

**Engineered Sales & Service****GPM Expands Bismarck Operations**

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GPM, Inc. has recently opened a new sales and service facility at 2792 E. Broadway in Bismarck, ND. With the North Dakota business environment favorable to heavy industry, petrochemical, and power utilities, the demand for local equipment service and repair is expected to increase. The previous sales office was not able to support rotating equipment repair.

The Bismarck Tribune reported on June 6, 2008, "The building going up on 26th Street and Broadway will be an office building and pump repair facility for Minnesota-based GPM Inc., which distributes and manufactures industrial equipment. The nearly \$1 million building, as listed on the permit, is an expansion from its four-person office on Burnt Boat Drive, said Bob Gemuenden, agent sales manager for the company. They have other offices in Duluth, Minn., Billings, Mont., and Chesapeake, Ohio. Gemuenden said the strong energy market in Bismarck helps justify their expansion in the city, adding that the "business mentality" in Bismarck also contributed. 'The price to expand in Bismarck versus Minnesota is much more favorable,' Gemuenden said."

Employees located at the new facility are:

Barb Myhre, Administrative Assistant  
Brandi Beach, Administrative Assistant  
Dick Steffeck, Outside Sales  
Mike Haley, Outside Sales  
Willie Solig, Outside Sales

Plans are developing to equip the service center with the necessary machinery and labor expertise.

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