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Sargento Foods Promotes 6 Members of the Engineering Department

PLYMOUTH, Wis. – Oct. 20, 2015 – [Sargento Foods Inc.](http://www.sargentofoods.com) announces the promotion of six members of its Engineering Department, led by Vice President of Engineering Karl L. Linck.

Within the Production Engineering area of the department, **Brian Kaufman** has been promoted to Director—Production Engineering. In this role, he will lead the team in capital project design and will manage equipment related to and supporting the production lines.

Bruce Wisnefske has been promoted to the position of Director—Continuous Improvement Engineering, where he will take a lead role on key production-related initiatives. Under his leadership, the Continuous Improvement Engineering group will also retain and coordinate engineering support services for electrical engineering, warehouse automation, maintenance excellence, and drawing systems management.

Also within Continuous Improvement Engineering, **Darrell Abston** has been promoted to Senior Manager—Electrical Engineering and **Patrick Higgins** has been promoted to Manager—Continuous Improvement Engineering. Darrell will focus on long-term technology platforms, resource allocation and plant support to ensure the adoption of ever-changing electrical engineering requirements. Patrick will manage other Continuous Improvement engineers and sustainability.

Chay Vue has been promoted to Director—Innovation Engineering and will continue leading the Innovation Engineering team. Chay will focus on the front-end development of new production systems, identifying necessary additions and providing initial capital and output estimates.

Chris Meyer has been promoted to Director—Facilities Engineering. Chris will continue his role with facility design and management with additional responsibilities towards contract management and strategic facility direction for Sargento.

“I’m proud to announce the promotions of these six members of the Sargento family,” said Louie Gentine, CEO of Sargento Foods. “I look forward to their continued success working together as a department and invite the entire Sargento family to join me in congratulating them.”

About Sargento Foods Inc.

Sargento Foods Inc. has demonstrated its passion for cheese and cheese-based meal solutions for more than 60 years. Founded in 1953 in Plymouth, Sargento is a leading manufacturer, packager and marketer of natural shredded, sliced and snack cheeses, cheese appetizers, ingredients, sauces and other culinary solutions. Sargento is owned and operated by the Gentine family, has net sales exceeding \$1 billion and more than 1,800 employees. For more information, please visit www.sargento.com.

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