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**The Dupps Company acquires  
Universal Maintenance, Inc.**



GERMANTOWN, OHIO — The Dupps Company announced today that it has completed the acquisition of Universal Maintenance of Toccoa, GA. Founded in 2005, Universal Maintenance has built its reputation as a leader in providing longer-term general plant maintenance services, along with a wide variety of fabrication and installation capabilities.

According to Frank Dupps Jr., President of The Dupps Company, “With the addition of Universal Maintenance, Dupps will broaden its industry-leading service organization, making it even stronger than before. Universal Maintenance has carved out a very successful business niche and an outstanding reputation that complements our business quite well, and one that I believe will add value to our customers throughout North America. At the same time, Universal Maintenance customers can rest assured that the top-quality service and fabricated products they have come to expect will continue.

Mr. Dupps also stressed the importance of Universal’s experience and contribution to the industry, “All of us are very grateful to Jessica Colbert and the staff of Universal Maintenance for all the tremendous work they have done through the years. We’re delighted to announce that Ms. Colbert and her team will remain intact and continue with Dupps to ensure a seamless transition, and we look forward to expanding on their efforts in the years to come. Universal Maintenance will operate as a wholly-owned independent subsidiary of The Dupps Company and report to Ken Thomas, Director of Innovation and Marketing, who will take on the added responsibility of growing the business.”

Ms. Colbert, founder and sole owner of Universal Maintenance, went on to say, “our employees are extremely proud and excited to become part of The Dupps Company and we look forward to growing our business with their support and guidance. We share their dedication to the rendering industry and the same core values – honesty, integrity, quality equipment and parts, and service second to none. Nothing gives me greater satisfaction than delighting our customers, and developing excellent long-term, relationships with our customers.”



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**The Dupps Company acquires Universal Maintenance, Inc. (continued)**

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The Dupps Company is a worldwide leader in protein recycling systems and service. From its founding, Dupps has focused on renewable resources, starting with the ‘original recyclers’ — those rendering companies around the world that recycle millions of tons of animal byproducts every year. Dupps offers a comprehensive range of protein co-products processing equipment, service and support for red meat, poultry and fishmeal applications.

Serving those who renew, recycle and sustain

We continue to grow our capabilities, expanding our products and service to include

- Oil Seed Processing • Food Waste De-packaging • Pulp & Paper Dewatering
- Special Process Applications

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