



**For Immediate Release**  
Contact: Kimberly Gale  
Media Line: 602-771-1261

October 21, 2010

**ACA Board of Directors**

**Chair**

Janice K. Brewer, *Governor of Arizona*

**Co-Chair**

Jerry Colangelo, *JDM Partners, LLC*

**President and CEO**

Donald E. Cardon

Gary Abrams, *Abrams Airborne Manufacturing*

Kirk Adams, *Arizona House of Representative*

Richard Adkerson, *Freeport McMoran Copper & Gold Inc.*

Benito C. Almanza, *Bank of America Arizona*

Dr. Craig Barrett, *Intel Corporation (Retired)*

Michael Bidwill, *Arizona Cardinals Football Club*

Donald Brandt, *APS*

Drew Brown, *DMB Associates, Inc.*

Les Brun, *Sarr Group, LLC*

Bob Burns, *Arizona State Senate*

Steve Cowman, *Stirling Energy Systems, Inc.*

Dr. Michael Crow, *Arizona State University*

Jerry M. Fuentes, *AT&T Arizona/New Mexico*

Dr. John Haeger, *Northern Arizona University*

William Harris, *Science Foundation Arizona*

Peter Herder, *Herder Companies*

Linda Hunt, *St. Joseph's Hospital/CHW*

Michael Ingram, *El Dorado Holdings, Inc.*

Sherman Jennings, *Governor's Council on Workforce Policy*

Michael K. Kennedy, *Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A.*

Michael Manson, *Motor Excellence, LLC*

Anne Mariucci, *Arizona Board of Regents*

Dr. Vicki Panhuse, *Honeywell Aerospace*

Mary Peters, *Mary E. Peters Consulting Group, LLC*

Doug Pruitt, *Sundt Construction, Inc.*

Dr. Robert Shelton, *The University of Arizona*

Victor Smith, *JV Farms, Inc.*

Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong, M.D., *Abraxis BioScience*

Mo Stein, *HKS, Inc.*

Pat Sullivan, *Flypaper Studio, Inc.*

Dr. Jeanne Swarthout, *Northland Pioneer College*

Roy Vallee, *Amet, Inc.*

Judith Wood, *Governor's Council on Small Business*

## **Governor Jan Brewer Awards Grant to NAU \$1 Million to NAU and Partnerships to Advance Technology and Innovation**

PHOENIX – Some of Arizona's most promising new business innovations in Northern Arizona received a boost today as Governor Jan Brewer awarded a one million dollar grant to support Northern Arizona University (NAU) and *Northern Arizona Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology's* (NACET) incubator program to advance technology and build emerging new businesses with high wage jobs in Northern Arizona. NAU's innovation program strives to launch new student ventures into viable companies important to the state's future.

"Helping these small businesses grow from discovery to commercialization will fuel job creation and economic expansion," said Governor Brewer. "NACET brings opportunities to connect entrepreneurs, mentors, capital and intellectual property and market research – all to advance Arizona based innovation."

The funding will allow NAU's partnership with NACET to continue to foster business growth and economic vitality for the Flagstaff area. Working with a wide variety of non-retail, service, manufacturing, high technology, science and renewable energy firms, NACET offers a hands-on business incubation engagement program designed to transform innovation into viable companies.

Located on the burgeoning business campus near Buffalo Park in Flagstaff, Arizona, NACET offers a state-of-the-art facility with affordable office and meeting space, administrative support services, fully-equipped laboratory space and advanced communications technology.

Grant funds are from the Governor's State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) Discretionary monies allocated from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

###