



MSA Announces Exploration of Strategic Alternatives Regarding the Future of The Callery Chemical Division

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PITTSBURGH, Nov. 5 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Mine Safety Appliances Co. (Amex: MSA) announced today it is exploring various strategic options regarding the future operations of Callery Chemical Company, a division that develops, manufactures and sells alkali metal strong bases and borane chemicals. These specialty chemicals are used in pharmaceuticals, agricultural chemicals, plastics and a number of other applications.

"The options that we are reviewing could include various forms of strategic partnering, as well as the possible sale of Callery to a chemical company that may be in a better position to grow Callery's product lines," said John T. Ryan III, chairman and chief executive officer.

Established in 1914, MSA is the world's leading provider of quality products and services that protect people's health, safety and the environment. The company has annual sales of \$550 million. MSA products are available in more than 140 countries and are supported globally by 27 international MSA affiliates.

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