**Arthur “Bert” Blades**

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**Summary:**

Customer focused Sales Associate with solid understanding of retail dynamics, marketing and customer

service in the cold storage industry. Offering 20+ years of experience in the cold storage construction

field, which included providing quality product recommendations and solutions to customers various

needs and Expectations. Dedicated sales associate with success in fostering quality experiences

through expert needs assessment and extensive product knowledge, as well as a great working

relationship with the customer base.

**Military:**

October 1973 to October 1977

Attached to NMCB 62, with the United States Navy Seabees.

Discharged with **Honorable Discharge**

**Work History:**

Currently employed with:

R-Cold Inc,

1221 s “G” Street

Perris, Ca. 92570

I joined the cold storage industry with R-Cold Inc. in the summer of 1986 as a Carpenters helper, building cold storage facilities in the Southern California area. The work assignments through the years for R-Cold have included the states of Nevada, Arizona, Hawaii, along with Mexico, and other projects in the Houston, Texas area, and in Blacksburg, Virginia.

These projects range from small walk-in coolers and freezers, to some of the largest warehousing coolers and freezers in the Southern California area.

R-Cold is a general contractor that is also a manufacturer of cold storage polystyrene panels and cold storage components, including: in house doors of various types, in house metal fabrication needed for building construction, in house CAD division, in house refrigeration dept, in house engineering, and an in-house construction management division.

In the mid 90’s I began handling the responsibilities for some of the various projects as a working foreman.

My wife and I had an equestrian video-taping service from approximately to 2006.

Then I returned to R-Cold Inc as a foreman, and continued the construction of numerous projects for the company as a working foreman.

In 2013 I joined the sales force for R-Cold Inc and also managed a division called “In Plant Services”.

I managed that division for numerous years but with the work load that eventually became a fulltime responsibility, that position has been moved to someone else in the company, so I could concentrate with cold storage warehouse and production plant maintenance and upkeep.

I am still minorly involved in the “In Plant Services” division helping, when possible, with current and new customer’s needs.

**General Informatio**n:

I will be leaving R-Cold on the 30th of March. My family and I will be moving to the central Mississippi area in the middle of April of this year.

On the 27th of December, 2021 I met an employee of “The SouthEast Company”. This took place in the

parking lot of the LaQuinta Hotel in Pearl Mississippi and I believe his name is MARK. We talked briefly and he gave me a brief rundown of what your company does.

I understand that “The SouthEast Company” is located in Leeds, Alabama and that I would need at some point to visit your offices, and would like an opportunity too discuss employment with your company.

Further information is surely available by request.

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