WestRock Names Pat Lindner Chief Innovation Officer

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ATLANTA--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- WestRock Company (NYSE: WRK) today announced that Pat Lindner, president, Consumer Packaging, has been named chief innovation officer in addition to his leadership role of the Company's Consumer Packaging segment.

As chief innovation officer, Lindner will lead WestRock’s global innovation capabilities in materials science and manufacturing services, and accelerate the development of new, sustainable products and solutions. He will also lead the Company’s sustainability efforts globally, ensuring the Company’s processes and systems, and the actions taken, support continued improvement in sustainable operations and packaging.

“Pat’s leadership of WestRock's innovation and sustainability efforts will accelerate our ability to develop, design and produce packaging that is good for the environment,” said Steve Voorhees, chief executive officer of WestRock. “As our customers’ needs for sustainable, fiber-based packaging continue to grow, we are well positioned to meet these needs and create additional value for our customers and stockholders.”

Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements that are based on management’s current views and assumptions and are typically identified by words or phrases such as “may,” “will,” “could,” “should,” “would,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “expect,” “project,” “intend,” “plan,” “believe,” “target,” “prospects,” “potential” and “forecast,” and other words, terms and phrases of similar meaning. Forward-looking statements include statements such as that (a) Mr. Lindner will accelerate the development of new, sustainable products and solutions, (b) Mr. Lindner’s leadership of our innovation and sustainability efforts will accelerate our ability to develop, design and produce packaging that’s good for the environment and (c) as our customers’ needs for sustainable, fiber-based packaging continue to grow, we are well positioned to meet these needs and create additional value for our customers and stockholders. Factors that may affect actual results include, but are not limited to, economic, competitive and market conditions generally, volumes and price levels of purchases by customers; and competitive conditions in our businesses. Please refer to the cautionary statements set forth in
Item 1A of our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2018. We undertake no duty to update forward-looking statements.

About WestRock

WestRock (NYSE: WRK) partners with our customers to provide differentiated paper and packaging solutions that help them win in the marketplace. WestRock’s team members support customers around the world from locations spanning North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Australia. Learn more at www.westrock.com.

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