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Ball Names Michael W. Feldser President, Metal Food & Household Products Packaging Division, Americas

BROOMFIELD, Colo., Feb. 5 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Ball Corporation (NYSE: BLL) announced today that Michael W. Feldser will become president of Ball Metal Food & Household Products Packaging Division, Americas, effective April 1 of this year. He has been president of aerosol & specialty packaging since joining Ball in early 2006.

Feldser, 56, will have overall responsibility for all aspects of the division's business, which produces metal food cans, aerosol cans and specialty packaging at 17 facilities in the U.S., Canada and Argentina and had 2006 sales of $1.19 billion. Brian M. Cardno, 61, who has been president, metal food packaging, since 2002, has announced he plans to retire in May 2008.

"We made considerable progress during 2006 in the integration of our metal food can business with the aerosol and specialty business we acquired at the end of March, and Brian and Mike worked well together in leading that process," said John R. Friedery, senior vice president and chief operating officer, Ball Packaging Products, Americas. "The next step in the integration is to place the combined businesses under a single management structure.

"Mike is a 30-year veteran of the packaging industry and knows these businesses very well," Friedery said. "His knowledge and experience will help make this integration a success. Brian has made significant contributions to Ball during his 19 years with the company, particularly in our international and metal food container businesses, and we will draw on his knowledge between now and his retirement."

Ball Corporation is a supplier of high-quality metal and plastic packaging products and owns Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. Ball reported 2006 sales of $6.62 billion and employs more than 15,500 people worldwide.

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