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2007-08 SIEMENS COMPETITION IN MATH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 8

\$700,000 Awarded to Students and Schools in Prestigious Competition

ISELIN, NJ, May 8, 2007 — America's premier high school science competition begins its ninth year as online registration and instructions for entering the 2007-08 Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology are posted on the Siemens Foundation website, www.siemens-foundation.org, and www.collegeboard.com/siemens. More than \$700,000 is awarded each year through the Siemens Competition, with college scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$100,000 to students, as well as \$2,000 per project to the high school of every regional finalist.

The Siemens Competition is a signature program of the Siemens Foundation, which distributes nearly \$2 million annually to promote math and science education in the United States. The competition is administered by the College Board. Students may enter as individuals or as members of a team. Students who are not able to complete registration online may call 1-800-626-9795 ext. 5849 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET for assistance. The deadline for entries is October 1, 2007, 5:00 p.m. ET.

The 2007-08 Siemens Competition will have a new regional structure. Previously, competition regions have been aligned with the College Board's six regional offices: New England, Middle States, Southern, Southwestern, Midwestern, and Western. Under the new system, the regions are renamed as Regions One through Six.

"Siemens' goal has always been to encourage excellence in science throughout the nation. The restructuring of the regional divisions will allow more projects from a variety of states and regions to come to the forefront and be recognized," said James Whaley, President, Siemens Foundation.

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Entries will be judged at the regional level in November by esteemed scientists and faculty at six leading research universities: California Institute of Technology (Region One); The University of Texas at Austin (Region Two); University of Notre Dame (Region Three); Carnegie Mellon University (Region Four); Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Region Five); and Georgia Institute of Technology (Region Six). The national finals will take place in December at New York University in New York City, judged by a panel of prominent scientists and mathematicians.

The Siemens Competition attracts entries from high school science and math students nationwide. For the 2006-07 competition, 1,660 students registered for the competition. The \$100,000 Grand Prize winners for 2006-07 were Dmitry Vaintrob of Eugene, Oregon, and the team of Scott Molony, Steven Arcangeli and Scott Horton of Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Mr. Vaintrob's mathematical research might help to provide knowledge in understanding the fundamental forces of nature: electricity, magnetism and gravity. The team developed a promising method that takes us a step closer to engineering biofuel.

The Siemens Foundation

Established in 1998, the Siemens Foundation provides nearly \$2 million in college scholarships and awards each year for talented high school students in the United States. Based in Iselin, New Jersey, the Foundation's signature programs—the Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology, the Siemens Awards for Advanced Placement, and the Siemens Teacher Scholarships—recognize exceptional achievement in science, math, and technology. By supporting outstanding students today, and recognizing the teachers and schools that inspire their excellence, the Foundation helps nurture tomorrow's scientists and engineers. The Foundation's mission is based on the culture of innovation, research, and educational support that is the hallmark of Siemens' U.S. operating companies and its parent company, Siemens AG. For more information, visit www.siemens-foundation.org.

The College Board

The College Board is a not-for-profit membership association whose mission is to connect students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the association is composed of more than 5,200 schools, colleges, universities, and other educational organizations. Each year, the College Board serves seven million students and their parents, 23,000 high schools, and 3,500 colleges through major programs and services in college admissions, guidance, assessment, financial aid, enrollment, and teaching and learning. Among its best-known programs are the SAT[®], the PSAT/NMSQT[®], and the Advanced Placement

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