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CLS Grows its Platform with SEARCH

Darin Hittle, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of CLS, a leading provider of Right of Way, Land, and Infrastructure Consulting Services in North America, is proud to announce that Southeastern Archaeological Research, Inc. (SEARCH) has been added to the CLS Family of Companies. The current SEARCH management team will continue to lead the organization, providing strategic leadership and oversight to their business across the company footprint.

“We are pleased to welcome the SEARCH team, customers, and partners to the CLS platform,” said Darin Hittle. “SEARCH aligns with our growth strategy and commitment to investing in organizations with shared values to build upon CLS’s market-leading services. SEARCH’s first-rate reputation and service expertise around the globe are in lockstep with CLS’s culture and execution plan. Anne’s guidance and her leadership team’s know-how will be great thought partners for us as we continue to grow our archaeological and cultural resource management services group.”

Dr. Anne V. Stokes, CEO and Founder of SEARCH states, “We are excited to join CLS and look forward to the opportunities this next chapter presents for our team here at SEARCH. We will continue to deliver best-in-industry services to our clients. The CLS partnership allows us to meet the goal of our strategic plan to be the international leader in cultural resource services.”

About CLS

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