



WATCO
COMPANIES, INC.
"Your Transportation Specialists"

DATE: December 8, 2008
TO: Watco Team
FROM: Ed McKechnie
Chief Commercial Officer
SUBJECT: Public Relations/Communications Director & Executive Assistant

I am pleased to announce Tracie VanBecelaere has accepted the position of Public Relations/Communications Director effective today.

Tracie joined Watco in 2005 as Administrative Assistant, but soon joined the Marketing Team in her most recent role as Marketing Assistant.

In her new role Tracie will report to me and be responsible for promoting awareness of Watco through a variety of public relations activities with a focus on internal and external communications including Watco's monthly newsletter "The Dispatch", the Watco website, press releases/announcements and various PR activities.

Tracie and her husband John live in Pittsburg and have four children: Mattie, 16; 10-year-old twins Garrett and Gabby; and Dalton, 8. When not working, Tracie enjoys cooking, sports and spending time with her family. Tracie can be reached at tvanbecelaere@watcocompanies.com or 620-235-7379.

I am pleased to announce Julie Fortman has accepted the position of Executive Administrative Assistant effective today.

Julie joined the Watco Team in 2001 as Receptionist and Newsletter Coordinator and soon took on the role of Administrative Assistant. In 2004 she was promoted to Communications Assistant and in 2005 to her most recent role of Communications Coordinator.

In her new role Julie will report to Rick Webb and be responsible for administrative and support duties such as creation of presentations and documents, scheduling, meeting planning and coordination of day-to-day projects.

Julie and her husband Justin live in Girard, KS. In her spare time she enjoys clay target shooting, outdoor sports and reading. Julie can be reached at jfortman@watcocompanies.com or 620-235-7351.