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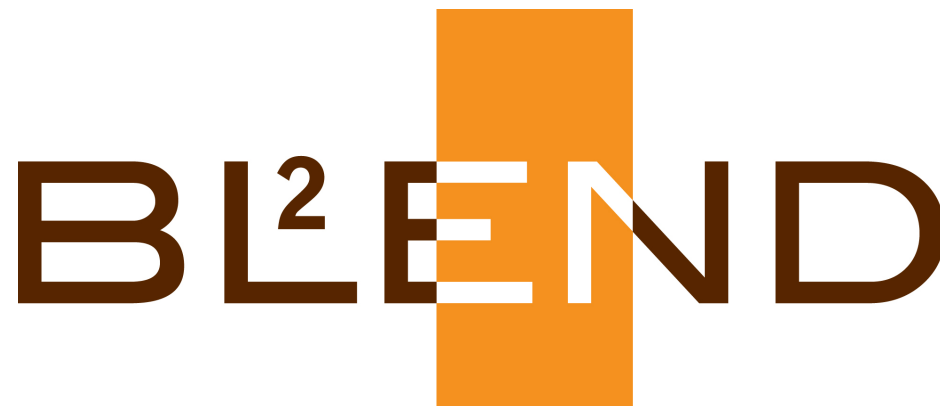
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“The Business of Relationships”

Tuesday
March 26, 2013
6:00 p.m.

BISSELL Homecare, Inc.
2345 Walker Ave NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49544

Program

6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Hors d'oeuvres

Mix...Mingle...BL²END

6:30 p.m.
Welcome

Brian Parks
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Jim D'Amico
Senior Manager – Global Staffing
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Introduction of Speaker

Adam Madigan
Global Business Director – Hard Surfaces
BISSELL Homecare, Inc.

6:45 p.m.
Dialogue

“Business Relationships...Make Them Last Forever!”

Adrien Lewis
Director of Chemical Packaging
BISSELL Homecare, Inc.

Angela M. Smith
Director of Strategic Purchasing
BISSELL Homecare, Inc.

7:50 p.m.
Closing Remarks

Brian Parks
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Adrien Lewis
Director of Chemical Packaging



Adrien Lewis is the Director of Chemical Packaging at BISSELL Homecare, Inc. In this role, he is responsible for leading the manufacturing team to develop, produce, and ship high quality floor care consumables worldwide. Adrien joined BISSELL Homecare Inc. in August of 2008 and has successfully increased the profit margin of consumables by increasing production efficiency while making strategic capital investments and reducing cost in the department.

Prior to joining BISSELL Homecare Inc., Adrien spent 7 years with Miller Brewing Company in Ohio. During his tenure at Miller, he held five different engineering positions and was an official taste tester. Adrien left Miller Brewing Company to become a Production Manager at Spectrum Brands in St. Louis, Missouri. At Spectrum Brands, he successfully ran three plants producing lawn and garden consumables for 3 years; he was the youngest and the only person to serve as production manager for all three plants simultaneously.

Angela M. Smith
Director of Strategic Purchasing



Angela M. Smith is the Director of Strategic Purchasing at BISSELL Homecare, Inc. She is responsible for leading a team of purchasing professionals in developing and executing strategic sourcing plans and ensuring early supplier involvement in new product development. This span of control includes managing initial, chemical, and indirect purchasing. Ms. Smith joined BISSELL Homecare Inc. in August of 2012 and is focused on driving the purchasing team to source parts, goods, and services at the highest quality and the lowest total cost for the enterprise.

Prior to joining BISSELL Homecare Inc. she worked for The Home Depot where she gained extensive experience in strategic sourcing and has worked in procurement for the last 16 years. During her tenure at The Home Depot, she was able to deliver \$61M in total value savings.

Recommended Reading List

The Total Money Makeover
by Dave Ramsey

Strengths-Based Leadership: Great Leaders, Teams, and Why People Follow
by Tom Rath & Barry Conchie

Our Iceberg is Melting: Changing and Succeeding Under Any Conditions
by John Kotter & Holger Rathgeber