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Welbilt Promotes Andrew Spero to Vice President, Strategic Accounts, Global Chains

CHICAGO (September 14, 2026) – Welbilt®, an Ali Group company and a global leader in foodservice equipment and solutions, today announced the promotion of Andrew Spero to Vice President, Strategic Accounts, Global Chains, effective August 30, 2026. In this role, Spero will report directly to Jim Courtright, Senior Vice President of Sales, Welbilt Americas, and will partner closely with Slaven Erzisnisk, Vice President and General Manager, Latin America Distribution, to support strategic global chain customers throughout Latin America.

In his expanded role, Spero will continue supporting sales growth throughout Latin America while taking ownership of the global Yum! Brands account. He will be responsible for driving revenue growth and profitability across strategic global accounts through customer partnership, account development and the execution of growth-focused sales strategies.

Spero will also continue collaborating with customers, business partners and internal teams to strengthen relationships and support long-term business success.

Spero joined Welbilt in 2008 as Business Development Manager, focusing on the growth and expansion of Merrychef across the Western United States. In 2016, he was promoted to Director, Key Accounts, where he led key account growth and sales strategy initiatives across Latin America for Welbilt brands.

"Throughout his career with Welbilt, Andrew has built a reputation for his strong customer focus, strategic mindset, collaborative leadership style and commitment to delivering results. His extensive industry knowledge and ability to build lasting partnerships have been instrumental to our success," said Jim Courtright, Senior Vice President of Sales, Welbilt Americas.

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About Welbilt, Inc.

Welbilt, Inc., an Ali Group company, provides the world's top chefs, premier chain operators and growing independents with industry-leading equipment and solutions. Our innovative products and solutions are powered by our deep knowledge, operator insights and culinary expertise. Our portfolio of award-winning product brands includes Adamatic®, Aladdin Temp-Rite®, Amana® Commercial, American Dish Service®, Belshaw®, Beverage-Air®, BGI®, Bi-Line®, BUNN®, Burlodge®, Carpigiani®, Champion®, Cleveland®, CMA® Dishmachines, Convotharm®, Dean®, Delfield®, Edlund®, Egro®, Electro Freeze®, Eloma®, Frymaster®, Garland®, Harford™, Ice-O-Matic®, Inducs®, Kold-Draft®, Kolpak®, Lincoln®, McCann's™, MenuMaster® Commercial, Merco®, Merrychef®, Metro®, Moffat®, Montague®, Moyer Diebel®, Multiplex®, Rancilio®, Rancilio Specialty™, RDI®, Scotsman®, SerVend®, SunFire®, Turbofan®, U.S. Range™, Victory®, V-Air™ and XpressChef®. Welbilt is also supported by a portfolio of service brands that enhance and maintain kitchen operations. FitKitchen® provides integrated kitchen systems, while KitchenCare® delivers aftermarket service solutions for commercial foodservice operations. KitchenConnect® offers a cloud-based open platform for connected kitchen solutions, ensuring seamless integration and efficiency. For the marine industry, Welbilt Marine specializes in advanced kitchen and galley solutions, while GalleyCare™ provides dedicated aftermarket service specifically for Welbilt Marine's cruise line solutions. Headquartered in the greater Chicago area, Welbilt operates manufacturing facilities throughout the Americas and sells through a network of distributors, dealers, buying groups and manufacturers' representatives.

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