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### *BIR World Recycling Convention & Exhibition in Dubai*

#### General Assembly: **New World President elected**

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At the 2015 General Assembly of the Bureau of International Recycling on Tuesday, 19 May 2015 in Dubai, the world recycling body elected its new President, Mr Ranjit Singh Baxi of J & H Sales (International) Ltd.

A long-standing member of the organisation, Mr Baxi was approved by the General Assembly for a first 2-year mandate, which can be extended once.

In 2011 Mr Baxi was appointed Treasurer of the Bureau of International Recycling (BIR), prior to which he was President of the Paper Division from 2007 to 2013. He is now the Honorary President of the Paper Division. At the BIR Miami Convention in 2014, Mr Baxi launched his book – “Recycling our Future – A Global Strategy”. Mr Baxi also speaks at international conferences and contributes regularly to many trade journals and publications.

Ranjit Singh Baxi is Founder Chairman of J & H Sales (International) Ltd, one of Europe's leading exporters of recovered fibre to the Far East. The company also exports plastic and metal scrap. J & H Sales received the Queen's Award for Enterprise (International Trade) in 2001 and amongst many personal awards, Mr Baxi was voted 'Asian of The Year' in 2008. He was also awarded “The Propeller Award for Innovation” at the TVE Global Sustainability film awards 2013 hosted by Propeller TV, China. Mr Baxi is a Trustee of Northwick Park Institute of Medical Research, London, and is also Co-Chairman of

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Conservative Friends of India. Mr Baxi has held a number of key non-executive directorships including the Olympic Park Legacy Company (ensuring there is a lasting legacy of the Olympic venues in London), Think London Ltd and Gateway to London Ltd (companies promoting inward investments into London).

Mr Baxi was also a Governor at the University of East London and a Member of British Prime Ministers Trade Delegation to India. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA), holds a Bachelor of Science (BSc) degree and is a Master of Business Administration (MBA).

In his opening address, Mr Baxi thanked his predecessor Björn Grufman for his excellent work during the past four years and expressed his gratitude to be at the head of such an important international organisation. “BIR has profiled itself as the sole truly international recycling federation. I am honoured to be serving its 800-plus member companies and national recycling federations in the coming years.”

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