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Central Welding Supply to Open 13th Location in Redmond, WA

MARYSVILLE, WA, May 14, 2009 - Dale Wilton, President/CEO of Central Welding Supply, announced plans for the opening of their new location in Redmond, WA. The new branch will be located at 7730 185th Ave in Redmond, WA, and will be open for business starting Monday, July 13, 2009. "Improvements, remodeling of the site, and preparations for the store are already underway," said Wilton.

The Redmond branch will represent Central Welding Supply's 13th location in the Puget Sound area. "We are excited that this new location will allow us to better serve our existing customers in Redmond, Kirkland, and the greater Eastside. The new location will additionally offer more convenience to customers who may previously have traveled from Redmond to our locations in Woodinville or Issaquah for their routine supplies," noted Wilton.

The new location will offer Central Welding Supply's broad inventory of welding, safety, and industrial equipment and supplies, as well as industrial and specialty gases, 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, Anacortes, 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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