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DURHAM, NH-The New Hampshire Innovation Research Center (NHIRC) is seeking proposals for its Granite State Technology Innovation Grant, which supports research partnerships for New Hampshire companies with college and university laboratories. A nonbinding letter of intent on company letterhead is due Feb. 20.

The NHIRC's Granite State Technology Innovation Grant leverages a state investment with federal dollars from the National Science Foundation's EPSCoR program (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research). The grants underwrite research projects in new technologies under development in the private sector. It is a competitive process, with oversight by representatives from industry, government and academic institutions.

The Request for Proposals, with topics of interest, is posted on the NHIRC website: www.nhirc.unh.edu. The NHIRC and the New Hampshire EPSCoR program are administered by the Office for Research Partnerships and Commercialization at the University of New Hampshire.

Award recipients in 2007 included:

- AAC International of Lebanon, with Dr. Minh Phan, associate professor of engineering, Dartmouth College
- Alaka'i Consulting & Engineering, Inc., of Nashua, with Dr. Kevin Short, professor of mathematics, UNH
- AmberWave Systems Corp. of Salem, with Dr. Glen Miller, professor of chemistry, UNH
- Applied Geosolutions LLC of Durham, with Dr. Changsheng Li, professor of natural resources, UNH
- Biosignetics Corp. of Exeter, with Dr. Robert Geggel, Department of Cardiology, Children's Hospital Boston
- Graphicast, Inc., of Jaffrey, with Dr. Ronald Lasky, professor of engineering, Dartmouth College
- ImmuRx, Inc., of Lebanon, with Dr. Randolph Noelle, professor of microbiology and immunology, Dartmouth College
- IVS 3D, Inc., of Portsmouth, with Dr. Thomas Weber, research assistant professor, Center for Coastal and Ocean Mapping, UNH
- Nanocomp Technologies, Inc. of Concord, with Dr. Carmela Amato-Wierda, associate professor of material sciences, UNH
- Omega Smart, Inc., of Manchester, with Dr. Joanne Curran Celantano, professor of nutrition sciences, UNH

- Presstek, Inc., of Hudson, with Dr. Donald Sundberg, professor of materials science, UNH

- Sky-Skan, Inc., of Nashua, with Dr. Colin Ware, professor of computer science, UNH

- TBI ReFocus of Goffstown, with Dr. John LaCourse, professor of electrical and computer engineering, UNH