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BW Integrated Systems hires Mike Girtman as Director of Product Development Industry leader to accelerate innovation for Barry-Wehmiller packaging company



ROMEOVILLE, III. — Nov. 29, 2018 — BW Integrated Systems, a Barry-Wehmiller packaging company, has announced the hiring of industry veteran Mike Girtman as Director of Product Development. In this newly created role, Girtman will focus on driving innovative product development throughout the BW Integrated Systems product portfolio, which includes industry-leading end-of-line solutions such as cartoning, case-packing, palletizing and robotic automation.

"The ability of BW Integrated Systems to develop differentiated products is vital as we continue our journey to create value for our clients across the globe. The addition of Mike to our team is aligned with our intent to develop innovative products," said Pete Carlson, President of BW Integrated Systems. "We clearly understand that to advance our products across the markets we serve, we require the right approach and a systematic process. Mike brings a wealth of productdevelopment experience honed over a 35-year career, including 22 years at Alvey (Intelligrated), and through multiple collaborative R&D efforts with leading universities."

Mike Girtman joins BW Integrated Systems as Director of Product Development.

BW Integrated Systems is one of the largest robotic integrators in the global packaging industry, with more than 500 installations in 13 countries, and it provides systems integration solutions for

virtually every segment of the fast-moving consumer goods market. Girtman, who will be based out of St. Louis, will work closely with the company's market-focused product line leaders, and will utilize client input and his proven product-development process to ensure that product line investments create value for clients and shareholders.

"While Mike brings technical aptitude and experience to his role, just as importantly, he is a great fit with our people-centric culture," added Carlson.

BW Integrated Systems is one of five Barry-Wehmiller businesses represented in <u>BW Packaging Systems</u>, which also includes Accraply, BW Flexible Systems, Pneumatic Scale Angelus and Synerlink. Through their diverse capabilities, these companies can collectively provide everything from a single piece of equipment to fully integrated, tailor-made packaging line solutions for a wide range of industries, including: food and beverage, personal care, container manufacturing, pharmaceutical and medical devices, household products, paper products and textiles, industrial and automotive, and converting, printing and publishing.

ABOUT BW INTEGRATED SYSTEMS

BW Integrated Systems is an industry leader in the design and manufacture of end-of-line packaging equipment solutions and packaging automation, as well as systems integration. With seven manufacturing facilities and more than 800 team members worldwide, BW Integrated Systems is a global partner for our customers and has installations in more than 50 countries around the world. Our products and service network provide differentiated technology and technical support for manufacturing companies in a variety of global market segments, including automotive, beer and beverage, wine, spirits, container manufacturing, food, household, personal care, dairy, paper, pharmaceutical, and consumer mailing and collating. BW Integrated Systems packaging professionals have decades of application experience in robotic solutions, packaging line design, integrated solutions, palletizers and depalletizers, automated can-end and product-handling equipment, case- and tray-packing, case- and tray-forming, advanced conveyance technology and controls, unwrappers, destrappers, feeders, coolers and pasteurizers. For more about BW Integrated Systems, a Barry-Wehmiller Packaging Systems company, go to <u>bwintegratedsystems.com</u>.

ABOUT BARRY-WEHMILLER

Barry-Wehmiller is a diversified global supplier of engineering consulting and manufacturing technology for the packaging, corrugating, sheeting and paper-converting industries. By blending people-centric leadership with disciplined operational strategies and purpose-driven growth,

Barry-Wehmiller has become a \$3 billion organization with nearly 12,000 team members united by a common belief: to use the power of business to build a better world. CEO Bob Chapman shares the story of the company's transformation in his book, *Everybody Matters: The Extraordinary Power of Caring for Your People Like Family*. To learn more, go to barrywehmiller.com.

