HARDINGE INC Form SC TO-C February 04, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

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

HARDINGE INC.

(Name of Subject Company)

INDÚSTRIAS ROMI S.A.

(Names of Filing Person (Offeror))

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share (Title of Class of Securities)

412324303

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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Not Applicable

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated February 4, 2010.
99.2	Investor Presentation Materials, dated February 4, 2010.