
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

**Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

AMCOL INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
(Name of Subject Company (issuer))

MA ACQUISITION INC.
a wholly owned subsidiary of

MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(Names of Filing Persons)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE
(Title of Class of Securities)

02341W103
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a planned tender offer by MA Acquisition Inc., a Delaware corporation (“**Purchaser**”) and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Minerals Technologies Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), for all of the outstanding shares of common stock of AMCOL International Corporation, a Delaware corporation (“**AMCOL**”), to be commenced pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 10, 2014, by and among the Company, Purchaser and AMCOL.

The tender offer referred to in this filing has not yet commenced. This filing, including the exhibit hereto, are for informational purposes only and they are neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell shares of AMCOL’s common stock. At the time any such tender offer is commenced, the Company will file a Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO, containing an offer to purchase, a form of letter of transmittal and other related tender offer documents with the SEC, and AMCOL will file a Solicitation/Recommendation Statement relating to such tender offer with the SEC. **AMCOL’s stockholders are strongly advised to read these tender offer materials carefully and in their entirety when they become available, as they may be amended from time to time, because they will contain important information about such tender offer that AMCOL’s stockholders should consider prior to making any decisions with respect to such tender offer.** Once filed, stockholders of AMCOL will be able to obtain a free copy of these documents at the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov.

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Investor Presentation published by the Company on March 18, 2014.



MTI & AMCOL

Creating a Global Leader in Minerals



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This presentation may contain "**forward-looking statements**," which describe or are based on current expectations; in particular within the meaning of the federal securities laws, statements of anticipated changes in the business environment in which the company operates, the expected timing and benefits of the proposed acquisition of Amcol and in the company's future operating results. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations. In addition, any statements that are not historical fact (including statements containing the words "**believes**," "**plans**," "**anticipates**," "**expects**," "**estimates**," and similar expressions) should also be considered to be forward-looking statements. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. Forward-looking statements in this document should be evaluated together with the many uncertainties that affect our businesses, particularly those mentioned in the risk factors and other cautionary statements in our 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K and in our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

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MTI's acquisition of AMCOL accelerates growth and creates shareholder value

Combines global leaders in PCC and Bentonite

Platform for accelerated growth

MTI's performance track record

Long-term growth in shareholder value

- Portfolio of market leader positions
- Broad portfolio of complementary products
- World class innovators in mineralogy, fine particle technology and polymer chemistry

- Diversification into energy, environmental and consumer products
- Geographic expansion
- Continued innovation

- Historical growth and geographic expansion
- High-performance operating company
- Continuous improvement

- Strong cash flow
- Immediately accretive excluding transaction costs
- Rapid deleveraging expected



Is entirely consistent with MTI's M&A strategy

Transaction Scorecard

- Minerals-Based Companies with Technological Differentiation

- Additional Growth Venues
 - Environment, Energy, Consumer

- More Balanced, Less Cyclical Portfolio

- Industries of Focus

- Alternative Energy
- Food
- Oil/Gas
- Recycling
- Environment
- Beverages
- Pharmaceuticals



Source: Company presentations.



Offers superior value to AMCOL shareholders

OFFER SUMMARY

- MTI to acquire 100% of outstanding AMCOL shares in tender offer/merger
- \$45.75 per AMCOL share in cash
- \$1.7B transaction value including assumption of AMCOL's debt
- Committed debt financing of \$1.56 billion supplemented with MTI cash

KEY METRICS

- Implied enterprise value to 2013A EBITDA of 11.1x without synergies and 8.4x with \$50 million near-term synergies
- 33% premium over AMCOL's 30-day moving average
- Immediately accretive to MTI's earnings before expected synergies

TIMING

- Transaction subject to customary conditions, including regulatory approvals
- Closing expected prior to May 2014

NOTE: EBITDA multiples based on \$150m AMCOL adjusted 2013 EBITDA



Transaction sources and uses

SOURCES (\$ in millions)		USES (\$ in millions)	
MTI Cash	\$394	Purchase of Equity	\$1,520
		Debt Refinanced	\$371
MTI New Debt Financing	\$1,560		
Term Loan B		Transaction Costs	\$38
		Make Whole / Swap Unwind	\$25
Total Sources	\$1,954	Total Uses	\$1,954

Source: Company filings, MTI management projections.



