

**Joint Press Release**

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**Bekaert Corporation Moves its Stainless Technology Activities to Over 15,000 Square Feet at the American Business Center in Marietta.**

ATLANTA (Monday, October 11, 2010) – **Bekaert Corporation**, a worldwide technological and market leader in drawn wire products and advanced coatings, has decided to relocate its Bekaert Stainless Technology (BST) activities with its administrative office, assembly shop and warehouse from Kennesaw to American Business Center at 1395 Marietta Parkway in Marietta. Vice President Tarkenton Thompson with **Richard Bowers & Co.** represented the tenant Bekaert. Jimmy Stevens, Vice President with **Ackerman & Company**, represented the landlord of American Business Center, CCI-B Marietta, LLC.

Bekaert Corporation will expand from 12,846 square feet in Bailey Park at 1000 Cobb Place Blvd to a 15,307 square foot flex space at the American Business Center. The relocation of Bekaert's BST operations to the same campus as their North American Wire activities and central administrative group will allow the company to promote increased efficiency and productivity.

"We are very pleased with the support which we got from Richard Bowers & Co. and Ackerman & Company so far to get this relocation initiated. Now we are looking forward to the move happening in December", stated Dominik Endler, Regional Manager of Bekaert Stainless Technology Americas.

**About Bekaert**

Bekaert ([www.bekaert.com](http://www.bekaert.com)) is a global technological leader in its two core competences: advanced metal transformation and advanced materials and coatings, and a market leader in drawn wire products and applications. Bekaert (Euronext Brussels: BEKB) is a global company with headquarters in Belgium, employing over 25 000 people worldwide. Serving customers in 120 countries, Bekaert pursues sustainable profitable growth in all its activities and generated €3.3 billion combined sales in 2009.

**About Richard Bowers & Co.**

Established in 1980 and headquartered in its flagship property of 260 Peachtree Street in Atlanta, Richard Bowers & Co. is the largest independently owned commercial real estate firm in Metro Atlanta.

A member of TCN Worldwide—a national affiliation of real estate firms—the company represents clients and owners in office, retail, and industrial sales and leasing, land and investment sales, financial services, development, relocation services, interior design and construction management and property management. Clients include numerous FORTUNE 500 corporations, regional and national headquarters, professional firms and major institutions. The company has completed more than 10,000 property sales.

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