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## **EMERALD PERFORMANCE MATERIALS ELECTS GOTCH TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH (July 14, 2016) – Emerald Performance Materials elected Edward T. Gotch to serve on the company's board of directors. Gotch is also CEO of Emerald Kalama Chemical, LLC, a business group of Emerald Performance Materials, and has been a key member of Emerald's leadership team since the company was formed in 2006. His vision in leading the organization has been instrumental to its successful transformation, engendering accelerated growth that tripled the company's size over a ten-year period.

Prior to his tenure at Emerald Performance Materials, Gotch served in corporate financial planning and analysis and general management roles at Emerald predecessor companies Lubrizol, Noveon and BFGoodrich, as well as at several plant operating units in the U.S. and in Asia of the Geon/OxyVinyls Company. Gotch earned his B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Toledo and his M.B.A. from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

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