

Amsterdam Commodities (Acom) appoints Eric Christianson as new President of Red River Commodities

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Red River Commodities' (RRC) CFO Eric Christianson (42) has been appointed the new President of the company effective 1 August 2019. Bob Majkrzak who has served as President for over 30 years will leave on 1 January 2020. RRC holds a unique position in sunflower and speciality seeds processing and is part of Amsterdam Commodities N.V. (Acom), the Euronext Amsterdam listed Dutch trading house specialized in spices, tea, nuts, edible seeds and food ingredients.

Christianson joined Red River Commodities as CFO in March 2017. Before he acted as CFO at Kilbourne Group and held various senior financial management positions at, amongst other, Target Corporation and The Coca-Cola Company.

Red River specialises mainly in confectionary sunflower seeds, both in-shells and kernels, for the snack industry and retail chains that sell wild bird food products. It operates from five different locations, with headquarters in Fargo, North Dakota, USA. The company also sells a unique product named SunButter® which is a healthy alternative to peanut butter, made from specially roasted sunflower seeds.

Allard Goldschmeding, Group managing director of Acom comments: "First of all we take the opportunity to thank Bob Majkrzak after so many years of dedication and life achievements for the company. Under his leadership Red River Commodities has turned into a food ingredient supplier that stands out: highly diversified, not dependant on the growing conditions of any single location and with a great reputation regarding food quality and contract reliability. Eric is the right person to succeed Bob and able to capitalize on his legacy. At the same time, we expect him to grow the business and make Red River Commodities even more successful than ever."

Eric Christianson is a graduate of Concordia College (Moorhead, Minnesota) with a bachelor's degree in Business and Organizational Communications and received his Master of Business Administration in Corporate Finance from the University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, Minnesota). Eric and his wife, Julie, reside in West Fargo, North Dakota with their three children.

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About Amsterdam Commodities N.V.

Amsterdam Commodities N.V. (Acomon) is an international group with as its principal business the trade and distribution of natural food products and ingredients. Our main trading subsidiaries are Catz International B.V. in Rotterdam, the Netherlands (spices and food raw materials), Van Rees Group B.V. in Rotterdam, the Netherlands (tea), Red River Commodities Inc. in Fargo, USA (confectionary sunflower seeds), Red River Global Ingredients Ltd. in Winkler, Canada, Red River-van Eck B.V. in Zevenbergen, the Netherlands, and SIGCO Warenhandelsgesellschaft mbH in Hamburg, Germany (edible seeds), King Nuts B.V. in Bodegraven, Delinuts B.V. in Ede and Tavano B.V. in Maasdijk, the Netherlands (nuts), and Snick EuroIngredients N.V. in Ruddervoorde, Belgium (food ingredients). Acomon shares have been traded on Euronext Amsterdam since 1908.