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DAVID M. FINK NAMED

PRESIDENT OF

THE PLASTICS PIPE INSTITUTE

IRVING, Texas – January 6, 2020 – The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) has named David M. Fink as its new President and Executive Director effective at the end of January 2020. Mr. Fink, a veteran of the plastics pipe industry, previously served as the Chairman of the PPI Board of Directors from 2017 to 2019, and has held a number of other leadership positions within the organization. PPI is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry.

"David brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to PPI," stated Peter Zut of KraussMaffei, chair of the PPI Board of Directors and chair of the executive search committee. "With his more than 25 years of experience in the plastics industry, including 13 years at a major plastic pipe manufacturer, David has key insights into all segments of the markets served by PPI, and for many years has been instrumental in developing and executing the PPI Strategic Plan."

Fink most recently served as the Senior Vice President at PPI member company, WL Plastics, and previously at Dow Chemical in the company's polyolefin resin business with the majority of the years being part of growing its plastics pipe resin business. While at WL Plastics, he oversaw significant growth of the company's sales in the polyethylene pipe market segments including gas gathering and distribution, municipal water distribution, industrial and mining applications, telecommunication conduit, and geothermal. He has participated in a number of related standard setting organizations and related associations,

including the Alliance for PE Pipe, ASTM International, American Petroleum Institute (API), American Gas Association (AGA), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), American Water Works Association (AWWA), NSF International, and the Canadian Standards Association (CSA). Fink currently chairs the PPI Statistics Committee and cochairs the newly established PPI Safety Committee.

"I am excited to take on my new responsibilities as president of PPI," Fink remarked.

"I look forward to working with PPI's exceptional staff and serving PPI's membership to continue developing the association as *The Voice of an Industry*. Through research, education, and advocacy, we will work together to further advance the acceptance and use of plastic piping systems throughout North America and around the world."

Fink earned his B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh, and B.S. in Chemistry from Gannon University (Erie, PA). Fink resides in Keller, Texas with his wife, Brittainy, and their two sons, Logan and Ty.

For additional information, go to the Plastics Pipe Institute's website at: www.plasticpipe.org.

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About PPI:

The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) is the major North American trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry and is dedicated to promoting plastic as the materials of choice for pipe and conduit applications. PPI is the premier technical, engineering and industry knowledge resource publishing data for use in the development and design of plastic pipe and conduit systems. Additionally, PPI collaborates with industry organizations that set standards for manufacturing practices and installation methods.