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## **GATE Petroleum Company Promotes Lucas Hildebrand to Vice President, Finance and Administration**

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 14, 2021** — GATE Petroleum Company announces the promotion of Lucas Hildebrand to Vice President, Finance and Administration, Secretary and Treasurer. In this role, Hildebrand is responsible for the financial reporting of GATE Petroleum Company. He also provides support for the company's administrative functions and oversees the company's banking relationships.

Hildebrand has been with GATE for 15 years, and previously served as Corporate Controller.

"Lucas has been a valued team member and leader in our organization for many years," said Mitchell Rhodes, CEO of GATE Petroleum Company. "He brings experience, dedication and attention to detail to his new role. It is an honor to have Lucas continue to grow his career with GATE."

Hildebrand received his MBA and B.A. of Business Administration in Accounting from the University of North Florida. He is also a Certified Public Accountant. Hildebrand enjoys golfing, going to the gym and spending time with his wife and 3-month-old son.

### ***About GATE Petroleum Company***

*Founded in 1960 by Herbert Hill Peyton, GATE Petroleum Company is a heavily-diversified company headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla. GATE operates in a variety of industries including retail convenience stores, fleet and fuel services, car washes, hospitality, real estate and construction materials. Today, the company's retail operations include convenience stores in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. GATE Hospitality owns and operates four properties in Northeast Florida – the Ponte Vedra Inn and Club, The Lodge and Club in Ponte Vedra, Epping Forest Yacht and Country Club in Jacksonville and the River Club in downtown Jacksonville. GATE Precast owns and operates nine concrete plants that specialize in structural and architectural precast concrete products. GATE Lands has developed significant commercial and residential land in Northeast Florida and is currently developing Durbin Park in St. Johns County, a large retail development in Northeast Florida.*

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