

USA: 3M reorganizing into seven business units.

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ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept 27 (Reuters) - Diversified manufacturer **3M Co.** said on Friday it is reorganizing its businesses into seven units to sharpen its focus on markets and customers.

The company, whose products range from Post-It notes and sandpaper to asthma inhalers and brightness-enhancement film, said it would form three new businesses from existing divisions and departments.

Safety, security and protection services will be headed by Fred Palensky, display and graphics by Jim Stake, and transportation by Steve Landwehr. All three were named executive vice presidents.

New leadership was named for two existing businesses. Chuck Reich, formerly executive vice president of electro and communications, will succeed the retiring John Benson as head of the company's health care business.

Brad Sauer, who has led the company's Six-Sigma quality efforts, will succeed Reich as head of electro and communications.