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**A PROCESS FOR THE CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF
A LONGITUDINAL SEAM-WELDED METAL TUBE**

ABSTRACT

A process for the continuous production of a longitudinal seam-welded metal tube

In a process for the continuous production of a longitudinal seam-welded metal tube, wherein a metal strip is pulled off from a strip supply, is gradually formed into a tube comprising an open longitudinal slit and the longitudinal slit is closed by soldering or welding, a lubricant is introduced into the still open slit tube.

Fig. 1