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**KOREY BROWNLEE APPOINTED GENERAL MANAGER OF BEVERAGE-AIR AND VICTORY REFRIGERATION**

**CHICAGO AND WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (January 27, 2025)** – Filippo Berti, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ali Group, today announced the promotion of Korey Brownlee to the position of General Manager of Beverage-Air and Victory Refrigeration, effective immediately. In this role, he will report directly to Oscar Villa, Group President at Welbilt.

Brownlee joined the Beverage-Air and Victory procurement team in April 2018 as a Senior Buyer. In June 2019, he was promoted to Purchasing Manager.

In September 2022, Brownlee was promoted to Director of Operations, and in July 2024, he became Vice President of Operations.

His leadership has been instrumental in driving continuous operational improvements and fostering a culture of excellence, says Filippo Berti. “Korey’s extensive experience across procurement, supply chain and operations has given him a comprehensive understanding of our business,” said Berti. “I am confident that his leadership style and execution skills will drive continued growth and success for both Beverage-Air and Victory Refrigeration.”

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