



Offers to Exchange

10 3/4% Senior Exchange Notes Due August 1, 2008

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(Cusip Nos. 91263 PAA3 and U9118QAA7)

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This exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m. Eastern (U.S.) time on July , 2002, unless extended by us.

We are offering to exchange our 10 3/4% Senior Exchange Notes Due August 1, 2008 (the "Exchange Notes") that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in exchange for an equal par value face amount of our outstanding unregistered 10 3/4% Senior Notes Due August 1, 2008 that were issued in July and September of 2001 (the "Outstanding Notes").

The terms of the exchange are subject to the conditions described in this prospectus.

Consider the risk factors beginning on page 10 of this prospectus carefully.

There is no active public trading market for the Outstanding Notes. We do not intend to apply for listing of the Exchange Notes on any domestic securities exchange or seek approval for quotation through any automated quotation system.

United States Steel Corporation ("USS") produces, transports and sells steel mill products, coke, taconite pellets and coal in the United States and, through its subsidiary U. S. Steel Kosice, produces and sells steel in Central Europe.

The Exchange Notes will be issued in denominations of \$1,000. We will pay interest on the Exchange Notes each August 1 and February 1. The first interest payment will be due on August 1, 2002 with interest payable from the February 1, 2002 payment of interest on the Outstanding Notes. We may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Exchange Notes before August 1, 2004 with net proceeds that we raise in public equity offerings at a redemption price equal to 110.75% of the principal amount of the Exchange Notes being redeemed plus accrued interest.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account pursuant to this exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of Exchange Notes received in exchange for Outstanding Notes where such Outstanding Notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. The Company has agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the expiration of this exchange offer (as defined herein), it will make this Prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. A broker-dealer may not participate in the exchange offer with respect to Outstanding Notes acquired other than as a result of market-making activities or trading activities. See "Plan of Distribution."

The date of this Prospectus is June [ ], 2002.

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We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different from the information contained in this prospectus or to which we have referred you.

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#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

United States Steel Corporation files annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 450 Fifth Street Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Our SEC filings are also accessible through the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov> and on our website at <http://www.ussteel.com>.

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" into this prospectus the information in documents we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus, and later information that we file with the SEC will update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the following documents and any future filings we make with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 until the termination of the offering:

- (a) USS' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001;
- (b) USS' Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated March 11, 2002;
- (c) USS' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002, and
- (d) USS' Current Reports on Form 8-K dated February 8, March 1, April 10, April 26, May 14, May 17, and June 4, 2002.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference to this prospectus will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed to constitute a part of this prospectus except as so modified or superseded.

The documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus are available from us upon request. We will provide a copy of any and all of the information that is incorporated by reference in this prospectus to any person by first-class mail, without charge, upon written or oral request. Any request for documents should be made by June , 2002 to ensure timely delivery of the documents prior to the expiration date of the exchange offer.

Requests for documents should be directed to:

United States Steel Corporation  
Shareholder Services  
600 Grant Street, Room 611  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219-2800  
(412) 433-4801  
(866) 433-4801 (toll free)  
(412) 433-4818 (fax)

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#### SUMMARY

The following is a summary of material information regarding United States Steel and this exchange offer. More detailed information concerning these matters appears elsewhere in this prospectus and the information in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Reference is made to "Risk Factors" for a discussion of certain issues that should be considered in evaluating an investment in the Notes.

#### Our Company

We are the largest integrated steel producer in North America. Integrated steel production makes use of blast furnaces, unlike mini-mills that mostly melt scrap to make steel products. We have a broad product mix with particular focus on value-added products and serve customers in the automotive and other industries. We also produce a wide variety of steel products for a wide range of customers.



offer. You are entitled to exchange in the exchange offer your Outstanding Notes for Exchange Notes that have terms identical in all material respects to the Outstanding Notes except that:

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. the Exchange Notes are not entitled to certain registration rights that are applicable to the Outstanding Notes under, and will not be covered by, the registration rights agreement;

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. the Exchange Notes will not be subject to certain additional cash interest provisions described in "Description of the Notes--Registered Exchange Offer; Registration Rights."

Expiration; Withdrawal of Tenders..... 5:00 p.m. Eastern (U.S.) time on July , 2002, unless extended. We do not currently intend

conditions, which we may waive. Please read the section captioned "Terms of the Exchange--Certain Conditions to the Exchange Offer" of this prospectus for more information regarding the conditions to the exchange offer.

Effects on Holders of  
Outstanding Notes.....

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At March 31, 2002, United States Steel had capital leases totaling \$89 million and \$521 million of senior unsecured indebtedness ranking equal to the Notes, together with USSK's \$325 million loan with a group of financial institutions, which is non-recourse to United States Steel. United States Steel has no subordinated indebtedness currently outstanding.

Senior Unsecured Debt  
Ratings..... The Notes are currently rated Ba3 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and BB by Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("S&P").

As of December 31, 2001, Moody's assigned a



a majority of the principal amount of the Notes then outstanding.

Guarantee.....

The Guarantee of the Original Notes by USX Corporation by its terms expired upon the Separation and USX Corporation, now named Marathon Oil Corporation, has no liability with respect to the Notes.

Co-Obligor.....

On January 2, 2002, United States Steel Financing Corp., which was co-obligor of the Original Notes, was merged into United States Steel Corporation.

Absence of a Public Market for the Exchange Notes.....

The Exchange Notes generally will be freely transferable but will also be new securities for which there will not initially be a market. It is not certain whether a market for the Exchange Notes will develop or whether any such market would provide a significant degree of liquidity. We do not intend to apply for a listing of the Exchange Notes on any domestic securities exchange or seek approval for quotation through any automated quotation system.

#### Summary Consolidated Financial Information

Prior to December 31, 2001, the businesses of United States Steel comprised an operating unit of Marathon. Marathon had two outstanding classes of common stock: USX-Marathon Group common stock, which was intended to reflect the performance of Marathon's energy business, and USX-U. S. Steel Group common stock ("Steel Stock"), which was intended to reflect the performance of Marathon's steel business. On December 31, 2001, United States Steel was capitalized through the issuance of 89.2 million shares of common stock to holders of Steel Stock in exchange for all outstanding shares of Steel Stock on a one-for-one basis (the "Separation").

