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Coca-Cola UNITED names Mike Lurker Vice President of Supply Chain and Operations

Birmingham, Ala. (Jan. 13, 2022) – Coca-Cola Bottling Company United, Inc. (UNITED) named Mike Lurker vice president of supply chain and operations effective Jan. 1, 2022. He succeeds Stan Ellington, who announced his retirement last year.

Lurker is responsible for all areas of supply chain, including warehousing, logistics, manufacturing, product fulfillment, engineering, fleet, facilities, quality assurance and sustainability. Previously serving as corporate director of manufacturing, he joined UNITED in 2004 as operations manager in Birmingham and later became plant manager in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Prior to that, Lurker spent two decades with Coca-Cola Consolidated, another Coca-Cola bottler based in Charlotte, North Carolina, where he began his career as a material handler.

“We are fortunate to have Mike, a proven executive with almost four decades of experience, lead our supply chain and operations at a most critical and challenging time in our business,” said John Sherman, president and CEO of Coca-Cola UNITED. “But even more impressive than his experience and expertise, is Mike’s passion for and deep commitment to our associates and our customers. He will continue our legacy of quality and excellence in all we do.”

Lurker and his wife, Jackie, reside in the Birmingham area and have two sons, William and Jacob. In his spare time, he enjoys deep sea fishing, playing guitar, golfing and serving with the correction ministry at his church.

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About Coca-Bottling Company United, Inc.

Coca-Cola Bottling Company United, Inc., founded in 1902 and headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, is the second largest privately held Coca-Cola bottler in North America and the third largest bottler of Coca-Cola products in the U.S. Now with its fifth generation of family working in the business, Coca-Cola UNITED has approximately 10,000 associates located in more than 50 facilities across six southeastern states (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee). Historically significant franchises within our Coca-Cola UNITED family include Chattanooga, the world’s first Coca-Cola bottler; Atlanta, home of the worldwide Coca-Cola System; and Columbus, Georgia, development site of the original Coca-Cola formula.

Coca-Cola UNITED is engaged in the production, marketing and distribution of a diverse portfolio of leading sparkling (Coca-Cola®, Diet Coke®, Coke Zero Sugar®, Dr Pepper®, Sprite®, AHA® and Fanta®) and still (smartwater®, Dasani®, POWERADE®, BODYARMOR®, Fairlife®, Gold Peak®, Monster® and Minute Maid®) non-alcoholic brands under exclusive franchise agreements principally with The Coca-Cola Company® and Keurig Dr Pepper®.

For 120 years, Coca-Cola UNITED has remained true to its foundational core values of Quality, Excellence, Integrity and Respect. Local relationships, personalized customer service and strong community engagement have been the foundation of our business for more than a century. Each year, millions of dollars are invested in our local communities, supporting education, community development, sustainability and nonprofit organizations that empower and impact those in need. For more information, visit cocacolaunited.com.

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