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SEL Australia celebrates its 15th anniversary

MELBOURNE, Australia— July 31, 2015, — Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories is celebrating the 15th anniversary of opening its first office in Australia. The Melbourne office opened its doors in August 2000 to provide sales and technical support to customers in the region.

“Over the past 15 years, we’ve worked hard to become one of the preferred suppliers for the major power utilities in Australia, New Zealand and Fiji,” said Sarah Hughes, regional director for SEL Oceania. “We’ve experienced tremendous growth and have added locations and then expanded those!”

As demand for SEL products and services increased, the company opened additional offices in Perth in 2007, and Brisbane in 2008. They also established an Engineering Services division in 2009 to provide engineered systems and consulting services for customers.

SEL engineers in Australia have been actively involved in designing large- and small-scale power management, protection and automation systems throughout the country for both utility and industrial clients, including Worsley Alumina, Chevron, Karara Mining, Citic Pacific Mining, Fortescue Metals Group, Orica, Snowy Hydro, Senvion, NASA - CSIRO, Synergy, GDF Suez and Fiji Electricity Authority.

SEL Australia recently commissioned their first solely SEL designed and developed power management system. The Engineering Service team has also expanded their offerings to include long-term maintenance services, including 24/7 on-call emergency support and protection and network testing services.

Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories invents, designs, and builds digital products and systems that protect power grids around the world. This technology prevents blackouts and enables customers to improve power system reliability, safety and cost. SEL, a 100 percent employee-owned company that is headquartered in Pullman, Washington, has manufactured products in the United States since 1982 and now serves customers in 147 countries. SEL provides unmatched technical support, customer service and a 10-year worldwide warranty.

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