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Argos and Water Mission Partner to Deliver Safe Water to La Cáucara, Honduras *Argos Donates \$78,000 to Water Mission*

Harleyville, S.C. – June 19, 2019 - Water Mission, a nonprofit Christian engineering organization based in North Charleston, South Carolina, has partnered with Argos, a multinational company that produces and markets cement and ready mix concrete, to provide safe water in La Cáucara, a small rural community in southern Honduras.

"For Argos Honduras, this achievement with our operation in the U.S. to donate to Water Mission will help significantly in the search for sustainable solutions aimed at providing safe water for more than 100 homes in our area of influence. This is another example of the power of alliances between companies, NGOs and communities in order to build sustainable development, more equity conditions and social capabilities," explains Gustavo Uribe, Argos General Director of its Honduras operations.

La Cáucara is located near an Argos plant in Honduras, and this safe water project will serve the local community. The project will break ground later this year. Throughout the process, Water Mission will partner with recipients, form a safe water committee, and provide technical and financial training to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project.

"Along with this donation, we have volunteered with Water Mission a number of times. We have learned about and fully support their approach of not only providing safe water, but educating these communities about why safe water is important to their health and getting the community involved in the process from the start, which is in line with our own values towards sustainability," says Bill Wagner, President of Argos USA.

"Water Mission is incredibly grateful for the generosity of Argos, including the gift of \$10,000 from Argos USA's Harleyville plant and the additional \$68,000 from The Argos Foundation in Honduras. As a

result of this generous gift, 460 people in La Cáucara will soon have access to safe water for the very first time,” said Water Mission Co-Founder and CEO, George C. Greene, III, PE, Ph.D. “The individuals and families living in La Cáucara will not only experience benefits to their health, but they will also have more opportunities for education and for work.”

To date, Water Mission has served more than 500 communities throughout Honduras.

About Argos

In the cement industry, Argos is the leader in Colombia and the fourth largest in the southeast of the United States. It has seven plants in Colombia, four in the United States, one in Honduras, and one in Puerto Rico. Nine clinker mills located in the United States, Colombia, Haiti, Panama, the Dominican Republic, Honduras, French Guiana, and Surinam, and 33 ports and terminals for receipt and packaging. Its total installed capacity is 23 million tons of cement per year.

In the concrete business, Argos is the market leader in Colombia and the second largest producer in the United States. It has 344 plants located in Colombia, the United States, Panama and the Dominican Republic. Its total installed capacity is 18 million cubic meters of concrete per year.

About Water Mission

The Water Mission[™] organization is a Christian engineering nonprofit that designs, builds, and implements safe Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) solutions for people in developing countries and disaster areas. Since 2001, Water Mission has used innovative technology and engineering expertise to provide access to safe water for nearly four million people in 55 countries. Water Mission has more than 350 staff members working around the world in permanent country programs located in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. To learn more, visit watermission.org.

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