

## Global Cold Chain Alliance Annual Report 2023

A global platform for communication, networking, and education for each link of the cold chain.







## A message from your 2023 Chairmen

2023 has been a record-breaking year for your Associations. With the largest-ever participation in our events and training programs, high-impact advocacy campaigns and the most ever meetings held in a single year across the world, we have never been more confident in our purpose to bring the world of cold chain together.

The warehouse, transportation, and construction services have been the quiet and dependable link in our food supply chain for years. Recently, there has been growing attention towards this industry due to world instability and questions about supply chain security. GCCA, GCCF and CEBA are wellpositioned to represent the sector's best practices globally. We have also seen some big success in our role as a voice for cold chain.



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growing impact.



The GCCA played a lead role in introducing the

FRIDGE Act into the US Congress, highlighting

the importance of public/private investment

ensure the organization is effective, responsive

in global imports/exports. The Act is a landmark legislation and an example of our

GCCA is member-owned and run, with business leaders volunteering their time to

and focused on the needs of cold chain

professionals worldwide. We thank all our

As we hand over our Chairmanships to our

staff team, and we know that 2024 will see

GCCA go from strength to strength.

successors, we want to thank our dedicated

colleagues for their invaluable contributions.

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# A unique alliance

The Global Cold Chain Alliance (GCCA) exists to help its members build and strengthen the temperature-controlled supply chain worldwide. We do this by bringing third-party warehouse and transportation business leaders together in events and networking activities, providing advisory and educational services, and being a voice of cold chain to government regulators and other influencers around the world.

The Global Cold Chain Foundation's (GCCF) mission is to strengthen the global cold chain through education, research, and international development. Cold Chain Institute trains industry practitioners in the best practices of temperature-controlled product storage, handling, and transportation. Research manuals developed by the foundation serve as the definitive guide for the proper handling, storage, and freezing of perishable products as well as energy and facility management.

International development projects engage industry professionals in the development of cold chain infrastructure in emerging markets.

And a key partner to GCCA is the **Controlled Environment Building Association (CEBA).** CEBA's mission is to represent expert builders who specialise in designing and constructing controlled environment buildings, including cold storage warehouses, food processing facilities, clean rooms, pharmaceutical facilities, food service, and retail distribution centres. With a strong value proposition and growth momentum, industry participation in CEBA programs has doubled since prepandemic levels.

Together we are the cold chain.







Member companies

Countries

Member facilities

## **Your voice**

Across the world GCCA brought people together to tell the story of cold chain and promote initiatives that defend our industry and promote positive initiatives that will help our industry deliver for its customers and the wider economy.



GCCA Warehouse Chairman Mike McClendon and GCCA Warehouse Director Scott Albers, meeting with FRIDGE Act sponsor Representative Randy Feenstra, (R-Indiana 4th District).

In 2023, GCCA developed a legislative proposal in the United States focused on building the cold chain in developing markets. The initiative resulted in the bipartisan introduction of the Fortifying Refrigeration Infrastructure and Developing Global Exports (FRIDGE) Act in both the House and Senate. The FRIDGE Act is proposed as an inclusion in the Farm Bill, and if passed, will secure funding for projects that support the building of cold chain capacity in emerging markets.

The FRIDGE Act was featured at the 2023 Cold Chain Policy Forum where members heard from Rep. Randy Feenstra (R-IA), the sponsor of the legislation in the House. GCCA members also met with over 30 House and Senate offices to promote the bill.



GCCA SVP for Government Relations meeting Canadian MP, Francis Drouin (Ontario).

The recent global pandemic has highlighted the critical role that the supply chain plays in ensuring reliable access to critical goods such as food and pharmaceuticals. As a result, governments across the globe are considering policies to strengthen supply chains. GCCA is engaging with policy makers to ensure that the cold chain is incorporated into those discussions. For example, in Canada, GCCA is working closely with Transport Canada as it establishes a new Supply Chain Office. In addition, GCCA members have been named to two key Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada advisory councils focused on food supply chain issues. GCCA has also participated in numerous government consultations and provided industry insights during supply chain disruptions such as the recent port strike in British Columbia.

