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**NEW PRESIDENT TAKES THE HELM AT B&P PROCESS EQUIPMENT**

**20 October, 2008** – B&P Process Equipment and Systems LLC announced today that Laurence Slovin has been appointed President and CEO of the Saginaw, Michigan-based company, effective immediately. He will lead the company's aggressive international growth strategy, and oversee all of its functions. Slovin comes to B & P from Vertellus Performance Materials Inc. where he served as president. He brings over thirty years of leadership and management experience with small to mid-sized companies in the chemical and equipment industries. He received a B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and an M.B.A. from Western New England College.

B&P Process Equipment is an industry-leading producer of high-precision, high-reliability mixing and separation systems for a wide range of processing applications. The hallmark of the B & P brand is a core expertise in the design, manufacture, and delivery of large-scale mixing and separation systems that meet the industry's most rigorous demands. Their full-circle customer support adds a new dimension in responsiveness. The company also maintains a fully equipped technology center for the testing and verification of customer applications to ensure proper performance from the completed processing solution.

Key industries served include fine and bulk chemicals, pharmaceuticals, thermoplastics, coatings, adhesives, energetic materials, and liquid processing.

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