

## Staff Join David Evans and Associates, Inc. as Firm Acquires Elcon Associates, Inc.

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David Evans and Associates, Inc. (DEA), a nationally recognized professional services consulting firm headquartered in Portland, Oregon, announces the acquisition of Elcon Associates, Inc., an electrical and systems engineering firm with offices in Oregon and Washington.

Elcon has built a strong reputation over nearly five decades, specializing in energy, water and wastewater instrumentation and control systems, aviation and port facility systems, and rail systems engineering, including traction power, overhead contact systems, signals, and systems integration. This strategic acquisition will enhance DEA's expertise in the energy market and strengthen its presence throughout the Pacific Northwest.

As part of this integration, Elcon's offices in Beaverton, OR, and Tukwila and Lynnwood, WA, will become part of DEA, adding approximately 30 Elcon employees to DEA's workforce. This expansion will increase DEA's total workforce to approximately 1,050 employees.

Al Barkouli, Ph.D., P.E., Chairman and CEO of DEA, commented on the acquisition: "The acquisition of Elcon Associates, Inc. aligns with our strategic goal to bolster our presence in the Pacific Northwest and strengthen our expertise in the rapidly growing energy market. We are thrilled to welcome the employees of Elcon Associates, Inc. to DEA."

Kinh D. Pham, PE, President at Elcon, stated, "I'm very proud that Elcon's 50-year legacy of excellence will continue as part of DEA. Elcon's electrical engineering expertise in the sectors of Energy, Transit, Marine, Airports, and Water/Wastewater combined with DEA's resources and staff mentorship will strengthen and enhance our capabilities to provide superior services to our clients. We look forward to the exciting opportunities ahead."

DEA, with over 48 years of exceptional service, prides itself on providing unique and innovative design services for transportation, water, land, energy, and marine infrastructure. The firm's staff includes engineers, surveyors, hydrographers, planners, landscape architects, and natural resources scientists. DEA, an employee-owned firm, consistently ranks among ENR's "Top 100 Pure Design Firms" in the United States.

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