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New Mexico 9000 Program Celebrates Its 2010 Central New Mexico Graduating Class

Program essential for New Mexico's economic growth and business recruitment

SANTA FE-The New Mexico Economic Development Department's New Mexico 9000 program celebrated their 2010 Central New Mexico graduating class at a Wednesday luncheon. 21 companies in the class became compliant in International Organization for Standardization (ISO 9001:2008) qualifications, a necessary requirement for businesses to bid on government contracts and do business overseas.

"This program is an incredible instrument for economic development," said Fred Mondragón, Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Economic Development. "Not only does it allow New Mexico companies to compete globally, but the fact that we are the only state to offer such a program makes it a valuable recruiting tool to bring new business to the state."

Here are the New Mexico 9000 2010 Central New Mexico class graduates:

Advanced Composite Structures, LLC
Alta Data Technologies, LLC
Altela, Inc.
Creative Consultants, LLC
Design Balance, LLC
HT MicroAnalytical, Inc.
K&I Field Services, LLC
LoadPath, LLC
Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute
Masha Manufacturing, Inc.
MIMICS, Inc.
New Mexico Department of Veterans Services
New Mexico One Call, Inc.
New Mexico Public School Facilities Authority
Poly-Flow Engineering, LLC
Precision Carpentry
Schott Solar, Inc.
Senspex, Inc.
Team Technologies, Inc.
Tempur-Pedic USA, Inc.
Victor Corp.

“ISO certification opens doors for our New Mexico businesses across the entire economic spectrum,” stated Ken Manicki, Senior Program Manager of the New Mexico 9000 “Hospitals, engineering firms, software developers, manufacturing, lawyers, schools, and many more have benefited from becoming certified.”

More on New Mexico 9000: New Mexico 9000 offers an inexpensive and rapid option to the difficult and time consuming process of companies attempting to achieve ISO certification on their own. The New Mexico 9000 program can be completed in as little as six months. In comparison, cost the average cost of ISO training through private consultants is \$120,000 and can take up to three years to complete, while the New Mexico 9000 program costs between \$500 and \$3,000 and can be completed in six months.

ISO is a set of quality management standards dedicated to defining company objectives, improving effectiveness and creating a foundation for consistent excellence. To date, 48 companies have used the NM9000 program to become ISO certified.

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