## **Metronome Partners Represents Metal Technologies**

December 2013 – Metronome Partners, LLC (Metronome) served as exclusive financial advisor to Metal Technologies, Inc. (MTI) in its acquisition of Key 3 Casting, LLC (Key 3), which owns and operates two aluminum die and squeeze casting facilities as well as a ductile iron foundry. The facilities involved in the sale include Jackson Die Casting, LLC of Jackson, Tennessee, Minneapolis Die Casting, LLC of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Northern Foundry, LLC of Hibbing, Minnesota.

Rick James, Founder and CEO of MTI, commented, "Metronome's principals have provided us with critical, value-added advice for over 15 years and have been an integral part of our growth. The acquisition of Key 3 is the latest example."

In announcing the acquisition, MTI President Matthew Fetter said, "The Key 3 acquisition is an integral part of MTI's strategic plan to grow our metal casting capabilities to serve our customers' long-term needs. The Key 3 acquisition gives us die casting, squeeze casting, value-add services, and small ductile iron casting capability. In addition, the location in Jackson, Tennessee provides us with a platform to meet the growth of manufacturing in the South."

Metal Technologies, Inc. is headquartered in Auburn, Indiana and also operates iron foundries in Auburn, Indiana and in Three Rivers and Ravenna, Michigan. With this acquisition, MTI has estimated annual sales in excess of \$440 million and employs over 1,000 people. It provides metal castings throughout North America in the transportation, construction, compressor, small gasoline engine, and other markets. The company was founded in 1997 by its Chairman and CEO Rick James.











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