

### Integrated Electrical Services Reports Improved Fiscal 2014 Third Quarter Results

HOUSTON, Aug. 11, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. (or "IES") (Nasdaq:IESC) today announced financial results for its fiscal 2014 third quarter.

### THIRD QUARTER 2014 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Operating cash flow of \$3.1 million for the third quarter of 2014, an increase of \$0.5 million from the third quarter of 2013
- Gross margins for the quarter improved to 16.6% of revenue as compared to gross margins of 12.9% of revenue for the third quarter of 2013
- Net income from continuing operations of \$2.8 million for the third quarter of 2014, or \$0.15 per share
- Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure, as defined below) of \$4.3 million for the third quarter of 2014, an increase of \$3.0 million compared with the third quarter of 2013
- Backlog was approximately \$246 million at June 30, 2014, a \$27 million increase from March 31, 2014

### MANAGEMENT COMMENTARY

James Lindstrom, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "IES's expanded third quarter operating margin of 2.6% and return on equity\* of 17.7% were the highest levels in over five years. Gradually improving industry dynamics, a focus on operational execution across our portfolio and the prudent management of invested capital contributed significantly to these improved results. We remain focused on continuing to improve our financial performance and pursue acquisition candidates that meet our investment criteria."

Robert Lewey, IES's Chief Financial Officer, added, "Our Communications and Residential divisions' third quarter revenue, gross margins and cash flow outperformed our expectations, which subsequently contributed to an increase in our incentive compensation costs versus the second quarter of 2014. We were also pleased to have another quarter of increased backlog, led by our Commercial & Industrial division."

### **NET OPERATING LOSS (NOL)**

The Company estimates that it has available NOL carryforwards for U.S. federal income tax purposes of approximately \$466 million at September 30, 2013. The Company's common stock is subject to a Rights Plan dated January 28, 2013 intended to assist in limiting the number of 5% or more owners and thus reduce the risk of a possible "change of ownership" under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such "change of ownership" under these rules would limit or eliminate the ability of the Company to use its existing NOLs for federal income tax purposes. There is no guaranty, however, that the Rights Plan will achieve the objective of preserving the value or realization of the NOLs.

### **RIGHTS OFFERING**

On August 7, 2014, the Company completed its previously announced \$20 million rights offering. Because the subscription price of the rights, which was set at \$5.20 per share, represented a discount to the market price of the common stock at closing of the offering, the rights offering was deemed to contain a bonus element that is similar to a stock dividend. This required the Company to adjust the weighted average number of common shares used to calculate basic and diluted earnings per share in prior periods retrospectively by a factor of 1.0340. The use of this factor decreased net income from continuing operations per share by \$0.01.

### NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS

This press release includes certain financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP"). Management believes that these measures provide useful information to our investors by reflecting additional ways to view aspects of the Company's operations that, when reconciled to the corresponding GAAP measures, help our investors to better identify underlying trends in our business and facilitate easier comparisons of our financial performance with prior and future periods and to our peers. Non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information calculated in accordance with GAAP. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. A

reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures presented above to GAAP results has been provided in the financial tables included in this press release.

For further details on the Company's financial results, please refer to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 and quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2014, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by August 11, 2014, and any amendments thereto.

### ABOUT INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC.

Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. is a holding company that owns and manages diverse operating subsidiaries, comprised of providers of industrial products and infrastructure services to a variety of end markets. Our 2,500 employees serve clients in the United States and abroad. For more information about IES, please visit <a href="https://www.ies-corporate.com">www.ies-corporate.com</a>.

\* Return on equity is computed by dividing annualized net income from continuing operations for the quarter by total stockholders' equity at the beginning of the measurement period.

