



Mascoma Appoints Genzyme and MIT Veteran Stephen Kennedy as Executive Vice President of Research & Development

New Leadership Supports Company's Transition to Commercialization

Lebanon, New Hampshire – April 11 2011: [Mascoma Corporation](#), an innovative biofuels company, announced the appointment of Stephen Kennedy as the new Executive Vice President of Research and Development and member of the executive leadership team, effective May 4, 2011. With thirty years of experience leading operations management, process research and development, and biologics manufacturing, Kennedy is well established to lead Mascoma's research and development team and guide the company's R&D efforts as they transition into commercial operations.

"I am delighted to introduce Stephen Kennedy as the new Executive Vice President of Research and Development of Mascoma and to work closely with him on achieving our goal of full scale commercial production of cellulosic ethanol," stated Bill Brady, Chief Executive Officer of Mascoma. "Reporting to me, Stephen will have ultimate responsibility for developing and translating our R&D strategy into action and execution, from basic research to pilot scale to full scale manufacturing in support of commercial strategies and revenue creation."

Prior to Mascoma, Mr. Kennedy served as interim Executive Director of the Novartis/MIT Center for Continuous Manufacturing at MIT. He spent 18 years at Genzyme, most recently serving as Senior Vice President of Technical Operations and Technology Leadership, a role in which he focused R&D, process development, manufacturing technical support and analytical technology groups on process technology improvement and optimization. For many years, he was deeply involved in Genzyme's biologics operations, working in Belgium and France.

"I am grateful and enthusiastic to be assuming the role of Executive Vice President for R&D at Mascoma," said Mr. Kennedy. "I am truly impressed by the mission, talent and success of Mascoma. I believe that this company can have a huge impact in delivering a critical solution to our world's energy challenges, and am excited about the ability to bring my own expertise to bear in accelerating our pathway to commercialization."

Kennedy also spent time at Genencor in Finland and at Eastman Kodak, in Rochester, New York. Kennedy has an MBA from Boston University, an MS in Chemical Engineering/Biochemistry from the University of Rochester, and a BS from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in Chemical Engineering/Biology.

About Mascoma

Mascoma Corporation is an innovative biofuels company committed to developing environmentally sustainable, low cost, low carbon biofuels from cellulosic biomass. The company's Consolidated Bioprocessing method converts non-food biomass feedstocks into cellulosic ethanol through the use of a patented process that eliminates the need for costly enzymes and additives. The company's corporate office and R&D laboratories are based in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Mascoma is producing cellulosic ethanol on a demonstration scale at its facility in Rome, New York. Its affiliate, Frontier Renewable Resources, is developing a commercial scale production facility in Kinross, Michigan. Mascoma acquired SunOpta Bioprocess Inc. on September 1, 2010 (now Mascoma Canada). This acquisition brings together the leading fiber preparation and pretreatment technologies of SBI and the world-leading consolidated bioprocess technology of Mascoma, to create a company with comprehensive capabilities for converting non-food cellulose into ethanol and high value co-products.

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