### **GCCA on The Hill**

The 2023 Policy Forum saw GCCA's American members heading to Capitol Hill. After a focused couple of days discussing the big issues shaping the cold chain, a delegation led by GCCA Warehouse Chairman Mike McClendon and SVP for Government and Legal Affairs Lowell Randel took part in a series of meetings with Members of Congress and their staff. Top of the Agenda was promoting the GCCA's FRIDGE Act and members were able to advance our message and build key relationships. GCCA is actively ramping up and deploying global advocacy resources in US, Canada, Europe and Brazil in 2024.





The European Commission in Brussels target for new GCCA Call To Action.

The GCCA European Council launched a new monitoring and advocacy initiative, gearing up for the elections and appointment of a new European Commission in 2024. Working with leading advocacy specialists Kellen Europe, GCCA is providing regular insights into what is going on in and across Europe. GCCA is also working to bring together industry partners from across Europe to develop a unified agenda to advance cold chain priorities with European policymakers. With a significant election year ahead in 2024 GCCA is ensuring cold chain is heard at the heart of European decision making.



GCCA Brazil Delegation meeting at the Palacio do Congresso Nationale in Brasilia (late 2022).

The cold chain industry is heavily regulated across the various regions of the world. GCCA is striving to work with regulators to strike the right balance to achieve appropriate regulatory goals without overburdening industry. In Brazil, GCCA is working with the Ministry of Agriculture to pursue a regulatory change to allow refrigerated warehouses to conduct blast freezing, which is not currently permitted. GCCA is also promoting regulations and policies to improve the flow of meat and poultry exports from Brazil.

### Thanks to our advocacy fund contributors

GCCA's efforts representing cold chain in North America are made possible by the generous contribution of these companies:

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### Leaders

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Fisher Construction Group
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Mesa Cold Storage
Midwest Refrigerated Services
MW Cold
Nor-Am Cold Storage
TI Cold
Vapor Armour

# Bringing people together

2023 saw our organisation bring more cold chain professionals together than ever across the world for education, training and networking. From the record-breaking GCCA Annual Convention in Scottsdale, Arizona with over 525 attendees to leading conferences and congresses in Barcelona, Cape Town, São Paulo and Cancún.No other association provides opportunities like these.



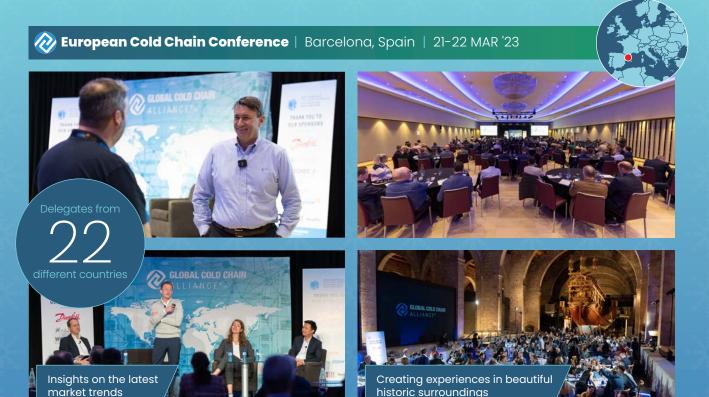


























## **Setting the standard**

GCCA members aspire to the highest standards and to help them we provide our members with unique programs to benchmark and certify their performance. Our Energy Excellence and Cold Carrier programs went from strength to strength in 2023.

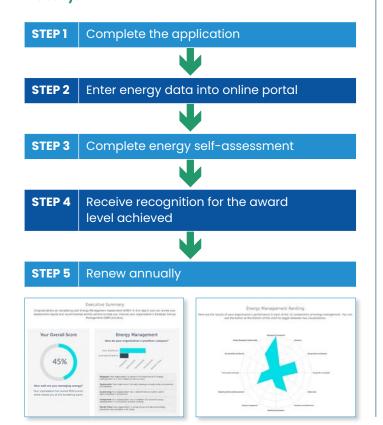
### **Energy Excellence**

Managing energy usage is a high priority for temperature-controlled warehouse operators: to control costs – energy is the second highest operating cost behind labor in the cold chain industry – but also to meet industry demands for increased sustainability impact.

