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**HARRIMAN RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION BOARD RECONVENES**

*Redevelopment of Harriman Campus will spur economic development and create jobs for the
Capital Region*

The Harriman Research and Technology Development Corporation (HRTDC) Board of Directors met this afternoon at the Empire State Development offices in Albany. This is the first time the Board has met since July 2008.

“The HRTDC is ready to move forward with development opportunities as demonstrated by the recent announcement that the Department of Agriculture and Markets will build its food lab on the Harriman Campus,” said John C. Egan, Chairman of the HRTDC Board and Commissioner of the Office of General Services. “We look forward to the continuing advancement of Governor Paterson’s renewal of this valuable research campus.”

Newly appointed HRTDC President Peter Wohl is leading the redevelopment of the Harriman Campus and called this meeting to reassert the vision for the campus and to jumpstart private and public development activity. “Harriman, with its 330 acres of prime real estate and space waiting to be developed, has the potential to be transformed into a world-class research and technology park. Reviving the Campus is a priority, and by building on the leadership of our neighbors at the University at Albany in scientific research and technology and leveraging public/private investments, we’re working towards its revitalization. Reinvigorating the Harriman Board is just the first step in this process of spurring economic development, growing the tax base and creating high quality jobs in the Capital Region,” said Mr. Wohl.

The plan for the Campus furthers New York State’s economic development strategy of supporting industry clusters and university technology transfer to the private sector and encouraging smart growth. The Harriman Campus’s adjacency to the University at Albany’s main campus, the University’s College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering and the growing SEMATECH complex makes it one of the most valuable and underdeveloped locations in the region. The existing transportation infrastructure and day care facilities, coupled with available

land for development support Harriman as a prime site for development. Governor David A. Paterson's priorities are furthered through the Campus's potential as a showcase for green development, green workplaces and sustainable communities.

"I'm pleased to see the Harriman Research and Technology Development Corporation Board back at work," said Empire State Development Chairman and CEO designate and Harriman Board member, Dennis M. Mullen. "The future development of Harriman and its partnership with the University at Albany is a key component in the economic viability of the greater area. We must tackle these research and technology development opportunities aggressively while fostering these public/private investments to ensure the Capital Region and the State remain competitors in the global marketplace."

"In my new role as Executive Director for ESD, I'm excited to provide my support to the Harriman Research and Technology Development Corporation President and Board as they take on the challenge of reviving the Harriman Campus," said Empire State Development Executive Director Peter Davidson. "This meeting will set the wheels in motion as we move forward towards redeveloping this valuable asset that has the potential to be a cornerstone of the Governor's New Economy."

The Harriman Research and Technology Development Corporation, a subsidiary of Empire State Development, is dedicated to transforming Albany's W. A. Harriman State Office Campus into a regional growth engine for New York State's "Innovation Economy." The Harriman redevelopment project brings technology-based employment to the Capital District by serving as the catalyst for continued growth by partnering with the research and product development currently underway at the University at Albany and other educational institutions, particularly the University at Albany's College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering and the College of Computing and Information. For more information, visit HRTDC's Web site at www.harrimancampus.com.

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