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Fairmont Supply Company acquires Brite Stars Sales

CANONSBURG, PA (September 5, 2007) Fairmont Supply Company, a national full-line distributor of industrial maintenance, repair and operating supplies has announced the acquisition of *Brite Stars Sales*, headquartered in Elko, Nevada. The purchase was finalized on September 4, 2007.

Brite Stars Sales, an industrial distributor serving the northern Nevada industrial and mining market, specializes in automotive and filtration products sold primarily to the gold mining customers located in Nevada. Brite Stars Sales has an additional location in Round Mountain, Nevada.

Mr. Gary Heit, who started the company in 1984, will join Fairmont Supply as a consultant and will assist in the development of future business opportunities in Nevada.

Rich Layton, president of Fairmont Supply stated, "This acquisition is consistent with our growth strategy to enter key markets throughout the United States. Brite Stars Sales is an outstanding organization and is well recognized by its customers for the service they provide in Nevada. This will work well for us as we combine our efforts and develop additional business in this market."

Founded in 1921, Fairmont Supply Company is one of the largest full-line distributors of industrial maintenance, repair and operating supplies in the United States, with the corporate headquarters located in the Southpointe Business Complex, Canonsburg, PA. With this latest acquisition, Fairmont Supply Company and its subsidiary, Piping and Equipment, Inc. currently operate twenty-five (25) service center facilities and nine (9) on-site stores management locations across the United States.

In addition to the mining industry, Fairmont Supply also serves customers in the following markets: aluminum, automotive, chemical, gas, glass, paper, utilities, plastic, and steel.

Fairmont Supply Company offers more than 100,000 products from over 500 manufacturers. Major product areas include mining, safety, hose products, conveyor and material handling, bearings and power transmission, electrical, pipe, valves, and fittings, as well as a wide variety of general line industrial supply products.

More information about the company can be found at the web site:
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