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## **Tapemark Plans for the Future; Names New CEO and President/COO**

(West St. Paul, MN – September 25, 2006) Bob Klas, Sr., CEO and Chairman of the Board of Tapemark, has announced his intention to step down as CEO of the company effective October 1, 2006. Bob Klas, Jr. will become Tapemark's CEO, with Andy Rensink moving into a new role of President/COO. Bob Klas, Sr. has served as Tapemark's CEO since the company's inception nearly 54 years ago. He will continue to serve as the company's Chairman of the Board.

Bob Klas, Sr. noted, "It's extremely satisfying for anyone who's started a company to be able to oversee it for the better part of a lifetime and then hand it over to the next generation. When we first started in business over 50 years ago, our primary concern was just to meet payroll. Since then, our mission has become much larger. In addition to our responsibilities to our business partners and community, we've always felt a commitment to provide meaningful, long-term employment opportunities for the people who've chosen to pursue their careers at Tapemark. We've been fortunate to be able to do that for 54 years, and I get personal satisfaction knowing that the next generation of leaders at Tapemark will continue that tradition."

Bob Klas, Jr. has held the position of Tapemark president since 1991. Through his leadership, Tapemark transitioned from primarily a label printing company to an FDA registered and audited supplier of components and end products to the pharmaceutical, medical device and consumer products industries. As CEO, Bob Jr.'s strategic expertise will continue to guide Tapemark's future growth.

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Andy Rensink will move from his position as Vice President of Operations to President/COO on October 1. Andy joined Tapemark in July 2005, having served most recently as VP of Operations for Cuno, and prior to that as VP of Quality, Business Development, and Technology for Osmonics. His previous experience includes work with GE in multiple business units, including over six years in various roles developing and producing medical diagnostic imaging devices.

As he spoke about the promotions, Bob Klas, Sr. commented, “As our company has evolved over the years, it’s been necessary to bring people with specialized skill sets into the organization. In addition to Andy’s strong background in operations and engineering, he has a good track record of achieving high results. Tapemark has a lot of strong assets, in people, facilities and systems, and I know Bob Jr. and Andy will be very good at orchestrating them in a way that will allow us to achieve a high level of success as we go forward.”

In his remarks, Andy Rensink stated, “I feel honored in assuming this role with a company that has such a long and proud history. Clearly the strong foundation in people, facilities and products, that has been a hallmark of Tapemark over the years, sets the stage for a very bright future.”

### **About Tapemark**

The Tapemark Company is a privately-held contract manufacturer with multiple facilities in West St. Paul, Minnesota. Tapemark is cGMP-compliant, ISO 9001 and 13485 certified, and FDA registered as a Drug, Device, Food, and Cosmetics contract manufacturer. Tapemark’s integrated converting capabilities include coating, printing, die cutting and packaging of complex components and products for the medical, pharmaceutical, and consumer products markets. Learn more about Tapemark at [www.tapemark.com](http://www.tapemark.com).

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