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Seven Members Elected to VICS Board

Lawrenceville, NJ -- The Board of Directors of the Voluntary Interindustry Commerce Solutions Association elected five new members and re-elected two others at Executive Committee meeting last month in Austin, TX. The new members join the board effective immediately.

The new members are:

Britt Dayton, Vice President, Supply Chain Development, Lowe's Companies
Jim LaBounty, Senior Vice President of Supply Chain Management, JCPenney
Gary Maxwell, Senior Vice President of Merchandise Replenishment Division, Wal-Mart Stores
Bill Merrigan, Vice President, Global Supply Chain, International Paper
Dave Rush, Vice President, Supply Chain Integration, Polo Ralph Lauren

The re-elected members are

Jim Flannery, Managing Director of Customer Business Development, Procter & Gamble
Randy Salley, Vice President, Supply Chain IT, Hewlett Packard

VICS Co-chairmen John Sullivan, Senior Vice President and CIO of sourcing, service and systems at Liz Claiborne, and John Thompson, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Best Buy.com, welcomed the new and returning board members.

“These new and returning members are already providing the personal and professional resources needed to drive progress at the VICS organization,” said Sullivan and Thompson. “We look forward to working closely with each of them, and to reaching the goals of industry collaboration and supply chain efficiencies.”

About VICS

The Voluntary Interindustry Commerce Solutions (VICS) Association has enabled companies in the retail and consumer-focused industries to eliminate billions of dollars of waste and delay. By creating voluntary guidelines, often referred to as “standards,” VICS has created new best practices that ultimately lead to lower costs and better availability of products for consumers. VICS’ volunteer members improve the flow of products and information throughout retailing and the consumer-focused industries that supply retail. The Association provides leadership and an environment in which executives can make a difference in their industry, their company performance—and their personal commitment to make the world work a little bit better. VICS’

members help define the next best practices in the industries and thus anticipate and optimize business processes and costs. Additional information can be found at www.vics.org.

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