



**SHEREX FASTENING SOLUTIONS, LLC names John Knechtges as the new
Application Design Engineer**

Tonawanda, NY – March 25, 2008: Sherex Fastening Solutions, an industry leader in the manufacturing and distribution of blind rivet nuts, announced today that John Knechtges is the new Application Design Engineer.

“John fills the role of Application Design Engineer and will play an instrumental role in making the Sherex Engineering Department world class,” said Adam Pratt, Vice-President of Sherex Fastening Solutions. “We are lucky to have someone of John’s background and expertise come on board. John will be a perfect fit for us, as we rapidly grow our business and look at new product developmets.”

Before joining Sherex, Mr. Knechtges was a Product Engineer of mechanical seals for Garlock Sealing Technologies. There he designed, developed and maintained all new and existing mechanical seal products. Prior to that, Mr. Knechtges held the position of Mechanical New Product Introduction Engineer at McAlpin Industries, Inc. In this role he directed and supervised the New Product Introduction processes for a sheet metal fabrication and assembly plant. Mr. Knechtges holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Buffalo.

Sherex Fastening Solutions a leader in the manufacturing and distribution of blind rivet nuts, brass inserts, and other specialty fastening products. Sherex rivet nuts are ideal for providing load-bearing threads in thin materials and blind applications. All blind rivet nuts and brass inserts are manufactured to Sherex’s strict quality control programs and Sherex provides unsurpassed customer service and support before and after the sale. For more information, please visit our website at www.sherex.com

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