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## **Lugar to Award AK Steel-Rockport Works with U.S. Senate Productivity Award Runner-up - Metaldyne Also to Receive Award from Lugar**

*INDIANAPOLIS* – On Monday, December 11, 2006, Senator Richard G. Lugar will present the U.S. Senate Productivity Award medallion to AK Steel Rockport Works. He will also present a runner-up plaque to Metaldyne.

The presentation will begin at 11:00 a.m. and take place at the IMA offices, located in the OneAmerica Building (at the corner of Illinois and Ohio Streets), in the 24th floor offices.

The U.S. Senate Productivity Award was established to recognize and honor organizations that are using particularly effective productivity improvement techniques, practices or processes which should be shared with other organizations in the hope that they will be replicated and help contribute to national productivity improvement. The competition is held annually and is sponsored by Senator Lugar, the Indiana Manufacturers Association and the Association for Manufacturing Excellence. Both IMA and AME personnel will be available to answer questions about the award application and evaluation process for the upcoming year.

Members of the press are welcome. *If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Charlene Hickey of the IMA at [chickey@imaweb.com](mailto:chickey@imaweb.com) or at 800-462-7762.* Directions will be given upon request.