The following table sets forth summary financial data for United States Steel. Consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2001 and March 31, 2002 and statement of operations data for the first quarter ended March 31, 2002 reflect United States Steel as a separate, stand-alone entity. All other balance sheet and statement of operations data in the table below represent a **carve-out** presentation of the businesses comprising United States Steel, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position or results of operations for United States Steel on a stand-alone basis. This information should be read in conjunction with the more detailed information and consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, our &w first qualdon Form

Total assets.....	\$8,271	\$8,626	\$8,337	\$8,711	\$7,525	\$6,749	\$6,694
Capitalization:							
Notes payable.....	\$ --	\$ 164	\$ --	\$ 70	\$ --	\$ 13	\$ 13
Long-term debt, including amount due within one year(4).....	1,465	2,072	1,466	2,375	915	476	510
Preferred stock of subsidiary.....	--	66	--	66	66	66	66
Trust preferred securities.....	--	183	--	183	183	182	182
Equity.....	2,439	1,901	2,506	1,919	2,056	2,093	1,782
Total capitalization...	\$3,904	\$4,386	\$3,972	\$4,613	\$3,220	\$2,830	\$2,553
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- (1) Consists of revenues, dividend and investee income (loss), net gains on disposal of assets, gain on investee stock offering and other income (loss).
- (2) Earnings per share for for the first quarter ended March 31, 2002 is based on the weighted average outstanding common shares during the quarter. Earnings per share for all other periods presented is based on the outstanding common shares at December 31, 2001 as a result of the Separation and the initial capitalization of United States Steel on that date.
- (3) Dividends paid per share for all periods presented, except for the first quarter ended March 31, 2002, represents amounts paid on USX-U. S. Steel Group common stock.
- (4) The increase in equity and the decrease in long-term debt, preferred stock of subsidiary and trust preferred securities from December 31, 2000 to 2001 and from March 31, 2001 to 2002 were primarily due to transactions related to the Separation, including the \$900 million value transfer. The increase in long-term debt from December 31, 1999 to 2000 was primarily due to cash used in operating activities of \$627 million (including \$500 million in elective funding to a voluntary employee benefit trust) and the \$325 million of debt included in the acquisition of USSK.

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Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

(Unaudited)

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First Quarter Ended March 31,		Year Ended December 31,				
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Our business is cyclical. Future economic downturns, a stagnant economy or currency fluctuations may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Demand for most of our products is cyclical in nature and sensitive to general economic conditions. Our business supports cyclical industries such as the automotive, appliance, construction and energy industries. As a result, future downturns in the U.S. or European economy or any of these industries could adversely affect our results of operations and cash flows.

Because we and other integrated steel producers generally have high fixed costs, reduced volumes result in operating inefficiencies, such as those experienced in 2001. Over the past five years, our net income has varied from a high of \$452 million in 1997 to a loss of \$218 million in 2001 as our domestic steel shipments have varied from a high of 11.6 million net tons in 1997 to a low of 9.8 million net tons in 2001. Future economic downturns, a stagnant economy or currency fluctuations may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness and other obligations, which could limit our operating flexibility and otherwise adversely affect our financial condition.

As of March 31, 2002, we were liable for indebtedness of approximately \$1.5 billion. This does not include obligations of Marathon for which we are contingently liable and that are not recorded on our balance sheet. As of March 31, 2002, such obligations of Marathon were approximately \$344 million. We may incur other obligations for working capital, refinancing of a portion of the \$1.5 billion referred to above or for other purposes. This substantial amount of indebtedness and related covenants could limit our operating flexibility and could otherwise adversely affect our financial condition.

Our high degree of leverage could have important consequences to you, including the following:

- . our ability to satisfy our obligations with respect to the Notes, and any other debt securities or preferred stock may be impaired in the future;
- . it may become difficult for us to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, acquisitions or general corporate or other purposes in the future;
- . a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations must be dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the funds available to us for other purposes;
- . some of our borrowings are and are expected to be at variable rates of interest (including borrowings under our inventory credit facility), which will expose us to the risk of increased interest rates;
- . the sale prices, costs of selling receivables and amounts available under our accounts receivable program fluctuate due to factors that include the amount of eligible receivables available, the costs of the commercial paper funding and our long-term debt ratings; and

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- . our substantial leverage may limit our flexibility to adjust to changing economic or market conditions, reduce our ability to withstand competitive pressures and make us more vulnerable to a downturn in general economic conditions.

Indebtedness we may incur in the future may exacerbate the consequences described above and could have other important consequences.

Our business requires substantial debt service, capital investment, operating lease and maintenance expenditures that we may be unable to fulfill.

With approximately \$1.5 billion of debt outstanding as of March 31, 2002, we have substantial debt service requirements. Based on this outstanding debt, our combined principal and interest payments will average approximately \$150 million annually over the next five years. At March 31, 2002, USSverai





High energy costs adversely impact our results of operations.

Our operations consume large amounts of energy and we consume significant amounts of natural gas. Domestic natural gas prices increased from an average of \$2.27 per million BTU in 1999 to an average of \$4.96 per million BTU in 2001. At normal annual consumption levels, a \$1.00 per million BTU change in domestic natural gas prices would result in an estimated \$50 million change in our annual domestic pretax operating costs.

Environmental compliance and remediation could result in substantially increased capital requirements and operating costs.

Our domestic businesses are subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. These laws are constantly evolving and becoming increasingly stringent. The ultimate impact of complying with existing laws and regulations is not always clearly known or determinable because regulations under some of these laws have not yet been promulgated or are undergoing revision. These environmental laws and regulations, particularly the Clean Air Act, could result in substantially increased capital, operating and compliance costs. We are also involved in a number of environmental remediation projects at both former and present operating locations and are involved in a number of other remedial actions under federal and state law. Our worldwide environmental expenditures were \$231 million in 2001, \$230

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million in 2000 and \$253 million in 1999. For more information see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Environmental Matters, Litigation and Contingencies" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 and subsequent filings.

We believe all of our domestic steel competitors are subject to similar environmental laws and regulations. The specific impact on each competitor may vary, however, depending upon a number of factors, including the age and location of operating facilities, production processes (such as a mini-mill versus an integrated producer) and the specific products and services it provides. To the extent that competitors, particularly foreign steel producers and manufacturers of competitive products, are not required to undertake equivalent costs, our competitive position could be adversely impacted.

USSK is subject to the laws of the Slovak Republic. The environmental laws of the Slovak Republic generally follow the requirements of the European Union, which are comparable to domestic standards.

Our retiree employee health care and retiree life insurance costs are higher than those of many of our competitors.

We maintain defined benefit retiree health care and life insurance plans covering substantially all domestic employees upon their retirement. Health care benefits are provided through comprehensive hospital, surgical and major medical benefit provisions or through health maintenance organizations, both subject to various cost-sharing features. Life insurance benefits are provided to nonunion retiree beneficiaries primarily based on employees' annual base salary at retirement. FJallllld bemenJt rmpetiFsa prsreq li







industry's retiree legacy cost burden, and a progressive new labor agreement that would provide for meaningful reductions in operating costs. We have been engaged in discussions with other domestic integrated steel companies, elected officials governmental agencies and representatives of the United Steelworkers of America.

