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## HayssenSandiacre Announces Acquisition of Simionato Integrated Packaging System S.r.l.

DUNCAN, S.C. — November 15, 2011 — Michael T. May, president of HayssenSandiacre, Inc., announced the stock purchase of Simionato Integrated Packaging System S.r.l., formerly privately owned through Vela Capital. Simionato is a manufacturer of integrated flexible packaging systems based in Mestrino, Italy. The combined organization aligns major operation bases in Italy, England and America. With 20,000 machinery installations worldwide and annual revenues approaching \$100 million the organizations bring their combined richness of culture and experience to the global flexible packaging industry.

“The addition of Simionato expands HayssenSandiacre’s range of flexible packaging equipment solutions as well as our geographical presence in new global markets,” May said. “By leveraging the products and experiences of our U.S., U.K. and Italian operations, we are confident the Simionato product line will be immediately accretive to the worldwide HayssenSandiacre business model.”

Established in 1963 with the production of a vertical packing machine, Simionato today is a market leader in the design, manufacture and support of integrated packaging systems. With more than 5,000 installations in plants located all over the world, Simionato enjoys a reputation as a quality provider of complete system solutions.

“We are pleased to join HayssenSandiacre as this provides even greater capability to support customers as an enhanced global packaging systems partner with a broad platform of machinery solutions and an expanded network of sales and service team members,” said Monica Pugiotto, who will continue as COO of the Simionato operation in Italy.

With the integration of Simionato, HayssenSandiacre gains expanded entry into the European, Middle Eastern and South American marketplaces through an established market leader in products that are complementary with HayssenSandiacre’s own offerings. “This strategic combination of organizations and technologies is very much in alignment with our vision of providing system solutions to meet the range of our customer’s global operational needs” explained Simon Lagoe, managing director of HayssenSandiacre Europe in Nottingham, U.K.

### About HayssenSandiacre

HayssenSandiacre is recognized as a form fill seal (FFS) technology and services leader worldwide. Its innovative, high-speed flexible VFFS and HFFS packaging systems accurately fill and bag thousands of food products and a wide range of other types of retail, industrial and institutional products. HayssenSandiacre is headquartered in the Greenville-Spartanburg area of South Carolina and is a proud member of the Barry-Wehmiller family of companies, the largest packaging automation group in the Western Hemisphere.

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**Barry-Wehmiller Companies, Inc.** is a diversified global supplier of engineering consulting and manufacturing technology solutions in packaging, corrugating and paper converting across a broad spectrum of industries. Barry-Wehmiller’s balanced approach to the market is made possible through nine interactive divisions: **Accraply, Inc.**, a leading manufacturer of automatic labeling and label converting and finishing systems; **Barry-Wehmiller Design Group, Inc.**, a premier supplier of manufacturing automation, facility design, and other engineering consulting services; **Barry-Wehmiller International Resources (BWIR)**, a global provider of business and technology solutions to the mid-market manufacturing domain; **FleetwoodGoldcoWyard, Inc.**, a leading producer and supplier of automated can end and product handling equipment, advanced conveyance technology, palletizers, depalletizers, and process equipment;

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**HayssenSandiacre**, a form/fill/seal technologies and services leader for more than 100 years; **MarquipWardUnited, Inc.**, a leading manufacturer of equipment for the corrugated and folded carton industries; **Paper Converting Machine Company (PCMC)**, providing high-performance converting machinery for the global tissue, nonwovens, package printing, and envelope manufacturing industries; **PneumaticScaleAngelus**, a global provider for filling, capping, can seaming, labeling, and centrifugation; and **Thiele Technologies, Inc.**, a leading producer of placing, feeding, bagging, cartoning, case packing, and palletizing equipment.

In fiscal year 2011, Barry-Wehmiller leveraged a strategic combination of organic and acquisition growth to achieve revenues surpassing \$1.2 billion. Barry-Wehmiller now employs more than 5,500 team members in over 65 locations worldwide.