

HOUSTON, Oct. 2, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Westlake Chemical Corporation (NYSE: [WLK](#)) announced today that

Mr.

Ben Ederington

has joined Westlake Chemical as

Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

reporting to

Albert Chao

, President & CEO. Mr. Ederington will replace Mr.

Stephen Wallace

, who has announced he will retire at the end of the year. Mr. Wallace will serve as Vice President and Special Counsel reporting to Mr. Chao until his retirement.

Mr. Ederington joins Westlake from LyondellBasell (LBI) where he most recently was Associate General Counsel and where previously he held a variety of increasingly responsible legal positions involving LBI's polymers, chemicals and refining businesses, strategic transactions, M & A and joint ventures and governmental affairs. Prior to joining LBI he was in private practice with Steptoe & Johnson in Washington, DC, where he practiced international and technology law.

Mr. Ederington is a graduate of Yale University with a BA in History and Political Science and holds a JD from the Harvard Law School.

Albert Chao, President and CEO, stated, "We are pleased to have a legal and chemical industry executive with Ben's depth of experience and credentials as our new General Counsel. We are confident he will make an important contribution to the ongoing growth and development of Westlake. We also express our appreciation to Stephen Wallace for his meaningful contribution to the growth of the company and for his important and sound legal guidance over the last decade."

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Westlake Chemical Corporation is a manufacturer and supplier of petrochemicals, polymers and building products with headquarters in Houston, Texas. The company's range of products includes: ethylene, polyethylene, styrene, propylene, caustic, VCM, PVC resin and PVC building products including pipe and specialty components, windows and fence. For more information, visit the company's Web site at www.westlake.com.

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