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Advancing the wood-based panel and decorative surfacing industries

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Andy O'Hare Named New CPA President



LEESBURG, VIRGINIA – June 22, 2020 – The Composite Panel Association (CPA) announced today the hiring of Andy O'Hare as the new President beginning August 3, 2020.

Andy has over 25 years of diverse association management experience and comes to CPA from The Fertilizer Institute (TFI). At TFI, he was the Vice President of Public Policy leading advocacy efforts resulting in a number of significant advancements for the industry. Prior to TFI, he was the Vice President of Government Affairs for the Portland Cement Association, where during his long tenure, he created and implemented a series of successful strategic plans with a key focus on specific public policy outcomes. His lobbying efforts at both the federal and state level covered a wide range of issues, including environmental, health and safety, climate change and transportation matters. He began his association management career with the American Petroleum Institute.

"We are pleased to have Andy on board to lead our Association. He brings proven expertise in legislative and regulatory advocacy that will serve our industry very well," said Pat Aldred, CPA Chairman and lead member of the executive search team. "His considerable professional experience leading associations will complement the strong CPA staff."

"I am very excited to be taking on this new role and welcome the opportunity to represent the composite panel industry. I look forward to continuing to build upon CPA's impressive reputation within the industry and the North American regulatory community and to support the membership and its valuable initiatives," said O'Hare.

Andy received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry and a Master of Science degree in geology, both from the University of Kentucky. He is a certified association executive and a certified professional geologist.

ABOUT CPA

The Composite Panel Association (CPA), founded in 1960, represents the North American wood-based composite panel and decorative surfacing industries on technical, public policy, quality assurance and product acceptance issues. The association provides leadership on legislative matters of interest to industry. CPA also operates the International Testing Center (ITC) and manages the Grademark Certification Program, the largest and most stringent testing and certification program of its kind for North American composite panel products.

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