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Eric Mittelstadt, Productivity Leader, Named CEO of NACFAM

Washington, DC - Following the December 9 meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Council for Advanced Manufacturing (NACFAM), Rusty Patterson, Vice President of Raytheon Corporation and NACFAM Board Chair announced that Eric Mittelstadt will become the new CEO of NACFAM. NACFAM Founder and current CEO, Leo Reddy, will move to the Chairmanship of NACFAM's Advanced Manufacturing Leadership Forum with Herm Reininga, Senior Vice President (ret.) of Rockwell Collins Corporation as Vice Chair. LeeSa Page will continue as NACFAM's Executive Director.

In making this announcement, Patterson stated:

“The addition of Eric Mittelstadt will strengthen NACFAM’s management team. As the highly successful CEO of FANUC Robotics America, Inc., for 16 years and a prior NACFAM Board Chair, Eric will bring a unique combination of management skills, practical experience in integrating advanced technologies into manufacturing, and profound interest in public policy. Ms. Page will be supporting Eric with ten years of extensive knowledge about NACFAM operations. As Chair of our Leadership Forum, Leo Reddy will be focusing on strengthening NACFAM as the leading think tank for policy research on advanced manufacturing issues, where Leo has extensive experience. Leo will also continue his leadership roles in the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council and Next Generation Manufacturing Technology Initiative, where Herm Reininga is playing a very active role.”

The National Council for Advanced Manufacturing (NACFAM) is the preeminent policy research organization providing manufacturers and government — reinforced by academia, research, manufacturing extension centers and labor — a non-partisan, non-adversarial forum to work *TOGETHER* in the development of policies and strategies that strengthen the competitiveness of U.S.-based manufacturing.

Since its founding in 1989, NACFAM has built a unique, public-private community of over 1500 corporations, 20 national trade associations and 350 non-profits (federal labs, university research centers, industrial research consortia, technical and community colleges and manufacturing extension partnerships) that offer productivity-enhancing services to manufacturers.

To become involved in the activities of NACFAM or inquire about membership, please contact Neil Reddy, NACFAM Membership Manager at reddyn@nacfam.org.

A copy of Eric Mittelstadt's resume is attached to this press release. Please direct any questions to Ms. LeeSa Page at 202-429-2220, ext.102 or at pagel@nacfam.org.

Attachment: Mittelstadt Resume