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#### Transformational Change, and Don't Forget a Solid First Quarter

At our May 1 global town hall, Chairman and CEO Mike Lamach addressed an overflow employee audience in the room in Davidson, North Carolina, and on our webcast and phone lines. He dove right into the subject on all of our minds: the “very transformational” April 30 announcement of the definitive agreement to combine our Industrial segment with Gardner Denver, and have our Climate segment become a standalone company.

Amplify our best

“Both the industrial company and the climate company to be named are going to leverage everything that we’ve built,” Mike said. “I’m so proud of what we’ve done together. My hope is that we’re going to amplify the best of what we’ve done both in the new industrial company and in the climate company.

“I know there are a lot of mixed feelings about the news, and I’m sure that you’re wondering about a lot of things, particularly what it means for each of you,” Mike continued. “If you want to know where to focus, focus on our customers, focus on teamwork, and focus on supporting each other through the process.”

Mike explained why we’re undertaking this transaction now, what happens with our ongoing day-to-day work, and what happens between now and closing, in an estimated one year’s time.

He also spoke about Gardner Denver. “I spent time with Vicente (Reynal, the company’s CEO) and members of their team, and one thing is clear, there’s a very complementary set of industrial businesses with similar strategic priorities. They might say things a little bit differently, but at the end of the day, it’s a commitment to profitable growth, a business operating system that’s focused on productivity and customer value, a focus on employees and culture. A few days ago, they joined the CEO Action for Diversity and Inclusion, taking a leadership position, as we have, in that.”

Full-length video: watch Mike and our other leaders at the global town hall [\[link to video\]](#)

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For now, stay focused

To close the town hall, Mike circled back to the April 30 announcement. “It’s a lot of news in a couple of days,” he said. “Right now, stay focused on what we’re doing. We’ve got a lot of opportunity here to make sure we’re making the company stronger so that when we do split into two companies, we’re setting them up to be incredibly strong.”

Excerpts from the Ingersoll-Rand plc  
Global Town Hall with Employees [\[video link in article above\]](#)

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Carrie Ruddy: Welcome, I'm Carrie Ruddy, I lead our communications team and I thank you for joining us for our Global Town Hall. Today we're going to cover . . . yesterday's announcement and also our first quarter financials and our speakers this morning include Mike Lamach, our chairman and CEO, Sue Carter, senior vice president and chief financial officer, Keith Sultana, senior vice president, operations and integrated supply chain.

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Mike Lamach: \* \* \*

So let me start with what the announcement was, and it was a very transformational announcement and the change we're making in creating two stand alone companies.

When it's done it'll create a new industrial company, which will combine our industrial segment with Gardner Denver, including the PFS acquisition to become a global leader in mission critical flow technologies, and industrial technologies.

And a new company which would be a pure play global leader and climate control solutions for buildings, for homes and for transportation.

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So the industrial company expects to take the name Ingersoll Rand, given that's several of our industrial businesses go to market under the Ingersoll Rand brand, it's going to be led by a Gardner Denver CEO, Vicente Reynal, and it's going to be a combined team of leaders from both Ingersoll Rand and Gardner Denver that would run that company.

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On the climate side, our remaining HBAC and transport refrigeration businesses will become that stand alone company focused on climate technology.

The climate company will need to be renamed at its close, and we'll go through a process of figuring out what that name should be over the next nine months to a year even. Opportunity to lead the company along with leaders from our climate business and corporate functions.

It's probably going to close early 2020 . . . And that's subject to regulatory approvals.

Gardner Denver needs stockholder approval.

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So I thought I'd address several topics that I know have to be on your mind, things like why are we doing this now and why and ultimately what does this mean for all of us, all of you?

So as we look at first the -- sort of the what and why, we look at climate and industrial the segments, I feel that have increasingly unique strategies. It's not lost on our investors that the segments would have different growth, different investment profiles, different regulatory issues associated with them if they're stand alone companies.

The timing is right now because we have a complimentary partner in Gardner Denver, which combined with our industrial segment creates an industrial company with the scale to compete and when it is a standalone company.

It creates synergies and benefits that outweigh the costs or challenges of separating the climate and industrial segments. So we think about the combination today is creating about \$150 million a year of synergy, but the combination there creates about \$250 million in synergies of which [Ingersoll-Rand plc] . . . gets at least -- gets half of that.

Simply just spinning out the business without a partner of scale to attach it to would be a (dissynergy) and then the public class of (stand alone) company would be an added cost. So when you think about sort of how we would construct that, spending that out and merging it with Gardner Denver is the very, very best option.

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[T]here is a real opportunity here to simplify the company and create a more customer focused organization.

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A couple of years I've been talking about simplification, this is a real opportunity to figure out how to do that in a way that's really responsive to customers. So we're going to approach it very carefully, very thoughtfully over quite a long period of time here to figure out what's next.

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I mentioned the PFS acquisition, we expect that to close soon. It will combine with our fluid management business and of course as I mentioned once the larger split into two companies occurs, it would go with the industrial segment. I think that it creates a really fantastic fluid management business when you combine it with (Arrow) and you combine it with Gardner Denver's medical product business, which is really a flow business as well, and some of their oil and gas business which is a flow business as well.

So it should be a nice addition when you put that all together. Somewhere between \$800 million and \$1 billion of fluid management.

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So let's talk about each company for a minute. Gardner Denver and our industrial segment plus PFS is going to be roughly a \$6.6 billion company.

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It's a leading global provider of flow control technology, got expertise with its own family of brands. I spent time with Vicente and members of their team and one things are clear, there's a very complementary set of industrial businesses with similar strategic priorities.

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They might say things a little bit differently, but at the end of the day, it's a commitment to profitable growth, a business operating system that's focused on productivity and customer value, a focus on employees and culture.

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Build access to broader growth opportunities with industry-leading product portfolios and strong after-market offerings. It's going to serve a diverse set of markets. Very diverse, including beverage transport, waste, water, pharmaceuticals, medical, with the addition of (club car) small personal vehicles too.

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Combining with another great company is a powerful opportunity going forward.

With climate, standalone climate business will become a pure play, meaning it's climate-focused. And the climate-controlled solutions space we're building is homes and transportation. Strong brands headlined by Trane and Thermo King, outstanding sales and service channels, proven business operating system, very well-capitalized, positioned to capitalize on the global sustainability megatrends that play directly to our strengths.

So this is around reducing energy intensity of homes and buildings, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and improving our customers' operations. We'll continue to focus on the culture, building a progressive, diverse, and inclusive organization as well as our efforts to use our operating system to drive profitable growth and operational excellence. And I think, with greater focus, more targeted investments, a simplified business model, we'll be even better positioned to enhance the value for all of our shareholders, all of our stakeholders.

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So my hope is that we're going to amplify the best of what we've done both in the new industrial company and we certainly are going to continue to amplify what we're doing in the climate company. When you think about all of this, it comes down to people and culture and culture is a word used a lot but culture is nothing more than the combination of how all the people in the company act and everybody in the company in some way plays some role in what that culture actually is, how that culture is actually defined.

So let's make that culture a culture we want it to be today and a culture we want it to be tomorrow as well. It carries through in everything that we do. I'm so proud of what we've done together.

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Mike            So I just, look, advice when things are moving fast is, slow down and take a deep breath. It's going to be  
Lamach:       great, it's going to be some work, but I wouldn't do this if I didn't think it was the right thing to do.

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I do want to see two great companies really thrive and I think we can create more opportunity for everybody, and I'm talking about employees here, not just shareholders, through what we're doing. Thank you.

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Slides from Global Town Hall

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## Additional Information and Where to Find It

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