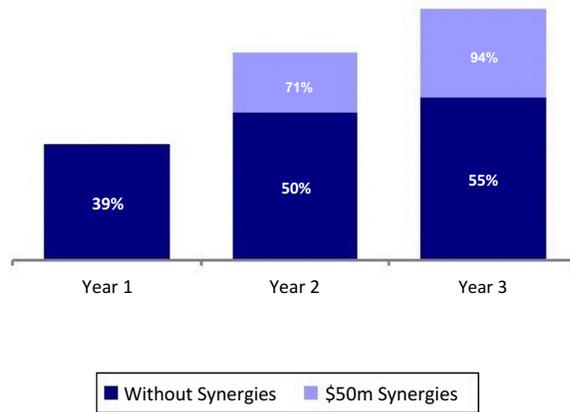
Unlocks more than \$50 million of cost synergies and releases more than \$100 million cash

		DESCRIPTION	RUN RATE ANNUAL SYNERGIES <i>(Run Rate Year)</i>	AS % of AMCOL SALES	AS % of Combined EBITDA
Synergies	GROWTH & OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acceleration of geographic expansion and new product development Rapid deployment of MTI shared service business model Productivity improvement throughout AMCOL operations Corporate and overhead expense reduction ERP integration 	\$50m <i>in 2-3 years</i> Up to \$70m <i>in 5 years</i>	5-7%	~16-21%
Asset Efficiency	NET WORKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction of Net Working Capital days outstanding 	Up to \$100m <i>(2014-2017)</i>		
	ASSET TURNOVER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvement in asset utilization and capital deployment 	Up to \$50m <i>(2014-2019)</i>		



Transaction will be highly accretive to earnings

**PRO FORMA
EPS ACCRETION
vs MTI 2013
of \$2.42 / share**

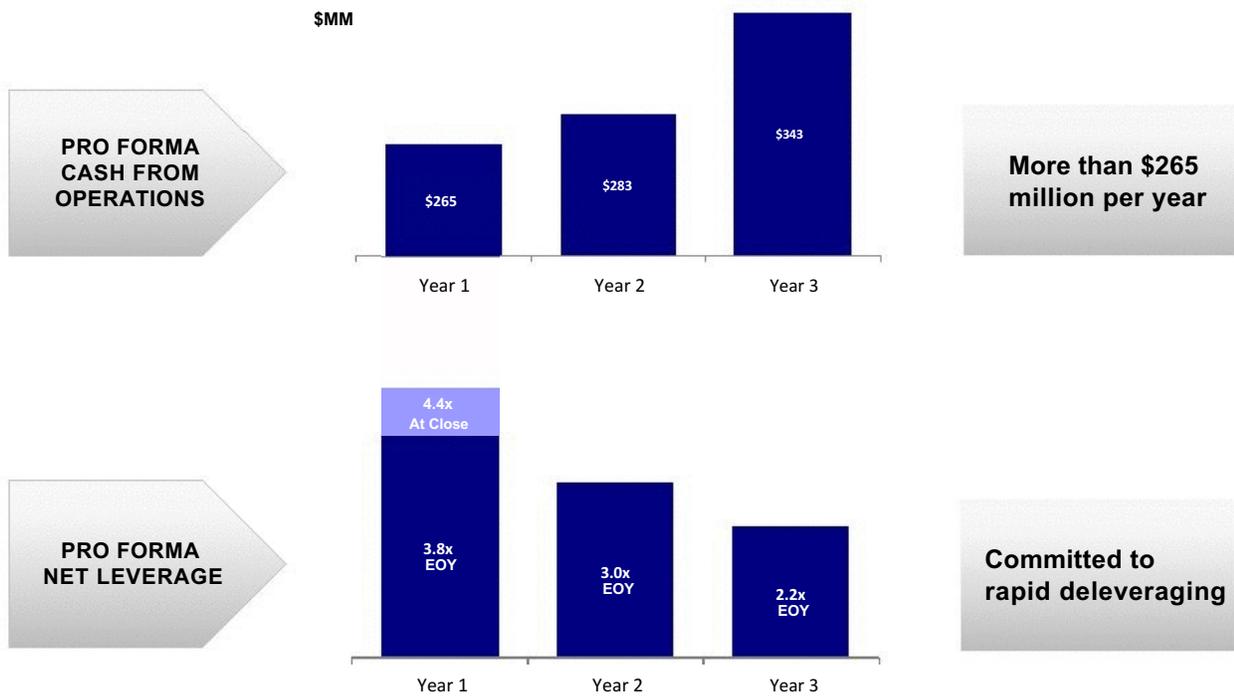


Source: Company filings, MTI management projections.

NOTE: accretion excludes transaction costs



Generates significant cash and results in rapid deleveraging



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AMCOL: Broad and diversified product offering across segments

Product Offerings

Performance Materials

Includes: Metalcasting, drilling fluids, pet products, bioAg

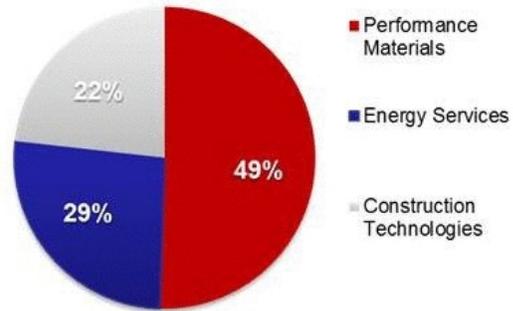
Energy Services Includes:

Includes: Water treatment, well testing, coil tubing

Construction Technologies

Includes: Building materials, drilling products, environmental lining technologies, mercury removal

Sales Concentration



Key drivers of profit include growth in core markets, growth in geographies such as China, India and Brazil, margin expansion and optimization of business/product portfolio.



