

## **Ball Corporation Ranks Third Among Newsweek's Top U.S. Green Companies**

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BROOMFIELD, Colo., June 5, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- *Newsweek*, in partnership with [Corporate Knights Capital](#) and leading sustainability experts, ranked [Ball Corporation](#) (NYSE: BLL) third among the 500 largest U.S. companies on overall environmental performance.

One of the world's most recognized assessments of corporate environmental impact, the *Newsweek* Green Rankings evaluate the 500 largest publicly-traded companies in the United States by market capitalization and score them based on performance on eight key performance indicators, including: energy productivity, greenhouse gas emissions, water and waste; reputation; sustainability pay link and board committee; and third party verification of environmental metrics.

"By balancing the economic, environmental and social impacts in all of our decision making and activities globally, setting aggressive goals and reporting regularly on our progress, we're holding ourselves accountable and ensuring that Ball is successful and sustainable for the long term," said Bjoern Kulmann, Ball's director of sustainability. "We look at sustainability from a value chain perspective and work with our customers and other partners to jointly reduce the impacts of our operations and our products along their life cycle."

Ball recently released its [2014 sustainability report](#), which details its 2012-2013 environmental performance, as well as its sustainability goals for 2014, 2015 and beyond. For more information, visit [www.ball.com/sustainability](http://www.ball.com/sustainability).

### **About Ball Corporation**

Ball Corporation supplies innovative, sustainable packaging solutions for beverage, food and household products customers, as well as aerospace and other technologies and services primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ 14,500 people worldwide and reported 2013 sales of \$8.5 billion. For more information, visit [www.ball.com](http://www.ball.com), or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release contains "forward-looking" statements concerning future events and financial performance. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "estimates" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Key risks and uncertainties are summarized in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including Exhibit 99 in our Form 10-K, which are available on our website and at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Factors that might affect: a) our packaging segments include product demand fluctuations; availability/cost of raw materials; competitive packaging, pricing and substitution; changes in climate and weather; crop yields; competitive activity; failure to achieve productivity improvements or cost reductions; mandatory deposit or other restrictive packaging laws; changes in major customer or supplier contracts or loss of a major customer or supplier; political instability and sanctions; and changes in foreign exchange or tax rates; b) our aerospace segment include funding, authorization, availability and returns of government and commercial contracts; and delays, extensions and technical uncertainties affecting segment contracts; c) the company as a whole include those listed plus: changes in senior management; successful or unsuccessful acquisitions and divestitures;

regulatory action or issues including tax, environmental, health and workplace safety, including U.S. FDA and other actions or public concerns affecting products filled in our containers, or chemicals or substances used in raw materials or in the manufacturing process; technological developments and innovations; litigation; strikes; labor cost changes; rates of return on assets of the company's defined benefit retirement plans; pension changes; uncertainties surrounding the U.S. government budget, sequestration and debt limit; reduced cash flow; ability to achieve cost-out initiatives; interest rates affecting our debt.

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