

Kathy Bolhous

Kathy Bolhous is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Charter Next Generation (CNG), a leading specialty film supplier to the food, consumer, industrial, and healthcare industries headquartered in Milton, WI. CNG currently operates 14 manufacturing facilities across the United States. Over the past 10 years, Kathy has led CNG through several transformational acquisitions and significant organic growth. Under her leadership valuation of the company has grown from \$58 million to \$4.3 billion. With support from private equity partners Leonard Green and KKR, CNG implemented an all employee ownership program in 2021 to allow team members to participate in the company's future equity growth. With more than three decades of experience in plastics manufacturing including senior leadership roles at Appleton Paper, Cascade Engineering and Magna-Donnelly she is a trailblazer and role model for women in the industry. In 2022 Kathy was named Regional Award Winner in EY's Entrepreneur of the Year competition. In 2021 she earned a spot on Forbes inaugural list of 50 Over 50, a prestigious group of successful female founders, leaders and CEOs. She currently serves as Chairman of the Flexible Packaging Association where she has been a Board member since 2011.