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## **General Shale Successfully Completes Acquisition of Meridian Brick**

*Approval granted by all relevant antitrust authorities*

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. — [General Shale](#), the North American subsidiary of Wienerberger AG of Vienna, Austria – the world’s leading supplier of building materials and infrastructure solutions, has successfully completed the acquisition of Meridian Brick from Boral and an affiliate of Lone Star Funds. The relevant antitrust authority, the US Department of Justice, has granted its approval for the transaction subject to conditions that will be fulfilled by General Shale.

For more information about General Shale and its family of products, visit [www.generalshale.com](http://www.generalshale.com).

### **ABOUT GENERAL SHALE**

Founded in 1928, General Shale offers an endless array of sizes, colors and textures in a wide variety of masonry materials to complete any residential, commercial or specialty architectural project. These materials include brick, thin masonry, stone, outdoor living products, concrete block and various building materials, which include [Arriscraft Stone](#) and [Jet Stream](#) pipes division products.