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Continuous Safety Monitor Instrument for Transmission Line Crews

December 5, 2011 – Battle Ground, WA – Delta Computer Systems, Inc. announces the SNT-02 Step and Touch Safety Monitoring Instrument for enhancing the safety of transmission line crews. Delta has provided the first version to the Bonneville Power Administration for nearly 10 years, and is now delivering this enhanced product version to the BPA and the broader utility market. The new SNT-02 kit includes field accessories and comes in a rugged enclosure for easy transport.

As power transmission line corridors become ever more crowded, this instrument addresses the safety issue of Step and Touch Potential. This has become ever more critical for line crew safety to warn if grounded lines are picking up dangerous voltages via inductive coupling.

The SNT-02 Step and Touch Instrument is a product innovation initially designed and manufactured specifically for Transmission Line monitoring and alarming safety. Step potential is when a voltage difference or gradient occurs between a person's feet. Touch potential is when a person comes into contact with an energized object.



The SNT-02 kit includes the monitor and alarming instrument, ground rod, clamps and other accessories. Go to <u>www.stepandtouch.com</u> for more information.

De-energized lines that are connected to a tower act as large antennas and can create dangerous conditions if the tower ground is faulty. The SNT-02 continuously monitors for Step and Touch potential, improving job site safety. "The need for this capability has become more important over the last decade as more power corridors have increased in complexity—often driven by growth in green energy", stated Steve Nylund, CEO of Delta Computer Systems. "The BPA has found the SNT to be very valuable and Delta is glad to bring this product to the general market." Nylund added.

About Delta Computer Systems: For more than 28 years, Delta has supplied industrial control and monitoring products that enable utilities and contractors and industrial companies to provide better products and services to their customers. For more information contact Bill Savela, Delta Computer Systems, Inc. 1818 SE 17th Street, Battle Ground, WA. 98604. P 360-254-8688, fax 360-254-5435, or email <u>sales@stepandtouch.com</u>. Editor: Please indicate <u>STEPANDTOUCH</u> for inquiry identification.