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## **Mobil Steel CEO Promotes Free Enterprise to Texas Legislators**

**HOUSTON** (February 10, 2011) – <u>Mobil Steel International, Inc.</u> president and CEO Leonard A. Bedell joined some 100 owners, senior officers and managers of commercial and industrial construction and supply companies to promote open competition and free enterprise principles to members of the 82nd Texas Legislature during Associated Builders and Contractors Legislative Day February 9th in Austin.

The ABC Houston chapter visited nearly 50 area lawmakers, sharing the ABC free enterprise system philosophy and discussing legislation that could help Texas construction businesses lead an economic recovery. Transparent and open competition, reasonable regulation and fairness were cornerstones ABC members asked legislative members to consider as they pass legislation to get the Texas economy moving.

"Owners, executives and managers of large and small construction and service companies took time away from their businesses to get involved with Texas legislative members," said Bedell. "We shared with area elected officials and their staffs what is important for business and industry as we help rebuild the Texas and U.S. economies."

Bedell is an active member of Associated Builders and Contractors Greater Houston Chapter. ABC is America's leading commercial and industrial construction trade association dedicated to advancing and protecting the construction industry through open competition and free-enterprise. ABC Greater Houston represents more than 450 small manufacturers and commercial contractors in the Houston region.

## About Mobil Steel International, Inc.

<u>Mobil Steel International, Inc</u>. fabricates steel used in some of the world's essential industries: chemical, manufacturing, petroleum, communication, clean fuels, and power utilities, as well as commercial construction. Mobil Steel, which has been at its South Wayside facility in Houston for 42 years, has a production capacity of more than 1,000 tons per month in its 80,000 square feet of plant and office facilities under roof, providing flexibility to manage multiple projects. The 8.5-acre site is located within major freeway access to the refining and petrochemical complex in the Gulf Coast region. Mobil Steel is quality certified by the <u>American Institute of Steel Construction</u> (AISC). For information about Mobil Steel visit <u>www.mobilsteel.com</u>.

ABC Houston members visit with Representative Gary Elkins (R-Houston) in his Texas Capitol office during Associated Builders and Contractors of Texas Legislative Day February 9<sup>th</sup>. From left are Wendell Rychlik, W.T. Byler; Ben Westcott, Andrews Myers P.C.; Russell Hamley, ABC Houston president; Representative Elkins; Leonard A. Bedell, Mobil Steel International, Inc. president & CEO; and Dennis Winkler, Winkler Public Relations. ABC is America's leading commercial and industrial construction trade association dedicated to advancing and protecting the construction industry through open competition and free-enterprise. ABC Greater Houston represents more than 450 small manufacturers and commercial contractors in the Houston region.

