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Wilken Benjamin II Joins ESS Technologies Sales Team, Bringing Extensive Expertise in Packaging Automation



Blacksburg, VA., June 13, 2024. ESS Technologies Inc., a leading provider in manufacturing cartoning, case packing, and robotic palletizing solutions, is excited to announce the addition of Wilken (Wil) Benjamin II to their sales team. As the west coast Regional Sales Engineer, he will serve as a valuable asset in driving the company's growth and expertise in packaging automation. With a proven track record in packaging engineering and capital project management, Wil will play a key role in expanding ESS Technologies' reach and impact within the industry.

Wil's prior experience as Director of Engineering at Woodland Foods and Principal Packaging Equipment Engineer at Rich Products Corporation equips him with a specialized end user perspective on continuous improvement and operational efficiency.

"I am thrilled to join the ESS Technologies sales team and contribute my expertise in packaging automation to help the company expand its market presence," said Wilken Benjamin II. "I look forward to working with the team to drive innovation and deliver exceptional solutions to our customers."

Dan Schmidt, General Manager of ESS Technologies, expressed his enthusiasm for Wil joining the team. Schmidt stated, "We are delighted to welcome Wil to ESS Technologies. His wealth of experience and knowledge from the customer perspective in packaging automation will be instrumental in helping us provide cutting-edge solutions to our clients."

A wholly owned subsidiary of the Pacteon Group, ESS Technologies aims to expand the group's presence in the health and beauty, pharmaceutical, and nutraceutical industries. Wil's addition to the sales team signifies a significant step towards further strengthening the group's position as a leader in packaging automation solutions.

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About ESS Technologies, Inc.

Established in 1993, ESS Technologies specializes in high precision secondary packaging design, manufacturing, and integration for the health & beauty, pharmaceutical, nutraceutical, and cosmetic industries. ESS has extensive experience in automatic cartoners and case packers, robotic palletizers, and pick-and-place robotic systems.

About Pacteon Group

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