GCCA's Energy Excellence Recognition Program (EERP) helps you measure and improve energy efficiency at each of your facilities using qualitative and quantitative assessment tools.

The EERP is also a tool you can use to communicate your facility's progress in meeting sustainability objectives to your customers, allowing you to be a better partner in overall cold chain sustainability.

### It's easy:



### **Cold Carrier**

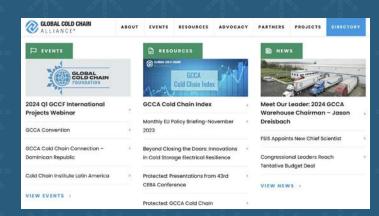
No matter where you are on the globe, aligning your company with the U.S. Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) best practices is accomplished with this GCCA program designed to recognize carrier organizations for their commitment to sanitary and safe transportation of perishable products.

#### It's easy:



## **Knowledge bank**

Access to the many different tools and resources for GCCA members got so much easier in 2023 with the launch of the new GCCA website.
With a new user-friendly member interface, it provides at-a-click access to all the vital tools available to GCCA members.



### **Inquiry Service**



### Cold Chain Index



### Cost to Freeze Calculator



Backed by the Foundation's Council of Scientific Advisors, which is an eminent group of food scientists, logistics, and packaging experts from around the world. The Inquiry service is a way to get answers to difficult questions from food safety standards, refrigeration or export rules.

The Cold Chain Index (CCI) tracks cost growth rates of five expense classes - labor, electric power, supplies, repairs, and rent - using official economic data and GCCA Productivity and Benchmarking tool data. It can be customized to a facility's region and state.

A quick, user-friendly calculator for warehouse managers to determine the best way and means to store product. The calculator includes information on nearly 1,000 specific products in twelve different product categories.

#### **Council of Scientific Advisors**

GCCA is supported by leading international experts from a range of universities across the world. Our experts help answer inquiries, provide advice on our work and take part in our events through the year.



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Chair of the Council

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- **Dr. Donald Schaffner**, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- Dr. Charles White, Mississippi State University

## **Developing leaders**



For 59 years, the foundation has supported the cold chain by training and developing the leaders of tomorrow. The Cold Chain Institute is a unique, three-year learning experience for up-andcoming cold chain professionals to work through a curriculum covering all aspects of cold chain management, taught by practitioners and experts. It is something special, and lots of fun too.

**Record breaking** | Institutes North America

A total of 417 students joined with 50 faculty and staff at the Cold Chain Institute North America in Atlanta, Georgia and Tempe, Arizona. More than 80 students graduated from the three-year program.









**Back in business** Institute Australia



Institute Australia reconvened after a COVIDdisrupted break, seven students returned for a year two program and 20 more joined year one.

### **Learning and networking** Institute LatAm



This year's Institute in México City gave students the chance to mingle with senior executives at the co-located Cold Chain Connection networking event.

### **Institute East** | 2023 Graduating Class

B. Pucel

R. Ray

K. Rice

C. Alt A. Davis M. Baillie W. Foley Graham N. Balettie K. Fowler B. Baum D. Green J. Bell T. Harrell A. Bergan J. Jenkins N. Johnson I Berner L. Best B. Lares J. Maldonado M. Brandis J. Brooks D. Mattson K. Browning K. McClure A. McHenry B. Burke C. Burnett A. Newkirk M. Colombi J. Olbrechts A. Cook S. Phillips

A. Slattery E. Smith S. Vega M. Williams M. Winkles T. Zamarripa

Congratulations to all our Institute graduates!

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### **Recognizing talent**

E. Corey

A. Curotto

S. Daniel



We were proud to showcase and reward some of the best talent in the global cold chain with our Next Generation award. Stacey Cook of NewCold Australia emerged as the overall winner from an inspiring group of winners from each region.

