

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
October 6, 2011**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

CPI Corp.

File No. 001-10204 - CF#26598

CPI, Corp. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 8-K filed on March 24, 2011, as amended on September 1, 2011.

Based on representations by CPI Corp that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.52 through May 1, 2012

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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