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Ferroglobe PLC Forms Insurance Trust

LONDON, Nov. 07, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Ferroglobe PLC (NASDAQ:GSM) ("Ferroglobe"), a specialty metals company and one of the world's largest silicon metal and silicon- and manganese- based alloys producers, announced the formation of an insurance trust and the distribution of the interests in the trust to holders of Ferroglobe's ordinary shares (the "Ferroglobe Ordinary Shareholders"). The trust is being formed to hold the representations and warranties insurance policy (the "R&W Policy") that was purchased in connection with the business combination of Globe Specialty Metals, Inc. and Grupo FerroAtlántica S.A.U. that was completed in December 2015.

To complete the distribution, Ferroglobe will first assign its interest in the R&W Policy to a newly formed Delaware Statutory Trust, Ferroglobe Representation and Warranty Insurance Trust ("Ferroglobe R&W Trust"). Ferroglobe will then distribute the beneficial interest units in Ferroglobe R&W Trust to Ferroglobe Ordinary Shareholders via a distribution of one beneficial interest unit in the Ferroglobe R&W Trust per Ferroglobe ordinary share. Ferroglobe has established November 17, 2016 as the record date for determining the Ferroglobe Ordinary Shareholders entitled to receive the distribution of beneficial interest units, and the distribution will be completed on November 18, 2016. Because of the uncertainty as to whether any claims will be made under the R&W Policy and, therefore, whether any payments will be made under the R&W Policy, Ferroglobe has ascribed no current value to the beneficial interest units.

Following the distribution, Ferroglobe's Class A ordinary shares will automatically be converted into ordinary shares of Ferroglobe, such that Ferroglobe no longer has any Class A ordinary shares outstanding, as contemplated by Ferroglobe's articles of association.

About Ferroglobe

Ferroglobe PLC is one of the world's leading suppliers of silicon metal, silicon-based specialty alloys, and ferroalloys serving a customer base across the globe in dynamic and fast-growing end markets, such as solar, automotive, consumer products, construction and energy. The company is based in London. For more information, visit http://investor.ferroglobe.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements are not historical facts but are based on certain assumptions of management and describe the company's future plans, strategies and expectations. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, including, but not limited to, "may," "could," "seek," "guidance," "predicts," "potential," "likely," "believe," "will," "expect," "anticipate,: "estimate," "plan," "intends," "forecast" or variations of these terms and similar expressions, or the negative of these terms or similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements contained in this press release are based on information presently available to us and assumptions that we believe to be reasonable, but are inherently uncertain. As a result, our actual results, performance or achievements may differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements, which are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that are, in some cases, beyond our control.

You are cautioned that all such statements involve risks and uncertainties, including without limitation, risks that the legacy businesses of Globe and FerroAtlántica will not be integrated successfully or that we will not realize estimated cost savings, value of certain tax assets, synergies and growth, or that such benefits may take longer to realize than expected. Important factors that may cause actual results to differ include, but are limited to: (i) risks relating to unanticipated costs of integration, including operating costs, customer loss and business disruption being greater than expected; (ii) our organizational and governance structure; (iii) the ability to hire and retain key personnel; (iv) regional, national or global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory conditions including, among others, changes in metals prices; (v) increases in the cost of raw materials or energy; (vi) competition in the metals and foundry industries; (vii) environmental and regulatory risks; (viii) ability to identify liabilities associated with acquired properties prior to their acquisition; (ix) ability to manage price and operational risks including industrial accidents and natural disasters; (x) ability to manage foreign operations; (xi) changes in technology; (xii) ability to acquire or renew permits and approvals; (xiii) changes

in legislation or governmental regulations affecting Ferroglobe; (xiv) conditions in the credit markets; (xv) risks associated with assumptions made in connection with critical accounting estimates and legal proceedings; (xvi) Ferroglobe's international operations, which are subject to the risks of currency fluctuations and foreign exchange controls; and (xvii) the potential of international unrest, economic downturn or effects of currencies, tax assessments, tax adjustments, anticipated tax rates, raw material costs or availability or other regulatory compliance costs. The foregoing list is not exhaustive. You should carefully consider the foregoing factors and the other risks and uncertainties that affect our business, including those described in the "Risk Factors" section of our Annual Reports on Form 20-F, Current Reports on Form 6-K and other documents we file from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. We do not give any assurance (1) that we will achieve our expectations or (2) concerning any result or the timing thereof, in each case, with respect to any regulatory action, administrative proceedings, government investigations, litigation, warning letters, consent decree, cost reductions, business strategies, earnings or revenue trends or future financial results. Forward-looking financial information and other metrics presented herein represent our key goals and are not intended as guidance or projections for the periods presented herein or any future periods.

All information in this press release is as of the date of its release. We do not undertake or assume any obligation to update publicly any of the forward-looking statements in this press release to reflect actual results, new information or future events, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting forward-looking statements. If we update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be drawn that we will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements. We caution you not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which are made only as of the date of this press release.

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