

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE PPC FLEXIBLE PACKAGING™ ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF POPULAR INK.

Buffalo Grove, IL, October 9, 2019 — PPC Flexible Packaging<sup>™</sup> LLC, a leading provider of custom flexible packaging, today announced the acquisition of McKinney, Texas – based Popular Ink, LLC. Popular Ink is the fifth acquisition of specialty and differentiated flexible packaging firms by PPC. Previous acquisitions include Fisher Container and Packaging Products Corporation in 2017, Temkin International in 2018 and HFM Packaging in 2019. All businesses have been successfully integrated into the PPC Flexible Packaging enterprise and are positioned for growth.

PPC, headquartered in Buffalo Grove, IL, is a leader in flexographic printing and converting of flexible films, bags, and pouches. It is a recognized pioneer in cleanroom packaging for healthcare and medical applications, "better for you" snack and organic brands, produce, pet food, bakery and horticulture. The firm operates six manufacturing facilities in Buffalo Grove, IL, Mission, KS, Rome, GA, Payson, UT, Pewaukee WI and Colombia, South America. Its facilities are SQF and ISO-9001 certified. Founded in 1968, PPC strives to provide the highest quality products with best-in-class lead times and service.

Founded in 2007 by Dru Riess, Popular Ink, LLC has grown organically to be a recognized leader in short run, high service specialty packaging for health and beauty and nutraceutical markets. Key products include printed laminated roll stock, gel and stick packs, stand up pouches, labels and sleeves. Popular specializes in providing fast-growing consumer product companies with high quality, high impact packaging solutions.

Dru Riess, CEO of Popular Ink, LLC said, "Since 2007, my team and I have built a market disrupting culture and company in the flexible packaging space. Our unique approach to problem solving, customer service, responsiveness, reliability, and quality is what has set us apart. It is with great enthusiasm that we join the PPC family and further our geographic reach, deepen our resources, and provide more robust solutions to our customer base than ever before."

Kevin Keneally, CEO of PPC Flexible said, "We're delighted to have Dru Riess and his exceptional team at Popular Ink join the PPC Flexible Packaging family of over 900 employees and now seven manufacturing facilities. PPC's combination with Popular brings our enterprise deep experience in high growth markets and enhanced access for our customers to unique and differentiated product offerings."

## ABOUT PPC FLEXIBLE PACKAGING™

Based in Buffalo Grove, Illinois, PPC Flexible Packaging<sup>™</sup> is a leading provider of cleanroom and consumer packaging for the healthcare, snack, organic and "better for you" foods, horticultural and produce markets. The company excels in the design of value-added printed, laminated, stand-up pouch and re-closable packaging for the most demanding applications. With seven plants throughout North and South America and in-house graphics and plate-making capabilities, PPC Flexible Packaging<sup>™</sup> is focused on exceptional speed to market and excels in delivering service, quality, technology and innovation to its valued customer base.

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