On January 17, 2002, we entered into an option agreement with NKK Corporation of Japan. The agreement grants us an option to purchase, either directly or through a subsidiary, all of NKK's National Steel Corporation common stock and to restructure a \$100 million loan previously made to National Steel by an NKK subsidiary. The option expired unexercised on June 15, 2002.

On March 5, 2002, President Bush imposed tariffs of 8 to 30% on most steel imports, but did not express support for a government-sponsored program to provide relief from the industry's retiree legacy costs. No legislation had been enacted and two proposals to amend pending legislation to address retiree legacy costs failed to obtain sufficient votes. Although we will continue to explore attractive acquisitions, joint ventures and other growth opportunities in the U.S. and Central Europe, the extent of any significant consolidation in the domestic or European steel industries remains unclear.

Consolidations may not occur or may be delayed and the anticipated cost savings from consolidation may not materialize.

We will not participate in steel industry consolidation unless it is in the best interest of our customers, shareholders, creditors, employees and other constituencies. The conditions precedent to any consolidation are beyond our control, and may not be satisfied.

The benefits of any consolidation in large measure flow from anticipated cost savings. We may not be able to achieve all of these savings or may not achieve them as quickly as we expect. In addition, any rationalization of steel facilities may result in environmental, post-employment, and other shut-down costs.

Acquired companies and assets may increase our indebtedness and other obligations and require significant expenditures.

Possible future acquisitions could result in the incurrence of additional debt and related interest expense, underfunded pension and other post-retirement obligations, contingent liabilities and amortization expenses related to intangible assets, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, operating results and cash flow.

Many of the available domestic acquisition targets may require significant capital and operating expenditures to return them to profitability. Financially distressed steel companies typically do not maintain their assets adequately. Such assets may need significant repairs and improvements. We may also have to buy sizable amounts of raw materials, spare parts and other materials for these facilities before they can resume profitable operation.

Many potential acquisition candidates are financially distressed steel companies that may not have maintained appropriate environmental programs. Their environmental problems may, therefore, require significant expenditures.

We may have difficulty or may not be able to obtain financing necessary to pursue consolidations.

We may not be able to obtain financing for acquisitions of other companies or their assets on favorable terms or at all.

Customers may purchase less from a consolidated company than they did from the individual producers and may insist on price concessions.

Customers may not buy as much steel from us after consolidation as they previously bought from the separate companies in order to diversify their suppliers. They may also insist upon significant price concessions.

International acquisitions may expose us to additional risks.

If we acquire companies or facilities outside the United States, we may be exposed to increased risks including the following:

- . economic and political conditions in the countries where the facilities are located and where the products made at those facilities are marketed;
- . currency fluctuations;

- . uncertain sources of raw materials;
- . economic disruptions in less developed economies where many potential acquisition candidates have facilities or market products;
- . expenditures necessary to bring such facilities to profitable operation;
- . foreign tax risks; and
- . expenditures required to comply with potential new environmental requirements.

#### Risks Related To The Separation

Prior to December 31, 2001, our businesses were owned by USX Corporation, now named Marathon Oil Corporation.

USS is subject to certain continuing contingent liabilities of Marathon that could adversely affect our cash flow and our ability to incur additional indebtedness and could cause a default under our borrowing facilities.

USS is contingently liable for debt and other obligations of Marathon in the amount of \$344 million as of March 31, 2002. Marathon is not limited by agreement with USS as to the amount of indebtedness that it may incur. In the event of the bankruptcy of Marathon, these obligations for which USS is contingently liable, as well as obligations relating to industrial development and environmental improvement bonds and notes that were assumed by USS from Marathon, may be declared immediately due and payable. If that occurs USS may not be able to satisfy such obligations. In addition, if Marathon loses its investment grade ratings, certain of these obligations will be considered indebtedness under the Indenture and for covenant calculations under our revolving credit facility. This occurrence could prevent USS from incurring additional indebtedness under the Indenture or may cause a default under our revolving credit facility.

Under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, USS and each subsidiary of USS that was a member of the Marathon consolidated group during any taxable period or portion thereof ending on or before the effective time of the Separation is jointly and severally liable for the federal income tax liability of the entire Marathon consolidated group for that taxable period. Other provisions of federal law establish similar liability for other matters, including laws governing tax qualified pension plans as well as other contingent liabilities.

The Separation may be challenged by creditors as a fraudulent transfer or conveyance that could permit unpaid creditors of Marathon to seek recovery from us.

If a court in a suit by an unpaid creditor or representative of creditors of Marathon, such as a trustee in bankruptcy, or Marathon, as debtor-in-possession, in a reorganization case under the United States Bankruptcy Code, were to find that:

- . the Separation and the related transactions were undertaken for the purpose of hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors, or

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- . Marathon received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration in connection with the Separation and the transactions related thereto and (1) Marathon was insolvent at the effective time of the Separation and after giving effect thereto, (2) or Marathon as of the effective time of the Separation and after giving effect thereto, intended or believed that it would be unable to pay its debts as they became due, or (3) the capital of Marathon, at the effective time of the Separation and after giving effect thereto, was inadequate to conduct its business,

then the court could determine that the Separation and the related transactions violated applicable provisions of the United States Bankruptcy Code and/or applicable state fraudulent transfer or conveyance laws. Such a determination would permit the bankruptcy trustee or debtor-in-possession or unpaid creditors to rescind the Separation and permit unpaid creditors of Marathon to seek recovery from us.

The measure of insolvency for purposes of the foregoing considerations will vary depending upon the law of the jurisdiction that is being applied. Generally, an entity is considered insolvent if either:

- . the sum of its liabilities, including contingent liabilities, is greater than its assets, at a fair value, or

and matured.

The Separation may become taxable under section 355(e) of the Internal Revenue Code if 50% or more of USS's shares or Marathon Oil Corporation's shares are acquired as part of a plan which would materially affect our financial condition.

The Separation may become taxable to Marathon pursuant to section 355(e) of the Internal Revenue Code if 50% or more of either Marathon's shares or our shares are acquired, directly or indirectly, as part of a plan or series of related transactions that include the Separation. If section 355(e) applies, Marathon would be required to pay a corporate tax based on the excess of the fair market value of the shares distributed over Marathon's tax basis for such shares. The amount of this tax would be materially greater if the Separation were deemed to be a distribution of Marathon's shares. If an acquisition occurs that results in the Separation being taxable under section 355(e), a Tax Sharing Agreement between USS and Marathon provides that the resulting corporate tax liability will be borne by the entity, either USS or Marathon, that is deemed to have been acquired.

We may be responsible for a corporate tax if the Separation fails to qualify as a tax-free transaction, which would have an adverse affect on our financial condition.

