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Meyer of Pella Corporation Joins the Iowa Business Council

Des Moines, IOWA (January 12, 2010) – Patrick J. Meyer, president and CEO of Pella Corporation, has joined the Iowa Business Council (IBC). Membership in the Council is by invitation only and includes 24 members, consisting of the top executives of 20 of Iowa's largest employers, the three Regent universities, and Iowa's largest banking association.

Tom Aller, Iowa Business Council chair and president of Alliant Energy-Interstate Power in Cedar Rapids, said, "IBC is excited to have such an outstanding and respected individual join its ranks. Pat has developed a unique set of leadership skills during his twenty years at Pella Corporation, helping to distinguish the company in an unparalleled commitment to quality window and door products for its customers. His extensive business experience will most certainly benefit the work of the Council on behalf of all Iowans."

Pat Meyer was appointed president and chief executive officer of Pella Corporation in December 2009 following his election to the company's board of directors in May 2009. Since joining Pella in 1990, he has progressed through the company with assignments in Pella and Shenandoah, Iowa; Chicago, Illinois; and Cincinnati, Ohio. The most recent positions include executive vice president, chief operating officer, and group vice president. Meyer earned B.S. and M.B.A. degrees from Drake University where he was a member of the wrestling team and belongs to the Letterman's Club, and currently serves as a National Board member for the school's College of Business. He is also an alumnus of Northwestern University Kellogg Executive Scholar program, earning the Certificate of Professional Achievement in Marketing. Meyer completed the General Management Program at Harvard Business School in 2009.

Pella Corporation was founded in 1925 as the Rolscreen Company. Initially, the company was most widely known for its "disappearing" Rolscreen® window screen. Updated in its design and still popular today, the patented Rolscreen insect screen rolls out of sight when not in use. Pella patio doors and storm doors also feature Rolscreen technology. In 1992, the company changed its name to Pella Corporation, to better reflect its entire product offering. Today the Pella® family of brands offers a full range of quality residential and commercial products in a variety of types and styles to meet virtually any design or budget. More information about Pella Corporation is available online at www.Pella.com.

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ABOUT THE IOWA BUSINESS COUNCIL

The Iowa Business Council is a non-partisan, self-funded organization. Founded in 1985, the Council's purpose is to focus the personal commitment of its members in active leadership roles on initiatives that offer opportunity to enhance Iowa's economic vitality and improve the lives of Iowans. Council members identify key economic issues, evaluate options, and assist in implementing solutions through collaborative public/private partnerships. **Collectively**, IBC companies and institutions employ nearly a quarter million Iowans and have committed billions of dollars of capital investment in the state. Annually, they account for several hundred million dollars in financial contributions and volunteer hours donated to numerous charitable causes, and lead in technology innovation by investing their own resources and procuring millions in grants for research and development. More information is available on the Web by visiting www.iowabusinesscouncil.org.

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