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CO-LIN METALS ACQUIRES HISTORICAL ROCK VALLEY ANTIQUE AUTO PARTS

ROCKFORD, IL – Co-Lin Metals, a full-service custom fabricating shop expands its customer base with the acquisition of renowned Rock Valley Antique & Street Rod Auto Parts, located in Stillman Valley, Ill. since 1971. Co-Lin has served the greater Rockford and Chicagoland area for over 55 years as a specialty metals fabricator, excelling in custom parts, stainless and custom weldments.

“Rock Valley Antique Auto sells tens of thousands of parts each year direct from their Stillman Valley location, and we are thrilled to consolidate our two manufacturing facilities to even better serve auto enthusiasts”, exclaimed Co-Lin President Stephen Hedlund. Both Co-Lin and RVAA work with a wide range of materials and employ highly skilled fabricators.

RVAA manufactures and distributes a full line of components, accessories and ready-to-install kits for vintage vehicles, specializing in the manufacture of stainless steel reproduction gas tanks and gas tank accessories. In 1981, they seized an opportunity to duplicate the original gas tank from a 1934 Ford, named “Best New Product of the Year” by the National Street Rod Association. Today, Rock Valley Antique Auto remains the largest fabricator of stainless steel reproduction gas tanks.

Hedlund adds, “Their inventory stocks more than 8,000 parts for both Ford and Chevy models from 1928 through 1976, with a product line that includes everything from access doors and battery boxes to dash boards, grilles and running boards”. “The combination of the two workforces will accommodate engineer patterns for custom applications in any car, truck, boat and tractor, formed from high-grade materials, state-of-the-art machining and rigorous performance testing for every product sold”, states Co-Lin Vice President Michael Hedlund.

About Co-Lin Metals

Co-Lin Metals was founded in 1958 by the Cottrell family. Father and son team Michael and Stephen Hedlund purchased the business in June of 2015, specializing in custom industrial cabinets, machine guards, custom weldments and stainless steel weldments and working with a wide assortment of materials, including carbon and aluminum. Based in Illinois, Co-Lin is equipped to produce custom fabrications in any quantity to meet customer’s application needs, specifications and finances.

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