Based on representations made by USX Corporation prior to the Separation, the Internal Revenue Service issued a private letter ruling that the Separation was tax-free to Marathon and its shareholders. To the extent a breach of one of those representations results in a corporate tax being imposed on Marathon, the breaching party, either USS or Marathon, will be responsible for payment of the corporate tax. If the Separation fails to qualify as a tax-free transaction through no fault of either USS or Marathon, the resulting tax liability, if any, is likely to be borne by us under the tax sharing agreement.

#### Risks Related to This Offering

If you fail to exchange your old notes, you may be unable to sell them.

Because we did not register the Outstanding Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities laws and we do not intend to do so after the exchange offer, the Outstanding Notes may only be transferred in limited circumstances under applicable securities laws. If you do not exchange your Outstanding Notes in the exchange offer, you will lose your right to have your Outstanding Notes registered under the Securities Act. If you are a holder of Outstanding Notes after the exchange offer, you may be unable to sell your Outstanding Notes.

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An active trading market may not develop for the Exchange Notes

There is no active public trading market for the Outstanding Notes. We do not intend to apply for listing of the Exchange Notes on any domestic securities exchange or Nasdaq. The liquidity of the trading market in the Exchange Notes, and the market prices quoted for the Exchange Notes, may be adversely affected by changes in the overall market for these types of securities and by changes in our financial performance or prospects or in the prospects for companies in our industry generally. As a consequence, an active trading market may not develop for your Notes, you may not be able to sell your Exchange Notes, or that, even if you can sell your Exchange Notes, you may not be able to sell them at a price equal to or above the price you paid.

Possible volatility of trading prices for the Notes

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt securities has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of such securities. The market for the Notes could be subject to similar volatility. The trading price of the Notes also could fluctuate in response to such factors as variations in USS' operating results, developments in the steel industry and the automotive industry, general economic conditions and changes in securities analysts' recommendations regarding our securities.

We may be unable to purchase the Notes upon a change of control

Upon the occurrence of "change of control" events specified in "Description of the Notes," you may require us to purchase your Notes at 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued interest. In some circumstances, a change of control could result from events beyond our control. We may not have the financial resources to purchase your Notes, particularly if that change of control event triggers a similar repurchase requirement for, or results in the acceleration of, other indebtedness. Our revolving credit facility provides that certain change of control events (as defined in the revolving credit facility) could result in the acceleration of our indebtedness under the revolving credit facility. Any of our future debt agreements may contain similar provisions.

We will receive no proceeds from the exchange of the Outstanding Notes in this exchange offer. In consideration for issuing the Exchange Notes as contemplated by this prospectus, we will receive in exchange a like principal amount of Outstanding Notes, the terms of which are substantially identical to the Exchange Notes. The Outstanding Notes surrendered in exchange for the Exchange Notes will be retired and canceled and cannot be reissued. Accordingly, issuance of the Exchange Notes will not result in any change in our capitalization.

The net proceeds from the issuance and sale of the Outstanding Notes were approximately \$520.0 million after deduction of the initial purchasers' discount and other expenses related to the offerings.

Prior to the Separation, the indebtedness and other obligations reflected on the combined balance sheet of USS generally represented obligations of USX Corporation that were attributed to USS for accounting purposes only and were not legal obligations of USS. Subject to a limited number of exceptions, USX Corporation was the legal obligor of the obligations reflected on the USS balance sheet and they remained obligations of Marathon Oil Corporation following the Separation. Accordingly, USS incurred new indebtedness to repay or otherwise discharge a substantial amount of the USX obligations attributed to USS prior to the Separation. The proceeds from the Outstanding Notes were used to repay a portion of the debt and other obligations attributed to USS by USX under its former tracking stock structure.

TERMS OF THE EXCHANGE

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message; or

- . the holder must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

To be tendered effectively, the Exchange Agent must receive any physical delivery of a letter of transmittal and other required documents at the address set forth below under "--Exchange Agent" prior to the Expiration Date.

The tender by a holder that is not withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date will constitute an agreement between the holder and us in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the accompanying letter of transmittal.

The method of delivery of Outstanding Notes, the letter of transmittal and all other required documents to the Exchange Agent is at the holder's election and risk. Rather than mail these items, we recommend that holders use an overnight or hand delivery service. In all cases, holders should allow sufficient time to assure delivery to the Exchange Agent before the Expiration Date. Holders should not send the letter of transmittal or Outstanding Notes to us. Holders may request their respective brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or other nominees to effect the above transactions for them.

Any beneficial owner whose Outstanding Notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and who wishes to tender should contact the registered holder promptly and instruct it to tender on the owners' behalf. If the beneficial owner wishes to tender on its own behalf, it must, prior to completing and executing the accompanying letter of transmittal and delivering its Outstanding Notes either:

- . make appropriate arrangements to register ownership of the Outstanding Notes in such owner's name; or
- . obtain a properly completed bond power from the registered holder of Outstanding Notes.

The transfer of registered ownership may take considerable time and may not be completed prior to the Expiration Date.

Signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal described below must be guaranteed by a member firm of a registered national securities exchange or of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States or another "eligible institution" within the meaning of Rule 17Ad-15 under the Exchange Act, unless the Outstanding Notes are tendered:

- .by a registered holder who has not completed the box entitled "Special Issuance Instructions" or "Special Delivery Instructions" on the accompanying letter of transmittal; or
- .for the account of an eligible institution.

If the accompanying letter of transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered holder of any Outstanding Notes listed on the Outstanding Notes, the Outstanding Notes must be endorsed or accompanied

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by a properly completed bond power. The bond power must be signed by the registered holder as the registered holder's name appears on the Outstanding Notes and an eligible institution must guarantee the signature of the bond power.

If the accompanying letter of transmittal or any Outstanding Notes or bond powers are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such persons should so indicate when signing. Unless waived by us, they should also submit evidence satisfactory to us of their authority to deliver the accompanying letter of transmittal.

The Exchange Agent and DTC have confirmed that any financial institution that is a participant in DTC's system may use DTC's Automated Tender Offer Program to tender. Participants in the program may, instead of physically completing and signing the accompanying letter of transmittal and delivering it to the Exchange Agent, transmit their acceptance of the exchange offer electronically. They may do so by causing DTC to transfer the Outstanding Notes to the Exchange Agent in accordance with its procedures for transfer. DTC will then send an agent's message to the Exchange Agent. The term "agent's message" means a message transmitted by DTC, received by the Exchange Agent and forming part of the book-entry confirmation, to the effect that:

- . DTC has received an express acknowledgement from a participant in its Automated Tender Offer Program that is tendering Outstanding Notes that are the subject of the book-entry confirmation;



. the participant has received and agrees to be bound by the terms of the accompanying letter of transmittal (or, in the case of an agent's message relating to guaranteed delivery arelreletter

- . the tender is made through an eligible institution;
- . on or prior to the Expiration Date, the Exchange Agent receives from the eligible institution either a properly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery (by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery) or a properly transmitted agent's message and notice of guaranteed delivery;
- . setting forth the name and address of the holder, the registered number(s) of the Outstanding Notes and the principal amount of outstanding Notes.

holder (or,

connection with the private offering of the Outstanding Notes.

