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### **MEDICAL PACKAGING INC. ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP PROMOTIONS**

Ringoos, NJ – January 1, 2006. Medical Packaging Inc. (MPI) announces key promotions in its leadership. Andrew Bartels has been promoted to the position of President/Chief Executive Officer, filling the vacancy created by the retirement of the current president, George Bartels. George will assume the position of Chairman of the Board and continue to be an integral part of the MPI management team. Ronald Kavchok, currently Vice President of Operations, has been promoted to the position of Executive Vice President.

George Bartels notes, “Both Andy and Ron have a strong, successful track records and I have great confidence in their ability to grow and lead MPI into the future”.

George Bartels has been President of MPI since purchasing the company in 1987. He received a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Pennsylvania State University and a Masters Degree in Chemical Engineering from Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Prior to purchasing MPI, George worked for Pfizer Inc. for 17 years in different managerial positions. George’s accomplishments at Pfizer include transferring the penicillin and cephalosporin products from Pfizer’s Brooklyn plant to a new facility in Terra Haute, IN and the start-up of a new Pfizer plant in Puerto Rico. At the age of 40, with the title of Director of Technical Services, he decided to leave Pfizer to achieve one of his goals of owning his own company. George purchased MPI in 1987. By keeping abreast of changes in the industry, anticipating the needs of their customers, and implementing technological advancements, MPI has grown to be one of the leading providers of unit dose packaging solutions under George’s leadership.

Andrew Bartels joined MPI as a Sales Director in 1997 and was promoted to VP of Business Development in 2003. Andrew received a B.S. in Marketing from Pennsylvania State University and a MBA from Rutgers University.

Andrew's vision for the future of the MPI is "to continue to understand the changing needs of the customer and to create solutions that will exceed those needs. MPI will continue innovating and exceeding our customer's expectations in existing and new markets."

Ronald Kavchok graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration / Computer Information Systems from Rider University. Ron has worked at MPI since 1993 in various production, managerial and R&D positions and continues to spearhead all new product development and technical operations.

"MPI is focused on maintaining high levels of customer support and continuing product development. We value our ability to rapidly respond to the growing technological needs of our customers." comments Ron Kavchok.

### **About Medical Packaging Inc.**

Medical Packaging Inc. (MPI) is a manufacturer of packaging systems for unit dosing and label medications. Founded in 1971, MPI was the first company in the United States to design and market a bench scale strip packager for hospitals. Today, Medical Packaging Inc. is an international leader of pharmacy packaging solutions for oral solids, liquids and ampoules, vials and syringes for hospitals, long term care and the assisted living markets. MPI is a privately held company with sales offices throughout the U.S and distribution partners worldwide. Further information is available at [www.medpak.com](http://www.medpak.com)

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