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Glatfelter announces departure of Chief Financial Officer

YORK, Pa. (May 23, 2002) — Glatfelter (NYSE: GLT) today announced that George MacKenzie, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, is leaving the Company effective June 1, 2002.

Robert Newcomer, 53, President and Chief Operating Officer, will assume responsibility for the financial leadership of the Company until a new Chief Financial Officer is in place. Mr. Newcomer has held a range of financial positions in the Company and was Glatfelter's Chief Financial Officer between 1993 and 2000.

Glatfelter has engaged the executive recruiting firm Spencer Stuart to conduct the search for candidates to succeed Mr. MacKenzie.

Headquartered in York, Pa., Glatfelter is a global manufacturer of specialty papers and engineered products. U.S. operations also include a facility in Spring Grove, Pa. and Neenah, Wis. International operations include facilities in Germany, France and the Philippines.

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