In general, you may not offer to sell the Outstanding Notes unless they are registered under the Securities Act, or if the offer or sale is exempt from

of these Notes on the immediately preceding July 15 and January 15. We will pay interest on overdue principal at 1% per annum in excess of the above rate and will pay interest on overdue installments of interest at such higher rate to the extent lawful.

Interest on these Notes will accrue from February 1, 2002. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. No interest payment will be made for periods after February 1, 2002 in respect of any Outstanding Note exchanged for an Exchange Note.

Additional interest may accrue on the Notes in certain circumstances pursuant to the registration rights agreement.

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#### Optional Redemption

Except as set forth below, we will not be able to redeem the Notes at our option prior to maturity.

Before August 1, 2004, we may at our option on one or more occasions, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, redeem the Notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes originally issued at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) of 110.75%, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date, with the net cash proceeds from one or more Public Equity Offerings; provided that

- (1) at least 65% of such aggregate principal amount originally issued of the Notes remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of each such redemption (other than Notes held, directly or indirectly, by the Company or its Affiliates); and
- (2) each such redemption occurs within 60 days after the date of the related Public Equity Offering.

#### Selection and Notice of Redemption

If we are redeeming less than all the Notes at any time, the Trustee will select Notes on a pro rata basis, by lot or by such other method as the Trustee in its sole discretion shall deem to be fair and appropriate.

We will redeem Notes of \$1,000 or less in whole and not in part. We will cause notices of redemption to be mailed by first-class mail at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of Notes to be redeemed at its registered address.

If any Note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to that Note will state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. We will issue a new Note in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the original Note in the name of the holder upon cancellation of the original Note. Notes called for redemption become due on the date fixed for redemption. On and after the redemption date, interest ceases to accrue on Notes or portions of them called for redemption.

So long as the book-entry system is used for determining beneficial ownership of the Notes, the notice of redemption for any of the Notes will be given to Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") and registered owner of the Notes. Neither failure to receive such notice nor any defect in any notice so given shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for the redemption of any such Notes.

#### Mandatory Redemption; Offers to Purchase; Open Market Purchases

We are not required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Notes. However, under certain circumstances, we may be required to offer to purchase Notes as described under the captions "--Change of Control" and "--Certain Covenants--Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsequent to the Issuance of the Notes" at any time and from time to time purchase Notes in the open market or otherwise.

Exchange Act. DTC holds securities of institutions that have accounts with DTC ("participants") and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC's participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies (collectively, the "indirect participants") that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, whether directly or indirectly.

DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of participants of DTC and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Government Securities Clearing Corporation, MBS Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation (NSCC, GSCC, MBSCC, and EMCC, also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. The DTC Rules applicable to its participants are on the website of the DTCC.







in connection with such sales and will be bound by the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement that are applicable to such holder (including certain indemnification obligations).

We will pay additional cash interest on the applicable Outstanding Notes and Exchange Notes, subject to certification (in

directors on December 31, 2001 or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors then in office;

- (3) the adoption of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Company; or
- (4) the merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another Person or the merger of another Person with or into the Company, or the sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company (determined on a consolidated basis) to another Person, other than a merger or consolidation transaction in which holders of securities that represented 100% of the Voting Stock of the Company immediately prior to such transaction (or other securities into which such securities are converted as part of such merger or consolidation transaction) own directly or indirectly at least a majority of the voting power of the Voting Stock of the surviving Person in such merger or consolidation transaction immediately after such transaction and in substantially the same proportion as before the transaction.

Within 30 days following any Change of Control, we will mail a notice to each Holder with a copy to the Trustee (the "Change of Control Offer") stating:

- (1) that a Change of Control has occurred and that such Holder has the right to require us to purchase such Holder's Notes at a purchase price to be determined by the Trustee;



Foreign Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to any Credit Facilities or, provided, however, that, immediately after giving effect to any such Incurrence, the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness Incurred under this clause (1) and then outstanding does not exceed the greater of (A) \$750 million less the sum of all principal payments with respect to such Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a)(3)(A) of the covenant described under "--Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock," and (B) the sum of (x) 60% of the book value of the inventory of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries and (y) 85% of the book value of the accounts receivable of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, provided further, however, that in no event shall the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness Incurred under this clause (1) at any time outstanding exceed \$1.2 billion;

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- (2) Indebtedness owed to and held by the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; provided, however, that (A) any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock which results in any such Wholly Owned Subsidiary ceasing to be a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness (other than to the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the Incurrence of such Indebtedness by the obligor thereon and (B) if the Company is the obligor on such Indebtedness, such Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations with respect to the Notes;
- (3) the Notes and any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary outstanding on July 27, 2001;
- (4) Indebtedness Incurred or outstanding on or before December 31, 2001 (other than Indebtedness described in clause (1) or any other clause (other than clause (17) of this paragraph (b)), to the extent it does not exceed (w) the amount of indebtedness that was Attributed to the U. S. Steel Group on its balance sheet as of March 31, 2001 less (x) the amount of any Indebtedness described in clause (3) of this covenant or any Indebtedness described in clause (6) or (7) of this covenant that is Incurred by the Company pursuant to the Financial Matters Agreement less (y) \$629 million (which is the \$900 million Value Transfer less net refinancing of other obligations as of March 31, 2001) plus (z) \$40 million;
- (5) Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary Incurred and outstanding on or prior to the date on which such Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred in connection with, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Subsidiary became a Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company); provided, however, that on the date of such acquisition and after giving pro forma effect thereto, the Company would have been able to Incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of this covenant;
- (6) Industrial Revenue Bond Obligations, so long as the aggregate principal amount of all Industrial Revenue Bond Obligations (inclusive of any in respect of which the Company becomes directly or indirectly liable pursuant to the Financial Matters Agreement) does not exceed

provided, however, that such Indebtedness is extinguished within two Business Days of its Incurrence;

(13) Guarantees by the Company of obligations of any of its joint ventures in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$100 million;

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employees, former employees, directors or former directors), pursuant to the terms of the agreements (including employment agreements) or plans (or amendments thereto) approved by the Board of Directors under which such individuals purchase or sell or are granted the option to purchase or sell, shares of such Capital Stock; provided, however, that the aggregate amount of such repurchases and other acquisitions (other than any acquisition of shares of common stock of the Company that are used as payment for the exercise price of outstanding options) shall not exceed \$5.0 million in any calendar year; provided further, however, that such repurchases and other acquisitions shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

- (5) prior to the Separation Date, dividends, distributions or other payments to USX Corporation to the extent such amounts, after such dividend, distribution or other payment, are still attributed to, or used to reduce Indebtedness attributed to, the U.S. Steel Group in accordance with the Management and Allocation Policies of USX Corporation; provided, however, that such dividends, distributions or other payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (6) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, the declaration and payment of one or more dividends on Steel Stock or common stock of United States Steel Corporation with respect to the period ending on December 31, 2003 in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million; provided that such dividends shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments; or
- (7) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, any Restricted Payment which, together with all other Restricted Payments made pursuant to this clause (7) on or after July 27, 2001, does not exceed \$30 million; provided, however, that such Restricted Payments shall be included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments.

