



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **MARKIT! FORESTRY MANAGEMENT APPOINTS BRAD CHRISTIANSEN VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS**

Markit! Forestry Management ("Markit! Forestry"), one of the leading forestry management companies in the Southwest United States, has appointed Mr. Brad Christiansen as its Vice President of Operations. Mr. Christiansen will be based in Markit! Forestry's headquarters office in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mr. Christiansen joins Markit! Forestry from Highway Supply, LLC in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he was the General Manager-Senior Project Manager and an Executive Team member. In addition to his work at Highway Supply, LLC, Mr. Christiansen has over 30 years of professional experience in managing large construction projects across the western United States and overseas. Mr. Christiansen has held management positions at Kiewit Corporation, SEMA Corporation, and Laguna Construction Company, Inc., and has worked on such diverse projects as civil construction for the Denver International Airport, civil construction at the Albuquerque International Sunport, emergency bridge construction for the Santa Fe Railroad in Kansas, civil and highway construction on the I-40/I-25 interchange ("Big I") in Albuquerque, and civil and structural construction in Iraq. Mr. Christiansen holds a B.S. degree in engineering with a civil and structural specialty from the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado.

In addition to its headquarters office in Colorado Springs, Markit! Forestry has offices in Flagstaff, Arizona, and American Fork, Utah, and expects to open an office in the near future in California. Markit! Forestry has successfully executed major forestry projects in Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California and Arizona, and is pursuing business opportunities in New Mexico. In his position of Vice President of Operations, Mr. Christiansen will direct and manage Markit! Forestry's operations personnel, fleet of forestry equipment, and fleet of trucks across Markit! Forestry's seven-state market. Mr. Christiansen will be responsible for the maintenance and logistics of all of Markit! Forestry's equipment and will be responsible for assuring that all of Markit! Forestry's projects are executed efficiently and in accord with the highest safety and environmental standards.

Commenting on Mr. Christiansen's appointment, Ms. Alyssa Priest, Markit! Forestry's Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, remarked, "Markit! Forestry's expansion across the southwest United States has greatly benefitted our clients by allowing us to diversify our forestry projects, acquire more forestry equipment, and bring better-trained and more productive people into the forestry industry. Markit!'s expansion has also emphasized the importance of having efficient operations. Brad has over 30 years of operations and management experience that is directly applicable to Markit! Forestry's operations work. Brad has successfully delivered multi-million-dollar construction and engineering projects involving multiple pieces of equipment

and many employees. Given his broad and deep experience, we are certain that Brad will deliver successful forestry projects for Markit!'s clients."

Ms. Leigh Ann Wolfe, Markit! Forestry's President, commented, "As Markit! Forestry has continued to grow across the southwest United States, we have felt the need to have a strong operations focus to allow multiple forestry projects to run simultaneously across multiple states. In hiring an experienced operations executive like Brad, we are confident that Markit! can and will continue its exceptional growth and continue to execute our projects and meet our clients' needs and expectations On Time, On Budget, With Excellence!"



***Mr. Brad Christiansen  
Vice President of Operations***

Markit! Forestry Management is a full-service environmental forestry management company, specializing in steep slope forestry projects and helicopter logging in the southwest United States. Markit! Forestry Management provides Forest Fuels Reduction, Forest Health Restoration, Post-Fire Rehabilitation, Defensible Space, Timber Harvesting and Trail Building services on Municipal, State, Federal and private land. For more information on Markit! Forestry Management please visit [www.markitforestry.com](http://www.markitforestry.com), or call Matt Wigle at 719-593-2365.