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## Lebronze alloys pursues its growth strategy and acquires Allied Copper Alloys and AW Fraser

Paris, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – Lebronze alloys (LBA) a global leader in the Advanced materials market, is pleased to announce the acquisition of:

- **Allied Copper Alloys Ltd (ACA)**, a leading UK-based service center specializing in high-performance copper alloys.
- **AW Fraser Ltd**, a world-class alloy producer based in New Zealand, recognized for its expertise in high-quality manufacturing.

**These two strategic acquisitions mark an important milestone in LBA's global expansion and growth strategy. By integrating ACA and AW Fraser, LBA enhances its production and service capabilities worldwide, enabling customers to benefit from a broader portfolio of high-performance materials, deep technical expertise, and superior service levels.**

Headquartered in France, LBA offers a wide range of specialty copper alloys, each with specific properties (thermal resistance, ability to withstand frictions, conductivity, etc.) making them critical components in a large variety of systems and end-markets – including Aerospace, Medical devices, Energy, Electronics, Luxury, etc. – for 600+ customers across the world.

In 2024, LBA welcomed as its shareholder, Astorg, a leading pan-European Private Equity firm, to accelerate the execution of its ambitious growth plans, notably through targeted acquisitions. With Astorg's backing, LBA continues to expand its global footprint, further strengthens its industry leadership, with a strong commitment to quality, innovation, and operational excellence.

Founded in 1998 and based in Birmingham, UK, ACA specializes in precision slitting and service for special steels and copper alloy strips. Known for its strong customer focus, the company is one of the UK's largest independent slitting centers, with a strong positioning in high-quality products.

Founded in 1939 and based in Christchurch, New Zealand, AW Fraser is a fully integrated designer and producer of specialty copper alloy products, notably engineered bronzes. Operating on a global scale, AW Fraser has built a strong reputation for exceptional product quality and service.

**Michel Dumont, Executive Chairman, Lebronze alloys**, said: *"With ACA and AW Fraser, we are integrating two well-established companies with strong local presence in growing markets. This strategic move enhances our global service network and expands our industrial capabilities and product portfolio. It is fully aligned with our mission as one of the leaders of specialty alloys."*

*"Joining Lebronze alloys marks an exciting new chapter for AW Fraser. This partnership will enable us to push the boundaries of innovation while leveraging Lebronze alloys' global network to bring our advanced solutions to a broader market"*, added **Gordon Sutherland, CEO of AW Fraser**.

*"We are excited to join the Lebronze alloys Group, renowned for its leading range of innovative products and technical expertise. LBA's specialty rolled products will enhance our existing portfolio and drive growth by leveraging our UK-based stockholding and processing facility"*, concluded **Chris Wickett, General Manager of ACA**.

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### **About Lebronze alloys**

Lebronze alloys is a leading industrial Group specializing in the production of semi-finished and finished products in technical high-performance copper and nickel alloys. For over 90 years, the group has been investing sustainably in innovation to meet their customers' evolving functional needs and reduce the environmental footprint of their solutions.

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