### Finalists:



2023 GCCA Global NextGen Future Leader Award Stacey Cook, NewCold Advanced Logistics (2023 Australia Frank Vale Award Recipient)

2023 North America Future Leader Award Recipient Jared Argabright, InterChange Group

2023 European Future Leader Award Recipient Nathan James, Lineage

2023 Latin America Future Leader Award Recipient Gonzalo García Calderon, Emergent Cold Latin America

2023 Africa Future Leader Award Recipient Megan Graaf, Vector Logistics

2023 Brazil Future Leader Award Recipient Bruno Nahas, Refrio Armazéns Gerais

### GCCF Cold Chain Institute in 2024

Institute North America East 4-6 February, Atlanta, Georgia

**Institute North America West** 27-29 February, Tempe, Arizona Institute Latin America

15-17 July, México City

**Institute Australia** 21-23 May, Melbourne New for 2024! Institute Brazil

13-15 August, São Paulo

New for 2024! Institute Europe 2-4 September, Amsterdam

## Making a difference

The Global Cold Chain Foundation continued to live its purpose in 2023. With exciting projects ongoing across the world – here are two highlights:









### GCCF wraps up a successful Emerging **Markets Program in Southeast Asia**

From 2019 to 2023, GCCF's Emerging Markets Program in Cambodia, Thailand, and Vietnam provided in-person training and consultations on cold chain management. The project was funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and included cold chain assessments, virtual training, and a Cold Chain Study Tour to Indonesia. The foundation will continue to support active cold chain projects in Bangladesh and Cambodia and collaborate with affiliate associations in Vietnam, Indonesia, and the Philippines.

### GCCF lays the foundation for cold chain investment in the Northern Triangle

GCCF and IESC were awarded the ATraCSI project in collaboration with USDA's Food for Progress program. The project aims to leverage trade to reduce economic insecurity and inequality that drive migration in the Northern Triangle of Central America. GCCF provides expertise on food logistics and cold chain and hosted a delegation of officials from Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador to visit organizations relevant to cold chain and the trade of perishable products. This trip showcased best practices for building an integrated cold chain for food safety, highlighted critical elements and modifications to factor in resiliency in the face of climate change, and laid the supportive foundation for the 2024 activities.







### THE FOUNDATION THANKS GCCA AND **CEBA MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT**

- Bellingham Cold Storage
- Conestoga Cold Storage
- Congebec Logistics
- CT Technologies

- GridMarket
- IceStar

- Korber Supply Chain Lixia Capsia Gestionis SARL (LixCap)
- NewCold
- PLM Fleet
- QuickFreeze

- Snowman
- United States Cold Storage
- · Asosiasi Rantai Pendingin Indonesia
- · Cold Chain Association of the Philippines (CCAP)
- GCCF Council of Scientific Advisors

### Tackling food waste head on

The GCCF Food Maximization Initiative was started in 2022 to help food rescue organizations through the Food Maximization Initiative. This program has three objectives: to expand access to GCCA's resources, remove barriers for collaboration between food rescue groups and the refrigerated logistics industry, and increase awareness among members about food loss and waste.

### GCCA members in action

A disaster relief organization, Operation BBQ Relief received an unexpected donation of 150 pallets of frozen pork. Contacted by American Logistics Aid Network, GCCA



found a home for the donation at United States Cold Storage who agreed to hold the product for seven months. GCCA member CORE X Premier has also set aside 150 pallets of refrigerated warehouse space in Fort Worth, Texas for the nonprofit to be used as needed.

In Kenya, Newton Mapote, President of BigCold has advised Food Banking Kenya (FBK) for several years, providing FBK with temporary temperature-controlled storage, free consultancy on warehousing specifications, assisted with the negotiations on pricing with suppliers of equipment as well as training of staff on warehousing and stock control.



