David Filipe is vice president, Powertrain Engineering, Ford Motor Company, effective Sept. 1, 2017.

Filipe is responsible for powertrain engineering around the globe and reports to Hau Thai-Tang, chief product development & purchasing officer.

Prior to this role he served as the vehicle line director, North America trucks, large SUVs and commercial vehicles which included responsibility for overseeing the development and launch of the 2017 Super Duty pickup truck, the 2018 Ford F-150, and the all-new 2018 Expedition.

For 25 years Filipe has held various positions within Product Development and several global leadership roles. Recent roles include director of Global Engine Engineering where he was responsible for the global design and development of Ford gasoline and diesel engines. He also served as the director of Transmission and Driveline Engineering where he led the initial development of the new 8 and 10 speed transmissions.

Earlier positions include chief engineer large gas engine programs, chief engineer small gas and diesel engine programs in Europe and assistant vehicle line director for B-car vehicles in Asia Pacific.

After graduating from Drexel University with a master of science degree in Mechanical Engineering, Filipe joined Ford as a Ford College Graduate and later earned a master of business administration from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.