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## **Speakman Company Appoints Robert Knoll as Chief Operating Officer**

*New Castle, Del. July 29, 2011*—The company that supplies showerheads to well known hotels has appointed Robert “Bob” Knoll as the first Chief Operating Officer of Speakman Company in its 143 year history.

Knoll joins Speakman from Easthill/East Wood Company where he was President and COO for the Easthill Group, Inc. Knoll was responsible for domestic and international third-party fulfillment and logistics including the inbound/outbound call center, customer service, inventory planning, sourcing, and warehousing and distribution services to small and mid-size companies in the greater Philadelphia area.

Knoll joins Speakman at an exciting time and will play a major part in the company’s growth initiatives in commercial plumbing and residential shower and bath. Knoll’s key role will focus on the fulfillment process, improving forecasting and streamlined communication on the supply chain team.



In 2011, Speakman introduced 30+ new showerhead products and is gearing up to launch and full suite of bathroom fixtures.

“It is a very exciting time to join the Speakman Company because we are in the process of growing the business and fulfillment operation” said Knoll.

### **About Speakman Company**

The Speakman Company was founded in 1869 as a plumbing pipefitting company. Retaining its independent and privately held status, Speakman has forged a reputation for continuous product innovation and quality leadership. Today Speakman continues to pioneer innovations that improve the quality of life for the global community. Speakman manufactures high quality commercial plumbing products, innovative emergency equipment and exceptional hospitality & residential showerheads. Speakman is registered to ISO 9001:2000, for more information on Speakman; please visit our web site at [www.speakmancompany.com](http://www.speakmancompany.com). ###