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Mit Jha joins David Evans and Associates, Inc., as senior vice president for strategy and business development

PORTLAND, Ore. – Nov. 4, 2008 – David Evans and Associates, Inc. (DEA) is pleased to announce the addition of Mit Jha as its new senior vice president for strategy and business development. Jha will lead firm-wide efforts in selling integrated services, shaping strategic plans in support of the firm's long-term goals, and leading the development of a community engagement program for the firm.

Jha has more than 15 years of experience in the transportation industry and academia. Prior to joining DEA, he was the vice president for strategy and project development for transportation at Earth Tech, Inc. At Earth Tech, he coordinated the integration of the firm's four business lines to develop a comprehensive strategic plan. Jha was employed with Jacobs Civil Inc. before joining Earth Tech.

Jha has a Ph.D. in civil and systems engineering from Purdue University. He has a master's degree in transportation and systems engineering from IIT Kanpur, India, and he has a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from BCE Bhagalpur, India.

Since its founding in 1976 in Portland, Ore., DEA has become a recognized leader for progressive and sustainable design and management solutions for complex transportation, land development, energy, and water resources projects nationwide. The firm has over 25 offices in seven states and employs nearly 1,100. Its staff includes professional engineers, surveyors, planners, landscape architects, and natural resources scientists. DEA is an employee-owned corporation and consistently ranks among *Engineering News Record's* Top 100 Pure Design firms in the U.S. DEA and its staff are committed to improving the quality of life, while demonstrating stewardship of the built and natural environments.

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