

## **E-Z Pack Manufacturing Names Greg Podell President and Chief Executive Officer**

CYNTHIANA, KY, Nov. 4, 2009 – [E-Z Pack Manufacturing, LLC](#), a manufacturer of refuse truck bodies and parts, today announced that Greg Podell, a 25-year veteran of the waste management equipment industry, has been named president and chief executive officer.

Podell most recently served as chief operating officer at Wastequip, Inc., a manufacturer of waste handling and recycling equipment, where he was responsible for steering the organization toward improved production methodologies, product standardization, and financial results, and led an aggressive western U.S. expansion strategy.

“Greg has proven himself to be an effective corporate strategist and a strong leader of people and processes,” said James H. Possehl, who serves as E-Z Pack chairman of the board as well as chairman of E-Z Pack’s parent company, Republic Financial Corporation. “He is well-suited to help E-Z Pack continue to build on its market momentum and reputation for customer-driven innovations.”

Prior to his role as COO at Wastequip, Podell spent six years as president of the company’s Galbreath subsidiary, where his accomplishments included impressive customer growth with the nation’s largest waste collection companies and ISO 9001:2000 certification. Podell also served eight years as Galbreath’s vice president of sales and marketing after starting his career in sales.

“I am thrilled to be part of an organization with such a rich history of innovation and product leadership,” said Podell of his new post at E-Z Pack. “We have a solid, core team in place and the right resources to help us improve on our market position in the refuse truck industry, and to achieve our aggressive customer satisfaction, sales and product goals.”

Podell, a graduate of Purdue University, formerly served on the Board of Governors for the Waste Equipment Technology Association and is a past member of the Detachable Container Association and the Environmental Research Foundation.

### **About E-Z Pack**

E-Z Pack Manufacturing, LLC is a leading manufacturer of OEM parts and refuse trucks, including front and rear loaders. Located in Cynthiana, Kentucky, the company has offered dependable, durable and proven trash trucks and quality OEM parts for more than 40 years. E-Z Pack brands include the popular Goliath [Rear Loader](#), the Apollo

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