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Fellowes, Inc. Announces Senior Leadership Change John Fellowes II to Succeed Jamie Fellowes as Chief Executive Officer this Summer

Itasca, Ill. (June 30, 2014) James Fellowes, Chairman and CEO of Fellowes, Inc. announces today that he will retire as Chief Executive Officer at the end of June and that his son, John Fellowes II, will be promoted to CEO effective July 1, 2014. James will remain non-executive Chairman of the Board and Fellowes' largest shareholder.

James Fellowes joined the company in 1969, becoming President and CEO in 1983. James oversaw the company's largest period of growth and innovation, including the invention if the personal paper shredder in 1990.

"I have enjoyed 45 years of executive leadership, and I'm grateful for my 31 years as CEO. It feels very natural at this stage to redefine my role and responsibility. My father helped me greatly in my position and now I hope to support John in the same way," said Jamie.

Fellowes, Inc. has been owned and managed by the Fellowes family since 1917. John Fellowes II represents the fourth generation to lead the family business.

"I am honored to be following in the footsteps of my father, grandfather, and great grandfather," said John. "They have established a way of doing business which emphasizes bringing value to those we serve. I look forward to leading our company forward in this same spirit."

John Fellowes joined the team at Fellowes, Inc. in 2001 after working for a financial services firm in California. He began in a key account sales and marketing role for the company's shredder division and eventually became General Manager of this division. His work on the company's shredder business led to the development of technical innovation, I.P. protection, and brand leadership. In more recent years he has led more broadly in the pursuit of redefining existing categories and pursuing new categories which take Fellowes beyond traditional office products. John has been president since 2012.

James expects to stay active in the business as non-executive Chairman of the Board and in support of his son, John. He also serves on four 'non-profit' boards of directors and is active with his wife in various philanthropic activities.

In 2017, Fellowes will celebrate its 100th year in business.