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## Raymond Mitchell Appointed COO of Doncasters Group

*New COO Brings Long Track Record of Progressive Leadership in Related Businesses*

7 February 2013, Burton-upon-Trent, UK – Doncasters Group Ltd., the global precision engineering group, has appointed Raymond (Ray) Mitchell as Chief Operating Officer (COO), according to an announcement by Tariq Jesrai, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer. Effective immediately, Mr. Mitchell assumes operational responsibilities for the multi-national group.

Prior to joining the organisation, Ray Mitchell was Vice President of Alcoa and President of Alcoa Power and Propulsion, a global leader in airfoil and structural investment castings for the aerospace, defence, energy and industrial markets. Its products are used primarily in jet engines and industrial gas turbines. Ray was also a member of Alcoa's Employee Relations Council, a leadership team that provides strategic guidance on employee relations matters throughout the company's U.S. operations.

Mr. Jesrai noted that, "Ray's past experience and accomplishments in similar businesses and markets as well as his operational acumen make him a valuable addition to our executive team. As Doncasters prepares to further expand in 2013, Ray's understanding of our markets and operations will play an integral role in helping the organisation support its customers with exceptional service and in realising greater operational efficiencies across all our divisions. We are thrilled to welcome Ray to our executive team."

"I am excited about joining Doncasters. I look forward to working with Tariq and the team to increase the top line while accelerating operating performance," said Mr. Mitchell.

### **About The Doncasters Group:**

The Doncasters Group is a leading international manufacturer of performance and tolerance critical engineering components for a variety of end market applications. Core manufacturing processes include precision casting, forging, fabrication, machining and production of superalloys. Key products include turbine airfoils, rings & casings, structural castings, compressor airfoils, combustion components and fabrications & exhausts for application in gas turbine engines, aerostructures and components for airframe applications, compressor and turbine wheels for the specialty turbocharger market, and ranges of fastenings for construction, industrial, truck, recreational and military markets. The company offers well-developed supply chain integration solutions, delivering complex assemblies and engine-ready components to its customers. Doncasters currently employs approximately 5,000 people in over 20 sites across

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the UK, Continental Europe, USA, China and Mexico. The Group has institutionalised lean manufacturing and Six Sigma principles throughout its operations.