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Two New Case Studies on Employee-Owned Companies Released

December 3, 2010 (Washington, DC) – The Employee Ownership Foundation is pleased to announce the release of two new case studies highlighting employee-owned companies. The new employee ownership case studies were done through a Kelso Fellowship administered by the School of Management and Labor Relations at Rutgers University. The case studies were published by Professor Frank Shipper, PhD of the Perdue School of Business at Salisbury University. Kelso Fellowship funding is provided by the Employee Ownership Foundation.

The two case studies --- *KCI Technologies, Inc.: Engineering the Future, One Employee at a Time* (co-authored with Professors Vera L. Street, PhD and Christy Weer, PhD also of the Perdue School of Business at Salisbury University) and *Heavy Construction Systems Specialists [HCSS]* (co-authored with Professor Olivier Roche, PhD of the Perdue School of Business at Salisbury University) --- are both available through Caseplace.org which is a library of teaching resources for business school faculty. More information about Caseplace.org is available at <http://www.caseplace.org>.

“We are thrilled to be part of the expansion of employee ownership study and research in academia,” noted Joseph Cabral, chair of the Employee Ownership Foundation. “It’s a long-standing goal of the Foundation to increase knowledge of employee ownership among the world’s academic centers.”

The Kelso Fellowship honors the late Dr. Louis O. Kelso, the thought leader who developed the ESOP model of employee ownership in order to improve capitalism.

The Employee Ownership Foundation supports research, education and public awareness of programs that will increase the level of understanding and appreciation of the benefits of employee ownership and increase the number of employees who have access to this benefit. For more information, visit: www.employeeownershipfoundation.org. The Employee Ownership Foundation is The ESOP Association’s affiliated 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting employee ownership.

Founded in 1978, The ESOP Association represents over 1,400 ESOP companies who believe that employee ownership will improve American competitiveness, increase productivity through greater employee participation and strengthen our free enterprise economy.

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