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Kennewick Technology Company Receives Research Award

Kennewick, WA – Vista Engineering Technologies, L.L.C. received funding from the Washington Technology Center’s Research & Technology Development Program. Only twelve projects received funding.

Dr. Kelvin Lynn, Washington State University, Center for Materials Research, will investigate the development of non-invasive gaseous tracers for use with Vista Engineering's patented Pipeline Characterization Using Tracers (PCUT) method for detecting, locating, and quantifying contamination within pipelines and ductwork. PCUT technology is advantageous over conventional inspection techniques because it can be used on any pipe diameter or configuration, has no moving parts, requires no equipment decontamination, and inspects all the interior pipeline surfaces. The PCUT technique has been proven with other contaminants such as petroleum products and solvents. The current work with WSU will extend the use of the technology to pipelines and ductwork with heavy metal contamination such as mercury.

“The proposals are evaluated on the basis of technical merit, economic impact, and commercial viability,” said Dr. Wes Bratton of Vista Engineering Technologies. “This financial assistance is designed to help advance specific R&D efforts, enabling advancement in the commercial marketplace and ultimately generating new technology jobs in Washington. We are honored to receive this award.”

Vista Engineering Technologies, L.L.C. (Vista Engineering) was founded in January 2000. The company provides cost-competitive and time-efficient engineering and technology development services pertinent to environmental protection and compliance for government and industry clients.

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