

## Aseptic and Antimicrobial Processing and Packaging Association Forms to Lead Industry-Wide Worker Protection, Training, and Communication Efforts

Washington, D.C., August 19, 2015 -- B&C® Consortia Management, L.L.C. (BCCM) is pleased to announce the formation of the Aseptic and Antimicrobial Processing and Packaging Association (AAPPA), an organization that brings together food and beverage producers, processors, packaging suppliers, equipment manufacturers, and other stakeholders to address communication, training, and safety education needs and to serve as the voice for the industry.

AAPPA plans to initiate quickly strategies focused on enhancing worker safety education and training needs. AAPPA will also engage in state, federal, and international regulatory developments impacting the food and beverage industry, advocate for sound scientific research on which to base safety standards and thresholds, and lead efforts in the development of best practices for worker protection, spill clean-up, and other safety areas.

AAPPA Chairman, David Hilliker (ChemDAQ, Inc.), stated: "We look forward to AAPPA leading the development and communication of safe and sustainable practices throughout our industry to safeguard the quality of our products, enhance the training and educational resources available to our members, and ensure the ongoing safety of food and beverage processing workers."

The seven founding member companies of AAPPA are:

- Lucozade Ribena Suntory Limited
- Zee Company
- Krones
- ChemDAQ, Inc.
- Solvay
- Nestlé
- Serac



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AAPPA membership is open to food and beverage companies that use aseptic and antimicrobial processing technologies within their facilities and suppliers of equipment, chemicals, or materials to those companies. Companies interested in joining or needing more information should contact Kathleen M. Roberts.

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