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Mr. Jesseph is the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer for the Worldwide Responsible Accredited Production (WRAP), a nonprofit, factory certification group based in Arlington, VA. WRAP certifies factories to a 12-point code of conduct covering legal, labor, environmental, security and customs compliance areas for labor-intensive consumer products manufacturing. WRAP is supported by 22 international trade and business associations has certified factories in over 72 countries.

Prior to joining WRAP, Mr. Jesseph was the Vice President for Compliance and Risk Management at Sara Lee Branded Apparel (now Hanes Brands International), formerly an operating group of Chicago-based Sara Lee Corporation. His responsibilities included environment, health & safety, product liability, social compliance and more for all operations in over 30 countries in the Western Hemisphere, Europe, Africa and Asia. Brands included *Hanes*, *Playtex*, *Champion*, *Bali*, *L'eggs*, *Dim* and *Just My Size*. He previously served as Executive Director for Sara Lee Corporation's global health and safety group where he had responsibility for 154,000 employees in 55 countries.

Mr. Jesseph was the founding chair of the Social Responsibility Committee of the American Apparel & Footwear Association. He serves on the Governing Board of the International Council of Toy Industries CARE Program, and on the Appalachian State University Graduate School Advisory Board. He received his Bachelor's degree from Otterbein College and his Master's degree from Xavier (Ohio) University. He is a native of Seattle, Washington.