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Riley Construction Promotes Six Executives to Ownership Group

Construction Firm Empowers Leaders to Put Transparency Back into Building

KENOSHA, WI, (September 19, 2024) – Riley Construction, one of the largest commercial construction management and general construction firms in Wisconsin and Illinois, has announced that six new project executives have officially joined the ownership group. The decision to elevate this group of tenured employees is a strategic move for Riley as the company aims to redefine the traditional leadership structure of construction firms with more transparency and direct access to decision-makers.

In the construction industry, where timelines are tight and it is crucial to meet budgets and schedules, flexibility, experience and authority are critical. This change in structure allows Riley to enhance its customer-focused model and speed up the process by having owners who are involved with every company project empowered and authorized to make crucial decisions.

Riley executives joining the ownership group include Chris Meier, Franz Lehner, Joe Gilbert, Chad Parker, Dan Sullivan and Craig Matthews. Each of them are tenured project executives who have played a key role in helping to grow Riley into one of the leading general contractors in the region.

“By empowering our owners and leaders, we avoid being overly rigid and make the building process easier for everyone involved” said Matt Prince, CEO of Riley Construction. “We want it to be distinctly different and enjoyable to work with Riley, showing everyone that construction doesn’t have to be a painful experience.”

The addition of six new executives to the ownership group also allows Riley Construction to continue its growth and success across Wisconsin and Illinois while maintaining the core values that have helped fuel its growth. The move also represents another example of Riley’s commitment to developing its future leaders from within the company.

“All of us in the new ownership group are incredibly grateful, not only for the opportunity to provide a meaningful impact on the execution of all our projects, but also to be welcomed in as part of both the wonderful history of Riley Construction and of its continued success in the future,” said Chris Meier, Project Executive at Riley. “This group is committed to continuing our legacy of building great things by creating a positive construction process that celebrates teammates and customers who do great things.”

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About Riley Construction

One of the largest construction management and general construction firms in Wisconsin and Illinois, Riley Construction is headquartered in Kenosha, WI, with four offices strategically located throughout the region. The company provides services in the municipal, industrial/manufacturing, healthcare, corporate/commercial, education, and pharmaceutical markets. Projects include new, expansion, renovation and restoration for a variety of building types. The firm's core values of Humility, Integrity, Flexibility, and Initiative (HIFI) have led to a strong reputation and an 80% repeat customer base.