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Graphic Packaging International's EVP, Mills Division Al Nichols to Retire; Mike Farrell Appointed New EVP, Mills Division

ATLANTA, Aug. 15, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Graphic Packaging Holding Company (NYSE: GPK), today announced that Alan ("Al") R. Nichols, Executive Vice President of Graphic Packaging International's Mills Division, has elected to retire on September 15, 2018 after 29 years of dedicated service with the Company. "Al's leadership has been vital to the success of Graphic Packaging. During his tenure, our safety performance has evolved to world-class levels, productivity and quality have consistently improved, and we are making excellent progress integrating the new SBS platform into our mill portfolio. All these accomplishments have greatly contributed to our growth over the last decade. We wish Al and his family all the best as he transitions into retirement," said President and CEO Michael Doss.

Michael ("Mike") J. Farrell has been named Executive Vice President, Mills Division, effective September 15, 2018. Farrell has held leadership positions at Graphic Packaging over the last 13 years, including Vice President, Recycled Board Mills, where he led the exceptional safety, productivity and quality results of the CRB mill system, and, most recently, Senior Vice President, Supply Chain. "Mike has been instrumental in integrating our new SBS and Foodservice business into Graphic Packaging and his previous accomplishments leading the recycled paperboard mills make him an excellent fit for this role," continued Doss. "I am excited to have someone with Mike's track record of achievement moving into this critical leadership position."

About Graphic Packaging Holding Company

Graphic Packaging Holding Company (NYSE: GPK), headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, is committed to providing consumer packaging that makes a world of difference. The Company is a leading provider of paper-based packaging solutions for a wide variety of products to food, beverage, foodservice, and other consumer products companies. The Company operates on a global basis, is one of the largest producers of folding cartons and paper-based foodservice products in the United States and holds leading market positions in solid bleached sulfate paperboard, coated unbleached kraft paperboard and coated recycled paperboard. The Company's customers include many of the world's most widely-recognized companies and brands. Additional information about Graphic Packaging, its business and its products is available on the Company's web site at www.graphicpkg.com.

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