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Hilling promoted to vice president of Quality, R&D at McKee Foods Corporation

COLLEGEDALE, Tenn. — July 1, 2019 — The McKee Foods board of directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Cheryl Hilling to vice president of Quality, R&D, effective Saturday, June 29, 2019.

Cheryl has been director of Quality, R&D for four years. Previously she was manager of Research and New Technology. Cheryl has been with the company since September 2009.

Prior to McKee Foods, Cheryl worked as a senior scientist in product development for Mars Inc. She and her husband owned and operated a retail bread bakery in Chattanooga for about seven years, and she also taught courses in food technology and natural sciences at Chattanooga State Technical College over a 10-year period.

Cheryl earned a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of Iowa and a Master of Science in food science from Ohio State University.

About McKee Foods

McKee Foods, a family bakery with annual sales of about \$1.4 billion, is a privately-held company based in Collegedale, Tenn. The McKee Foods story began during the height of the Great Depression when founder O.D. McKee began selling 5-cent snack cakes from the back of his car. Soon after, he and his wife, Ruth, bought a small bakery on Main Street in Chattanooga, Tenn., using the family car as collateral. Today, the company employs more than 6,000 people in Collegedale, Tenn.; Gentry, Ark.; Stuarts Draft, Va.; and Kingman, Ariz. It creates and produces Little Debbie[®] baked goods, Drake's[®] cakes, Sunbelt Bakery[®] snacks and cereals, Heartland[®] brands and Fieldstone[®] Bakery food products. Visit mckeefoods.com for more information.

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