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Metabolix Names Matthew Strobeck to Board of Directors

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Metabolix, Inc. (NASDAQ: MBLX), a bioscience company focused on developing clean, sustainable solutions for plastics, chemicals and energy, today announced that it has appointed Matthew Strobeck, Ph.D., to its board of directors. Dr. Strobeck, who previously served on the Metabolix board of directors from 2006 to 2011, brings with him financial expertise and a deep understanding of the biotechnology industry. The appointment is effective as of March 1, 2012.

"With his background as a life science investor and previous experience on the Metabolix board of directors, Matthew is uniquely suited to provide valuable perspectives and insights that will help drive the Company's future success," said Richard P. Eno, president and CEO of Metabolix. "We plan to leverage his expertise to help manage our portfolio of technology and product offerings and to optimize the integration of our financial and business strategy."

From June 2008 to October 2011, Dr. Strobeck was a partner, member of the management committee and member of the advisory board of Westfield Capital Management, an investment firm based in Boston. Dr. Strobeck received a B.S. from St. Lawrence University, a Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati, an S.M. from the Harvard University-MIT Health Sciences Technology Program and an S.M. from the MIT Sloan School of Management.

Dr. Strobeck commented, "With a unique technology platform in PHA biopolymers, deep scientific expertise and significant customer-facing market experience, Metabolix is well positioned to help shape a promising future for biomaterials. I look forward to re-joining the board of directors and working with Metabolix to capture the significant commercial opportunity in providing differentiated, sustainable alternatives to conventional plastics and chemicals produced from fossil fuel."

About Metabolix

Founded in 1992, Metabolix, Inc. is an innovation-driven bioscience company focused on providing sustainable solutions for the world's needs for plastics, chemicals and energy. The Company is taking a systems approach, from gene to end product, integrating sophisticated biotechnology with advanced industrial practice. Metabolix is developing biosourced industrial chemicals and plastics, as well as a proprietary platform technology for co-producing plastics, chemicals and energy, from crops.

For more information, please visit www.metabolix.com. (MBLX-G)

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