

# **Agrify Announces Changes to Executive Leadership Team**

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BILLERICA, Mass., May 25, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Agrify Corporation (Nasdaq:AGFY) ("Agrify" or the "Company"), a leading provider of innovative cultivation and extraction solutions for the cannabis industry, today announced three leadership changes to support sustainable long-term growth initiatives:

- David Kessler, who joined Agrify in 2020 as Vice President of Horticulture & Customer Success, has been promoted to Executive Vice President (EVP), Chief Science Officer and General Manager -- Cultivation Division.
- Brian Towns, who joined Agrify with the acquisition of Precision Extraction Solutions in 2021, has been promoted to Executive Vice President (EVP) and General Manager -- Extraction Division.
- Sheryl Elliott, who joined Agrify in 2020 as the Director of Human Resources, has been promoted to Senior Vice President (SVP) of Human Resources.
- Stuart Wilcox, who joined Agrify as a Board Member in 2021, and then as Chief Operating Officer (COO) in 2022, has
  resigned to pursue other ventures.

"We are excited to announce these leadership changes as we work to support our strategic plan," said Raymond Chang, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Agrify. "David Kessler has been integral to the development of Cultivation at Agrify. His extensive experience and horticultural expertise drives Company innovation. As an industry leader, we are thrilled to have David move into the EVP role where he can continue to grow the Company's standing as a leading solution provider in the cannabis industry."

"As Senior Vice President of Operations, Brian Towns' strong leadership and mentorship skills have strengthened the Sales Team. Since assuming the role, he has quickly overhauled processes and expectations and I am confident that with his expanded role he will have an even greater impact, scaling the Company's ability to deliver strong financial and operational performance over the long term."

"Sheryl Elliott has been an integral part of our team's personal and professional growth, spearheading efforts through six acquisitions. Our team recognizes the value Sheryl brings to the company every day."

Mr. Chang concluded, "We are grateful for Stuart Wilcox's contributions to the Company over the past two years initially as a Board Member and later as COO. We wish him continued success in all his future endeavors."

#### **About David Kessler**

Mr. Kessler has been with Agrify for three years and has over 20 years of cannabis cultivation experience including 10 years of CEA (closed environmental agriculture) indoor farm design. Mr. Kessler has also worked as a consultant to Universities and the Hollywood film industry, working on several blockbuster Hollywood films including: *The Hunger Games*, The *Divergent* film franchise, and *Marvel's Black Panther*. In addition, Mr. Kessler has served as a product tester for well-known lighting companies and has worked with independent third-party laboratories to provide unbiased testing data comparing the performance of a multitude of horticultural lighting manufacturers. Mr. Kessler has been an invaluable member of the Agrify leadership team.

## **About Brian Towns**

Mr. Towns started at Precision Extraction in 2016 as the Warehouse Operations Manager, quickly climbing the ranks to Plant Operations Manager and, ultimately, Director of Operations. Shortly after Precision Extraction was acquired by Agrify in 2021, Mr. Towns was promoted to Vice President of Operations at Agrify before assuming the Senior Vice President of Operations role in March 2023. As VP of Operations and, later, SVP of Operations, Mr. Towns has streamlined sales processes while providing strong leadership and mentoring to the sales team.

### **About Sheryl Elliott**

Mrs. Elliott has been with Agrify for three years and has over 20 years of human resource management leadership experience. Mrs. Elliott's HR experience includes private, public, domestic, global, startup, and established environments. Mrs. Elliott has a wealth of experience in various industries including cannabis, high tech, software, and manufacturing.

Mrs. Elliott led the Agrify team of employees through six acquisitions and an Initial Public Offering. Mrs. Elliott coaches the Agrify team to help foster personal and professional growth which brings tremendous value to the organization.

## About Agrify (Nasdaq:AGFY)

Agrify is a leading provider of innovative cultivation and extraction solutions for the cannabis industry, bringing data, science, and technology to the forefront of the market. Our proprietary micro-environment-controlled Vertical Farming Units (VFUs) enable cultivators to produce high quality products with unmatched consistency, yield, and ROI at scale. Our comprehensive extraction product line, which includes hydrocarbon, ethanol, solventless,

post-processing, and lab equipment, empowers producers to maximize the quantity and quality of extract required for premium concentrates. For more information, please visit Agrify at <a href="http://www.agrify.com">http://www.agrify.com</a>.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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