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Patrick Morrissey Promoted to Production Manager

(New England Extrusion Inc., August 2, 2005) New England Extrusion Inc., (NEX) announces that Patrick Morrissey has been promoted to the position of production manager at the Turners Falls, Massachusetts facility. Morrissey will now oversee the production department, ensuring the continued manufacture of only the highest quality products with optimum productivity to meet customer requirements. He will also support and enhance the NEX ISO 9001:2000 quality system within the production department, as well as streamline processes to minimize scrap levels and improve efficiencies. In addition, Morrissey will be instrumental in implementing lean programs such as SMED and TPM, and monitoring their effectiveness.

Pat Morrissey began his packaging career in 1973 at Deerfield Plastics Company, in South Deerfield, MA as an extrusion line operator and was on the original NEX production team when the company was formed in 1988. During his career Morrissey has worked with a variety of film products and has had many responsibilities ranging from production management and training, to scheduling and purchasing. According to Tom Peabody, NEX director of operations, Pat Morrissey has been a valuable asset to NEX since its inception, and he will be instrumental in helping us achieve our future growth goals.

About NEX:

NEX manufactures high quality monolayer and coextruded film for demanding food, medical and industrial packaging applications. The company operates a production facility and research and development center in Turners Falls, Mass., and a production facility in Milton, Wis. NEX is part of the performance packaging operations of Appleton, a producer of specialty papers and performance packaging products, based in Appleton, Wis.

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