

BUDDY DAVIS ELECTED TO ACME METALS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RIVERDALE, Ill., June 21 /PRNewswire/ -- Buddy Davis, retired director of District 34 of the United Steelworkers of America (USWA), has been elected to the board of directors of Acme Metals Incorporated. He will serve as the USWA-designated representative on the board and will stand for election by the shareholders at the company's 1997 Annual Meeting.

Acme Metals Chairman Brian W.H. Marsden commented, "Our labor agreement with the United Steelworkers provides the union the ability to nominate a director, strengthening Acme's cooperative partnership with the union. We believe that Buddy Davis' broad labor-management experience will add a unique perspective to the board and further enhance the close working relationship we've enjoyed with the Steelworkers for many years."

Acme Metals Incorporated (NYSE: AMI), through its operating subsidiaries, is a fully integrated producer of steel, steel strapping and strapping products, welded steel tube, and auto and light truck jacks. Acme Metals common shares trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol AMI and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol AMK.