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Peter F. Gerity, Ph.D. served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at New Mexico Tech for 14 years under President Dr. Dan Lopez. He is Professor Emeritus at NMT currently. Pete also founded AMS, Inc, an international technology development and commercialization corporation. AMS operations reached more than 60 countries since its start up in 1978 and whose capabilities span biologicals, pharmaceuticals, biomedical products, robotics, explosives and propellants, agri-business, automotive, agricultural machinery, aerospace, and domestic and international higher education.

Under Pete's leadership, AMS, Inc. provided technology commercialization and technology transfer services to the public and private commercial sectors including SDIO, BMDO, and MDA. Pete helped formulate and implement the Technology Application Review (TAR) program as well as its Business focus Workshops for over 28 years. During that period, hundreds of advanced technology companies received the benefits of commercialization assistance from those programs.

Dr. Gerity also provided lead support and training to the commercialization efforts at the University of Utah College of Engineering resulting in spinning out five successful advanced technology corporations manufacturing products in the fields of bio-medical devices, prosthetics, civilian and military robotics, and entertainment robotics, Pete also served as Vice President for Research at Utah State University where he had direct management responsibility for all research activities including the Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) which partners extensively with the aerospace community to design, build and operate classified and other satellite systems. During Pete's management, the university went from \$38M per year to \$141M/year in research and built a \$600M contract backlog.

Pete has personally founded and/or partnered in the development of more than 20 advanced technology corporations and other types of start up companies. He helped in the establishment of joint-ventures in at least three international markets in India, Hungary and Mexico resulting in the licensing and manufacturing of pharmaceuticals, biologicals and heavy machinery. AMS, provided comprehensive product introduction, manufacturing compliance with all country requirements, raw materials import services and turnkey construction services to these joint ventures to design, construct and operate their manufacturing facilities.

Pete currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors for a Nevada-based aerospace propellant manufacturer. He is co-founder of a non-profit international education corporation serving students in eight countries since 1986. He is Vice President of the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science Board of Trustees

Pete holds a B.S. from Delaware Valley University, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Virginia Tech University.