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Vista Engineering Restructures for Company Growth

Kennewick, WA – Local engineering and technology-development firm Vista Engineering Technologies, L.L.C., announced that it has merged with Vista Research, Inc., a small research and development company located in Sunnyvale, California. Vista Engineering and Vista Research will operate as separate, wholly-owned subsidiary companies under a parent company, Vista Applied Technologies Group, Inc. Vista Engineering's primary business is with the Department of Energy. Vista Research's primary business is with the Department of Defense. This reorganization provides expanded market penetration for both companies and a wider breadth of technical capabilities to offer to their clients.

Mr. **Phillip C. Ohl** will assume the duties of President of Vista Engineering Technologies. Dr. **Wesley L. Bratton** has been named Vice President, Science & Technology, and Mr. **James R. Kriskovich** has been named Vice President, Engineering. Mr. **George L. Crawford** will continue as Chief Engineer of the company, and Mr. **E. J. (Joe) Cruz** will expand his role as Program Manager in leading Vista Engineering's growing business segments of design-fabrication work and specialized engineering services.

Dr. **Joseph W. Maresca, Jr.** will assume the duties as the President and CEO of Vista Applied Technologies Group and will work closely with the management and staff of both companies in the development and growth of new business and new markets. Mr. **Douglas M. Oord**, C.P.A., will become the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Vista Applied Technologies Group and will retain his position as CFO of both Vista Engineering and Vista Research.

Vista Engineering Technologies employs 42 people locally, including 13 registered professional engineers, two registered professional geologists, and two PhDs. The company offers technical services to its government and private-sector clients in a variety of engineering disciplines, including mechanical, electrical, environmental, and civil engineering with specialized expertise in geophysics, HVAC, corrosion monitoring & control, startup & testing, and tank/pipe leak detection.

The affiliated companies of Vista Applied Technologies Group, along with Vista Leak Detection, Inc. employ approximately 100 people nationally with annual sales of \$20 million projected for 2005. Offices are located in Kennewick, WA; Sunnyvale, CA; and Washington, D.C.; Edison, NJ; and Dayton, OH.

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