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**Released by UML Laboratory Director and Triton President and CEO, Dr. D. Webster Keogh.**

“Triton Scientific (manager and operator of the UML) remains well positioned and is committed to executing and expanding the UML business plan, building additional infrastructure, and creating opportunities that can help buffer the impact from the potential transfer of local jobs.

As it was when we were established, Triton and UML are dedicated to recruiting quality personnel from within the community and the State of Oklahoma, developing our own scientists, engineers and business professionals through universities, and leveraging the commendable effort by the PCDA in reversing the tide of job transfer by recruiting personnel and companies from across the United States. Since January 2009, the UML has recruited five new Ph.D. and masters-level scientists from leading Federal laboratories outside Oklahoma, and we have hired 2 additional Ph.D.-level scientists from the Stillwater and Oklahoma City areas.

We, in conjunction with PCDA, are engaging with the State of Oklahoma and the Federal government to expand and extend resources that would enable the UML to significantly increase its jobs program and total economic impact.

Our enviable position for potential job and economic growth is in large part attributable to PCDA and ConocoPhillips through their generous donation of our headquarters and renovation funding.

With the proper investment from the State, local government and potentially the private venture market, we should be able to join PCDA in creating a high-tech incubation hub for north central Oklahoma and the central region of the country that will create jobs and attract personnel from all areas of the United States.”