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EVO AND SENAI ANNOUNCE A TRAINING AND PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT

Brasília / Washington, August 17, 2023 – Efficiency Valuation Organization (EVO) and Serviço Nacional de Aprendizagem Industrial (SENAI) are pleased to announce an agreement for the delivery of measurement and verification (M&V) training and certification. Under the terms of this agreement, EVO is accrediting SENAI as an IPMVP® training and certification organization in Brazil.

EVO's M&V Fundamentals training will complement SENAI's Energy Efficiency Specialist Certification delivered under the SENAI Personnel Certification System – SSCP. The additional M&V training aligns with the International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol (IPMVP) and EVO's Performance Measurement Verification Analyst (PMVA™) certification program.

SENAI's 90-hour Energy Efficiency Specialist program includes about 20 hours of M&V theory and practical exercises. "The corporate accreditation by EVO will confirm the continuous alignment of our program with the IPMVP while extending the PMVA certification to qualified Energy Efficiency Specialists," declared Rafael Lucchesi, Director General of SENAI.

This timely agreement responds to widespread concerns for energy transition and renewed interest in energy efficiency. "By proactively adapting our products and certification delivery model, EVO is willing to cooperate with new and existing partners to pursue its vision and mission. The agreement with SENAI is a great example of how EVO remains flexible, present, and relevant locally and globally," declared Mark Lister, EVO's chairman.

EVO will complete SENAI's accreditation before the end of 2023. In the meantime, EVO and SENAI are aligning their respective training and certification programs while working on mentoring local instructors. Several hundred energy efficiency specialists have already been certified by SENAI, and they will be among the first cohorts of industry specialists to receive additional and complementary M&V training.

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SENAI plays a central role in professional training and certification in Brazil. Since its creation in 1942, more than 80 million professionals have graduated from SENAI. Courses prepare workers for 28 industry areas and range from professional apprenticeships to high school, college and graduate degrees. In addition, just over 10 years ago, SENAI created the SENAI Institutes of Innovation and the SENAI Institutes of Technology, becoming the main provider of innovative and technological solutions for national industry.

EVO is an international non-profit entity that owns the globally recognized International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol (IPMVP). EVO's vision is to create a world that has confidence in energy efficiency as a reliable and sustainable energy resource. EVO's mission is to ensure that the savings and impact of energy efficiency and sustainability projects are accurately measured and verified.