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SEL University Director to Accept Manufacturing Institute STEP Award

PULLMAN, WA — January 6, 2014 — Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc. (SEL) today announced that Jackie Peer, director of SEL University, will be honored by the Manufacturing Institute with a 2014 Women in Manufacturing STEP Award. This award recognizes women in science, technology, engineering, and production roles who have made significant achievements in manufacturing.

Peer joined SEL in 1996 as an application engineer. During her career at SEL, she has managed the research and design of distribution relays and controls as well as time and communications products—significant and essential products used by electric utilities around the world. The developments and offerings achieved under Peer's leadership have resulted in reliability improvements to the electric power grid and have helped drive the growth of SEL's U.S.-based manufacturing. Peer has also led technical marketing and regional sales and services teams within the company. Her passion for workforce development led to her current role as the director of SEL University, a department within SEL dedicated to training the next generation of power system engineers.

“Working with Jackie is a great pleasure,” said SEL President Ed Schweitzer. “She is a leader and is always willing to take on challenging projects and opportunities. Jackie has a real passion for formal and continuing education, and knows how to put that to work to make a difference in the lives of many people. We are thrilled that Jackie's efforts and successes are being recognized by the Manufacturing Institute.”

Peer is a senior member of the Society of Women Engineers as well as a member of IEEE, IEEE Women in Engineering (WiE), IEEE Women in Power (WiP), the American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE), and the American Marketing Association. She holds a bachelor's of science in electrical engineering from Washington State University.

Peer's contributions to the manufacturing industry will be recognized at the 2014 STEP Awards reception on February 6, 2014, at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C.

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