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Subject: AFB International – News Release

ST. CHARLES, Missouri, January 12, 2026 – AFB International, a subsidiary of Ensign-Bickford Industries, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark Vossenaar as General Manager, Europe, effective immediately. Based in The Netherlands, Vossenaar will oversee AFB’s European operations, spearhead regional growth initiatives, and foster strategic partnerships with customers throughout key markets.

Vossenaar brings a wealth of leadership experience and a proven record of operational excellence, customer engagement, and innovation. His focus will be on aligning AFB’s global capabilities with the unique needs of local markets, ensuring AFB consistently delivers high-performance solutions that address complex challenges for customers.

“Mark’s leadership experience and deep ability to understand customer needs make him the right choice to lead our European business,” said Dale Spence, President of AFB International. “Our success is built on our ability to embed with customers, truly understand their missions, and deliver innovative pet food palatability solutions that create real customer value. Mark’s appointment reinforces our commitment to working side-by-side with our customers to solve their most demanding problems.”

Vossenaar will work closely with customers, partners, and internal teams to expand AFB’s reach in Europe. He will maintain AFB’s dedication to safety, quality, and innovation, ensuring AFB continues to deliver outstanding solutions and foster strong customer relationships.

“I’m honored to take on this role and lead such a talented team,” said Vossenaar. “Europe is a critical region for AFB, and I look forward to building strong customer relationships and delivering solutions that help our customers succeed.”

This appointment highlights AFB’s ongoing investment in leadership, customer collaboration, and innovative technologies to support AFB’s global growth, particularly in Europe.

About AFB International

AFB International was founded in 1986 in St. Louis, Missouri, USA with a vision to create the best palatants and make pet food taste great. Today we are an international company with resource centers and production facilities designed to service pet food manufacturers across the world. Our portfolio of palatants are formulated to deliver optimal performance for each customer’s unique needs.

About Ensign-Bickford Industries

Ensign-Bickford Industries, Inc. (EBI), founded in 1836, is a privately-owned high technology conglomerate focused on space & defense, pet food science, and biotechnology. They participate in businesses that are relevant to the future of the world and have multigenerational growth prospects.