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## **Tom Sheppard Joins Brake Parts Inc as Chief Information Officer**

**MCHEMRY, III. – Oct. 20, 2015** – Tom Sheppard has joined Brake Parts Inc (BPI) as chief information officer (CIO), it was announced today by David Overbeeke, president and CEO.

“We welcome Tom to the BPI team and are pleased to have him on board as our CIO,” said Overbeeke. “He has over 30 years of progressive experience in various IT management, program management and application development roles, primarily in the manufacturing sector. This will be most beneficial as he manages BPI’s IT strategy, operations and support for the company globally.”

Prior to joining BPI, Sheppard was the director of consulting services with several different companies, assisting them with strategic systems planning and implementation program management.

Sheppard’s previous experience includes director of applications at Panduit Corp for seven years, leading the IT organization through strategic implementations and business transformation efforts as the company grew beyond one billion in assets. While at Panduit, Sheppard also served as manager of applications technology and Oracle ERP as well as manager of financial and administrative systems. In addition, he held initiative and program management roles over Oracle eBusiness Transformation, employee collaboration, and integrated web and mobile experience.

Sheppard has earned awards from Microsoft and Oracle, including the Enable the Eco-Enterprise Award and the Customer Experience Excellence Award. He was also runner up for the Oracle Fusion Middleware Innovation Award. Sheppard earned a bachelor of science degree in computer information systems from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind.

### **About Brake Parts Inc**

Brake Parts Inc (BPI) is committed to leading the global automotive aftermarket as the premier manufacturer and supplier of brake system components. The company’s primary focus is the growth and profitability of its customers through a collaborative platform of quality, innovation, dedication and integrity. BPI has a demonstrated commitment to research, development and testing of its entire product offering, including friction, rotors, drums, calipers and hydraulic products, ensuring that they meet or exceed original equipment fit, form and function requirements. For more information, visit [www.brakepartsinc.com](http://www.brakepartsinc.com).

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