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THE FOOD PROCESSING SUPPLIERS ASSOCIATION AND LINCOLN TECH ANNOUNCE THE FOOD INDUSTRY TECHNICIAN (FIT) PROGRAM AT PROCESS EXPO

CHICAGO, IL, September 26, 2019 — The Food Processing Suppliers Association's (FPSA) will announce the initiation of Food Industry Technician Certification Program (FIT) classes being launched with Lincoln Technical Institute offering instructional training and education for prospective food and beverage industry technicians. The FIT program will offer standardized training that will provide future industry technicians with the skill sets necessary for working with the increasingly complex equipment being used in the food industry with the goal of having FIT graduates gainfully employed within the industry.

WHO: Welcome by **David Seckman**, President/CEO of FPSA
Remarks by **Jarrod McCarroll**, Chairman of the Food Processing Suppliers Association (FPSA) and President of Weber, Inc; **Gil Williams**, Chairman of the FPSA Foundation and President of Poly-clip System USA; and **Scott Shaw**, Chief Executive Officer and President, Lincoln Technical Institute.

WHEN: **Breakfast Press Conference during PROCESS EXPO**
Wednesday, October 9: 8:30 am–9:30 am

WHERE: Press Room — S-401A
McCormick Place Center, 2301 S King Dr, Chicago, IL 60616

WHAT: Learn more about the Food Industry Technician Program (FIT) and Lincoln Tech who was selected as the educational partner for the FIT Program because of the longevity of both their classroom and lab training programs, consistency of educational programs nationally, the quality and strength of their technical expertise, and the exceptionally well qualified instructors and administrators at their multiple campuses.

Lincoln Educational Services Corporation is a leading provider of diversified career-oriented post-secondary education. Lincoln offers recent high school graduates and working adults' career-oriented programs in five principal areas of study: automotive technology, health sciences, skilled trades, business and information technology, and hospitality services. Lincoln has provided the workforce with skilled technicians since its inception in 1946. Lincoln currently operates 22 campuses in 14 states under four brands: Lincoln Technical Institute, Lincoln College of Technology, and Euphoria Institute of Beauty Arts and Sciences. For more information, visit www.lincolntech.edu.

***FPSA** is a trade association serving suppliers to the global food, beverage, and pharmaceutical industries. The Association's programs and services assist its members in marketing their products and services, and in improving their business practices. Programs and services to achieve these objectives include: PROCESS EXPO, electronic media marketing, education, research, and being the voice of its members in the public arena on issues such as food safety, sanitary design of equipment, and global trade.*

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