



Albemarle Corporation Appoints International Leader, Ellen Lenny-Pessagno, as Chile Country Manager

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CHARLOTTE, N.C., Aug. 28, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- [Albemarle Corporation](#) (NYSE: ALB), a leader in the global specialty chemicals industry, announced today that it has named Ellen Lenny-Pessagno as Chile Country Manager, effective Oct. 1, 2018. In this role, Lenny-Pessagno is responsible for representing the company in Chile, supporting the execution of the corporate strategy, and leading all government and community engagement. As Albemarle looks to expand its assets and operations in South America, her role will develop to include those areas as well.



Lenny-Pessagno joins Albemarle as a prominent leader in her field, with over 25 years of international business and trade development experience as a former member of the Senior Foreign Service. Prior to her appointment with Albemarle, she served as a commercial diplomat in multiple U.S. Embassies, including as Regional Counselor for Commercial Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Bogota, Colombia, where she was responsible for the development of U.S. commercial strategy and export related programs in five Andean countries. Previously, Lenny-Pessagno served as Counselor for Commercial Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Santiago, Chile, where she excelled in advocating for U.S. firms and assisting them to close deals and grow their market share. Lenny-Pessagno also drove policy and regulatory changes and supported U.S. firms to develop the largest solar energy plants in Latin America, resulting in a dramatic increase of renewables in the Chilean power grid. Lenny-Pessagno's wealth of experience will build upon Albemarle's continued global sustainability efforts.

"We are pleased to welcome Ellen to Albemarle," said Eric Norris, Albemarle's President, Lithium. "Ellen's extensive experience in building collaborative partnerships with public and private constituencies within Chile will strengthen our growing footprint in the country and allow us to execute our corporate strategy in a manner consistent with our Core Values and shareholder expectations."

Lenny-Pessagno's global career also includes diplomatic assignments at the U.S. Embassies in Madrid, Spain, and Buenos Aires, Argentina; the U.S. Consulate General in Monterrey, Mexico; and in the U.S. Department of Commerce in Washington, DC, and Houston, Texas. She holds a BS in Business Administration from Wake Forest University and a Master's Degree in International Commerce and Policy from George Mason University. In 2017, she participated in the top Senior Executive Management program in Chile, at the ESE Business School of the University of Los Andes.

About Albemarle

Albemarle Corporation (NYSE: ALB), headquartered in Charlotte, NC, is a global specialty chemicals company with leading positions in lithium, bromine and refining catalysts. We power the potential of companies in many of the world's largest and most critical industries, from energy and communications to transportation and electronics. Working side-by-side with our customers, we develop value-added, customized solutions that make them more competitive. Our solutions combine the finest technology and ingredients with the knowledge and know-how of our highly experienced and talented team of operators, scientists and engineers.

Discovering and implementing new and better performance-based sustainable solutions is what motivates all of us. We think beyond business-as-usual to drive innovations that create lasting value. Albemarle employs approximately 5,400 people and serves customers in approximately 100 countries. We regularly post information to www.albemarle.com, including notification of events, news, financial performance, investor presentations and webcasts, non-GAAP reconciliations, SEC filings and other information regarding our company, its businesses and the markets it serves.

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