickness and 1,420mm spiral welded pipe with wall thickness of 21.6mm. The pipes will be produced at TMK's Volzhsky mill and supplied with inner smooth coating and exterior anticorrosion coating. The pipes will be used for the construction of the Gryazovets-Vyborg pipeline, the Russian onshore section of the Nord Stream pipeline.

As previously announced, TMK is also supplying Gazprom with Volzhsky longitudinal pipe for the construction of the Sakhalin-Khabarovsk-Vladivostok pipeline. For this project alone, a total of more than 70,000 tonnes will have been shipped by year end.

TMK (LSE: TMKS) is one of the world's top three producers of steel pipes for the oil and gas sector.

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In 2008, TMK shipped over 3.2 million tonnes of pipes and supplied companies in more than 65 countries.

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

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