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## **SQUARE D® CLIPSAL® LIGHTING CONTROL PRODUCTS KEY COG IN AWARD-WINNING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RETROFIT PROJECT**

**PALATINE, III.** – November 9, 2007 – Square D® Clipsal® lighting control products from Schneider Electric were key components in a retrofit project at Fay Herron Elementary School near Las Vegas, Nev., which was honored as a Best of 2007 project by *Southwest Contractor* magazine. The award program, which honored the Fay Herron Elementary School Rehabilitation and Modernization project as winner of the Mechanical/Electrical category, recognizes construction and design excellence in Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico. The project was one of 218 entries submitted from Nevada, among more than 700 total entries from the tri-state area.

“The Square D Clipsal lighting control solution employed at Fay Herron Elementary School has made a significant impact on both energy savings and student learning,” says Scott Jordan, product marketing manager, Schneider Electric. “It’s expected the measures will reduce the electrical load dedicated to lighting by 50 percent at the school, along with providing easy-to-use technology to create a more effective, and brighter, learning environment for students and faculty.”

The Square D Clipsal lighting control solution at Fay Herron Elementary School employs light-level and occupancy sensors, along with attractive Neo™-style keypads. At the start of the day, when the teacher enters the room, an occupancy sensor near the classroom door triggers overhead lighting and opens a damper, allowing in natural light. Then, light-level sensors determine if there is enough natural light in the room to turn off half, or all, of the artificial lights. The Square D Clipsal system turns off the artificial lights and closes the damper for an hour to accommodate video presentations, and

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can be easily turned back on if the presentation is less than an hour. All activity is coordinated via a Square D Clipsal Area Lighting Panel.

An eight-person jury comprised of design and construction professionals judged all Best of 2007 project nominations on quality of design and construction, innovation, contribution to the community, challenges overcome and overall excellence. The Fay Herron Elementary School Rehabilitation and Modernization project will be featured in the December 2007 issue of *Southwest Contractor*.

For more information about Square D Clipsal lighting control solutions, call 1-888-SQUARED or visit [www.squaredlightingcontrol.com](http://www.squaredlightingcontrol.com).

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