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Broadwind Energy to Present at the Sidoti Spring 2016 Emerging Growth Convention

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CICERO, Ill., March 18, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Broadwind Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ:BWEN) today announced that Stephanie Kushner, CFO and Interim CEO, and Eric Blashford, President Broadwind Towers and Heavy Industries, will present at the Sidoti Spring 2016 Emerging Growth Convention to be held at the Marriott Marquis in New York, NY on Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 1:30 PM local time. A link to the presentation slides will be available on the investor page of the Broadwind Energy website at **http://investors.bwen.com/investors/events-and-presentations/default.aspx**.

Investors interested in attending and scheduling a one-on-one meeting with management should click the link below:
https://www.meetmax.com/sched/event_35923/investor_reg_new.html?cmd=register&event_id=35923&attendee_role_id=INVESTOR.

About the Sidoti Emerging Growth Convention
The Sidoti Spring 2016 Emerging Growth Convention will focus on companies with market capitalizations of $600 million and less, connecting their executive management teams with Wall Street's top small- and micro-cap institutional and high-net-worth investors, research and investment banking professionals and other key stakeholders in the micro-cap investment community. The convention will feature approximately 80 public companies with solid franchises. Past attendance was approximately 400, including nearly 275 registered institutional investors.

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About Broadwind Energy

Broadwind Energy (NASDAQ:BWEN) applies decades of deep industrial expertise to innovate integrated solutions for customers in the energy and infrastructure markets. From gears and gearing systems for wind, oil and gas and mining applications, to wind towers and industrial weldments, we have solutions for the energy needs of the future. With facilities throughout the central U.S., Broadwind Energy's talented team is committed to helping customers maximize performance of their investments—quicker, easier and smarter. Find out more at **www.bwen.com**

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