

## Graphic Packaging Holding Company Publishes Sustainability and Social Responsibility Report

ATLANTA, Sept. 4, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Graphic Packaging Holding Company (NYSE: GPK), (the "Company"), a leading provider of packaging solutions to food, beverage, foodservice, and other consumer products companies, today released its 2017 Sustainability and Social Responsibility Report. The report highlights the robust initiatives the Company has implemented and is continually pursuing to preserve the environment and invest in the communities where it operates. The report is available on the Sustainability tab at www.graphicpkg.com.

Since establishing sustainability goals in 2008, the Company has made significant progress on its initiatives. The 2017 Sustainability and Social Responsibility Report provides an extensive overview of the Company's activities with references to the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Sustainability Reporting Standards. In preparing the report, the Company engaged third parties to generate the energy, carbon emissions and water metrics. The Company also responds to the CDP's (formerly Carbon Disclosure Project) Supply Chain, Climate Change, Water and Forestry questionnaires each year.

The report outlines three key community pillars on which the Company is focused: Preserving the Environment, Putting Food on the Table, and Investing in Education. The report also highlights Graphic Packaging's Sustainability Vision 2025, which notes both the historical progress toward reducing the Company's environmental footprint and the goals Graphic Packaging is committed to achieving by 2025. The report includes numerous examples of the accomplishments the Company is making with environmental and social initiatives as well.

"We are proud to formally present our 2017 Sustainability and Social Responsibility Report, which clearly lays out the strides Graphic Packaging has made on key sustainability and social initiatives and what we will continue to focus on for many years into the future," said President and CEO Michael Doss. "Sustainability and social responsibility are at the heart of what we do at Graphic Packaging. This includes the renewable and recyclable paperboard-based cartons and foodservice containers we produce for our customers from renewable wood fiber, our focus on continually reducing our raw material consumption and environmental footprint, and our significant involvement in the communities where we operate. We look forward to keeping our stakeholders updated on our continued progress on these initiatives in the future."

## 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 paperbased 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 <u>www.graphicpkg.com</u>.

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