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**VIPAR Heavy Duty Celebrates 4-Million Transactions
Completed Through its v-Enterprise System**

Crystal Lake, IL –VIPAR Heavy Duty recently celebrated a milestone of four million transactions completed through its v-Enterprise system. Pioneered by VIPAR Heavy Duty, v-Enterprise is a web-enabled transaction management platform supporting business-to-business (B2B) electronic document exchange between VIPAR stockholders and their suppliers, and also between its distributors and end user customers.

VIPAR Heavy Duty has led the industry in electronic commerce technology, having implemented its first system in the late '90s to help reduce the cost of processing transactions for all industry participants. By investing in ongoing system development throughout the past decade, VIPAR Heavy Duty has continually improved its technology platform, including v-Enterprise, to meet the challenge of continuous changes in industry technology.

"We are proud of the many goals we've accomplished for our stockholders and suppliers through v-Enterprise, which provides more accurate data exchange, completed in a timely fashion while achieving substantial costs savings in a paperless environment," said Steve Crowley, president and CEO, VIPAR Heavy Duty.

VIPAR Heavy Duty's v-Enterprise utilizes an easy-to-use dashboard console at a private portal on its website (www.vipar.com). It includes a robust toolset enabling stockholders to search, retrieve, print, or download electronic transaction sets (quotes, orders, invoices, etc.) to or from their suppliers. The platform is capable of exchanging transaction sets formatted in EDI, XML, CSV, and many other business system formats. One of the system's best features is transaction set mapping directly from v-Enterprise to most users' business systems.

VIPAR Heavy Duty's v-Enterprise system also helps link the organization's stockholders to its national account customers, simplifying the process of filling orders and exchanging invoices. In addition, online product cataloging is offered through the organization's ProNet Catalog. A hosted business system, customized for VIPAR Heavy Duty distributors, is also offered. It provides "best-value" functionality and innovative distribution technology, while reducing the traditional costs associated with these critical operating systems.

For more information on VIPAR Heavy Duty, visit www.vipar.com or e-mail: info@vipar.com.

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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 over 500 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. For more information, visit www.vipar.com.

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