(c) For purposes of this covenant, Capital Stock or Indebtedness (including Subordinated Obligations) of the Company shall be deemed to include Capital Stock or Indebtedness (including Subordinated Obligations) of any Person that is Attributed to the U.S. Steel Group (including Steel Stock, but excluding any Preferred Stock or Subordinated Obligations of other Persons outstanding as of the Issue Date) and proceeds of the issuance of any such Capital Stock shall be deemed received by the Company to the extent they are Attributed to the U.S. Steel Group.

#### Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from Restricted Subsidiaries

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or permit to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to (a) pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company, (b) make any loans or advances to the Company or (c) transfer any of its property or assets to the Company, except:

- (1) with respect to clause (a), (b) and (c),
  - (i) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement in effect at or entered into on July 27, 2001;
  - (ii) any encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to any Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary on or prior to the date on which such Restricted Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred as consideration in, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Restricted Subsidiary became a Restricted Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and outstanding on such date;
  - (iii) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement effecting a Refinancing of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to an agreement referred to in clause (i) or (ii) of clause (1) of this covenant or this clause (iii) or contained in any amendment to an agreement referred to in clause (i) or (ii) of

clause (1) of this covenant or this clause (iii); provided, however, that the encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in any such refinancing agreement or amendment are no less favorable to the Noteholders than encumbrances









on the date of such issuance, sale, transfer or other disposition.

#### Limitation on Liens

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, incur or permit to exist any Lien (the "Initial Lien") of any nature whatsoever on any of its properties (including Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary), whether owned at July 27, 2001 or thereafter acquired, securing any Indebtedness, other than Permitted Liens, without effectively providing that the Notes shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to) the obligations so secured for so long as such obligations are so secured.

Any Lien created for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes pursuant to the preceding sentence shall provide by its terms that such Lien shall be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon the release and discharge of the Initial Lien.

#### Limitation on Sale/Leaseback Transactions

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into, Guarantee or otherwise become liable with respect to any Sale/Leaseback Transaction with respect to any property unless:

- (1) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to (A) incur Indebtedness in an amount equal to the Attributable Debt with respect to such Sale/Leaseback Transaction pursuant to the covenant described under "--Limitation on Indebtedness" and (B) create a Lien on such property securing such Attributable Debt without equally and ratably securing the Notes pursuant to the covenant described under "--Limitation on Liens";
- (2) the net proceeds received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with such Sale/Leaseback Transaction are at least equal to the fair value (as determined by the Board of Directors) of such property; and
- (3) the Company applies the proceeds of such transaction to the extent required by the covenant described under "--Limitation on Sale of Assets and Subsidiary Stock".

#### Merger and Consolidation

The Company will not consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease, in one transaction or a series of transactions, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all its assets to, any Person, unless:

- (1) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (the "Successor Company") shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia and the Successor Company (if not the Company) shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental thereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of the Company under the Notes and the Indenture;
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- (2) immediately after giving pro forma effect to such transaction (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Successor Company or any Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been incurred by such Successor Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
  - (3) immediately after giving pro forma effect to such transaction, the Successor Company would be able to incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of the covenant described under "--Limitation on Indebtedness";
  - (4) immediately after giving pro forma effect to such transaction, the Successor Company shall have Consolidated Net Worth in an amount that is not less than the Consolidated Net Worth of the Company immediately prior to such transaction;
  - (5) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger or transfer and such supplemental indenture (if any) comply with the Indenture; and
  - (6) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Holders will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such transaction and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such transaction had not occurred;

provided, however, that clauses (3) and (4) will not be applicable to (A) a

Restricted Subsidiary consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or part of its properties and assets to the Company or (B) the Company merging with an Affiliate of the Company solely for the purpose and with the sole effect of reincorporating the Company in another jurisdiction.

The Successor Company will be the successor to the Company and shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under the Indenture, and the predecessor Company, except in the case of a lease, shall be released from the obligation to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes.

#### Defaults

Each of the following is an Event of Default:

- (1) a default in the payment of interest or any Additional Amounts on the Notes when due, continued for 30 days;
- (2) a default in the payment of principal of any Note when due at its Stated Maturity, upon optional redemption, upon required purchase, upon declaration of acceleration or otherwise;
- (3) the failure by the Company to comply with its obligations under "-- Certain Covenants--Merger and Consolidation" above;
- (4) the failure by the Company to comply for 30 days after notice with any of its other obligations in the covenants described above under "-- Certain Covenants" above;
- (5) the failure by the Company to comply for 60 days after notice with its other agreements contained in the Indenture;
- (6) Indebtedness of the Company or any Significant Subsidiary is not paid within any applicable grace period after final maturity or is accelerated by the holders thereof because of a default and the total amount of such Indebtedness unpaid or accelerated exceeds \$50 million (the "cross acceleration provision");
- (7) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company or a Significant Subsidiary (the "bankruptcy provisions"); or

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- (8) any judgment or decree for the payment of money in excess of \$50 million is entered against the Company or a Significant Subsidiary, remains outstanding for a period of 60 consecutive days following such judgment and is not discharged, waived or stayed within 10 days after notice which would include any such judgments entered in connection with the various litigation matters described in the documents incorporated by reference (the "judgment default provision").

However, a default under clauses (4) and (5) will not constitute an Event of Default until the Trustee or the holders of 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Notes notify the Company of the default and the Company does not cure such default within the time specified after receipt of such notice.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Notes may declare the principal of and accrued but unpaid interest on all the Notes to be due and payable. Upon such a declaration, such principal and interest shall be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default relating to certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company occurs and is continuing, the principal of and interest on all the Notes will ipso facto become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any holders of the Notes. Under certain circumstances, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes may rescind any such acceleration with respect to the Notes and its consequences.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee, in case an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of the Notes unless such holders have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity or security against any loss, liability or expense. Except to enforce the right to receive payment of principal, premium (if any) or interest when due, no holder of a Note may pursue any remedy with respect to the Indenture or the Notes unless:

- (1) such holder has previously given the Trustee notice that an Event of Default is continuing;
- (2) holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Notes have requested the Trustee to pursue the remedy;

- (3) such holders have offered the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against any loss, liability or expense;
- (4) the Trustee has not complied with such request within 60 days after the receipt thereof and the offer of security or indemnity; and
- (5) holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes have not given the Trustee a direction inconsistent with such request within such 60-day period.

