Ruppert Companies promotes
Donna Nichols to VP of Finance

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Laytonsville, MD – Ruppert Companies is pleased to announce the promotion of **Donna Nichols** to vice president of finance**.**

"Donna has excelled at every level in her tenure at Ruppert and I fully expect her significant contributions to continue in her new role," said Craig Ruppert, CEO. "We are grateful that we are able to promote such great talent from within the company."

Nichols, a resident of Myersville, MD, has over 30 years of finance, accounting, real estate and property management experience. She holds a bachelor's degree from McDaniel College and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). She has been with Ruppert Companies for nine years as controller. In 2011, she was awarded the company's Corporate Impact Award for her outstanding dedication and contributions that made a positive impact on the organization.

"Donna has played an integral role in the operation of our business and has made a great impact on Ruppert Properties' growth over the last nine years," said Bill Meissner, president of Ruppert Properties.

As vice president of finance, she will be responsible for taxes and banking matters and the financial oversight of all three Ruppert companies.

Ruppert Companies is a family and employee-owned business comprised of **Ruppert Landscape** (established in 1976), a commercial landscape construction and management contractor; **Ruppert Nurseries** (established in 1990), a wholesale tree grower; and **Ruppert Properties** (established in 1999), which owns, constructs and manages industrial properties in the Frederick, MD area. By being part of a team, our companies gain exposure to other industries and are able to benchmark best practices, which makes us more valuable to our customers and our employees. Ruppert Companies has a long-standing tradition of growing its team and giving back to the community. To learn more, visit www.ruppertcompanies.com.