Conestoga Cold Storage in Canada partnered with Second Harvest, the country's largest food rescue organization. Four of Conestoga's facilities now



have "flex accounts" to offer Second Harvest expanded refrigerated storage space. In return, Second Harvest ensures inbound and outbound shipments meet Conestoga's requirements, and Conestoga receives donation receipts for the utilized space.

Food for All Africa in Ghana received technical advice from GCCA member, FreezeLink FreezeLink helped them scale up during Covid-19 by connecting them to the right resources for the supply of refrigeration and storage containers for their warehousing model. This ensured cost-efficient and effective sourcing of warehousing items.





GCCA Is pleased to support FoodForward SA, a non-profit organization that distributes food to vulnerable people in South Africa. They use refrigerated trucks and five warehouses with cold rooms and freezers. The organisation uses its GCCA membership to access resources and generate donations from GCCA members and their parent companies in South Africa.

### Food maximization partnerships

In 2022, GCCA established partnerships with Feeding America, the Global Foodbanking Network, BAMX, and FEBA. 41 members from 9 countries joined the complimentary membership, providing access to technical resources, training, and connections to members. This is the first step in transforming agrifood systems. Working in collaboration with food loss groups. GCCA has drafted 22 recommendations for food rescue groups to reduce food loss and waste. The recommendations are divided into three categories: Expand access to resources, remove barriers to collaboration with refrigerated logistics industry, and increase awareness among GCCA members, GCCA has established a solid foundation to build out additional member-driven ideas and opportunities to reduce food loss and waste.

## **Building the best**



It has been a year of growth and change for the Controlled Environment Building Association. We have a clear strategic plan, significant membership growth, our biggest-ever Conference and Expo and new products developed and ready to launch. There has never been a better time for construction contractors and suppliers to get involved with CEBA.















### **Celebrating excellence**



Recognizing the increased level of competition and outstanding work submitted for 2023, the Built By The Best awards saw nine excellent projects vying for the two awards, one for a project under \$35 million and one for a more than \$35 million project. The winners were announced at the 2023 CEBA Conference with Fisher Construction Group taking first place in the over \$35 million project category and Ti Cold went home with first place in the under \$35 million group.

**Under \$35 million Winner** | **Ti Cold** | Sturbridge, Massachusetts, USA

TICOLD

Core X Partners hired Ti Cold to plan a high-density, 83,000-square-foot cold storage facility with 17,700 pallet positions in Sturbridge, Massachusetts.

The Core X Complete facility was selected as the winner of the Built By The Best due to its innovative features like convertible rooms cooled by transcritical CO<sub>2</sub> refrigeration.







Under \$35 million Finalist | WDS Construction | Vortex Cold Storage, Albert Lea, MN, United States

Over \$35 million Winner | Fisher Construction Group | Indianapolis, Indiana, USA

FISHER

The NewCold facility won the Built By The Best award in the over \$35 million category. It is a 464,646-square-foot Indianapolis cold storage facility that uses state-of-theart technology, including automated storage and retrieval systems (ASRS) to move and store products in the dark high-bay warehouse. The facility is unique in its design for its size and scale, almost total automation of product storage and retrieval, and an alternative method used for fire protection within the freezer environment.







Over \$35 million Finalist | Ti Cold | Sierra Supply Chain Services, Hamilton, ON, Canada

We would also like to recognize our fantastic Honorable Mentions from across the world.

- AMC Engineers | Pick n' Pay, Eastport, Gauteng, South Africa
- Big D Construction | Riverbend Meats, Idaho Falls, ID, United States
- Eng2K | NewCold, Piacenza, Italy
- FCL Builders | Cold Summit Development, Bedford Park, IL, United States
- Primus Builders | RL Cold, Baytown, TX, United States

Read full features on all our 2023 finalists in Cold Facts Magazine throughout this year. Find it here www.gcca.org/resources/cold-facts-magazine/



**Dr. Anna Johnson**Vice President,
United States Cold Storage



Paula Lafferty
Chief Executive Officer,
SnoTemp Cold Storage



Catherine Lambert
Communications Strategist,
Congebec







Read more about all these leaders on Linked In #womenincoldchain and #womeninCEBA or at www.gcca.org/ bewhatyoucansee



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## **Our leadership**

Our organisation relies on a dedicated community of volunteers working in storage, transportation and construction businesses across the global cold chain. Here is a list of our leaders on the 2024 Board Roster.



