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**WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY'S APPLIED SCIENCES
LABORATORY ANNOUNCES RELOCATION TO
SIRTI TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

Externally Funded Applied Research Projects Drive Requirement For More Space

Spokane, WA – August __, 2008 – The Washington State University Applied Sciences Laboratory (ASL), a Spokane-based, contract research organization that undertakes a broad range of projects for private corporations and government agencies, has announced it will be relocating its operations and facilities to the Sirti Technology Center. The new headquarters provides the laboratory space necessary to accommodate ASL's growth, as demand for their advanced research and development expertise continues to expand. ASL will occupy 12,188 square feet in the Sirti Technology Center, a state-of-the-art facility complete with wet-labs, flexible office space, high speed data services, and an excellent location in the University District, home of Washington State University Spokane and Eastern Washington University's Spokane campuses. ASL has signed a five year lease with two five year options for renewal at the Sirti Technology Center.

“ASL is poised to expand significantly because of the relocation to the Sirti Technology Center,” said Dr. Yogendra Gupta, Regents Professor of Physics, and Director of the Institute for Shock Physics at Washington State University. “The over 12,000 square feet of laboratory and office space at the Sirti Technology Center will allow us to consolidate our resources, create a more synergistic environment, and offer increased capabilities such as Materials and Optical Characterization, Sustainable Energy, and Optical Sensors.”

“Sirti and the Sirti Foundation are thrilled to welcome ASL as the next anchor tenant in the Sirti Technology Center,” said Kim Zentz, Executive Director at Sirti. “ASL is at the forefront of translational research in innovative materials, and as their recent research partnership agreements with Itron, Avista, and Boeing show, they are ready to lend their considerable expertise to commercial enterprises, as well as military and government entities, throughout the world. Their world-class scientists will be a tremendous asset to the growth of technology based development in Spokane’s University District.”

About the Applied Sciences Laboratory

The Applied Sciences Laboratory (ASL) is a Spokane based, contract research organization that undertakes a broad range of applied research projects for government agencies and private corporations, including the development of commercial applications. ASL, formed in 2004, is the applied research component of Washington State University’s Institute for Shock Physics with a research emphasis well beyond shock physics. Through strategic investments in physical sciences and advanced technology, ASL provides the intellectual and scientific foundation for fostering economic growth in the region.

For more information about ASL, visit www.asl.wsu.edu .

About Sirti

Sirti is an agency of the State of Washington which is a collaboration of business, higher education and government to accelerate the development and growth of technology-based companies in the Inland Northwest, especially in Eastern Washington. Its target clients are innovative technology companies with defensible intellectual property, large market potential, and principals who show a strong desire to grow their business. Sirti offers two state-of-the-art buildings with a total of 40,000 square feet of space with wet labs and light manufacturing potential along with full service offices and a sophisticated IT infrastructure. Sirti offers business coaching and management assistance, as well as access to capital and Sirti IP/BizNet legal services. Sirti’s experienced staff and veteran entrepreneurs provide expertise in technology assessment, market research, strategic planning, marketing, finance and management for both start-ups and high-growth businesses.

For more information, visit Sirti online at www.sirti.org or contact us at 509-358-2000.

About Sirti Foundation

The Sirti Foundation is a tax-exempt entity that is privately funded through grants and contributions to help support Sirti’s vision and mission. In particular, the Sirti Foundation pursues funding for special projects which help deliver results under Sirti’s mission. The Sirti Foundation has six independent board members representing executive leadership from various industries and three board members from the Sirti board.