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## **Eugene J. Ruddy Named CEO of Sheffield Manufacturing, a Leading Provider of Precision Machining to Aerospace OEMs**

### **Executive Team Also Bolstered by Addition of Sam Southard as CFO**

**Sun Valley, CA, January 24, 2011** – Sheffield Manufacturing, Inc., a leading provider of precision machining, sheet metal, and welding products to the aerospace industry, has named Eugene J. Ruddy as President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Ruddy will head up all operations for Sheffield, which has long-standing direct relationships with Boeing, Northrop Grumman, and Lockheed Martin, and many other aerospace manufacturers.

Mr. Ruddy has over 25 years of aerospace industry experience. He has held senior executive positions at Kavlico Aerospace, Harris Corp., General Electric, Fadal Machining Centers, SL Power Electronics, and Everson Electric. He holds B.S. and M.B.A degrees from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University.

Mr. Ruddy stated, "In Sheffield, I see a company with a premier base customer base, 100% and near-100% quality and on-time delivery ratings from its customers, a high quality, very experienced team of employees, a tremendous amount of unused capacity, and a wealth of growth opportunities. I am thrilled with this opportunity to lead Sheffield through a period of growth and expansion that will benefit our customers, shareholders, team members, and community."

Sheffield also named Samuel N. Southard as Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Southard will head up the company's finance, accounting, and administrative functions. Mr. Southard has 15 years of aerospace industry experience, including Chief Financial Officer positions at Alliance Spacesystems and Klune Industries. He holds a B.S. from California Institute of Technology and an M.B.A. from University for Southern California.

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## About Sheffield Manufacturing, Inc.

Based in the greater Los Angeles, CA area, Sheffield Manufacturing is a leading provider of precision machining, sheet metal, and welding products to the aerospace industry. A dedicated and skilled staff produces and delivers high-quality parts for a variety of commercial and military aircraft for premier customers such as Boeing, Lockheed-Martin, and Northrop Grumman. Using CNC and conventional profiling equipment, the most sophisticated CAD programs, and concurrent engineering support, Sheffield responds quickly to requirements for all sizes of build-to-print parts and complete assemblies from its three manufacturing facilities (Sheffield - Sun Valley, CA; Sheffield - Torrance, CA; and Fortune Manufacturing, Chino, CA). With both ISO9001 and AS9100 certifications, Sheffield has the distinct mission, and a stellar reputation throughout the aerospace industry, of delivering quality products on time and within budget. For years, the Company has delivered 100% and near-100% quality and on-time delivery ratings from its customers. Its phone number is (818) 767-4948. Its website is located at [www.sheffield-mfg.com](http://www.sheffield-mfg.com).

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