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## WESCO DISTRIBUTION BRINGS 32 JOBS TO SHAWNEE

SHAWNEE, Kan. November 26, 2013 – WESCO Distribution Inc. announces its decision to locate its new warehouse and regional office in Shawnee, Kansas. The industrial supply company plans to create as many as 32 new jobs over a three-year period.

WESCO Distribution is a Fortune 500 company that is locally comprised of four subsidiary companies. Satellite Engineering Group will relocate their Olathe office as they continue to grow their products and services to CATV, broadcast and satellite markets. Carlton Bates provides specialized services and products in the automation controls, electronic and electromechanical industry. RS Electronics is a wholesale distributor of electronic components, test and measurement instruments and purchasing and inventory management services. Communications Supply Corporation will be opening a new regional office to serve their customers in the data communications and security solutions industry.

“We are excited to bring our One WESCO philosophy of multiple companies serving our customers across the region to Shawnee and appreciate the support of the City of Shawnee and the Economic Development Council ,” said Chris Childs, Director of National Sales/ Broadcast, WESCO Distribution, Inc.

“Shawnee is pleased to welcome WESCO Distribution to our business community,” said Mayor Jeff Meyers. “Shawnee’s proximity to I-35 and the regional highway infrastructure make it an extremely attractive place for industrial suppliers and other companies to operate.”

On November 25, the City Council of Shawnee unanimously approved a Forgivable Loan Agreement to support WESCO’s job creation in Shawnee. The companies will lease approximately 18,000 square feet at 10814 W. 78<sup>th</sup> Street in the Nieman Business Park. Those interested in employment opportunities may check the company’s websites at:

[www.sateng.com/](http://www.sateng.com/)  
[www.carltonbates.com/](http://www.carltonbates.com/)  
[www.rselectronics.com/](http://www.rselectronics.com/)

The SEDC was pleased to partner with Alicia Hutchings with the Kansas Department of Commerce, and Michael Block of Block Real Estate Services on this project.

### **About the SEDC:**

The Shawnee Economic Development Council (SEDC) functions as a division of the Shawnee Chamber of Commerce. The SEDC works collaboratively with the City of Shawnee and the Shawnee Chamber of Commerce to drive business growth and development." For more information, contact us at 913.631.6545 or visit our website at [www.goodstartshere.com](http://www.goodstartshere.com).

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