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John Resnik



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Dan Schock

## Trailer, truck, & body OEMs

**Brian Perry** recently joined special vehicle manufacturer **REV Group** as president of the company's commercial segment overseeing several brands, including Collins, ENC, Champion, ElDorado, Capacity and Laymor. Perry most recently was senior vice president of operations for L3Harris Technologies. He led operations for their space avionics group and had additional matrix-reporting operational responsibilities, including supply chain and manufacturing.

**Jim Peterson** is the new president of **Dakota Bodies** in Watertown SD, and former president **Jeff Orthaus** now is the company's new chief executive officer. Peterson, a South Dakota native, previously was executive vice president of manufacturing operations for Manitex International and has more than 25 years of progressive manufacturing experience, including a stint as Load King's general manager.

**Iowa Mold Tooling** recently promoted **Katie Reding** to sales support supervisor and hired two new team members, **Anthony Durbin** and **Daniel Horne**. In her new role, Reding will provide additional coordination and support for inside sales, distribution and direct sales, as well as support the IMT leadership team. Durbin joined the sustaining engineering group, and Horne will serve on the new product development group.

**Spartan Motors** says its chief financial officer, **Frederick Sohm**, is expected to step down from his position for "non-business related reasons." Sohm, Spartan's CFO since September 2015 and a key player in the recent acquisition of Royal Truck Body, will remain in his position through the process of selecting and onboarding his replacement, Spartan said. The company hired a national search firm to assist in the selection of its new CFO, and the search is underway.

**B12 Transportation Group**, a transportation-focused holding company that includes Diamond Acquisition and Brown Industries, a manufacturer of van bodies and specialty vehicles, recently named **John Resnik** its CEO. Resnik boasts more than 25 years in vehicle manufacturing, with three stops in the upfitting industry. The company also recently appointed **Mark Radosevich** as its chief financial officer and **William Sprague** as director of human resources and special projects.

## Component/suppliers

**Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems** recently appointed **Jeff Cecil** vice president of human resources for the Americas. Cecil, who joined Bendix in 2005, also became the newest

member of the Bendix Leadership Committee. He fills the position previously held by **Christopher Miller**, who plans to retire at the end of the year.

**Megan Vincent**, marketing manager at **Phillips Industries**, recently was named to the GenNext "4 Under 40" Class of 2019. The 4 under 40 award debuted in 2018 to recognize the best young professionals who have demonstrated leadership, involvement, innovation and commitment in the heavy-duty aftermarket industry. Vincent was honored for her accomplishment during the Commercial Vehicle Solutions Network Summit.

**SAF-HOLLAND** recently appointed **Kent Jones** president for the Americas. He replaces **Steffen Schewerda**, who stepped down. In his new role, Jones will report to **Alexander Geis**, CEO of SAF-HOLLAND. Jones, who holds an MBA from Purdue, previously served vice president of commercial vehicle steering systems at ZF Commercial Steering, where he was responsible sales and marketing, aftermarket profit and loss, e-mobility and business development.

**Carlisle Companies Incorporated** recently appointed **Mark C Smith** to the position of vice president of supply chain. Smith joined the company in 2012 as VP of supply chain for Carlisle Interconnect Technologies and previously was a VP of sourcing for General Cable.

**Venturo** recently introduced **Brant Steele** as a new sales territory manager for the Southeast US. Steele will serve crane customers across the region with a focus on hydraulic cranes and the new Venturo Logic Controls (VLC) crane control management system. His responsibilities will include managing current relationships while building new relationships with construction companies, municipal utilities groups and other organizations needing load management equipment.

**Nova Products** recently named **Dan Schock** a regional sales manager for its trailerdecking.com division. Schock is responsible for the sale and distribution of the company's complete line of Apitong trailer decking, flooring, accessories and supplies in eight Midwest states. Prior to joining trailerdecking.com, Schock served as national sales manager at Earthwise Plastics. He also held senior sales and purchasing positions at Great Dane Trailers, Hyva, Trailines and the Trailmobile Parts & Service Corp.

**Tommy Gate Company** recently appointed **Bryan Fischer** to its sales team to manage the newly created mid-central territory. Before joining Tommy Gate, Fischer was a territory representative for a building materials supply company selling insulation to retailers in the Midwestern region. Born and raised in Kansas City KS, where he still resides, his sale