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The Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center
Upgrades to 40 Gigabit Network Infrastructure

*Blacksburg, Va., March* 27, 2015 – The Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center (VTCRC) has begun its latest network infrastructure upgrade that will deliver an unparalleled 40 gigabit network backbone and 1 gigabit Internet connectivity to the 160 companies and research centers who currently operate within the park.

The VTCRC has always provided its tenants leading edge high-speed Internet access. This latest upgrade delivers Internet connectivity at ten times faster speeds than most organizations are using today; and will continue to deliver some of fastest Internet access available in the country.

VTCRC's President Joe Meredith, Ph.D. states "This upgrade is significant as it shows our commitment to continue to provide businesses at the VTCRC the high speed Internet and data services platform they need to compete with other regions around the world."

The VTCRC network upgrade is being completed by the VTCRC in partnership with Biz Net Technologies and Advanced Logic Industries. Additionally, the VTCRC has partnered with Advanced Logic Industries and their Brush Mountain Data Center, both conveniently located within the park, to provide additional network services including secure, private cloud computing.

These new services will make it faster, easier and less expensive for new companies relocating to the VTCRC to begin operations; while offering a wider range of services in a simplified invoicing structure.



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VTCRC's Chief Operating Officer Dawn Crigger says "The research companies in the park now have cutting edge Internet and network resources to match their cutting edge research."

Advanced Logic Industries' CEO Mike Barry states "We are excited to be a part of this project. We located to the VTCRC in 2009, specifically because it caters to technology-driven firms and their needs. We anticipated that cloud computing would change how business is done; and that reliable access to fiber optic Internet broadband would be vital. These upgrades provide a tremendous opportunity for innovation."

The entire upgrade is scheduled for completion by June 2015.

Biz Net Technologies' CEO Doug Mauer says "Having contracted with the VTCRC to provide network management and reliable fast Internet services since 2001, we are fortunate and proud to be able to leverage our skills and resources with the VTCRC's commitment to provide a leading edge technology environment enabling innovative new and established companies to grow and prosper. This upgrade is another example of that commitment."

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## About the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center

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Established in 1985, the 230-acre Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center (VTCRC) boasts more than 31 buildings with over 2,700 employees and is home to more than 160 private companies and research centers. The VTCRC is owned and managed by the Virginia Tech Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit non-stock corporation established in 1948. The VTCRC strives to develop a growing, prestigious research park for high-technology companies and in collaboration with the university, advance the research, educational and technology transfer missions of Virginia Tech.