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Matthew B. Brady Joins Westell Technologies as President and CEO

AURORA, Ill., July 10, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Westell Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ:WSTL), a leading provider of high-performance wireless infrastructure solutions, today announced that its Board of Directors has unanimously chosen Matthew B. Brady as the Company's new President and CEO, effective July 17, 2017. Brady replaces interim President and CEO Kirk Brannock, who had planned to depart once a CEO transition plan was complete.

Brady has over 25 years of experience in enhancing customer relationships, driving revenue growth, and improving operations and bottom-line results. Most recently, he served as Senior Vice President of Federal Signal Corporation's Safety and Security Systems Group. Prior to leading the $240 million Safety and Security Systems Group, Brady was its Vice President of Global Sales. Before that, he was Sales Director for Public Safety at Motorola Solutions. Previously, Brady held executive sales and marketing positions at Clarity Communications Systems, Tellabs, and Motorola.

"I am pleased and excited to join Westell," said Brady. "The Company has recently undergone a critical period of transition, and I believe Westell is well positioned for long-term sustained growth and profitability. I look forward to building on the Company's long-established reputation for delivering high-quality products and solutions, including the growing in-building wireless public safety communication market, as well as other fast-developing communication network applications."

"This is a great time for Matt to become Westell's CEO. After an extensive search, we've selected a leader with a strong track record of driving revenue growth," said Dennis O. Harris, Chairman of Westell's Board of Directors. "With his business strategy and execution track record, public safety experience, and long-standing customer relationships, Matt is the right choice to lead Westell."

"I want to acknowledge Kirk Brannock who has done a tremendous job since stepping in to fill the President and CEO role in October 2016," Harris added. "During Kirk's tenure, Westell completed an extensive cost and expense reduction program that is delivering improved profitability, growing cash, and nourishing a strong debt-free balance sheet. At the same time, Kirk positioned the Company to address the emerging market for in-building wireless public safety communication. Moving forward, Matt will focus on continuing to improve profitability and drive revenue growth."

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About Westell Technologies

Westell is a leading provider of high-performance wireless infrastructure solutions focused on innovation and differentiation at the edge of communication networks where end users connect. The Company's portfolio of products and solutions enables service providers and network operators to improve performance and reduce operating expenses. With millions of products successfully deployed worldwide, Westell is a trusted partner for transforming networks into high-quality reliable systems. For more information, please visit westell.com.

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