## Mauro Castignani becomes Managing Director of ABI Tape Belgium



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Mauro Castignani has been promoted to Managing Director of ABI Tape Belgium. He succeeds Mathias Goossens, who is moving on to pursue other career opportunities. We thank Mr. Goossens for his many contributions and wish him well in his next endeavours.

Mr. Castignani joined American Biltrite in 1995. He and his wife, Lara, spent three years at ABI Tape in Ronse, Belgium, before founding ABItalia in Civitanova, Italy, in 1998. Mr. Castignani has extensive expertise in the shoe & leather goods market, products, processes, material supply and customers, and has commercially supported many of our

EMEA Graphics, Film and Automotive customers and initiatives over the years.

At ABI/Ideal Tape, Mr. Castignani assumes the additional responsibilities of sales development and growth, customer relationships, operations productivity and quality, health & safety, financial performance, and team development of the organisation in Ronse, Belgium, for the Europe, Middle East & Africa (EMEA) region. He reports to Michel J. Merkx, corporate vice president and general manager of ABI/Ideal Tape. He will also serve as ABI/Ideal Tape's point-person for our company's Membership in Afera, the European Adhesive Tape Association.

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