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- Vice Chairman, Tim Ludwig, Bradner Cold Storage (Canada)
- Treasurer, Francisco Moura, IceStar (Chile)
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- Scott Albers, Nor-Am Cold Storage (United States)
- Larry Alderfer, United States Cold Storage (United States)
- Rich Burke, Konoike-Pacific Cold Storage (United States)
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- Dwight Clark, Jamison Door Company (United States)
- Paul Gibbons, Commercial Cold Holdings (South Africa)
- Xavier Haspeslagh, Constellation Cold Logistics (Belgium)
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- Andrew Lawrence, Magnavale (United Kingdom)
- Vivianne Leite, CAP Logística Frigorificada (Brazil)
- Russell Leo, RLS Logistics, (United States)
- Nicholas Pedneault, Congebec Logistics (Canada)
- Karen Reece, Eskimo Cold Storage (United States)
- Rafael Rocha, Emergent Cold LatAm (Panama)
- Jonas Swarttouw, NewCold (United States)
- **John Tippmann III**, Tippmann Group Interstate Warehousing (United States)
- Sean Vanderelzen, Lineage (United States)



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- Bob Tippmann, QuickFreeze (United States)
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- Vinícius Falcão, SuperFrio Logística Frigorificada (Brazil)

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- Newton Matope, BigCold Kenya (Kenya)
- Owusu Akoto, FreezeLink (Ghana)
- Patrick Fernandes, Afrigotel (Mozambique)
- Renier du Preez, Digistics (South Africa)

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## Be there in 2024

In 2024 we bring you another packed schedule of events bringing people together, learning and sharing insights around the world.



























#### **GCCF Cold Chain GCCA South GCCF Cold Chain GCCA Latin America African Cold Chain Cold Chain Congress** Institute **Institute Europe** Latin America Conference 2-4 September 2024 6-7 November 2024 15-17 July 2024 21-22 August 2024 Amsterdam, Panama City, Panama México City, México Cape Town, S. Africa The Netherlands **AUG SEP** NOV DEC OCT 44th CEBA **GCCF Cold Chain** 133rd GCCA Convention **Institute Brazil** 23-26 September 2024 **Conference & Expo** 13-15 August 2024 Bonita Springs, Florida, 11-14 November 2024 **United States** São Paulo, Brazil Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, United States

## Global Cold Chain Foundation Cold Chain Institute

This event, designed for employees with clear management potential and executives new to the industry, features more than 40 classes in warehouse management and transportation management taught by leading experts in the industry.

### Who are the Institutes for?

Warehouse and operations managers, supervisors, shift leads, customer service and transportation managers, workers with management potential, and new industry executives.

## GCCA Convention, Conferences and Congresses

At GCCA meetings, delegates hear talks on market trends, industry challenges, business solutions, and technological innovations. They also get exclusive networking opportunities to connect with professionals from across the region and the world.

### Who are the Conventions, Congresses and Conferences for?

Executives and managers from temperature-controlled, third-party logistics companies and senior executives in supplier and other service providers.

### **GCCA Policy Forum**

The GCCA Policy Forum is an annual event that focuses on legislative and regulatory policy developments in the US. Members engage with government officials about key legislation and regulations affecting the cold chain.

### Who's the event for?

Executives with compliance and regulatory responsibility, members of safety and government affairs committees.

### **CEBA Conference and Expo**

This annual meeting of CEBA members offers education, business development opportunities and networking for company executives managing the building of new cold storage facilities and cold storage builders.

### Who's the event for?

Executives and leaders that work for general contractors, thermal contractors, sub contractors, suppliers/solutions providers, and project management, engineering, maintenance and development executives at end user organizations and other stakeholders involved in the controlled environment building industry.

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