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Deanna Schutz Promoted to Branch Manager at Summit State Bank

Santa Rosa, CA – (November 18, 2013) – Deanna Schutz was promoted to Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager of their Montgomery Village branch by the Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) Board of Directors.

“Deanna Schutz has shown leadership in her flexibility in assisting branches where needed and in her active participation in community events,” said Thomas Duryea, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Ms. Schutz started at Summit as a New Accounts Representative in August of 2006 and has been in the banking industry for seven years. She belongs to the Next Level BNI group in Santa Rosa, and is looking forward to joining a nonprofit Board in 2014.

Summit State Bank has total assets of \$459 million and total equity of \$61 million at September 30, 2013. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Summit has been recognized as one of the Top 75 Corporate Philanthropists in the Bay Area by the San Francisco Business Times. In addition, Summit State Bank received the 2013 Rising Star Award from the California Independent Bankers, the 2012 Community Bank Award from the American Bankers Association for its nonprofit work, and has been recognized as one of the North Bay’s Best Places to Work by the North Bay Business Journal. Summit has also been consistently recognized as a high performing bank by Findley Reports. Summit State Bank’s stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at www.summitstatebank.com.

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