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**RIEKE PACKAGING SYSTEMS VISEGRIP II™ CLOSURE SYSTEM
“FLAT OUT WORKS BETTER”**

Bloomfield Hills, Mich., January 9, 2006 – TriMas Corporation announced that Rieke Packaging Systems—a TriMas company—recently introduced the VISEGRIP II™ closure system, a closure system that builds on the strengths of the product quality and integrity that Rieke is known for.

VISEGRIP II protects better—utilizing an improved, low profile design that ensures safer handling and transport of products. The flange is installed using a unique mechanical insertion process, providing more security even with light gauge steel drum construction. Once the plug is properly tightened, into the flange, the seal occurs at the most critical point—the container material. The improved easy to use design protects better and eliminates gasket rupture, cutting, or shearing when plugs are tightened.

VISEGRIP II provides better sealing—with a unique, visual indicator that tells you when the closures are properly sealed. This optical verification promotes effective operator performance, an improvement for the most common cause of leaks. Even under the most extreme conditions, the VISEGRIP II closure maintains a secure torque, reducing the risk of plug back-off. The new design allows the flange to be used with any sealing material, eliminating potential compatibility issues.

VISEGRIP II provides better productivity—saving time and money. Along with this new closure system comes the option to use all-plastic overseal. It can be snapped into place by hand so no crimping tool is necessary, improving efficiency. For more stringent tamper-evidence, a metal seal is available.

WISEGRIP II plugs are clearly identified with an engraved VGII and yellow chromate plating, making the plugs easy to distinguish from the original Rieke WISEGRIP plug.

Better protection, security, safety and sealing, combined with better productivity. This is the new WISEGRIP II closure from Rieke Packaging Systems—"It flat out works better."

About Rieke Packaging Systems

Rieke Packaging Systems, a TriMas company, is a world-leading source for closures for steel and plastic industrial drums, open containers and consumer dispensing products. The expertise of our Packaging Systems companies lies in manufacturing high-performance, value-added products that enhance the ability of customers to safely and efficiently transport, store, process and dispense various products for the industrial, agricultural, consumer and pharmaceutical markets.

About TriMas

Headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., TriMas is a diversified growth company of high-end, specialty niche businesses manufacturing a variety of products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets worldwide. TriMas is organized into four strategic business groups: Cequent Transportation Accessories, Rieke Packaging Systems, Fastening Systems and Industrial Specialties. TriMas has nearly 5,000 employees at 80 different facilities in 10 countries. For more information, visit www.trimascorp.com

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