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Synagro Announces Ben Gilreath as Vice President and Head of Corporate Development and Mergers and Acquisitions

Selection supports broader growth strategy and deepens acquisition expertise.

BALTIMORE, Maryland, October 24, 2022 – [Synagro Technologies, Inc.](#), the preeminent provider of biosolids and residuals solutions services in North America, today announced the appointment of Ben Gilreath as vice president and head of Corporate Development and Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A).

As head of Corporate Development, Gilreath will lead corporate discussions and partnerships and execute on broader opportunities to drive inorganic growth. Gilreath is an industry veteran with deep experience in the waste, environmental services and sustainable infrastructure industries, having advised on the original acquisition of Synagro by Goldman Sachs & Co (West Street Infrastructure Partners III) as well as numerous other transactions in the sector.

“Ben brings world-class experience to the Synagro team and he knows our business well,” said Robert Preston, chairman and chief executive officer, Synagro. “His broad background will support our growth as we develop and execute a disciplined and focused acquisition strategy.”

“I am excited to join the Synagro executive leadership team and its premier and leading sustainable waste platform as we look to scale and dramatically accelerate our M&A pipeline and growth in the near term,” said Gilreath.

Gilreath most recently was vice president, Industrials at Goldman Sachs. Previously, he was vice president, M&A at Bank of America Merrill Lynch.

Gilreath has a bachelor’s degree in Finance and Economics from New York University and a master’s degree in Business Administration from the University of Southern California – Marshall School of Business.

About Synagro

Founded in 1986, Synagro Technologies, Inc. works to turn waste into worth by helping more than 1,000 municipal, industrial water and wastewater facilities, and agricultural partners in North America move toward safer, cleaner and more environmentally beneficial practices. For some, it’s simply cleaning the water supply. For others, it’s much more – we partner with them to process their waste for



compost or energy pellets, creating healthy soil and sequestering carbon in the process. As the largest recycler of organic by-products in North America, we're trusted because we remove risks while keeping the logistics clean. Because we have the most experienced team in the industry, we can offer tailored solutions that ensure no waste goes to waste. Much of our work isn't pretty. But it's a greener world emerging from a cleaner one – worth coming from waste – and we think that's pretty beautiful. Visit www.synagro.com to learn more.

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