Owens-Illinois Announces General Manager of China

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TOLEDO, Ohio, Feb 22, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Owens-Illinois, Inc., (NYSE: OI) today announced that Li Qing has been named general manager of China, effective March 1.

In this role, Mr. Qing will focus on key global priorities in the areas of purchasing infrastructure; machinery and mold production development; plastics strategy; merger and acquisition studies and potential negotiations; glass business growth-strategy development; and market, government and joint venture partner relationship development. Mr. Qing will be based in Hong Kong and his initial tasks will be to establish contacts throughout all O-I businesses and functions that have current and future potential to expand into the Chinese marketplace. He will report to Peter J. Robinson, president of O-I Asia Pacific

Mr. Qing has more than 20 years of experience in marketing and general management in the Chinese marketplace. Most recently, he served as general manager, China business, for the Hong Kong Airport Authority.

"We are very pleased that Li Qing will be joining O-I," said Steve McCracken, O-I Chairman and CEO. "His role is critical to the execution of our global strategies, both within and outside of China. Li Qing is a proven leader who can link local knowledge with global needs and capabilities."

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 Latin America. O-I is also a leading manufacturer of healthcare packaging and specialty closure systems.

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