Certain statements in this release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, all of which are based upon various estimates and assumptions that the Company believes to be reasonable as of the date hereof. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "could," "should," "expect," "plan," "project," "intend," "anticipate," "believe," "seek," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "pursue," "target," "continue," the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause the Company's actual future outcomes to differ materially from those set forth in such statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability of our controlling shareholder to take action not aligned with other shareholders; the sale or disposition of the shares of our common stock held by our majority shareholder, which, under certain circumstances, would trigger change of control provisions in our severance plan or financing and surety arrangements; the possibility that certain tax benefits of our net operating losses may be restricted or reduced in a change in ownership; the inability to carry out plans and strategies as expected, including our inability to identify and complete acquisitions that meet our investment criteria in furtherance of our corporate strategy; limitations on the availability of sufficient credit or cash flow to fund our working capital needs, capital expenditures and debt service; difficulty in fulfilling the covenant terms of our credit facilities: competition in our respective industries, both from third parties and former employees. which could result in the loss of one or more customers or lead to lower margins on new projects; the inability to achieve, or difficulties and delays in achieving potential benefits of the acquisition of MISCOR Group, Ltd.; challenges integrating other new businesses into the Company or new types of work, products or processes into our divisions; fluctuations in operating activity due to downturns in levels of construction, seasonality and differing regional economic conditions; a general reduction in the demand for our services; a change in the mix of our customers, contracts and business; our ability to successfully manage projects; possibility of errors when estimating revenue and progress to date on percentage-of-completion contracts; additional closures or sales of facilities could result in significant future charges and a significant disruption of our operations; inaccurate estimates used when entering into fixed-priced contracts; the cost and availability of qualified labor; increased cost of surety bonds affecting margins on work and the potential for our surety providers to refuse bonding or require additional collateral at their discretion; increases in bad debt expense and days sales outstanding due to liquidity problems faced by our customers; the recognition of potential goodwill, long-lived assets and other investment impairments; credit and capital market conditions, including changes in interest rates that affect the cost of construction financing and mortgages, and the inability for some of our customers to retain sufficient financing which could lead to project delays or cancellations; accidents resulting from the physical hazards associated with our work and the potential for accidents; our ability to pass along increases in the cost of commodities used in our business, in particular, copper, aluminum, steel, fuel and certain plastics; potential supply chain disruptions due to credit or liquidity problems faced by our suppliers; loss of key personnel and effective transition of new management; success in transferring, renewing and obtaining electrical and construction licenses; uncertainties inherent in estimating future operating results, including revenues, operating income or cash flow; disagreements with taxing authorities with regard to tax positions we have adopted; the recognition of tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions; complications associated with the incorporation of new accounting, control and operating procedures; the financial impact of new or proposed accounting regulations; the effect of litigation, claims and contingencies, including warranty losses, damages or other latent defect claims in excess of our existing reserves and accruals: warranty losses or other unexpected liabilities stemming from former divisions which we have sold or closed; growth in latent defect litigation in states where we provide residential electrical work for home builders not otherwise covered by insurance; changes in the assumptions made regarding future events used to value our stock options and performance-based stock awards; the ability of IES to enter into, and the terms of, future contracts; future capital expenditures and refurbishment, repair and upgrade costs; delays in refurbishment and upgrade projects; and liabilities under laws and regulations protecting the environment.

You should understand that the foregoing, as well as other risk factors discussed in this document, in the prospectus relating to the rights offering and in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2013, could cause future outcomes to differ materially from those expressed in such forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any information, including information concerning its controlling shareholder, net operating losses, borrowing availability, or cash position, or any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this release.

Forward-looking statements are provided in this press release pursuant to the safe harbor established under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and should be evaluated in the context of the estimates, assumptions, uncertainties, and risks described herein.

General information about Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. can be found at <a href="http://www.ies-corporate.com">http://www.ies-corporate.com</a> under "Investors." The Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, as well as any amendments to those reports, are available free of charge through the Company's website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

## INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months En	ded June 30, N	ine Months End	ded June 30,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues	\$ 136.2	\$ 121.6	\$ 376.5	\$ 370.8
Cost of services	113.5	105.9	315.7	321.2
Gross profit	22.7	15.7	60.8	49.6
Selling, general and administrative expenses	19.1	16.6	55.8	48.0
Income from operations	3.6	(0.9)	5.0	1.6
Interest expense, net	0.3	0.4	1.3	1.4
Other expense (income), net		(0.6)	(0.2)	0.9
Provision for income taxes	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3
Net income from continuing operations	2.8	(0.7)	3.5	(1.0)
Net loss from discontinued operations	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.7)
Net income	<u>\$ 2.7</u>	\$ (1.1)	\$ 3.2	\$ (1.7)
Income (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.07)
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.04)
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.07)	\$ 0.17	\$ (0.11)
Diluted income (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.05)	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.07)
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.04)
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.07)	\$ 0.17	\$ (0.11)
Shares used in the computation of income (loss) per share:				
Basic (in thousands)	18,465	15,446	18,451	15,389
Diluted (in thousands)	18,522	15,446	18,510	15,389

### INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED EBITDA (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

Three Months	onths Ended June 30, Nine Months Ended June		
2014	2013	2014	2013

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Net income from continuing operations	\$ 2.8	\$ (0.7)	\$ 3.5	\$ (1.0)
Provision for income taxes	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3
Interest expense, net	0.3	0.4	1.3	1.4
Depreciation and amortization	0.6	0.9	1.9	2.0
EBITDA	4.2	0.6	7.1	2.6
Non-cash equity compensation expense	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9
Acquisition Related Expenses		0.8		1.6
Reserve related to receivable from former surety		(0.3)		1.4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 4.3	\$ 1.3	\$ 7.7	\$ 6.6

# INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED NET INCOME (LOSS) (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months E	Three Months Ended June 30,		nded June 30,
	2014	2014 2013		2013
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 2.8	\$ (0.7)	\$ 3.5	\$ (1.0)
Non-cash equity compensation expense	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9
Acquisition Related Expenses		0.8		1.6
Reserve related to receivable from former surety		(0.3)		1.4
Adjusted net income	\$ 2.9	\$ (0.1)	\$ 4.1	\$ 3.0
Adjusted income per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.19
Diluted	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.19
Shares used in the computation of income per share:	:			
Basic (in thousands)	18,465	15,446	18,451	15,389
Diluted (in thousands)	18,522	15,446	18,510	15,389

# INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES SELECTED BALANCE SHEET AND CASH FLOW INFORMATION (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Selected Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22.2	\$ 22.2
Net working capital (excludes cash and cash equivalents)	\$ 29.0	\$ 21.6
Goodwill and intangible assets	\$ 18.5	\$ 9.2
Total assets	\$ 178.9	\$ 151.5
Total debt	\$ 11.1	\$ 4.9
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 66.1	\$ 52.0
Liquidity:		
Cash and cash equivalents plus borrowing availability	\$ 34.2	\$ 37.1

	Three Months Ended June 30			
	2014			
Cash provided (used) in operating activities	\$ 3.1	\$ 2.6		
Cash used in investing activities	\$ (0.6)	\$ (0.3)		
Cash used in financing activities	\$ (0.9)	\$ (0.6)		

# INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES OPERATING SEGMENT STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

COMMUNIC	ATIONS			
		Three Months Ended June 30,		hs Ended 30,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues	\$ 34.8	\$ 24.2	\$ 84.5	\$ 96.1
Cost of services	28.1	19.7	69.8	78.6
Gross profit	6.7	4.4	14.8	17.5
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3.3	3.0	9.1	9.5
Corporate allocations	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7
Income from operations	\$ 3.1	\$ 1.1	\$ 5.0	\$ 7.3
Other data:				
Depreciation & amortization expense	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3
Total assets	\$ 29.2	\$ 22.1	\$ 29.2	\$ 22.1
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	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues	\$ 49.4	\$ 44.5	\$ 132.8	\$ 119.9
Cost of services	39.7	37.4	108.0	99.9
Gross profit	9.7	7.1	24.8	20.0
Selling, general and administrative expenses	7.0	6.5	20.1	17.9
Corporate allocations	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.6
Income from operations	\$ 2.4	\$ 0.3	\$ 4.1	\$ 1.6
Other data:				
Depreciation & amortization expense	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.6
Total assets	\$ 38.4	\$ 40.5	\$ 38.4	\$ 40.5

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OPERATING SEGMENT STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)
(UNAUDITED)

COM	MERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL				
		Three Months Ended June 30,		Nine Months Ended June 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Revenues	\$ 38.9	\$ 52.9	\$ 122.4	\$ 154.9	
Cost of services	35.2	48.8	109.0	142.7	
Gross profit	3.7	4.1	13.5	12.1	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2.6	3.0	9.8	9.8	
Corporate allocations	0.6	0.5	1.1	1.1	
Income from operations	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 2.6	\$ 1.2	
Other data:					
Depreciation & amortization expense	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	
Total assets	\$ 46.7	\$ 54.2	\$ 46.7	\$ 54.2	
INFRA	ASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS				
	Three Month June 3		Nine Months June 3		
	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Revenues	\$ 13.1	\$	\$ 36.8	\$	
Cost of services	10.6		29.0		
Gross profit	2.5		7.8		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2.2		6.8		
Corporate allocations	0.2		0.3		
Income from operations	\$ 0.1	\$	\$ 0.7	\$	
Other data:					
Depreciation & amortization expense	\$ 0.2	\$	\$ 0.7	\$	
Total assets	\$ 28.6	\$	\$ 28.6	\$	

Note: Infrastructure Solutions results for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 include \$0.6 million of impact to cost of sales from purchase accounting adjustments to inventory

## INTEGRATED ELECTRICAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES OPERATING SEGMENT STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

CORPORATE	& OTHER			
	Three Mon-		Nine Mon	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cost of services				
Gross profit				
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3.9	3.9	10.0	10.8

Corporate allocations	(1.3)	(1.2)	(2.7)	(2.3)
Loss from operations	(2.6)	(2.8)	(7.3)	(8.5)
Interest and other expense, net	0.3	(0.3)	1.1	2.4
Provision for income taxes	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3
Net loss from continuing operations	\$ (3.3)	\$ (2.6)	\$ (8.9)	\$ (11.1)
Other data:				
Depreciation & amortization expense	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.9
Total assets	\$ 36.0	\$ 34.7	\$ 36.0	\$ 34.7

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