Owens-Illinois Appoints Vice President of Global Integration and Transformation

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TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec 1, 2004 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Owens-Illinois, Inc., (NYSE: OI) today announced that Philip J. Rubin has been named vice president, global integration and transformation, effective December 1.

In this new role, Phil will be responsible for the development and maintenance of world-class business processes, facilitating both the physical logistics and information flows throughout the supply chain, including, but not limited to, global supply chain analysis, competitive analysis, special project studies, and program coordination for turnaround and transformation priorities and strategies.

Rubin is an experienced supply chain technical expert and brings over 20 years of global supply chain, operations, general management and project management experience to this new role. He has lived in both Korea and China and is a trained six-sigma leader.

"In his role, Phil will actively participate in various global networks and teams to assist in leveraging global capabilities and focusing on O-I's fundamentals," said Steve McCracken, O-I Chairman & CEO.

About O-I

Owens-Illinois is the largest manufacturer of glass containers in the world, with leading positions in Europe, North America, Asia Pacific and South America. O-I is also a leading manufacturer of health care packaging and specialty closure systems.

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