



Announcement

I am pleased to announce that effective 28 July 2010, Robert J. Sansone has joined SPS in the capacity of Senior Vice President, Risk & Insurance Engineering. Bob is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and comes to SPS with over thirty years of experience in the energy, engineering, and construction industries. Bob held various management positions with United Engineers and Constructors Inc., American Ref-Fuel Co, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., and the Adolph Coors Co. Bob's most recent experience is in the insurance market with a specific emphasis on engineering, risk mitigation, and loss prevention. Bob established a reputation based on a commitment to customer with both Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co and XL Insurance providing value through engineering and risk based underwriting.

In his role as Senior Vice President, Bob will work to support and promote the Sciemus Power Alliance underwriting capacity. Formed by Inter Hannover, Ascot Underwriting, and Sciemus Ltd., the Sciemus Power Alliance can provide lead-line capacity of up to \$150MM on any one risk. Bob's focus will be to develop an organizational capability that delivers effective and transparent loss prevention review and analysis, engineering survey and assessment, and risk mitigation recommendations that result in strong insurable risks. In addition, Bob's organization will support Sciemus' proprietary risk assessment models by growing and leveraging the ORAP® reliability database. This will provide a significant opportunity to increase ORAP participation levels and broaden coverage by driving value and benefit to the owner/operators of the plants. This cooperative effort will ensure that the Sciemus Power Alliance provides a competitive and value driven benefit for each client.

This new endeavor is an exciting opportunity for SPS. I look forward to working directly with Bob and his team, as well as introducing him to each of you in the near future. Please join me in welcoming Bob to the SPS team.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S.A. DellaVilla Jr.", written in a cursive style.

S.A. DellaVilla Jr.
Chairman & CEO