



**WERC**  
A CONSORTIUM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION  
AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

# Strength in Numbers

## **Expertise**

WERC combines the environmental brainpower emanating from five of New Mexico's permanent research institutions: New Mexico State University, the University of New Mexico, Diné College, and Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories.

## **Innovation**

WERC has expanded the limits of new technology by funding more than 100 research projects that address our nation's most pressing environmental issues.

## **Vision**

WERC programs have traditionally targeted the environmental stewards of the future, reaching more than 30,000 youngsters through educational programs. WERC higher education programs and fellowships foster the development of tomorrow's environmental leaders.

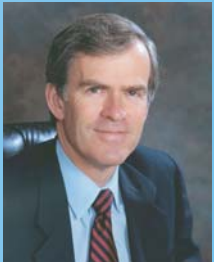
## **Leadership**

WERC initiatives have led dozens of communities and hundreds of businesses to embrace pollution prevention and energy efficient practices. WERC initiatives are creating partnerships that enable the development of healthy communities.



**Pete Domenici, U.S. Senator, New Mexico**

"...I take a great deal of personal pride in WERC's many accomplishments over the last eleven years... WERC is a very successful program and as such has gained national recognition. Its operations represent a model for successful university-laboratory partnerships...."



**Jeff Bingaman, U.S. Senator, New Mexico**

"Established in 1990, this internationally recognized consortium between government, academia, and the private sector has been a leader in the pursuit of finding solutions to tough environmental challenges. Through WERC's research and design competitions, many new technologies have been developed and deployed, benefiting both the public and private sectors. In addition to this research, WERC also provides New Mexico students with excellent programs and college courses in the environmental field, allowing them the opportunity for advancement in this important arena. For all of these reasons, I know WERC will continue to play a vital role in New Mexico's future and I will continue to lend my strong support."



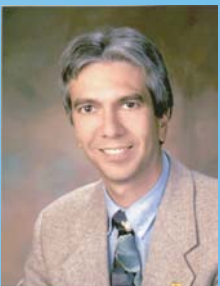
**Terry McManus, Director, EHS Technologies, Intel Corporation**

"Intel Corporation truly appreciates its relationship and ongoing interaction with the WERC Program. The Pollution Prevention Technical Resources Center has provided valuable input on our original Green Zia Program application and 'P2' projects here at our Rio Rancho facility. We have thoroughly enjoyed participating in the WERC International Design Contest as task sponsors and judges... We look forward to continuing our relationship into the future."



**Sherman McCorkle, President, Technology Ventures Corporation**

"WERC and its programs have contributed to economic development and the enrichment of scientific expertise within the state of New Mexico. This unique program has been instrumental in linking the expertise of this state's higher education and government research institutions, fostering new advances in environmental technologies."



**Peter Maggoire, Former Secretary, New Mexico State Environment Department**

"The WERC Design Contest draws the brightest students from across the country and invites them to address environmental problems to the benefit of New Mexico and the world. Both the Design Contest and WERC-sponsored research are invaluable for advancing environmental cleanup strategies. The Environment Department has also found the Design Contest to be a unique and rewarding hiring opportunity."

**David Waite, VP and Global Director of Health, safety and Environment, CH2M Hill**

"Based on my more than five years experience with WERC, I find that it returns the greatest benefit on time and money invested of any alternative organization or activity. Notable benefits include the opportunity to communicate key environmental issues to the academic research community from an industrial viewpoint as well as consideration of industrial priorities in WERC training and educational initiatives."