



NEWS RELEASE

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Central Welding Supply to Open 12th Location in Anacortes, WA

MARYSVILLE, WA, January 30, 2009 – Dale Wilton, President/CEO of Central Welding Supply, announced today that plans are underway for a new branch location in Anacortes, WA. “We have acquired a convenient and highly-visible 2-acre site off Hwy 20 in Anacortes (next to Jerry Smith Chevrolet/Buick)” said Wilton. “Construction is scheduled to begin soon on a new 3200 sq. ft. steel building for this facility.”

The Anacortes branch, expected to open late Summer 2009, will represent Central Welding Supply’s 12th location in the Puget Sound area. “This new location will allow us to better serve our customers in Anacortes, West Skagit County, and Whidbey Island customers in Oak Harbor, Freeland, Coupeville, Langley and Clinton,” advises Wilton.

The new location will offer a broad inventory of welding, safety, and industrial equipment and supplies, as well as industrial and specialty gases, propane, rental equipment and a host of associated Central Welding Supply Services. “Central Welding Supply has stayed true to its initial objective,” said Wilton, “to provide the region’s most responsive customer service along with convenient locations and the best products, while holding on to the core values and traditions of a family-owned, family-run, local business.”

ABOUT CENTRAL WELDING SUPPLY

Central Welding Supply has been locally owned and operated since 1975. The company has grown from one small store to eleven locations, two divisions, and nearly 100 dedicated and experienced employees. Existing Central Welding Supply retail locations include Ballard, Bellingham, Issaquah, Seattle, Port Townsend, Woodinville, Marysville, Everett, Burlington, Renton, and Lynnwood, WA.

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AFFILIATED DIVISIONS ON THE INTERNET:

WWW.CENTRALWELDING.COM

Provides information and services for our customers throughout the Puget Sound area.

WWW.WELDERS-DIRECT.COM

Welders-Direct, is an internet sales division devoted to providing welding equipment to home-hobbyists and small businesses throughout the United States.

WWW.XPRESSCRYOGENICS.COM

The XpressCryogenics division, based in Seattle, WA, serves cryogenic bulk and specialty gas customers, including a truck fleet providing on-site express fill services.

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Renderings of the Anacortes, WA Facility

