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KLÖCKNER PENTAPLAST GROUP APPOINTS HANS-JOACHIM KOGELNIK AS PRESIDENT & COO FOR EUROPE

Montabaur, Germany, August 21, 2008 – The Klöckner Pentaplast Group has appointed Dr. Hans-Joachim Kogelnik as President and Chief Operating Officer (COO) for the company's European operations effective September 1, 2008. Kogelnik will assume the overall responsibility for all kp activities, operations, and sales offices in the region, including numerous plants in Germany, Switzerland, Russia, Great Britain, Spain, and Portugal and sales offices in The Netherlands, France, Italy, Sweden, and Spain.

Prior to joining Klöckner Pentaplast, Kogelnik served as Advisory Board member for Ineos ABS, a joint venture between Lanxess and Ineos. Prior that position, he was Global Head of the business unit Lustran Polymers at Lanxess. Kogelnik has over 20 years experience with Bayer AG and Lanxess to include general management of global business units, operations, innovation, marketing/product management, and supply chain management in all regions of the world. He began his career at Bayer as a development chemist. Kogelnik earned a Master of Science degree and a PhD in Chemistry from Technical University (RWTH) (Aachen, Germany).

About the Klöckner Pentaplast Group

The Klöckner Pentaplast Group is the world's leading producer of films for pharmaceutical, medical device, food, electronics, and general-purpose thermoform packaging, as well as printing and specialty applications. Founded in 1965 in Montabaur, Germany, Klöckner Pentaplast has grown from its initial facility to 20 current production operations in 11 countries.

The Klöckner Pentaplast Group is wholly owned by affiliates of The Blackstone Group. The company has sales of over \$1.5 billion (Euro 1.2 billion) and employs more than 3,400 people

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