

News Release

VIPAR Heavy Duty's "Operation: Rivet This" Supports Global Parts Network Team and the Front Line

- VIPAR Heavy Duty staff joins Global Parts Network team to show appreciation for their work during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Teams united to rivet brake shoes to support the network's distributors and frontline workers
- Product demand strong through first half of 2020, expected to remain strong

Crystal Lake, Ill. – June 22, 2020 – Recently, members of the <u>VIPAR Heavy Duty</u> team joined forces with their counterparts at <u>Global Parts Network</u>, the organization's brake manufacturing production center in South Bend, Ind., to show their appreciation for the team's work during the COVID-19 pandemic and to support the network's distributors and frontline workers.

"The Global Parts Network team has remained consistent and has persevered throughout the pandemic to meet customer demand," said Chris Baer, president and CEO, VIPAR Heavy Duty. "In the first half of 2020, product demand has been strong, and we see that trend continuing through the rest of the year. The VIPAR Heavy Duty team was proud to work toe-to-toe with our brake production crew, allowing us to work closely with our products to more effectively serve our frontline customers and stay aligned with their needs."

Deemed "Operation: Rivet This," the VIPAR Heavy Duty team worked alongside the Global Parts Network team riveting brake shoes to show solidarity as one team dedicated to the success of the organization's distributors and all of their essential transportation industry customers.

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About VIPAR Heavy Duty

VIPAR Heavy Duty is North America's leading network of independent aftermarket truck parts distributors. VIPAR Heavy Duty distributors serve the needs of their customers from more than 670 locations across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Mexico. VIPAR Heavy Duty distributors are specialists who understand the demands of their local, regional, and national customers for quality parts and exceptional service. VIPAR Heavy Duty also operates two wholly owned subsidiaries, Global Parts Network, LLC and Power Heavy Duty LLC, as part of the VIPAR Heavy Duty Family of Companies. VIPAR Heavy Duty is a proud member of NEXUS North America and NEXUS Automotive International, a worldwide group of parts distributors committed to bringing a global approach to the automotive and commercial vehicle aftermarket industries. For more information, visit www.vipar.com

About Global Parts Network

Global Parts Network is a wholly-owned subsidiary of VIPAR Heavy Duty that provides seamless service and support to the distributors and suppliers of the VIPAR Heavy Duty Family of Companies to satisfy the replacement parts needs of commercial vehicle operators and maintenance facilities. Global Parts Network's Product Distribution Center (PDC) brings demand chain partners together to create business process efficiencies and specializes in high-volume, fast-moving parts to meet the needs of distributors and their end-user customer for the right products. In addition, Global Parts Network operates a state-of-the-art Brake Manufacturing Production Center focused on the production of new and remanufactured brake shoes, brake shoe kits, friction material and related parts. Learn more at www.globalpartsnetwork.com.

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