FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Oct 03, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Spherion Corporation (SFN), a leading provider of recruiting, staffing and workforce solutions, today announced that it has appointed John D. Heins as senior vice president and chief human resources officer. Heins reports directly to President and Chief Executive Officer Roy G. Krause.

In this role, he will be responsible for the delivery of industry-leading programs and strategic human resources initiatives throughout the Company's 650 locations across North America. His responsibilities will also include: compensation, benefits, employee relations, training, performance management and leadership development.

"We are very proud to welcome John Heins to our executive team. He is an accomplished human resources leader with a proven track record at very large and complex organizations," said Roy Krause, Spherion(R) president and chief executive officer. "The role of the chief human resources officer at Spherion is one that is crucial to our success and that demands a seasoned executive like John. His experience in developing and executing key initiatives and human resources best practices will be instrumental in positioning Spherion as an employer of choice to workers throughout North America."

Heins commented, "I am honored to become a member of the Spherion team at a time when human resources issues are becoming increasingly important to all companies. As talent shortages become more apparent, Spherion is well positioned to address the workforce issues that impact every employer's ability to grow and succeed. I look forward to contributing to our Company's future success."

Heins has more than 25 years of experience in human resources and management and spent the last 11 years with JM Family Enterprises, most recently as vice president of human resources strategy. While at JM Family Enterprises, he also served as vice president of human resources and administrative services and director of corporate planning and human resources services. During his tenure, he led the company's efforts to gain entry to Fortune Magazine's list of "Top 100 Best Companies to Work For" and has helped it maintain that listing for the past eight years.

Prior to joining JM Family Enterprises, Heins worked with Florida Power and Light for 14 years in a variety of roles, including manager of human resources planning and commercial operations. He received a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Operations Research Management from the University of Florida.

Heins replaces Richard Lamond, who left the company in April 2006 to pursue other interests.