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KLÖCKNER PENTAPLAST ADDS THERMOFORMING CAPABILITIES TO BEAVER SITE TO FURTHER GROW THEIR SUSTAINABLE FOOD TRAY OFFER IN NORTH AMERICA

London, UK – November 2020 – Klöckner Pentaplast (kp), a global leader in recycled content products and high-barrier protective packaging, has chosen its production facility in Beaver, West Virginia, for its multi-million dollar production expansion, adding thermoforming capabilities to further grow their sustainable food tray offer to the North American market.

“The addition responds to the growing demand for sustainable post-consumer recycled content (PCR) PET packaging solutions in MAP (modified atmosphere packaging) and VSP (vacuum skin packaging) in the fresh protein market.” said Adam Barnett, President of the Food Products Division at kp. This expansion will introduce significant capacity to address the need for highly transparent and sustainable solutions in strategic markets. By increasing capacity for sustainable packaging solutions, we are ensuring that our customer’s sustainability targets can be met for the long term and that we continue to support the circular economy.”

The trays will be made from 100% PCR using advanced technology upgrades to extrusion assets including super cleaning technology for leading food safety compliance. The investment will convert thousands of tonnes of PCR bottles into food safe packaging.

The addition is part of kp’s North America expansion plans, previously announced in August. The company received a grant and local incentives for the placement. The installation will add 21 jobs to the West Virginia facility and is expecting to be fully operational Q2 2021.

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About Klöckner Pentaplast

Focused on delivering its vision: The Sustainable Protection of Everyday Needs, kp is a global leader in rigid and flexible packaging, specialty film solutions, serving the pharmaceutical, medical device, food, beverage and card markets, amongst others. With a broad and innovative portfolio of packaging and product films and services, kp plays an integral role in the customer value chain by safeguarding product integrity, assuring safety and consumer health, improving sustainability and protecting brand reputation. Founded in 1965 kp has 32 plants in 18 countries and employs over 5,900 people committed to serving customers worldwide in over 60 locations. For more information visit www.kpfilms.com.

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