

# Ferroglobe Announces Additional Capacity Reductions

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LONDON, Dec. 27, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Ferroglobe PLC (NASDAQ: GSM) (with its subsidiaries, "Ferroglobe" or "the Company"), the world's leading producer of silicon metal, and a leading silicon- and manganese-based specialty alloys producer, has announced its intention to suspend production operations at the Company's Niagara Falls, NY facility by December 30, 2018. The announcement was made pursuant to the New York Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act. The Niagara Falls facility has two submerged arc furnaces with production capacity of up to 27,000 tons of silicon metal annually. Its impending stoppage impacts 100 employees.

"The decision to suspend production at the Niagara Falls plant was difficult given the unquestioned commitment of the plant's employees," said Pedro Larrea, Ferroglobe's Chief Executive Officer. "The shutdown of this facility follows our recent announcement regarding the evaluation of various production adjustments to optimize utilization rates and logistics to customers, and to maximize economic efficiency across our global platform. This action is an example of the operational flexibility that is critical to quickly addressing changes in the markets we serve. We will work closely with our customers to transition their product demand seamlessly to other Ferroglobe sites in North America."

Slides providing additional details of the evolution of Ferroglobe's production capacity are posted on its website, www.ferroglobe.com.

#### About Ferroglobe

Ferroglobe is one of the world's leading suppliers of silicon metal, silicon-based specialty alloys, and ferroalloys serving a customer base across the globe in dynamic and fast-growing end markets, such as solar, automotive, consumer products, construction and energy. The Company is based in London. For more information, visit <a href="http://investor.ferroglobe.com">http://investor.ferroglobe.com</a>.

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