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Norplex-Micarta Appoints Plant Manager

POSTVILLE, IA – Norplex-Micarta, the leading manufacturer of high performance thermoset composites, is pleased to announce the appointment of Alan Johnson to Plant Manager at the company's Postville, IA headquarters. Mr. Johnson has succeeded Jim Gilbert who retired after 34 years of service with Norplex. Mr. Johnson's responsibilities now include the overall management, direction, and coordination of plant production while also overseeing the engineering, maintenance, marketing, and purchasing departments.



Mr. Johnson brings a wealth of experience to the position having worked many years in the industrial laminate industry. Mr. Johnson has served as Manager of Technical Services at Nevamar, Engineering Manager at International Paper and most recently Mr. Johnson was Director of Business Development for Norplex-Micarta the past seven years. As Director of Business Development Mr. Johnson has been instrumental in Norplex's pursuit to find new uses for thermoset composites, and continued growth in its existing markets. Mr. Johnson is also a member of NEMA (National Electrical Manufacturers Association) and IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission).

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“Alan’s attention to detail combined with his technical background and focus on customers’ needs will enable him to continue Norplex-Micarta’s focus on product quality and customer service.” said Dennis Ford, Norplex-Micarta Vice President and General Manager. “We are excited to welcome Alan to his new position as Plant Manager, and look forward to the knowledge and experience he will bring to his new role.”

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About Norplex-Micarta

Norplex-Micarta is the leading manufacturer of high performance thermoset composites. Norplex-Micarta’s vast product line serves power generation, alternate energy, ballistic protection, construction, electrical devices, electronics, heavy industrial, military/aerospace, oil & gas, and transportation markets throughout Europe, Asia/Pacific, and The Americas. Norplex-Micarta is located at 665 Lybrand Street, Postville, IA 52162; Tel: 563-864-7321; Fax: 563-864-4231; E-mail: info@norplex-micarta.com; Web: www.norplex-micarta.com.

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