Provides a superior growth outlook, healthy operating margins and strong cash flows

Enhanced Scale & Diversification	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ MTI and AMCOL are both US-based, global, industrial minerals companies with "mine-to-market" business models▪ Both deliver value via differentiated mineral and processing technology and innovation▪ Complementary end markets and geographic presence
Complementary Business Models & Technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Combines two global #1 industrial minerals platforms: PCC (MTI) and bentonite (AMCOL)▪ Less cyclical with increased relevance and visibility to investors▪ Creates a leading US-based industrial minerals company with over \$2bn in sales
Superior Growth Outlook	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Expands MTI participation into energy, environmental and consumer products▪ Shared end markets including: adhesives and sealants, fillers and extenders for paper, steel and metal, health and beauty, animal feed and pet waste absorbents▪ Combined \$300m of current sales in high-growth Asian markets▪ More than \$1bn of identified innovation and geographic growth opportunities in five to ten years
Compelling Synergies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ MTI to further deploy strong culture of operational excellence, productivity improvement and employee engagement▪ MTI management has proven ability to effectively manage SG&A, capex and NWC▪ \$50m of cost synergies, maybe as much as \$70m in the next five years
Strong Cash Flows	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ MTI has consistently demonstrated commitment to a conservative capital structure▪ Both MTI and AMCOL have strong cash flows<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Long-term contracts for MTI PCC; diversified end markets for AMCOL bentonite- Combined entity would have been free cash flow positive during the recent financial crisis▪ Net leverage projected to decline below 2.2x by end of third year after closing



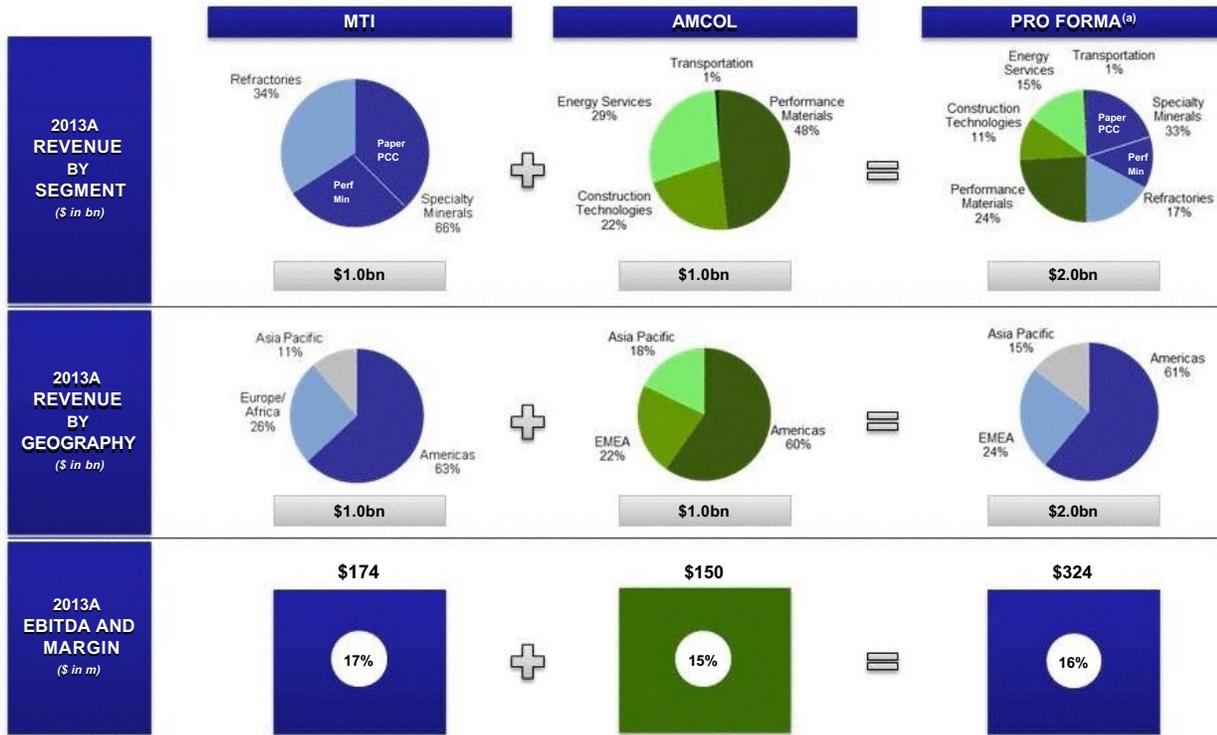
Leverages complementary fit based on similar geographies and differentiated product and process technologies

