

# SESCO Lighting Acquires Smith Lighting Sales

**Maitland, FL, Sept. 16, 2025** - SESCO Lighting, Inc., headquartered in Maitland, FL, and Smith Lighting Sales, Inc., headquartered in Oklahoma City, OK, have announced they will join forces to become one company, expanding SESCO Lighting's footprint into the State of Oklahoma. While some additions and business vertical engagements will begin immediately, the official transition will take place on January 1, 2026. This move will combine the existing resources and the 570+ employees of SESCO Lighting with the Smith Lighting teams in Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

Smith Lighting Sales, founded in December 1969 by Bob Smith, has a long and successful history in the State of Oklahoma. In 1999, Eric Stewart started with Smith Lighting and has since led the company to continued success. Through the years and to this day, Smith Lighting Sales represents some of the finest specification lighting and control brands in the industry.

"Our organization was founded over 55 years ago on the principles that Bob Smith held important, especially the slogan that 'There is nothing more important than the very best for our clients'. SESCO Lighting's customer first philosophy is simply stated, 'If there is a problem with a SESCO product that you specified or we supplied, we will fix it...period!'. SESCO's customer FIRST philosophy will carry the values of our founder and our team into the next 50 years. We could not be more excited to have our organization join with SESCO to serve the lighting and controls industry in Oklahoma far into the future", stated Eric Stewart.

President and CEO of SESCO Lighting, John Palk, noted, "We are honored to announce that Smith Lighting Sales is coming into the SESCO family. Growing up in our company, I have heard many stories over the years about Smith Lighting as the founders of both Smith Lighting and SESCO worked together in agent councils going back nearly 50 years ago. As the industry's landscape has changed over the last few decades, the resilient and adaptable style that the Smith Lighting team has led with resembles much of our own. The dedication to the Oklahoma market and their clients through these changes confirmed to me that Eric and the team at Smith Lighting would be a great fit for our Employee Owned culture. We look forward to quickly adding to the foundation in place as well as growing our presence in key business verticals which SESCO supports across our footprint. The opportunity to support the clients and manufacturer partners in Oklahoma with the same great service they are used to while adding more resources is something I look forward to."

**ABOUT SESCO Lighting, Inc.:** Founded in 1967, SESCO Lighting, a 100% Employee-Owned company, has consistently grown throughout the years. SESCO maintains a core philosophy of bringing value to the local markets while strengthening partnerships with some of the industry's most respected lighting and controls manufacturers. With more than 570 employees reaching 11 states, 31 offices, and 10 Resource Divisions, SESCO Lighting continues to bring value and leadership into each local market.