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## New SEL 24-Port Ethernet Switch—Designed Specifically for Harsh **Industrial Environments**

PULLMAN, WA — March 6, 2012 — Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc. (SEL) today introduced the SEL-2730M Managed 24-Port Ethernet Switch as part of a complete communications network solution for industrial applications. Built specifically for harsh environments, the SEL-2730M reliably supports high-speed control, real-time automation, and SCADA traffic. It is scheduled to begin shipping at the end of the second quarter of 2012.

"With the introduction of the SEL-2730M Managed 24-Port Ethernet Switch, SEL now provides a complete industrial communications solution," said Jackie Peer, R&D manager for SEL communications products. "All products are specifically designed to work together seamlessly in extreme environments with the quality, reliability, and ten-year warranty customers have come to expect from SEL."

The SEL-2730M withstands vibration, electrical surges, fast transients, electrostatic discharge, and extreme temperatures ( $-40^{\circ}$  to  $+85^{\circ}$ C). It meets or exceeds IEEE 1613 (Class 2) and IEC 61850-3 communications standards for networking devices and drops no packets during rigorous testing. The fit-for-purpose design minimizes printed circuit boards (PCBs) and interface points, resulting in greater reliability. Optional conformal coating ensures excellent contaminant resistance. With no fans or other moving parts, the SEL-2730M employs the most robust technology available for demanding applications.

The base-model SEL-2730M has 20 copper Ethernet ports—16 ports are 10/100 Mbps, and 4 are Gigabit Ethernet. You can selectively upgrade the 10/100 Mbps drop ports to fiber-optic interfaces and add up to 4 additional small form-factor pluggable (SFP) fiber-optic Gigabit Ethernet ports, for a total of 24 ports that provide the flexibility to meet any substation network requirements.

In addition to these features, the new SEL-2730M helps you do the following:

- Easily manage your network using a web interface, file transfer, and SNMP.
- Keep your network running with dual hot-swappable power supplies that support simultaneous ac and dc voltage sources. Replace a power supply module without disrupting service.
- Separate and prioritize traffic by message type, and enable different quality-of-service levels via VLAN management.

• Trust the interoperability and performance of rugged, industrial network components by implementing the SEL industrial networking solution.

SEL designs, manufactures, and supports the SEL-2730M Switch in Pullman, Washington, and provides a ten-year, worldwide, no-questions-asked warranty and immediate no-charge technical support. The SEL-2730M has a base price of only \$1,850. For more information on features, benefits, and applications, please visit <a href="https://www.selinc.com/p143">www.selinc.com/p143</a>.

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