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For Immediate Release**Fox Wire Ensures UK Production of Non-ferrous Cold Heading Wire**

- **Fox Wire Limited Acquires Non-Ferrous business of WGH Wire Drawers**
- **Product range expansion maintains strategically important regional supplier for UK and European customers.**
- **Multiple metal fastener manufactures set to benefit from single source procurement**

Sheffield, England (26th June 2009) – Fox Wire Limited today announced that it has acquired the Non-ferrous elements of WGH Wire Drawers, further enhancing the products and services Fox Wire provides to Fastener Manufacturers.

“The move forms part of Fox Wire’s strategy to further enhance the level of support we are able to provide to the very diverse Cold Heading fasteners market,” said Ian Richardson, General Manager Fox Wire.

He continued, “Augmenting our existing comprehensive wire drawing and processing facilities with WGH plant and retaining the services of key WGH personnel, including their former MD, Richard Williams, means that we are able to instantaneously offer non-ferrous customers the same high levels of product quality, customer service and technical support they have received in the past .”

Fox Wire’s acquisition will ensure the UK based production of non-ferrous wire, allaying the fears of many customers, whilst Cold Headers using both stainless and non-ferrous wire, will benefit from having a single source of supply.

The carefully phased relocation of WGH plant and personnel to Fox’s Sheffield facility means that customers will not be affected by the move.

It is envisaged that Fox’s greater manufacturing capabilities will enable significant further developments in terms of additional grades and surface treatments.

Richardson added, “The acquisition of WGH is another clear affirmation of our intention to continue as Europe’s leading independent wire producer.”

Fox Wire will be expanding their manufacturing capabilities further to facilitate growth in a number of specialised global markets.

Details of the acquisition were not released.



About Fox Wire

Fox Wire is a leading cold drawn wire manufacture and distributor, with over 40 years experience of producing Stainless Steel, Nickel Alloy and Carbon Alloy wire. Based in Sheffield, England and Kamen, Germany, the company provides material produced to individual customer specifications to users in a series of specialist market sectors including Spring Manufacture, Oil and Gas Extraction and Aerospace as well Cold Heading Fastener production.

ISO 9001 approved, Fox Wire is recognised for consistent high quality products and the depth of technical support provide to customers around the globe.

About WGH Wire

For over 23 years WGH Wire Drawers has provide a comprehensive range of Aluminium, Brass, Copper and Phosphor Bronze to customers in the UK and mainland Europe, establishing an enviable reputation within the Cold Heading sector. Highly responsive to customers needs it has offered flexible ordering pattern, including low minimum ordering quantities, short lead-times and consistent product quality.