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**Customer Information Regarding GEGA Products:
Legal Proceedings Initiated Against Lotz Cutting Over Product Imitation**

Dear customer, dear business partner,

We wish to inform you as a precautionary measure that Alpine Metal Tech Germany GmbH has filed a lawsuit with the District Court of Frankfurt against its competitor Lotz Cutting GmbH. The reason for this lawsuit is the imitation of our products by Lotz Cutting GmbH, which we consider to be violating competition law. With this lawsuit, we are defending ourselves against the unlawful imitation of our products and, in particular, are pursuing the goal of eliminating a deception of origin with regards to GEGA products.

Specifically, Alpine Metal Tech Germany considers its rights to be violated by the design of Lotz Cutting products and has therefore taken legal action against Lotz Cutting in order to prevent what in our view represents a violation of our ancillary copyrights and to effectively counter the risk of confusion between GEGA products and Lotz Cutting products ("deception of origin"). Above all, it is intended to protect you, our valued customers and business partners, from the potential negative consequences of unfair business practices on the market.

We would like to take this opportunity to once again point out that Alpine Metal Tech Germany GmbH is the legal successor to Gega Lotz GmbH and in the course of the acquisition of the company all GEGA product rights were acquired. Any opposite market rumors that Lotz Cutting GmbH was the successor of Gega Lotz GmbH or the "new" Gega are false.

In addition, Alpine Metal Tech Germany GmbH is the patent owner of e.g. the GEGA SHEL-Series of power cutting nozzles, which is already used by many customers worldwide, not least because of its unique properties. Also, Alpine Metal Tech Germany has a wide range of GEGA products in the field of flame cutting technology, which are developed and manufactured according to strict safety standards and certifications and have been convincing the market with their quality for decades.

Alpine Metal Tech Germany, with its GEGA brand, is still the pioneer and market leader in the field of machines and equipment for oxy-fuel cutting and has been for more than 5 decades, but also will be for the future, a reliable partner for you and your company.

We will inform you about the further course of the legal proceedings against Lotz Cutting in the future. If you have any questions in connection with this legal dispute, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Best regards,

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