



# THE HILLER COMPANIES, LLC MERGES WITH UNIFOUR FIRE AND SAFETY TO CREATE PREMIER FIRE AND SAFETY SERVICES PROVIDER

Combined company will have greater scale, geographical footprint and resources to benefit customers across Southeast and beyond

**Mobile, Alabama – April 10, 2023 –** The Hiller Companies, a leading provider of fire and life safety services, today announced it has merged with Unifour Fire and Safety, headquartered in Hickory, NC, to form the premier fire and life safety services provider in the United States. The combined company, which will continue to be known as The Hiller Companies, will have greater scale, service capabilities and geographical reach that will benefit customers of both companies. Unifour Fire and Safety will continue to operate under its existing brand. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Established in 1919 and headquartered in Mobile, AL, Hiller is a leading national provider in the fire and safety services industry, offering customers a full range of installation and recurring services through a network of 26 branches across the United States. Unifour was founded in 1984 and has made a name for itself as a leading provider in the Southeast serving areas including North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

The combined company will continue to be led by Chief Executive Officer Santiago Perez. Unifour Fire and Safety will consolidate under The Hiller Companies and continue to be led by President Stephen Terrell, and Chief Operating Officer Ben Moore.

"This is an exciting moment for Hiller, as we significantly expand our presence in the Southeast, strengthen our capabilities to deliver world-class services to our combined customer base and provide more growth opportunities for Hiller and Unifour employees and partners," said Santiago Perez, CEO of The Hiller Companies. "Unifour's experienced leadership, service culture and customer-centric approach fit well with Hiller's strong commitment and track record of providing superior service to our customers. These values are the foundations of both businesses, and we are excited about the opportunities ahead for our combined company."

Morgan Anderson, Founder of Unifour, said, "We are excited to be joining forces with Hiller, a highly respected company in our industry. Unifour and Hiller's values and cultures align, which made for the right partnership for Unifour. Merging with Hiller allows our company the advantage of being part of a larger team and network of like-minded fire and life safety experts while remaining focused on serving our region of the country."

Lincoln International LLC served as exclusive financial advisor and Williams Mullen served as legal counsel to Unifour Fire and Safety in the transaction. Harris Williams served as financial advisor and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP served as legal counsel to The Hiller Companies.

## **About The Hiller Companies**

Hiller offers fire protection and life safety products and services that are preserving lives and property all around the world. Headquartered in Mobile, Alabama, Hiller extends its reach globally as well as in domestic markets with offices across the United States. For more than 100 years, we have been laser-focused on one goal – making the world a safer place. We are proud to be on the forefront of technology and innovation by creating adaptable

safety solutions. As we continue to grow and expand our life safety footprint, we pledge to keep our customers top of mind while striving to design, install and service the most compliant, reliable systems available. For more information about Hiller, please visit <u>hillerfire.com</u>.

## About Unifour Fire & Safety

Unifour has been helping to prevent commercial fires throughout the Southeast for more than three decades with a focus on timely and reliable fire safety service when and where needed. A leader in the fire prevention industry since 1984, Unifour serves North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. For more information about Unifour, please visit <u>unifourfire.com</u>.

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