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Robert D. LeBlanc , Lead Director , Church & Dwight Co., Inc.

Bob is a retired Chief Executive Officer with experience in the chemical and manufacturing industries where he executed growth, turnaround, technology and supply chain strategies. He has more than 10 years experience in the consumer packaged goods industry as a Director.

He is Lead Director of Church & Dwight Co., Inc., (NYSE: CHD), a consumer packaged goods and specialty chemical company, Jetera, Inc., a technology based, precision media company and Joliet Equipment Corporation, an industrial motor and motor repair company. He was previously a Director of Opinion Research Corporation, (NASDAQ: ORCI), WHX Corporation, (NYSE: WHX), Handy & Harman, (NYSE: HNH) and The Connecticut Chapter of The National Association of Corporate Directors.

Bob joined Handy & Harman, as Executive Vice President in 1996 and was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer, and Director in 1997. He became Chief Executive Officer in 1998 following the company's acquisition by WHX where he also held the positions of Executive Vice President, Principal Executive Officer and Director until his retirement in 2003.

In 1980, Bob joined Elf Aquitaine (now TOTAL, NYSE: TOT) as a business manager for M&T Chemicals. He joined Elf's Atochem subsidiary in 1984 and was Executive Vice President of Atochem Inc. from 1987 to 1990. With the acquisition of The Pennwalt Corporation in 1990, Bob was appointed Group President, Elf Atochem North America, Inc. In 1994 he was appointed Executive Vice President.

Prior to 1980, Bob held positions in research & development, manufacturing, sales, marketing and general management with predecessor companies of Rohm and Haas and Rhodia.

Born in Beverly, Massachusetts, Bob resides in Southport, North Carolina with his wife, Peggy and Australian Shepherd, Hershey. Daughters, Danielle and Chantal are attending college. He is a 1971 graduate of Boston College where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, summa cum laude. Graduate studies in Chemistry without degree were conducted at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Bob is a member of The National Association of Corporate Directors and The American Chemical Society.

Hobbies include gourmet cooking, golf and DIY. An avid sports fan, Bob actively supports Boston College athletics and has endowed a football scholarship in memory of his father at the University.

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