



## Eagle Materials Inc. Announces Promotions and New Addition to the Executive Team

DALLAS, Aug 24, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Eagle Materials Inc. (NYSE: EXP) today announced the following senior management team appointments:

- D. Craig Kesler has been promoted to Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration and CFO
- William R. Devlin has been promoted to Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer
- Robert S. Stewart joins Eagle Materials as Executive Vice President, Strategy, Corporate Development and Communications, reporting to Steve Rowley, President and CEO

Mr. Kesler, who joined Eagle in 2004, has served as Vice President, Investor Relations and Corporate Development since 2005. Prior to joining Eagle Materials, Mr. Kesler served multi-national clients during his tenure in public accounting with Arthur Andersen LLP and Ernst & Young LLP. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).

Mr. Devlin joined Eagle Materials in 2004 as Director of Internal Audit, and has served as Vice President, Controller since 2005. Prior to joining Eagle, Mr. Devlin spent 16 years in public accounting with KPMG and PricewaterhouseCoopers. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the AICPA.

Mr. Stewart joins Eagle Materials from Centex Corporation where he served as an executive officer with responsibility for strategy, marketing, sales, corporate development and communications.

"These promotions along with the addition of Bob strengthens Eagle's senior management team and greatly adds to our capacity to implement our growth strategy while we maintain and extend our low cost producer positions," said Mr. Rowley. "I am confident we have the best team in place to not only weather the current business cycle but to emerge from it more competitive and with improved operating margins and earnings."

### About Eagle Materials Inc.

Eagle Materials Inc manufactures and distributes Cement, Gypsum Wallboard, Recycled Paperboard and Concrete and Aggregates from 25 facilities across the U.S. The company is headquartered in Dallas, Texas.

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***Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration and CFO***

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