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## Columbia Machine Engineering (I) Pvt. Ltd.

VANCOUVER, WA (USA) – February 20, 2017 – Rick Goode, CEO of Columbia Machine, Inc., announced today that Columbia Machine Engineering (I) Pvt. Ltd. has appointed Ramesh Babbar as President. Mr. Babbar comes to CME with extensive manufacturing experience, most recently working as Plant Head for Kobelco Cranes Pvt. Ltd. (a Kobe Steel Company). In addition to his extensive manufacturing background, Ramesh has degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Business Management, as well as experience and training with Lean, ISO, Six SIGMA, TQM and Project Management.

"We are happy to have Ramesh join CME. He brings a strong level of experience and proven leadership," said Michelle Blancaflor, Director of CME. "Ramesh will complement our team of leaders that have made CME a market leader."

"Ramesh's experience leading world-class manufacturing facilities and his focus on Quality and Lean will fit our growth plans very well," said Goode. "I look forward to working with Ramesh and the CME Team as we expand our business in India and the region. CME is an important part of Columbia's world-wide growth strategy."

Ramesh will be based at CME's Vadodara, India Operations.

## ABOUT COLUMBIA MACHINE

Established in 1937, Columbia Machine is a third generation, privately held, world-wide leader in the design, manufacturing and support of factory automation equipment for a variety of industries, with customers in over 100 countries around the world. Primary business units include: Batching and Mixing Solutions, Concrete Products Equipment Solutions, Bagging Equipment Solutions, Production Equipment Molds, Mechanical Palletizing Machines, Robotic Palletizing Solutions, Conveyor System Solutions, Pallet Load Transfer Solutions and Manufacturing Services. The Columbia Group of companies has manufacturing facilities on three continents, with almost 1,000 team members world-wide, focused on world-class engineered solutions.

## ABOUT CME

Established in 2006, Columbia Machine Engineering (I) Pvt. Ltd. specializes in the manufacture and supply of Concrete Product Solutions and Palletizing Solutions to a variety of industries in India and several countries throughout Asia and Africa. CME is a wholly owned subsidiary of Columbia Machine.

Everything we do . . . always from the eyes of our customers.