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## Chris Frank named Vice President, Operations for BW Flexible Systems Longtime leader with wide range of experience to direct engineering, supply chain, manufacturing and field service teams



Chris Frank is now Vice President, Operations for BW Flexible Systems.

DUNCAN, S.C. — May 5, 2022 — BW Flexible Systems, <u>a Barry-Wehmiller Packaging Systems</u> company, is pleased to announce the appointment of Chris Frank to the role of Vice President of Operations. As a member of BW Flexible Systems' executive leadership team, Frank will direct leadership for the engineering, manufacturing, supply chain and field service teams across the company's global locations.

Frank has been with BW Flexible Systems for 15 years. He began his tenure with the company as Directory of Supply Chain and was most recently Vice President of Customer Service.

"For us to deliver operational excellence, we feel it is important to pull together the areas of Sold Work Engineering, Supply Chain, Manufacturing, Assembly, and Field Service to work more closely together to better improve the flow of our operation, the lives of our people and earn the trust of our customers," said Doug McGraw, President of BW Flexible Systems. "Chris' knowledge of so many different aspects of our business, along with his leadership skills, will help us to better work as one team to deliver operational excellence to all of our stakeholders."

Frank is based out of the Duncan, South Carolina headquarters and will report directly to McGraw.

"I am very excited for the opportunity to lead our operations organization on the next leg of our journey as a global, industryleading provider of innovative flexible packaging equipment," Frank said. "Through this organizational change and the continued pursuit of our Operational Excellence strategy, I am confident BW Flexible Systems will achieve even higher levels of customer trust, team member fulfillment and stakeholder return."

Carol O'Neill, Group President of Packaging for Barry-Wehmiller, said Frank's promotion is a testament to the depth of talent within BW Packaging Systems companies.

"At BW Packaging Systems, we take pride in developing leaders who are not only knowledgeable and skilled in their respective industries, but truly care about both their customers and those they lead," O'Neill said. "Chris has been a major contributor to the effectiveness of BW Flexible Systems and I know he will bring added value to our customers and our company in this new role."

BW Flexible Systems creates flexible packaging solutions by bringing together some of the industry's most trusted and innovative brands, including Hayssen, Thiele, Rose Forgrove, Sandiacre, Schib, Simionato, Streamfeeder, Symach and others. Its range of machinery options includes form-fill-seal packaging, horizontal flow-wrapping, bag filling and palletizing, and more. BW Flexible Systems is one of several Barry-Wehmiller companies represented in BW Packaging Systems, which brings together the collective packaging capabilities of Accraply, BW Flexible Systems, BW Integrated Systems, Pneumatic Scale Angelus and Synerlink.

## **ABOUT BW FLEXIBLE SYSTEMS**

BW Flexible Systems is a global manufacturer of packaging systems that fill and bag thousands of food and non-food products. Our packaging systems are designed and manufactured to maximize the efficiency and lifetime value of our customers' packaging lines. Our range of machinery includes form-fill-seal, feeding, bag filling and sealing, pouch-making equipment, flow-





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wrap, reclosable packaging solutions, palletizing, stretch-wrapping and more. For more about BW Flexible Systems, a Barry-Wehmiller Packaging Systems company, go to <u>bwflexiblesystems.com</u>.

## **ABOUT BARRY-WEHMILLER**

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