Subject to certain restrictions, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes are given the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or of exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee. The Trustee, however, may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or the Indenture or that the Trustee determines is unduly prejudicial to the rights of any other holder of a Note or that would involve the Trustee in personal liability.

If a Default occurs, is continuing and is known to the Trustee, the Trustee must mail to each holder of the Notes notice of the Default within 90 days after it occurs. Except in the case of a Default in the payment of principal of or interest on any Note, the Trustee may withhold notice if and so long as a committee of its trust officers determines that withholding notice is not opposed to the interest of the holders of the Notes. In addition, we are required to deliver to the Trustee, within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, a certificate indicating whether the signers thereof know of any Default that occurred during the previous year. We are required to deliver to the Trustee, within 30 days after the occurrence thereof, written notice of any event which would constitute certain Defaults, their status and what action we are taking or proposes to take in respect thereof.

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#### Amendments and Waivers

Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture may be amended with respect to any series of Notes with the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of that series of Notes then outstanding (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange for the Notes) and any past default or compliance with any provisions may also be waived with the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of that series of Notes then outstanding. However, without the consent of each holder of an outstanding Note affected thereby, an amendment or waiver may not, among other things:

- (1) reduce the amount of Notes whose holders must consent to an amendment;
- (2) reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of interest on any Note;
- (3) reduce the principal of or extend the Stated Maturity of any Note;
- (4) reduce the amount payable upon the redemption of any Note or change the time at which any Note may be redeemed as described under "--Optional Redemption";
- (5) make any Note payable in currency other than that stated in the Note;
- (6) impair the right of any holder of the Notes to receive payment of principal of and interest on such holder's Notes on or after the due dates therefor or to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to such holder's Notes;
- (7) make any change in the amendment provisions which require each holder's consent or in the waiver provisions; or
- (8) make any change in the ranking or priority of any Note that would adversely affect the Noteholders;

Notwithstanding the preceding, without the consent of any holder of the Notes, the Company and Trustee may amend the Indenture without the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes, if such amendment is necessary to conform to applicable law or to the terms of the Notes, to correct a manifest error, or to make any change that does not affect the substantive rights of any holder of the Notes.

- (4) to add guarantees with respect to the Notes, or to secure the Notes;
- (5) to add to the covenants of the Company for the benefit of the holders of the Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company;
- (6) to make any change that does not materially and adversely affect the rights of any holder of the Notes; or
- (7) to comply with any requirement of the SEC in connection with the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.

The consent of the holders of the Notes is not necessary under the Indenture to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment. It is sufficient if such consent approves the substance of the proposed amendment.

After an amendment under the Indenture becomes effective, we are required to mail to holders of the Notes a notice briefly describing such amendment. However, the failure to give such notice to all holders of the Notes, or any defect therein, will not impair or affect the validity of the amendment.

#### Transfer

Initially all the Notes are held through DTC. DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts the Notes are credited. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers. The Notes will be issued in registered form and will be transferable only upon the surrend'f any holen









expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (prior to the Separation, as Attributed to the U. S. Steel Group) plus, to the extent not included in such total interest expense, and to the extent incurred by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, without duplication:

(1) interest expense attributable total i

Consolidated Net Income;

- (4) any gain (but not loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any assets of the Company, its consolidated Subsidiaries or any other Person (including pursuant to any sale-

~~holders~~ thereof the right to require such Person to purchase or redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of an "asset sale" or "change of control" occurring prior to the first anniversary of the Stated Maturity of any series of Notes then outstanding shall not constitute Disqualified Stock if:

- (1) the "asset sale" or "change of control" provisions applicable to such Capital Stock are not more favorable to the holders of such Capital Stock than the terms applicable to the Notes and described under "--Certain Covenants--Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock" and "--Certain Covenants--Change of Control"; and
- (2) any such requirement only becomes operative after compliance with such terms applicable to the Notes, including the purchase of any Notes tendered pursuant thereto.

The amount of any Disqualified Stock that does not have a fixed redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Disqualified Stock as if such Disqualified Stock were redeemed, repaid or repurchased on any date on which the amount of such Disqualified Stock is to ~~be determined pursuant to the indenture~~; provided, however, that if such ~~Disqualified Stock is not to be redeemed, repaid or repurchased~~ at the time of such determination, the redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be the book value of such Disqualified Stock as reflected in the most recent financial statements of such Person.

"EBITDA" for any period means the sum of Consolidated Net Income (but without oected in

of effecting a receivables or inventory financing program so long as such entity has no obligations that are either Guaranteed by, or recourse to, any other Restricted Subsidiary.

"Foreign Restricted Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company that is organized in a jurisdiction outside the United States of America.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect as of July 27, 2001, including those set forth in:

- (1) the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants;
- (2) statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board;
- (3) such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession; and
- (4) the rules and regulations of the SEC governing the inclusion of financial statements (including pro forma financial statements) in periodic reports required to be filed pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act, including opinions and pronouncements in staff accounting bulletins and similar written statements from the accounting staff of the SEC.

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"Guarantee" means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any Person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any Person and any obligation, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such Person:

- (1) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation of such Person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreements to keep-well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services, to take-or-pay or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise) but shall not include take-or-pay arrangement or other agreements to purchase goods or services that are not entered into for the purpose of purchasing or paying such Indebtedness of such Person; or
- (2) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part); provided, however, that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term "Guarantee" used as a verb has a corresponding meaning. The term "Guarantor" shall mean any Person Guaranteeing any obligation.

"Hedging Obligations" of any Person means the obligations of such Person pursuant to any Interest Rate Agreement or Currency Agreement.

"Holder" or "Noteholder" means the Person in whose name a Note is registered on the Registrar's books.

"Incur" means issue, assume, Guarantee, incur or otherwise become liable for; provided, however, that any Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary (whether by merger, consolidation, acquisition or otherwise) shall be deemed to be Incurred by such Person at the time it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary. The term "Incurrence" when used as a noun shall have a corre

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Refinance, in whole or in part, such obligations.

"Interest Rate Agreement" means in respect of a Person any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement or other financial agreement or arrangement designed to protect such Person against fluctuations in interest rates.

