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## Press Release

## TMK Premium Connections Receive ISO 13679 CAL IV Certification

TMK, one of the world's leading producers of tubular products for the oil and gas industry, announces that qualification tests of TMK PF premium connections have been successfully held in accordance with the ISO 13679 CAL IV standard. The tests were conducted at the Oil States Industries international testing center (Aberdeen, UK) where products for world's largest oil and gas companies undergo qualification testing.

The tests were conducted on the request of one of the largest Middle Eastern oil companies. The next stage will be testing of tubing threaded with TMK PF premium connections.

"This is the fourth test confirming the compliance of TMK's premium connections with the ISO 13679 CAL IV standard, which undoubtedly serves as the evidence of the world class quality and reliability of our threads", said Alexander Shiryaev, TMK CEO.

## TMK (www.tmk-group.com)

TMK is a leading global manufacturer and supplier of steel pipes for the oil and gas industry, operating 24 production sites in the United States, Russia, Romania and Kazakhstan. Among global leaders, TMK has the largest steel pipe production capacity. The largest share of TMK's shipments belongs to high margin oil country tubular goods (OCTG). In 2010, TMK's pipe sales totaled approximately four million tonnes, shipped to customers in more than 65 countries.

TMK's ordinary shares are listed on Russia's MICEX and RTS stock exchanges. Its GDRs are traded on the London Stock Exchange, and its ADRs – on the OTCQX International Premier trading platform in the U.S.

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