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1 Luxembourg, July 24, 1958: The High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community has announced the distribution of the funds arising from the loan of \$50 million which was recently floated on the U.S. capital market. The total of \$50 million will be divided among 28 projects, considered by the High Authority to contribute most effectively to the achievements of the General Objectives of the Community. A sum of \$28 million will go to projects presented by the coal industry, while \$19 million will be devoted to steel industry projects and \$3 million to iron-ore mining. The projects aim at:

- the modernization and development of coal producing installations,
- the development of the production of iron ore,
- the development of the production of pig iron in coastal plants,
- the improvement of steel works' installations for the dressing and direct reduction of iron ore.

The total of loans granted to German enterprises is \$28 million, to French enterprises \$13,5 million and to Italian and Belgian enterprises \$6,5 million.

Application by Community enterprises for the \$50 million of available funds reached a total of more than \$300 million. Of the 28 credits granted, 25 are for 20 years, totalling \$45 million, and three are for up to five years for a total amount of \$5 million.

The enterprises to which the High Authority has allotted loans are as follows:

Aciéries et Minières de la Sambre, Monceau sur Sambre,
Bergbau A.G. Ewald-König Ludwig, Herten/Westf.,
Bergwerksgesellschaft Walsum.b.H., Walsum,
Bochumer Verein für Gusstahlfabrikation A.G., Bochum,
Charbonnages de France, Paris,
Deutsche Edelstahlwerke, Krefeld,
Erzbergbau Salzgitter A.G., Salzgitter-Bad,

I. eiler Bergwerksverein, Kohlscheid,
Felten & Guilleaume Carlswerk Eisen & Stahl A.G., Köln,
Gebrüder Böhler & Co. A.G. Edelstahlwerk, Düsseldorf-Oberkassel,
Gebrüder Stumm G.m.b.H., Brambauer/Westf.,
Gelsenkirchener Bergwerks-A.G., Essen,
Gusstahlwerk Witten A.G., Witten/Ruhr,
Harpener Bergbau A.G., Dortmund,
Hessische Berg- und Hüttenwerke, A.G., Wetzlar,
Hüttenwerk Oberhausen A.G., Oberhausen,
Hütten- und Bergwerke Rheinhausen A.G., Rheinhausen,
Ilva, Alti Forni e Acciaieri d'Italia, Genua,
Klöckner Werke A.G., Duisburg,
Märkische Steinkohlengewerkschaft, Heessen (Westf.)
Ruhrstahl A.G., Hattingen,
Société Dunkerquoise de Sidérurgie, Paris,
Stahlwerke Südwestfalen A.G., Geisweid,
Steinkohlenbergwerk Friedrich der Grosse, Herne,
Steinkohlenbergwerke Mathias Stinnes A.G., Essen.

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All credits will be made to the enterprises at par. The 20-year credits will carry an interest rate of 5-5/8 % and the 5-year credits a rate of 5 %. These rates cover only the actual self-cost of the funds to the High Authority.

The \$50 million loan was underwritten by a group of American investment banks under the leadership of the New York banking houses of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., First Boston Corporation and Lazard Frères & Co. The proceeds of the issue were released to the High Authority on July 2, 1958.