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Dr. Charles E. McQueary Elected to Research Park Board

MARCH 18, 2010 – GREENSBORO, NC – Dr. Charles “Chuck” McQueary, most recently Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, has been elected to the board of directors of the Gateway University Research Park in Greensboro, North Carolina.

McQueary’s career has been significant. While in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, he served as the senior advisor to the Secretary of Defense on testing of Department of Defense weapon systems, prescribing policies and procedures for the conduct of operational and live fire test and evaluation. During his tenure, McQueary was given the 2008 International Test and Evaluation Association Professional Award, and the 2009 Department of Defense Award for Outstanding Public Service.

In 2003, Dr. McQueary was appointed by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the first Under Secretary for Science and Technology at the Department of Homeland Security. In this position, he led the research and development arm of the Department, utilizing our nation’s scientific and technological resources to provide federal, state and local officials with the technology and capabilities to protect the homeland. In 2006, he was given the National Defense Industrial Association Homeland Security Leadership Award.

McQueary is a former President of General Dynamics Advanced Technology Systems, in Greensboro, and he has also been President and Vice President of business units for AT&T, Lucent Technologies, and a Director for AT&T Bell Laboratories.

A native of Texas, Dr. McQueary is a graduate of The University of Texas, Austin where he earned a B.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering; M.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering; and a Ph.D. in Engineering Mechanics as a NASA Scholar (M.S. and Ph.D.) and member of five Academic Honor Societies. The University of Texas has named Dr. McQueary a Distinguished Engineering Graduate.

“We are delighted to have Chuck join the board,” says Ed Kitchen, chair of Gateway’s board of directors. “His knowledge, professional background, and extensive national contacts in technology are valuable assets in helping to generate more research and development partnerships at Gateway University Research Park.”

Gateway University Research Park is a novel joint venture between North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. With a \$400 million master plan, Gateway is designed to facilitate collaborations between world-class researchers and businesses – to move scientific discoveries from the lab to the marketplace benefitting the local community, region, and North Carolina by transforming cutting-edge intellectual properties into thriving business ventures.

When fully developed, Gateway University Research Park is anticipated to generate an economic impact of \$50 million per year in the Triad region of North Carolina. Upon full build out of the project, it is further anticipated that companies and agencies located at the Research Park will encompass more than 2,000 employees.

Oversight of the Park is provided by a 17-member board composed of Chancellors Martin (NC A&T) and Brady (UNCG), several members of NC A&T and UNCG administration, and community leaders.

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