

St. Charles, Mo., January 18, 2016 – The Label Division of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (NYSE: ITW) today announced that the ITW operations of Bay Area Labels (BAL) located in San Jose, CA will join ITW Labels in becoming a part of the Label Division. Through the addition of this high-quality ITW business, the Label Division has extended capabilities and geographic coverage to provide our customers with an innovation driven, single source solution for their label needs. ITW Labels has current manufacturing facilities in Georgia, Missouri, Kansas and Mexico with sales offices across North America.

This change is part of a larger ITW enterprise initiative. In 2013, ITW began the process of simplifying its divisional operating structure by scaling up hundreds of business units into larger, more competitive global divisions. As a result of this initiative, the company’s operating divisions draw upon an enhanced pool of resources and scale to accelerate growth as well as provide significant new opportunities to drive cost and productivity improvements. This in turn positively affects the divisions’ ability to provide greater value to customers. ITW Labels and BAL look forward to leveraging its industry experience and extending a high level of service and quality products to its customers.

ITW Labels is a leading provider of custom label solutions and decals with an array of print and finishing capabilities including flexographic, screen print and digital. ITW Labels services a wide range of customers in the Grocery Retail, Consumer Packaged Goods and Durable Goods & Equipment markets.



BAL is a full-service manufacturer and printer of graphic overlays, insulators and shielding components, labels, membrane switches, 3-D domed nameplates, and bar codes. BAL’s products and services will work to complement ITW Labels’ current offering of custom label solutions and decals.



ITW Labels and BAL represent the Label Division of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (ITW).

ITW (NYSE:ITW) is a Fortune 200 global multi-industrial manufacturing leader with revenues totaling \$14.5 billion in 2014. The company’s seven industry-leading segments leverage the unique ITW Business Model to drive solid growth with best-in-class margins and returns in markets where highly innovative, customer-focused solutions are required. ITW has nearly 50,000 dedicated colleagues in operations around the world who thrive in the company’s unique decentralized and entrepreneurial culture.

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