



**For Immediate Release
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**GIBRALTAR NAMES HENNING KORBREKKE
PRESIDENT OF ITS BUILDING PRODUCTS GROUP**

BUFFALO, NEW YORK (March 25, 2002) – Gibraltar (Nasdaq: ROCK) today announced that Henning Kornbrekke has joined the Company as President of its Building Products Group. Mr. Kornbrekke will oversee the operations of its Southeastern Metals (SEMCO), Solar, Appleton, Weather Guard, and Milcor subsidiaries.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Kornbrekke – who has a bachelor’s degree in engineering from Farleigh Dickinson and an MS in business from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute – has worked in the engineering, manufacturing, sales and marketing, and administrative areas at leading consumer products companies.

Most recently, he was Chief Executive Officer of a division of Rexam, PLC, a UK-based worldwide packaging company with annual sales of \$4 billion. Prior to that, Mr. Kornbrekke served as President and General Manager of the hardware division for The Stanley Works, managing businesses with annual sales of \$450 million. Under his leadership, this division consistently generated sales and profit growth through geographic expansion, joint ventures, acquisitions, new products, expansion into new markets, and market share gains.

“Henning has extensive experience and great familiarity with the ‘big box’ retail chains – like Home Depot and Lowe’s – which are major customers for our building products companies. He has implemented Six Sigma and lean manufacturing programs at facilities around the globe,” said Brian J. Lipke, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

“His background and experience make him the ideal candidate to head our Building Products Group, which is a large – and rapidly growing – part of our company,” said Mr. Lipke. “We now manufacture more than 5,000 products, including mailboxes (where we are the largest manufacturer in North America, and possibly the world) ventilation products and accessories, metal roofing and accessories, rain-carrying systems, and bath cabinets.

“Last year, our building products companies approximated \$300 million in sales, and we have a number of internal and external growth initiatives in this part of our Company. For example, by fully utilizing the equipment at acquired facilities, we believe we can expand our annual sales by \$200-250 million with very little incremental expense,” said Mr. Lipke.

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Gibraltar is one of North America's leading metal processors, a manufacturer of more than 5,000 steel and other metal products, and the nation's second-largest commercial heat treater. The Company serves approximately 10,000 customers in a variety of industries in all 50 states, Canada, and Mexico. It has approximately 3,300 employees and operates 54 facilities in 20 states and Mexico.

Information contained in this release, other than historical information, should be considered forward-looking, and may be subject to a number of risk factors, including: the impact of changing steel prices on the Company's results of operations; changing demand for the Company's products; risks associated with the integration of acquisitions; and changes in interest or tax rates.

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Editors: A black-and-white photograph of Mr. Kornbrekke is available on Gibraltar's Web site, at www.gibraltar1.com/logos.cfm. Gibraltar's news releases, along with comprehensive information about the Company, are also available

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