

Meet the Leadership Team of Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake



**Bendix Spicer
Foundation Brake LLC**
A Bendix CVS and Dana Joint Venture

Eddie Wilkinson was appointed president of BSFB in January 2012 after serving as one of two interim general managers for the business since July 2011. As BSFB president, Wilkinson is also a member of the Bendix Leadership Committee.

A talented executive with wide-ranging, practical operations experience, as well as strategic and business planning expertise, Wilkinson's career at Bendix and Honeywell Aerospace/AlliedSignal began in 1995. Since that time, he has held numerous key leadership roles in sales and plant management.

Moving to Bendix in 1999, Wilkinson was appointed to the Bendix Leadership Committee in 2005. In 2006, he relocated to the company's Elyria headquarters and held the post of Operations Director after serving over seven years in progressive plant management at the Bendix manufacturing campus in Acuña, Mexico. In 2002, Wilkinson was named Bendix Mexico country manager. Under his leadership, the company's multi-plant Mexican operations experienced outstanding business growth – as well as ongoing expansion, specifically in OE manufacturing – through improved, ongoing employee development and educational programming; increased community support activities; and continued investment in the facility. He was instrumental in launching the company's Global Truck Production Systems (TPS) initiative in Mexico, establishing a foundation for long-term production excellence.

A certified Lean Manufacturing Expert, Wilkinson has earned several professional certifications in quality, leadership, and management. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Clayton State University in Atlanta and a Master's of Business Administration degree from DeSales University in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Wilkinson and his wife, Kim, are residents of Strongsville, Ohio. They have two grown daughters, Ashley and Brandi.



Eddie Wilkinson

President
Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC
(BSFB)



Aaron Schwass

Vice President & General Manager
Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC
(BSFB)

Aaron Schwass was named Vice President & General Manager, BSFB in January 2012, assuming executive oversight for the BSFB drum brake and disc brake product lines, the Kalamazoo Engineering/R&D center, and BSFB manufacturing operations in Bowling Green. In July 2011 he was appointed as one of two interim general managers for the business.

A talented executive with wide-ranging industry experience, Aaron's career at Bendix and Honeywell/AlliedSignal (owners of Bendix prior to January 2002), spans 16 years. He most recently held the post of director– Foundation Brakes Business from March 2009. Aaron joined Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake in 2008 after 12 years with Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC. During his tenure with Bendix, Aaron has held numerous key leadership roles including Acuña, Mexico Plant Manager; Manager – Bendix Product Development Integration; Interim Director – Operations; and Director – Supply Base Management, a role in which he served since 2004.

Aaron holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial and Operations Engineering from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Texas in Austin.

Schwass and his wife, Carolina, are residents of Strongsville, Ohio. They have three children, Brittany, Elisa, and Matthew.

Center of Competency Managers

Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake is organized under a Center of Competency (or product line) concept. Each of the core Centers of Competency (CoCs) is focused on one of our major product lines in the business – Foundation Brakes: Foundation Drum Brakes & Air Disc Brakes, along with Specialty & Actuation products. These centers – in addition to our functional area leads – closely align our operations, marketing, finance, and engineering resources to specific product initiatives, allowing us to enhance our ability to:

- *manage the market and financial performance of our products;*
- *improve planning and implementation against established business objectives;*
- *expand each line's ability to effectively roll out product to the markets/channels; and*
- *improve resource utilization and communications among product team members.*



Keith McComsey

Director, Marketing & Customer Solutions



Nicole Oreskovic

Director, Air Disc Brake



Kevin Romanchok

Director, Specialty & Actuation



Geoff Spensley

Director, Finance



Gene Triplett

Director, Foundation Drum Brake