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## **IDnet ANNOUNCES ESTABLISHMENT OF IDnet of NEW MEXICO**

Shawnee Mission, KS. - IDnet announced that it had established a new Division in New Mexico called Intelligent Design Network of New Mexico. The unit will be operated and managed under its Executive Director, Joe Renick, of Los Lunas, New Mexico. Renick was also elected to the IDnet Board of Directors at its annual meeting on July 13.

IDnet currently has offices in Shawnee Mission, Kansas and Columbus, Ohio. The expansion into New Mexico reflects an interest in New Mexicans in working towards an objective approach to the conduct and teaching of origins science - one that goes beyond an "Evolution Only" curriculum..

Renick, M.S. (mechanical engineering), served on active duty with the U. S. Air Force as a fighter pilot and retired from the Air Force Reserves with the rank of Lt. Col. He is currently a Senior Research Scientist at Northrop Grumman where he works in the area of testing and evaluation of weapons, advanced weapon employment tactics, and development of advanced weapons effects models.

"This affiliation will help jump start our effort in New Mexico and provide a great foundation for growth of the movement, not only in New Mexico, but in other venues as well," said Renick.

"The movement to New Mexico merely reflects a response to the recent Plain Dealer poll in Ohio that shows 91% of Ohioans favoring something more than an "Evolution Only" curriculum," said John Calvert, Managing Director of IDnet. "Evolution Only' is a concept that uses a naturalistic assumption rather than the evidence to rule out the only competing scientific hypothesis - design theory." Naturalism essentially protects evolution from criticism and leads to a naturalistic world view that is the fundamental tenet of secular humanism and scientism."

"We are expecting people from all over the country at our Symposium in Kansas City on July 26 and 27. Hopefully some of those attendees will be encouraged to follow the lead of Joe Renick and the organization that he is assembling in that state," said Bill Harris, Ph.D., a nutritional biochemist and a Managing Director of IDnet.

For more information on the Symposium, Darwin, Design & Democracy III: Teaching Origins Science Objectively, go to <http://www.IntelligentDesignNetwork.org>.

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Intelligent Design network, inc. is a member based nonprofit organization. IDnet promotes objective evidence-based science education with regard to the origin of the universe and of life and its diversity. It also seeks to increase public awareness of the scientific evidence of intelligent design in the universe and living systems.

Intelligent Design is a scientific theory that intelligent causes are responsible for the origin of the universe and of life and its diversity. It holds that design is empirically detectable in nature, and particularly in living systems. Intelligent Design is an intellectual movement that includes a scientific research program for investigating intelligent causes and that challenges naturalistic explanations of origins which currently drive science education and research.