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## **Ali Group Announces Leadership Appointments Across Ali Group North America, BUNN and ACP**

**CHICAGO, April 29, 2026** — Ali Group, which operates in North America under the Welbilt brand, today announced a series of leadership appointments effective May 11, impacting its global organization and North American operations, including changes at Ali Group North America, BUNN and ACP, Inc. (ACP), which includes the Amana Commercial, MenuMaster Commercial and XpressChef brands.

Brad Willis has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of BUNN. In this role, Willis will have responsibility for all day-to-day operations at BUNN and will report to Filippo Berti, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ali Group.

Willis joined Ali Group in 2009 as Chief Financial Officer of Beverage-Air and was appointed Chief Financial Officer of Ali Group North America in 2014. In 2018, he became Chief Financial Officer of Ali Group. Throughout his tenure, Willis has played a pivotal role in guiding the organization through significant growth, providing disciplined financial leadership, supporting operational excellence and leading multiple acquisitions from due diligence through integration.

With Willis assuming the role of President and Chief Executive Officer of BUNN, David Kalinowski has been appointed Chief Financial Officer of Ali Group North America, moving from his role as President of ACP.

Kalinowski joined Scotsman Ice in 2006 and held a variety of roles of increasing responsibility there, including Chief Financial Officer, before being appointed President of ACP in 2022. Under his leadership, ACP continued to build on a more than 25-year legacy of delivering best-in-class commercial ovens to the foodservice equipment industry.

Following Kalinowski's appointment, Meghan Hurst has been appointed President of ACP.

Hurst most recently served as Vice President and General Manager for Vulcan, part of ITW Food Equipment Group, a role she assumed in 2024. She joined the company in 2014 and has held several key leadership roles, including Vice President of Sales and Marketing, developing a strong understanding of the industry, as well as the sales channels and markets served. She brings more than 15 years of experience across commercial, product and general management roles to ACP.

Hurst holds an MBA from the Fox School of Business at Temple University and a Bachelor of Business Administration from The George Washington University School of Business.

"These leadership appointments reflect the strength of our organization and our continued focus on developing and advancing exceptional talent," said Filippo Berti, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ali Group. "Brad, David and Meghan each bring the experience, leadership and strategic perspective needed to support our businesses and position them for continued success."

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### **About the Ali Group**

Founded in 1963, the Ali Group is a global corporation headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, with its European corporate office located in Milan, Italy. Through its subsidiaries, the company designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad line of commercial and institutional foodservice equipment used by major restaurant and hotel chains, independent restaurants, hospitals, schools, airports, correctional institutions and canteens.

The Ali Group and its more than 115 global brands employ approximately 17,000 people in 30 countries and, in terms of sales, is the world's largest group in the foodservice equipment industry. It has 80 manufacturing facilities in 16 countries and sales and service subsidiaries throughout Europe, the Middle East, Africa, North America, South America, and Asia Pacific.

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