	MTI	AMCOL
Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 sales: \$1.0bn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 sales: \$1.0bn
Revenue Geographic Breakdown		
Technology And Process Know-how	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mineralogy Fine particle and surface treatment End-use application knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clay mineralogy Polymer science End-use application knowledge
Strong Market Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global PCC North America Specialty PCC Monolithic BOF Talc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> North America bentonite Auto foundry castings Environmental lining Water treatment
End Markets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper Building materials Automotive Paint and coatings Glass and ceramics Steel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automotive Building materials Oil and gas Infrastructure
Service Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~\$340m steel mill services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~\$300m energy services
Investment Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> China, India, Brazil and Middle East Focused investments with expected long-term returns 	
Investor Group	~40-50% of each company owned by common shareholders (as of 12/31)	





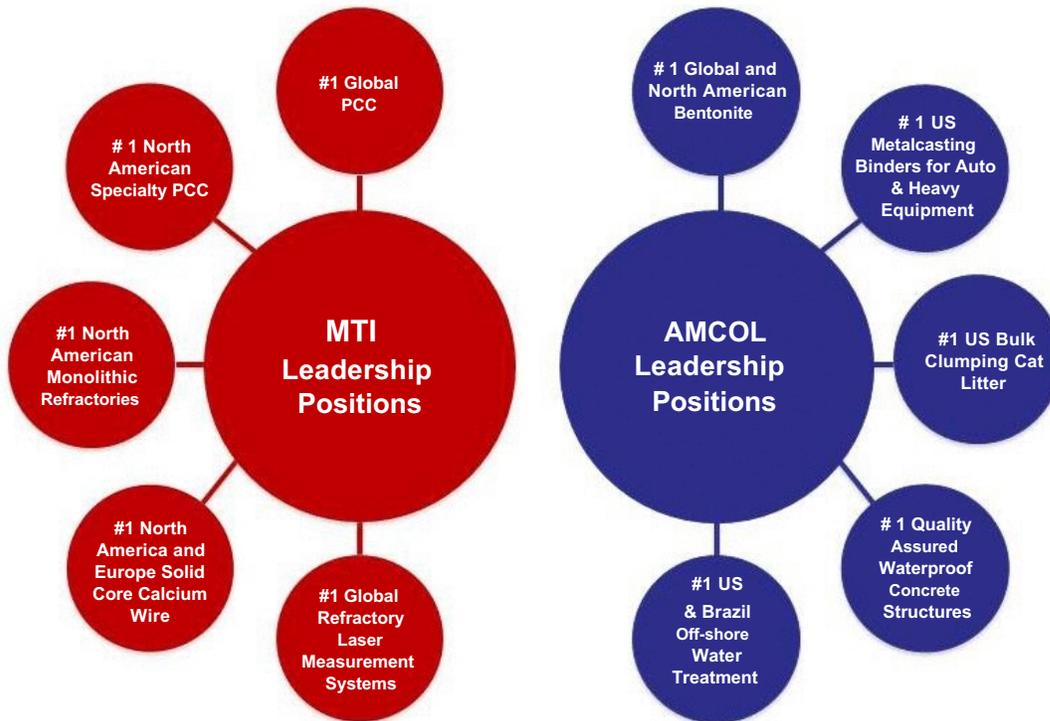
Pro forma business mix



Source: MTI Management, Wall Street research.
(a) Does not include potential synergies.



Results in strong #1 leadership positions across multiple industries





Creates a portfolio of \$1 billion growth opportunities

MTI Growth

- Continued penetration of PCC for Paper in Asia's growing market
- Further commercialization of FulFill® high filler technology
- Commercialization of Paper PCC innovation pipeline
- Further growth of full-service refractories business model
- Continued growth of metallurgical wire business
- Expansion of new MTI EAF refractory products
- Customization and globalization of Performance Minerals

New Growth Opportunities

- Adhesives and sealants
- Functional fillers and extenders
- Consumer products
 - Animal feed
- Pet waste absorbents
- Agricultural products

AMCOL Growth

- Global expansion of water treatment technologies for oil-field applications
- Further success with new Amcol lining technologies
- Introduction of new mercury sorbent technologies for coal-fired power plants
- Expansion of Enersol™ into bio/ag industry



Focused on integration

- **MTI and AMCOL are starting to work together to affect a smooth transition**
- **Integration plan is focused on:**
 - Employees
 - Customers
 - Suppliers
 - Business segment strategies
 - Achievement of targeted synergies
- **Assuring stability and continuity of:**
 - Business processes
 - All operations
 - Key relationships
 - Investments



Minerals Technologies' vision for the future

