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TUWAIQI STEEL MILLS LIMITED



## TARIQ BARLAS RECEIVES “MAN OF STEEL” TITLE

**Karachi – December 18, 2008:** Mr. M. Tariq Barlas, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Al-Tuwairqi Holding (ATH) has been awarded with the title of “Man of Steel” during the Dubai Multi Commodities Centre (DMCC) Steel Club Awards 2008 held recently in Dubai.

The title was presented to him in recognition of his outstanding achievements and visionary leadership which made it possible for Al-Tuwairqi Holding to be ranked at the 26<sup>th</sup> position holding company among the top hundred companies of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with the rating of 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest growing group. Al-Tuwairqi Holding's growth today has gone beyond the boundaries of Saudi Arabia and encompasses areas of the Middle East, South Asia & Europe.

ATH is also engaged in establishing a state-of-the-art integrated steel manufacturing complex in Pakistan, namely Tuwairqi Steel Mills Limited (TSML) at Port Qasim, Karachi. The plant, currently under construction, employs cutting-edge Direct Reduced Iron (DRI) technology from the Kobe Steel of Japan with a designed capacity to produce 1.5 million tons of high-quality steel. The first phase of the project is expected to be completed in the second quarter of 2009.

Mr. Zaigham Adil Rizvi, Director (Projects), TSML congratulated Mr. Barlas for the achievement and reiterated all out support and assistance of the entire team in establishing the steel complex in Pakistan alongwith its backward and forward integration within the time frame envisioned.

The DMCC Steel Club is a dedicated networking association to support the United Arab Emirates steel industry with identifying business opportunities and exchange of global best practices. It aims to engage the key stakeholders of the steel industry, including manufacturers, suppliers, end buyers, shippers, financiers and brokers.