

Mar-Bal, Inc. Executive Named to Board of Directors for the American Composites Manufacturers Association

Chagrin Falls, OH (December 19, 2011) – The American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA) recently selected Steven Balogh, Vice-President of Mar-Bal, Inc., to join its volunteer Board of Directors. Balogh will serve a three-year term through July 2014.

ACMA, the world's largest trade group representing the composites industry, represents 850 of approximately 3,000 composites manufacturers and suppliers to the industry. In the U.S. alone, the composites industry employs about 550,000 people and generates almost \$70 billion in revenues per year. ACMA provides strong, proactive leadership in technical, government and regulatory affairs.

“Our new board members have already demonstrated an outstanding dedication to our mission to strengthen the voice of composites,” said Tom Dobbins, Chief Staff Executive. “They are now embarking on a commitment to the ACMA to help us shape our organization’s endeavors to grow our industry and create more opportunities for Composites in the various markets.”

“I look forward to the opportunity to serve on the Board with the other Directors. This is a great honor for me and for Mar-Bal, Inc.,” stated Balogh. “There are many challenges that face the Composites Industry including regulatory concerns; however, I am extremely confident that we will meet these challenges as a united group of companies while also growing the industry for continued success in the future. We have very strong members and suppliers that have composite material platforms which continue to replace traditional materials like steel, aluminum, wood and concrete while delivering exceptional physical and mechanical properties. I am very excited to be a part of the journey,” further stated Balogh.

Balogh oversees Mar-Bal’s state of the art Research and Development Center and has led the pioneering efforts to introduce innovative Thermoset plastic materials which have resulted in high demand for Mar-Bal material solutions. Since he started with Mar-Bal, Inc. in 1993, his focus on the development of new materials and production techniques for composite Compounds has enabled the company to grow significantly in sales, technologies and innovations. Steven directly manages the procurement functions at all three (3) Mar-Bal manufacturing facilities in the United States and he is a Six Sigma black belt. Steven attended Capital University in Columbus, Ohio and graduated from Berklee College of Music in Boston.

About the American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA)

Representing over 3,000 companies, ACMA is the world's largest trade group representing the composites industry. ACMA publishes a quarterly magazine, *Composites Manufacturing*; offers a universal, comprehensive training program for fabricators - Certified Composites Technician - and provides strong, proactive leadership in technical, government and regulatory affairs. In addition, ACMA hosts COMPOSITES, the largest composites tradeshow in North America with supplier and manufacturer representatives from all market segments.

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About Mar-Bal, Inc.

Mar-Bal, Inc., headquartered in Chagrin Falls, OH, is a compounder and molder of Thermoset composite products. Since 1970, Mar-Bal has engineered and manufactured quality, customized materials and parts while delivering unmatched client cost-effectiveness through superior customer service and commitment to the total value. Mar-Bal serves the appliance, electrical and industrial marketplaces from their four facilities in North America. Mar-Bal, an ISO 9001:2008 Registered Company, continues to develop innovative products and has a portfolio of brands and proprietary products. www.mar-bal.com.

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