



POOL CORPORATION  
BIOGRAPHY – MANUEL J. PEREZ DE LA MESA

Manuel J. Perez de la Mesa has been Chief Executive Officer of Pool Corporation "POOL" since May 2001 and has also served as the President of POOL since February 1999. Prior to joining POOL, Mr. Perez de la Mesa worked with Watsco, Inc. (1994-1999), Fresh Del Monte Produce, B.V (1987-1994), IBM Corp. (1982-1987), and Sea-Land Service, Inc. (1977-1982), in various general, financial, and other management positions.

Pool Corporation is the world's largest wholesale distributor of swimming pool supplies and related equipment. Established in 1993, POOL has grown to over 300 sales centers worldwide, through which it distributes more than 160,000 national brand and private label products to over 80,000 customers. Pool Corporation's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market (National Market) under the symbol "POOL".

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