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Loveland, Colorado (September 9, 2010) – The Northern Colorado Economic Development Corporation (NCEDC) is pleased to announce that land and energy development consultants, Westwood Professional Services, Inc. (Westwood) has opened a new office location in Loveland, Colorado. Westwood's Land group has supported clients with more than 25 million square feet of commercial development and 50,000 residential units across the US. Westwood's Energy group has provided services on over 120 wind and solar energy projects representing more than 12,000MW and 8,000 miles of transmission, oil, gas, and pipeline projects nationwide.

"It made a lot of sense for Westwood to be in Loveland. The company has some local contracts and the culture of Northern Colorado matches Westwood's vision." said Michael Lang, newly appointed Director of Westwood's Loveland office, "The mountain states region, and specifically the Front Range is poised to be very strong as the economy begins to recover. The City of Loveland, Julius Tabert, Sperry Van Ness, and NCEDC have been great community resources during our location search."

Though the company has been operating out of Loveland since July, Westwood expects to move into their new Loveland office location at 4045 St. Cloud Drive, Suite 180 in October. The company will lease approximately 3,500 square feet of space in the building. Westwood currently has nine people and plans to employ up to 30 people in the first five years.

"Westwood supports all phases of wind, solar, transmission, oil, gas, and pipeline projects across the country." said Mike Masciola, COO and Senior Vice President of NCEDC. "The combination of energy solutions and their resources to support land development makes the firm a perfect fit in our region, which has such prominence in both industries."

"We have been working with Westwood for three months." said Julius Tabert with Sperry Van Ness, "I am very pleased that we were able to find a great location in Loveland that will fit the company's needs for many years ahead."

"The City of Loveland is thrilled that Westwood chose to locate here." said Betsey Hale, Business Development Manager for the City of Loveland, "Westwood will provide high paying jobs and a great place to work for Loveland residents and we look forward to assisting them as they establish a presence in our City."

About Westwood Professional Services:

Westwood Professional Services, Inc. is a multi-disciplinary consulting firm providing complete and sustainable solutions to Land and Energy development clients nationwide. Westwood's services include land surveying, aerial mapping, GIS, civil design support, land rights, environmental, cultural resources, landscape architecture, transportation, visualization, construction management, and NPDES & SWPPP compliance. Westwood was established in 1972 and has multiple U.S. offices.

For more information about Westwood Professional Services visit them at www.westwoodps.com.

About NCEDC:

The NCEDC is a non-profit organization and the primary resource in Larimer County to assist with business attraction and business retention and expansion of primary employers. Through the generous support of NCEDC's investors and strategic partners, year to date the NCEDC staff has assisted in the creation of 396 primary jobs with an average salary of \$68,857, 74% above the Larimer County average salary of \$39,500. This provides an annual payroll of over \$27 million earned by local residents. Visit www.ncedc.com for more information.

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