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WFLO Announces 2009 Institute Graduates

ALEXANDRIA, VA, 4 August 2009 – A total of 43 managers, supervisors, and engineers in the cold storage industry graduated this year from the prestigious World Food Logistics Organization (WFLO) Institute.

Their graduation marks the completion of three years of challenging coursework and hands-on training at the Institute, which is now in its 45th year.

The Institute is a four-day industry-specific program offering more than 40 classes taught by leading experts in the refrigerated warehousing industry. The curriculum takes students through the food industry, supply chain and logistics field, and cold storage warehousing. It is held each year at the Georgia Institute of Technology, with some classes held at a special cold storage “engine room” at Lanier Technical College.

“In an era when getting the most out of your workforce is critical, the companies that sent employees to this program made wise decisions by investing in the training of their key people,” says WFLO President & CEO Bill Hudson. “The history of this program has demonstrated that Institute graduates return to their companies as smarter, more productive employees who can help their companies succeed. They are more skilled at identifying and solving problems and developing new and improved ways of doing business.”

The 2009 Institute graduates include:

Justin Abbruzzese, Warehouse Supervisor, Confederation Freezers
Brian Behrens, Maintenance Technician, Zero Mountain Inc.
Lesa Beuscher, Office Manager, Columbia Colstor, Inc.
Jim Blanco, Supervisor, United States Cold Storage
Greg Blaufuss, Operations Manager, Columbia Colstor, Inc.
Jeff Borchelt, Transportation Supervisor, United States Cold Storage
Roy Brown, General Manager, Henningsen Cold Storage Co.
Mike Browning, Management, Interstate Cold Storage

Gary Burkhalter, Warehouse Manager, Nordic Cold Storage, LLC
Jim Carrico, Operation Manager, Burris Logistics
Greg Chavez, Director of Warehouse Services, Henningsen Cold Storage Co.
Greg Clark, Plant Manager, UniSea
Josh Clayberg, Maintenance Technician, Zero Mountain Inc.
Greg Coury, Building Manager, Mesa Cold Storage
Larry Cunningham, Chief Engineer, Total Logistic Control
Jason Danko, Customer Service Supervisor, United States Cold Storage
Ray Davis, Operation Manager, Burris Logistics
Mike Feaganes, Warehouse Supervisor, United States Cold Storage, Inc.
Jim Gadziemski, Facility Manager, Total Logistic Control
Rick Hamilton, Inventory Control Manager, Columbia Colstor, Inc.
Justin Hanson, Logistics Coordinator, Hanson Logistics
Mickey Hoffmann, Director - Corporate Development, United States Cold Storage
Andrew Jackson, Office Manager, Interstate Warehousing
Tom Jarvis, Warehouse Manager, Trenton Cold Storage Inc.
Matt Kreitzer, Team Leader Production, Morrow Cold Storage
Kief Maxey, Shipping & Receiving Supervisor, National Steak and Poultry
A.J. McCollum, Supervisor, United States Cold Storage, Inc.
Jeff O'Brien, Supervisor, United States Cold Storage
Kristin Roberts, Operations Manager, Columbia Colstor, Inc.
Juan Rubio, Office Manager, Innovative Cold Storage Enterprises, Inc.
Toby Shane, Red Prairie Team, Interstate Warehousing
Ken Simoneit, Chief Engineer, U.S. Growers Cold Storage Inc.
John Simpson, Warehouse Manager, American Cold Storage
Brian Smith, Chief Engineer, United States Cold Storage
Daniel Smith, Supervisor, Sierra Pacific Distribution Services
Joseph Smith, General Manager, Great Lakes Cold Storage
Mike Spike, Warehouse Supervisor, J&B Cold Storage
Pete Vucinic, Chief Engineer, United States Cold Storage
Kurt Weidner, Warehouseman, Henningsen Cold Storage
James Wells, Supervisor, Burris Logistics
Nick White, Red Prairie Team, Interstate Warehousing
Donald Wyant, Henningsen Cold Storage
David Zimmerman, Warehouse Supervisor/Safety Administrator, Total Logistic Control

The 2010 WFLO Institute will be held January 31 - February 3, 2010 at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA. For more information, visit www.wflo.org/institute.

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The World Food Logistics Organization (WFLO) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the proper handling and storage of perishable products and the development of systems and best practices for the safe, efficient, and reliable

movement of food to the people of the world. Founded in 1943, WFLO delivers education and research to the industry and empowers economic development by strengthening the global cold chain. WFLO is a Core Partner of the Global Cold Chain Alliance, an umbrella organization that unites partners to be innovative leaders in the temperature-controlled products industry. For more information, visit www.wflo.org.