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With Successful Placement of US \$ 100 million QIP Welspun Gujarat achieves total capital market fund raising of US\$ 250 million

Mumbai, 24 November 2009: Welspun Gujarat Stahl Rohren Ltd., (Welspun), the flagship Company of the Welspun Group and the 2nd largest line pipe manufacturers (Source: Financial Times, UK 2008) launched and successfully completed the capital raising exercise of US\$ 250 million. This capital raising exercise has been achieved over the last two months by way of \$150 million of Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds (FCCB) offering which was placed in October, 2009 and \$100 million in form of Qualified Institutional Placements (QIP) of equity shares, placed recently.

This, largest ever capital market initiative by the Company was extremely well received amongst renowned domestic and institutional investors.

The funds will be utilized to invest for capital expenditure, retirement of high cost debt, investments in growth opportunities and other usage in accordance with applicable statutory and/or regulatory requirements. The new shares being issued under QIP will be listed on the Bombay Stock exchange and National Stock Exchange and the FCCBs are listed on the Singapore Exchange. JP Morgan has acted as the sole book-runner for both FCCB and QIP.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. B.K. Goenka, Chairman and Managing Director of Welspun said, "Successful placement of FCCB and QIP reiterates the trust and belief that the investors repose on us. This fund raising will pave way for the accelerated growth journey of Welspun and the Company becoming one of the most respected pipe companies in the World".

About W.G.S.R.L.:

Welspun Gujarat Stahl Rohren started its activities in 1995 and since then has supplied pipes for some of the most prestigious projects including the World's deepest pipeline project in the Gulf of Mexico, U.S.A. and other critical projects across the globe. Welspun's state-of-the-art Plate and Pipe Plants are located in Dahej and Anjar in Gujarat, India. The Company has recently commissioned a World Class Pipe mill in Little Rock, Arkansas, U.S. The manufacturing facilities incorporate the hybrid JCO technology from Mannesmann Demag of Germany (SMS Meer). The company believes it has been one of the leading manufacturer of line pipes in terms of quality, innovation and technology. WGSRL is prepared to meet the growing demand and is in a position to meet the stringent requirements and standards of high grade line pipes.

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