

Tri-Arrows' Logan Aluminum Mill Receives American Metal Market "Rolling Mill of the Year" Award

In June 2012, SCOA subsidiary Tri-Arrows Aluminum celebrated that its production facility, Logan Aluminum Inc., received the inaugural "Rolling Mill of the Year Award" at the annual Aluminum Forum. This forum, sponsored by the industry publication American Metal Market (AMM), presented the award during a keynote luncheon in New York City.

Awarded after a competition among facilities from North America to Asia and the Middle East, the Rolling Mill of the Year Award was determined by votes from industry experts and recognized Logan Aluminum's distinction as the most efficient and outstanding aluminum rolling mill in the world. Logan Aluminum is jointly owned by Tri-Arrows Aluminum, Inc. and Novelis.

This award adds to previous accolades; in 2011, the Russellville, KY-based mill received the plant's best-ever Customer Satisfaction Index (CSI) rating since it began production in 1984. The CSI rating measures customer satisfaction in five key areas, including returned goods authorization rate and preferred supplier rating.

Logan Aluminum is Tri-Arrows' only production facility, with a total rolled aluminum product output of nearly one million tons per year. The 40-acre (under roof) mill is the largest producer of rolled aluminum sheet for the beverage container industry, providing rolled aluminum sheet in large coils to beverage can producers, primarily in North America. The plant supplies beverage can body sheet, bare and coated end sheet and tab stock for more than 40 percent of the aluminum beverage cans produced in North America. The mill provides just under one-half of all the aluminum sheet used in the North American region, with this particular aluminum sheet found in virtually every beverage brand can of both carbonated soft drinks and beer in the industry.

Headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky, Tri-Arrows Aluminum, which previously operated as ARCO Aluminum, has been in business for over 35 years. In August 2011, SC and SCOA re-launched the ARCO operation as subsidiary Tri-Arrows Aluminum, Inc. in conjunction with Sumitomo



Pictured above, Tri-Arrows' Logan Aluminum Mill in Russellville, KY, recipient of the Rolling Mill of the Year Award, below center.

Light Metals, Furukawa Sky Aluminum and Itochu Corporation. TAA employs over 40 people at its headquarters in addition to Logan Aluminum's 1,000 employees in Russellville.

At the AMM awards ceremony, the award was accepted on behalf of Logan by Phil Martens, CEO of Novelis, and Pat Franc, President and CEO of Tri-Arrows Aluminum.

"I am proud to stand here and accept this on behalf of the 1,000-plus good people at Logan," said Franc during his acceptance speech. "My experience in working with this unique plant and its people has been the highlight of my working career."

The award now resides in a place of prominence at Logan Aluminum in an exhibit case in the front lobby, and Joji Kumamoto, Executive Director of Non-Ferrous Metal Business Unit at SCOA, said that the award is proof positive that Sumitomo saw the excellence in this operation from the start.

"The definitive reasons that SC/SCOA and other Consortium companies wanted to acquire the company, which was ARCO at that time, were the excellent management of the mill —

not only in the world's best cost competitiveness — as well as product quality management, high motivation of the workers, and proactive measures of safety and environmental protection," Kumamoto explained. "The AMM award for the Logan mill is a delight in two ways: one is that this award shows that our conviction was right, and the other is that this motivates us toward further improvement in our Tri-Arrows business in the future." 🌱

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