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SYSCO Honors Orion as Outstanding Supplier

MANITOWOC, Wis., Feb 19, 2008 (PrimeNewswire via COMTEX News Network) -- Orion Energy Systems (Nasdaq:OESX) has been named SYSCO Corporation's 'Supplier of the Year - Facilities' on a vote cast by SYSCO's broadline distribution companies in the United States and Canada. During the past few years, Orion installed its Phase I energy-efficient lighting, which reduces lighting costs by approximately 50% or more, in 54 out of 170 Sysco facilities. Recently, the company began integrating Orion's Phase II and III - InteLite Controls and Apollo Light Pipes - into the Phase I systems, which further reduces energy consumption for lighting. A Fortune 100 company dealing with over 2,000 suppliers, SYSCO maintains an extensive supplier award program.

"It's an honor to receive such an award from SYSCO," commented Orion's Senior Vice President John Scribante. "They deal with a number of large reputable firms and we're proud to be honored among them."

The SYSCO Corporation (NYSE:SY) is the global leader in selling, marketing and distributing food products to restaurants, healthcare and educational facilities, lodging establishments and other customers that prepare meals away from home. Its family of products also includes equipment and supplies for the foodservice and hospitality industries. For the fiscal year 2007, the company generated \$35.0 billion in sales. For more information about SYSCO visit www.sysco.com.

Orion Energy Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq:OESX) is a leading power technology enterprise that designs, manufactures and implements energy management systems, consisting primarily of high-performance, energy efficient lighting systems and controls and related services, for commercial and industrial customers without compromising their quantity or quality of light. For more information, visit www.orionenergy.com.

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