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**SEL Announces Expansion Plans for Pullman, WA, Lewiston, ID,
and San Luis Potosi Mexico**

PULLMAN, WA — Today SEL founder and president, Edmund O. Schweitzer, III, announced that the company has over 160 career opportunities open. He also announced plans for the construction of a Solutions Delivery Center in Pullman, Washington, and a manufacturing facility in Lewiston, Idaho, as well as the expansion of the SEL Mexico operations in San Luis Potosi by 68,500 square feet.

SEL's growth strategy has three components: new products, new markets, and new geographic sectors. "We're growing globally, with products in over 130 countries and customers in many industry and utility sectors. We are running out of space, especially in the areas of manufacturing, research and development, and engineering services...so it's time to build more." Dr. Schweitzer explains.

The Solutions Delivery Center (SDC) will be a 70,000 square-foot, three-story office building offering six customer delivery showrooms, expansive office areas, and a variety of conference rooms on five acres within the Pullman Port of Whitman. The SDC will provide a clean, comfortable, technologically advanced setting for customers to accept major systems. SEL's newest manufacturing facility will be located in Lewiston, Idaho. The building will be a 105,800 square-foot concrete site-cast, tilt-up structure. It will be a mixed-occupancy building, housing office and manufacturing functions and all support divisions. This facility is planned on 25 acres within the Lewiston Business and Technology Park (BTP). Final approval of the land purchase is pending a commissioner vote that will be held next Tuesday.

Bernardo Wills will be the architect for both projects while Vandervert Construction will serve as contractor. Both companies are out of Spokane, Washington. Both projects are scheduled for completion in September 2011.

SEL's San Luis Potosi facility will grow by 68,500 square feet to provide new areas of growth for existing protection panel business and allow for realignment of the process flow. The project is scheduled for completion in November 2011.



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“These are exciting times for SEL, and I am positive about the future... even in the face of unprecedented political and economic uncertainty,” explains Dr. Schweitzer. “However, there are many opportunities. The recession means demand is pent up and the acceleration of intermittent sources (wind, solar, etc.) creates new challenges. On top of that, we haven’t stopped inventing and developing new solutions; in fact, we have new products and services, and continue to grow our R&D investment, so we have to be ready, as to a large degree, we create our future through hard work and innovation. We’ve been saving up our money, and now it’s time to start building!”

SEL serves the electric power industry worldwide through its Pullman headquarters, 46 domestic offices, and 35 international locations in Australia, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, India, Italy, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Peru, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and the United Kingdom. As a result, SEL offers unprecedented application assistance and customer support, globally.

SEL serves the electric 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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