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SEL to Open Spokane Valley Office

PULLMAN, WA — July 13, 2012 — Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc. (SEL) today announced they will open an office in Spokane Valley, Washington, this fall. The engineering and manufacturing company based in Pullman, Washington, will renovate a 7,076-square-foot office space at 3808 Sullivan Road. The company will lease the office space, formerly a National Car Rental office, from Crown West Realty.

“It will primarily be a research and development office, but with the vast array of SEL employee owners who commute from the Spokane area, we are exploring lots of options,” said Dave Whitehead, Vice President of Research and Development. “If they can do their job functions from there, it makes sense to have them work in the office nearest to their homes.”

In the last year, SEL built a new 109,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Lewiston, Idaho, also largely to accommodate the employee owners who were commuting to Pullman from the Lewis-Clark Valley. That facility currently employs 132 people.

A 100 percent employee-owned company, SEL has 51 domestic offices and 42 international offices, and three manufacturing facilities in the United States and one in Mexico. There are currently more than 3,400 SEL employees worldwide.

“Locating offices near our customers has always helped us provide exceptional customer service. Putting our offices where our employee owners live speaks to two additional SEL values, Dignity of Work and Community,” said SEL President and Founder Ed Schweitzer. “This allows them a much easier commute and more time to spend with their families and in their communities.”

The Spokane Valley office will accommodate up to 48 people, but the exact number to be assigned there is still being determined. Renovations are expected to be completed by September.

SEL serves the power industry worldwide through the design, manufacture, supply, and support of products and services for power system protection, monitoring, control, automation, and metering. SEL offers unmatched local technical support, a worldwide, ten-year product warranty, and a commitment to making electric power safer, more reliable, and more economical.

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