# EVI Industries to Acquire Girbau North America, Expanding Leadership in Commercial and Industrial Laundry Solutions

**Oshkosh, WI** – <u>Girbau North America (GNA)</u>, a leading provider of commercial and industrial laundry solutions and parent company of Continental Girbau West, announced today that it is being acquired by <u>EVI Industries, Inc. (EVI)</u>, a publicly traded company dedicated to the commercial laundry industry across North America. This strategic acquisition strengthens both companies' ability to deliver innovative laundry solutions while enhancing service and distribution capabilities nationwide.

GNA, formerly a subsidiary of <u>Girbau</u>, has been a trusted leader in the laundry equipment industry, and will conduct business as usual moving forward without changes to leadership, staff, services, support or culture, according to GNA President Mike Floyd. "We remain dedicated to our customers, and now our resource pool of products, knowledge and services has grown thanks to the many partners of EVI across the United States. Simultaneously, we continue to rely on Girbau's expertise and leadership in manufacturing to deliver best-in-class laundry solutions."

GNA is EVI's 30<sup>th</sup> and largest acquisition in the commercial laundry distribution and service industry. By joining EVI Industries, GNA gains access to a growing network of laundry distributors and service providers, positioning the company for accelerated growth and expanded market reach while maintaining its role as a key partner of Girbau.

EVI Industries has rapidly expanded its presence in the laundry industry through strategic acquisitions, integrating leading distributors and service providers to create a robust, customerfocused network. The addition of GNA further strengthens EVI's ability to offer comprehensive laundry solutions across multiple market segments.

"We are thrilled to welcome Girbau North America to the EVI family," said President and CEO Henry Nahmad. "Girbau North Amercia's strong brand reputation, comprehensive product offerings, dedicated team and customer-centric approach make them an ideal addition to our growing platform. Together, we will continue to set new standards in commercial and industrial laundry solutions while preserving GNA's strong relationship with Girbau as a key manufacturing partner".

GNA maintains its long-standing role in representing Girbau-manufactured laundry solutions, just as it has for the past 30 years. "With EVI's competitive influence, we anticipate an accelerated pace for bringing new products from Girbau and other business partners to market," added Floyd.

"Joining EVI Industries marks an exciting new chapter for Girbau North America," said GNA President Mike Floyd. "EVI's commitment to the laundry industry aligns perfectly with our mission to provide world-class equipment and services to our customers. This partnership enhances our ability to serve the laundry industry with even greater efficiency and innovation through an expanded base of Laundry Solution tools and programming for all GNA customers."

From Girbau's perspective, this transition presents an opportunity to continue innovating and growing alongside GNA. "We are excited to continue our strong collaboration with GNA under this new structure," said Chair and CEO of Girbau, Mercè Girbau. "For years, we have worked together to deliver industry-leading solutions, and this next chapter will enable us to drive further innovation and create even greater value for our customers."

GNA will continue to operate under the Girbau North America name, ensuring continuity for existing customers, distributors and partners. The company remains committed to delivering the high-quality products, services and support that have made it a trusted name in the industry. To learn more about GNA or career opportunities visit <u>www.gnalaundry.com</u> or call 800-256-1073.

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## About Girbau North America

GNA, in Oshkosh, Wis., is a comprehensive strategic laundry solutions company serving the vended, commercial and industrial laundry and textile care markets throughout North America. Services under the GNA umbrella include customer marketing via Girbau Creative Services (GCS); financing through CustomSelect; and distribution through partner distributors and Continental Girbau West (CG West), which serves Arizona, New Mexico and Southern California. GNA also provides product warehousing for quick availability, parts for most brands, technical service assistance, customer care and the industry's most comprehensive offering of commercial laundry solutions to customers throughout North America. GNA brands include:

- Continental Girbau®
- Girbau Industrial®
- Sports Laundry Systems®
- Poseidon Textile Care®
- Express Laundry Centers®
- OnePress<sup>®</sup>

# **About EVI Industries**

EVI, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, is a value-added distributor and a provider of advisory and technical services. Through its vast sales organization, the EVI provides customers with planning, designing, and consulting services related to their commercial laundry operations. EVI sells and/or leases its customers commercial laundry equipment, specializing in washing, drying, finishing, material handling, water heating, power generation, and water reuse applications. In support of the suite of products it offers, EVI sells related parts and accessories. Additionally, through EVI's robust network of commercial laundry technicians, it provides its customers with installation, maintenance and repair services. EVI's customers include retail, commercial, industrial, institutional and government customers. Purchases made by customers range from parts and accessories to single or multiple units of equipment, to large complex systems as well as the purchase of EVI's installation, maintenance, and repair services.

### About Girbau

Girbau is a world leader in the development of innovative laundry solutions engineered for superior efficiency, quality and reliability. Girbau, committed to going "Beyond Laundry," is more than just a machinery manufacturer: The company goes beyond high-performance equipment to also provide laundry solutions and services that add value to the customer experience. Girbau's commitment to sustainability, adapting to customer needs and providing personalized laundry solutions deliver success. Girbau products meet rigorous environmental and safety standards established by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Girbau holds both ISO9001 and ISO14001 certifications. Ever focused on laundry efficiency, GNA is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGB), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that developed the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.

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