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PAUL MUELLER COMPANY APPOINTS NEW INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

On May 5, 2005, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors appointed BKD LLP to be the independent registered public accountant for Paul Mueller Company. KPMG LLP served as the previous independent registered public accountant since 2002.

BKD LLP, headquartered in Springfield, Missouri, is one of the 10 largest CPA and advisory firms in the country. The firm has 1,500 employees, including nearly 200 partners, located in 27 offices in the Midwest.

The Committee believes that BKD LLP has the expertise and resources to effectively serve the needs of Paul Mueller Company. BKD LLP is registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) which is required to serve as an independent auditor of publicly held companies.

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