



Season's Greetings from Eurofoil

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Signs of the season are all around us as shops sparkle with glittering displays and pretty lights twinkle in the streets. Aluminium foil also plays an important role in our celebrations and, of course, can be fully recycled afterwards. Foil trays and sheets help us to cook and serve our festive food; hidden alu layers within cartons bring us refreshing juices; brightly printed foil wrappers protect tempting chocolate treats; aluminium closures preserve the wines and water we drink and our New Year champagne would not look the same without its distinctive foil bottle-neck.

Eurofoil manufactures aluminium foil for all of these uses and many more using the continuous casting method. Eurofoil is the leading manufacturer of foil using this method; a process which offers more flexibility for customers, in terms of lead time and order modifications, and allows us to recycle customer and industrial scrap. This year there have been significant investments in the continuous casting facilities at Dudelange, increasing foilstock autonomy for the Eurofoil platform to almost 100%.

As Eurofoil enters 2015, there will be difficult challenges ahead. The Rugles site is undergoing a major restructuring to focus the plant on supplying continuous cast based products only, as is already the case in Dudelange. This will secure a sustainable future for the plant, with independence from external foilstock supplies and improved service for customers.

Eurofoil Paper Coating in Berlin, also faces the demands of adapting to an evolving market situation as consumer choices change. Eurofoil Paper Coating is working closely with international tobacco brands to find customised solutions to meet individual requirements and has developed products for the confectionery and gift wrap sector too. Current investment in a new facility to mix lacquers and glues in house will bring further independence and responsiveness to customer demand.

We continuously strive to streamline our company, to meet new challenges in partnership with our customers and suppliers. Many of you visited our stand at the Interpack and Aluminium Trade Shows in Düsseldorf this year. We were very pleased to see you there; of particular interest to visitors was the Eurofoil Innovation Centre which can support developments in partnership with customers across the whole range of products. We hope to see some interesting outcomes from some of the projects discussed in the New Year.

On behalf of the entire team at Eurofoil, I thank you for your continued confidence in Eurofoil and extend our very best wishes for a safe and successful 2015.

Willem Loué
Managing Director