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- INDEPENDENCE, OH, AUGUST 11, 2006: Tax Projects Group, LLP ("TPG") announced today an exclusive alliance with the Arizona Association of Industries ("AAI") to provide Research and Development Tax Credit Study Services to their members. This alliance allows member companies have a dedicated resource to maximize the benefits of the federal and Arizona state R&D Tax Credit.

The federal and Arizona state Research and Development Tax Credit provide companies an opportunity to monetize the money spent on qualified research and development activities. These credits can be used to substantially reduce both federal and state taxes as well as potentially generate cash refunds of taxes paid in past years.

Randy Eickhoff, partner with Tax Projects Group, LLP and lead Arizona contact was quoted to say, "We are excited about the alliance with AAI and recognize the value AAI brings to its members through their legislative efforts, membership services and commitment to continued growth of the Arizona marketplace. Our approach to working with AAI will focus on driving value to its member companies through the R&D Credit."

Mr. Eickhoff also noted that Arizona business has significant advantages of other states due to the commitment of the state government to providing tax incentives like the R&D Tax Credit. "Every state in the country does not provide a state research and development tax credit and, as a result, states such as Arizona give companies based there a competitive advantage over companies located in other states."

Stuart Banks, President of AAI commented, "As we continue to grow our membership base, alliances with firms like TPG enhance our members experience as well as provide them direct access to high-value services. We are excited about the value Randy and TPG will bring to our membership and look forward to bring additional value-added services in the future."

The Arizona Association of Industries is the only manufacturing/industrial trade organization in the state of Arizona. Founded in 1964, AAI is the National Association of

Manufacturers (NAM) state affiliate. In keeping with our mission, AAI and our member companies work to strengthen the economic, social environmental, and governmental conditions that concern manufacturing and allied industries throughout the state of Arizona. The resulting efforts include an enlarged business base, stimulated economic growth, and the creation of new jobs. For more information, contact AAI at (602) 252-9415.

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Tax Projects Group, LLP is a specialty tax consulting firm specializing in Research and Development Tax Credits. Our goal is to assist local and regional CPA firms and state and local industry groups and their clients with obtaining significant federal and state income tax refunds and credits. The team at TPG has their roots in "Big Four" accounting as well as strong industry and IRS experience. Client companies range from small privately-held companies to large Fortune 500 companies. For information, contact TPG at (216) 393-2200. For information on the alliance with AAI, contact Stuart Banks at (602)252-9415 x1001.

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