



#### **Hawthorne Joins Acme as Director, Investor and Public Relations**

RIVERDALE, Ill., Nov. 21 /PRNewswire/ -- Joel L. Hawthorne has joined Acme Metals Incorporated (NYSE: AMI) as director, investor and public relations, and will be responsible for coordinating Acme's investor, media, government and community relations activities.

Hawthorne, 32, was recently manager of investor relations at LTV Corporation and brings a broad financial background to Acme. He is a graduate of the University of Akron, having received his bachelor of science degree in accounting and his master's degree in business education.

Acme Metals Incorporated, through its operating subsidiaries, is a fully integrated producer of steel, steel strapping and strapping products, welded steel tubing, and auto and light truck jacks. Its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol AMI and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol AMK.

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