



ESSENTRA**ESSENTRA PLC***A leading global provider of essential components and solutions***APPOINTMENT OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Board of Essentra plc (“Essentra” or “the Company”) today announces the appointment of Mary Reilly and Ralf K. Wunderlich as Non-Executive Directors, with effect from 1 July 2017.

Mary is currently Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of global media internet company Travelzoo - a US-listed publisher of travel, entertainment and local offers – and of Ferrexpo Plc, an iron ore mining company. She is a Non-Executive Director of Cape plc – a global industrial services company – and Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Oversight Committee of Saranac Partners, a wealth management partnership. Mary is also a Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee of the Department of Transport in the UK and of Crown Agents Ltd, an international development company with partners in nearly 100 countries: both these appointments are due to cease at the end of September 2017. Mary was previously a Partner of Deloitte LLP for more than twenty years, as well as serving on a number of Boards in a Non-Executive capacity since 2000. Mary will become a member of the Essentra Nomination, Audit and Remuneration Committees upon joining the Board on 1 July 2017.

Based in Singapore, Ralf is currently a senior adviser to private equity firms and an independent consultant. He was previously President and Managing Director of Amcor Flexibles – Asia Pacific and a member of the Global Group Executive Team of Amcor, the world leader in packaging with operations in approximately 40 countries and revenue of approximately US\$10bn. Before joining Amcor in 2010, Ralf was President and Managing Director of LINPAC Packaging Ltd UK and a Board Director of LINPAC Group, prior to which he worked in a number of increasingly senior operational, strategic and management roles during a 14-year career at Rio Tinto Alcan. Since 2009, Ralf has also served as a Non-Executive Director on the Board of AptarGroup, Inc., the leader in the global dispensing systems industry which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange; he was previously a Non-Executive Director of AMVIG, a tobacco packaging leader in China, listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

Commenting on today’s announcement, Paul Lester, Chairman, said: “On behalf of the entire Board, I am delighted to welcome Mary and Ralf to Essentra. Their extensive international experience, gained over many years and across a wide range of industries, will add a further perspective and valued insight to the Company. As such, my fellow Directors and I look forward to working with them, as we move forward under the common objective of delivering sustainable, long-term shareholder value, excellent customer service and a motivated and engaged workforce.”

Mary Reilly and Ralf K. Wunderlich have each advised the Company that no other details are required to be disclosed under Listing Rule 9.6.13.



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About Essentra plc

Essentra plc is a FTSE 250 company and a leading global provider of essential components and solutions. Essentra focuses on the light manufacture and distribution of high volume, enabling components which serve customers in a wide variety of end-markets and geographies.

Component Solutions

The Components business is a global market leading manufacturer and distributor of plastic injection moulded, vinyl dip moulded and metal items. Operating units in 29 countries serve a very broad industrial base of customers with a rapid supply of products for a variety of applications in industries such as equipment manufacturing, automotive, fabrication, electronics and construction.

The Pipe Protection Technologies business specialises in the manufacture of high performance innovative products from commodity resins to engineering-grade thermoplastics and polymer alloys for use in a range of end-markets. Locations in four countries, combined with a wide distributor network, serve customers around the world.

Essentra Extrusion is a leading custom profile extruder located in the Netherlands which offers a complete design and production service. One of the first companies to extrude plastics in 1956, Essentra is now one of Europe's most advanced suppliers of co-extrusion and tri-extrusion to all branches of industry.

The Security business has access to a wide portfolio of products and services, including printers, software and consumables from leading manufacturers.

Health & Personal Care Packaging

A leading global provider of packaging and authentication solutions to a diversified blue-chip customer base in the pharmaceutical, health & personal care, consumer and specialist packaging sectors. The business focuses on delivering value-adding innovation, quality and service through the provision of a wide range of printed products and solutions, including cartons, tapes, leaflets, foils, labels and authentication solutions.



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The Speciality Tapes business has expertise in coating multiple adhesive systems in numerous technologies. With close to 3,000 adhesive products available for same-day shipping, Essentra's products can meet all high performance needs, from foam, magnetic, finger lift and acrylic high bond tapes to hook and loop and non-skid foam.

Filter Products

Essentra Filter Products is the only global independent cigarette filter supplier. The nine worldwide locations, including a dedicated Technology Centre supported by three regional development facilities, provide a flexible infrastructure strategically positioned to serve the tobacco industry. The business supplies a wide range of value-adding high quality innovative filters, packaging solutions to the roll your own segment and analytical laboratory services for ingredient measurement to the industry.

Headquartered in the United Kingdom, Essentra's global network extends to 33 countries and includes c. 8,000 employees, 48 principal manufacturing facilities, 64 sales & distribution operations and 4 research & development centres. For further information, please visit www.essentraplc.com.