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"Investment" in any Person means any direct or indirect advance, loan (other than advances to customers in the ordinary course o

law, be repaid out of the proceeds from such Asset Disposition;

- (3) all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Restricted Subsidiaries as a result of such Asset Disposition; and
- (4) the deduction of appropriate amounts provided by the seller as a reserve, in accordance with GAAP, against any liabilities associated with the property or other assets disposed in such Asset Disposition and retained by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary after such Asset Disposition.

"Net Cash Proceeds", with respect to any issuance or sale of Capital Stock, means the cash proceeds of such issuance or sale net of attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, underwriters' or placement agents' fees, discounts or commissions and brokerage, consultant and other fees actually incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

"Obligations" means with respect to any Indebtedness all obligations for principal, premium, interest, penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements, and other amounts payable pursuant to the documentation governing such Indebtedness.

"Permitted Investment" means an Investment by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in:

- (1) the Company, a Restricted Subsidiary or a Person that will, upon the making of such Investment, become a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that the primary business of such Restricted Subsidiary is a Related Business;
- (2) another Person if as a result of such Investment such other Person is merged or consolidated with or into, or transfers or conveys all or substantially all its assets to, the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that such Person's primary business is a Related Business;
- (3) cash and Temporary Cash Investments;
- (4) receivables owing to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary if created or acquired in the ordinary course of business and payable or dischargeable in accordance with customary trade terms; provided, however, that such trade terms may include such concessionary trade terms as the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary deems reasonable under the circumstances;
- (5) payroll, travel and similar advances to cover matters that are expected at the time of such advances ultimately to be treated as expenses for accounting purposes and that are made in the ordinary course of business;
- (6) loans or advances to employees made in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary;
- (7) stock, obligations or securities received in settlement of debts created in the ordinary course of business and owing to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or in satisfaction of judgments;
- (8) any Person to the extent such Investment represents the non-cash portion of the consideration received for an Asset Disposition as permitted pursuant to the covenant described under "--Certain Covenants--Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock";
- (9) any Person where such Investment was acquired by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (a) in exchange for any other Investment or accounts receivable held by the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary in connection with or as a result of a bankruptcy, workout, reorganization or recapitalization of the issuer of such other Investment or accounts receivable or (b) as a result of a foreclosure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with respect to any secured Investment or other transfer of title with respect to any secured Investment in default; and
- (10) loans or advances to USS/POSCO Industries for repairs of damages and business interruption caused by the fire that occurred on May 31, 2001 in an amount not to exceed \$25 million; provided that to the extent such loans or advances are not repaid by the end of 2002, they shall be repaid by the end of 2003.







Group, Inc. or Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or both, as the case may be.

"Refinance" means, in respect of any Indebtedness, to refinance, extend, renew, refund, repay, prepay, redeem, defease or retire, or to issue other Indebtedness in exchange or replacement for, such indebtedness. "Refinanced" and "Refinancing" shall have correlative meanings.

"Refinancing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness that Refinances any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary existing on July 27, 2001 or Incurred in compliance with the Indenture, including Indebtedness that Refinances Refinancing Indebtedness; provided, however, that:

- (1) such Refinancing Indebtedness has a Stated Maturity no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Indebtedness being Refinanced;
- (2) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an Average Life at the time such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred that is equal to or greater than the Average Life of the Indebtedness being Refinanced; and
- (3) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) that is equal to or less than the aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding or committed (plus fees and expenses, including any premium and defeasance costs) under the Indebtedness being Refinanced;

provided further, however, that Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include (A) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary that Refinances Indebtedness of the Company or (B) Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary that Refinances Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Related Business" means any business in which the Company was engaged on July 27, 2001 and any business related, ancillary or complementary to any business of the Company in which the Company was engaged on July 27, 2001.

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Policies of insurance are maintained by the Corporation under which directors and officers of the Corporation are insured, within the limits and subject to the limitations of the policies, against certain expenses in connection with the defense of actions, suits or proceedings, and certain liabilities which might be imposed as a result of such actions, suits or proceedings, to which they are parties by reason of being or having been such directors or officers.

The Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation provides that no director shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty by such director as a director, except (i) for breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Item 21. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

See Exhibit Index.

Item 22. Undertakings.

(a) USS hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of USS' annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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(b) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of USS pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, USS has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by USS of ~~expenses~~ ~~incurred~~ or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of USS in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, USS will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submitter a

to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

(C) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

(ii) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(iii) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Pittsburgh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on June 20, 2002.

United States Steel Corporation  
(Registrant)

/s/ Gretchen R. Haggerty  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senior Vice President & Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on June 20, 2002.

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Signature -----	Title -----
<S> _____ * Thomas J. Usher	<C> Chairman Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
_____ * Roy G. Dorrance	Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer and Director
_____ * Dan Dađ Directo_	Vice Chairman and Chief Legal & Administrative Officer and Director

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Director

Charles R. Lee

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Signature  
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Director

Paul E. Lego

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Director

John F. McGillicuddy

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Director

Seth E. Schofield

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Director

John W. Snow

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Director

Douglas C. Yearley

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/s/ Gretchen R. Haggerty

\* By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney in Fact

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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- \*\*3.1 Certificate of Incorporation of USS dated December 31, 2001, as currently in effect. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(a) to USS' Report on Form 10-K dated for the year ended December 31, 2001.)
- \*\*3.2 By-laws of USS dated December 31, 2001, as currently in effect. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to USS' Report on Form 8-K dated December 31, 2001.)
- \*\*4.1 Indenture dated July 27, 2001, as amended.
- \*\*4.2 Form of Exchange Agent Agreement.
- \*\*4.3 Registration Rights Agreement dated July 27, 2001.
- \*\*4.4 Registration Rights Agreement dated September 11, 2001.
- \*5 Opinion and consent of R.M. Stanton, Esq.
- \*\*10 Material Contracts. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibits 10(a), 10(b), 10(c), 10(d), 10(e), 10(f), 10(g), 10(h), 10(i), 10(j), 10(k), 10(l), 10(m), 10(n) and 10(o) inclusive to USS' Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.)
- ~~\*\*12.3~~ ~~Supplemental Exhibit 12.3 to USS' Report on Form 10-K dated December 31, 2001.~~
- \*\*12.3 Supplemental Exhibit 12.3 to USS' Report on Form 10-K dated December 31, 2001.
- \*\*21 Subsidiaries of Registrant. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 21 to USS' Report on Form 10-K dated for the year ended December 31,





CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-4 of our report dated February 15, 2002, except as to Note 8 which is as of April 26, 2002, relating to the consolidated financial statements of United States Steel Corporation which appears in the Current Report on Form 8-K of United States Steel Corporation dated June 4, 2002. We also consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-4 of our report dated February 15, 2002, relating to the financial statement schedule of United States Steel Corporation which appears in United States Steel Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

June 20, 2002