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Micron continues longstanding partnership with WGU

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SALT LAKE CITY -- Western Governors University (WGU) today announced that Micron Technology, Inc., has joined the virtual university's National Advisory Board (NAB) with a commitment to contribute \$250,000 to the university. Karen Vauk, corporate training and education manager for Micron, will represent the company and join 15 other government, corporate, foundation and higher education leaders on the board, which works with WGU's professional staff and Board of Trustees to provide strategic counseling and guidance.

WGU Board of Trustees co-chair Gov. Mike Leavitt (Utah) stated that Micron has been a longstanding partner and supporter of WGU and their NAB membership brings that support to the next level. "Micron has been involved with WGU from the start, working with us to build a successful virtual university. WGU is pleased that it will now be able to gain additional guidance from Micron's vast experience in the technology industry through their representation on the National Advisory Board." Co-chair Gov. Gary Locke (Washington) echoed Leavitt's remarks and said, "Micron's participation with WGU has always been of great value to the university. The fact that they have now joined the NAB, shows a tremendous level of commitment and continued support. We welcome them as one of the visionary companies who sees the potential of WGU to expand access to distance education opportunities."

Bob Mendenhall, president of WGU, added, "Micron was instrumental in the development of the WGU electronics manufacturing technology degree and we look forward to utilizing their expertise in the development of additional degrees in the future. Micron's membership on the NAB lends great credibility to WGU -- we are pleased to add Micron to our distinguished list of NAB members."

"Micron is committed to moving this initiative forward," stated Steve Appleton, Chairman, CEO and President. "Western Governors University is closely aligned with our interest in access to education through technology and provides yet another opportunity for our employees to pursue degree programs that target our industry. WGU's responsiveness to our needs by delivering the classes our employees need when they need them is critical."

Micron Technology joins a prestigious group of entities currently on the NAB, including: 3Com, America Online, AT&T, Apple, Cisco, Drake International, IBM, International Thompson Publishing, KPMG, Microsoft, Novell, Sallie Mae, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, Sun Microsystems, and Sylvan Prometric. The NAB was established in 1997 to provide business, foundation, and industry perspective in the planning and implementation of WGU. Each member company also provides financial and in-kind business support.

About Micron

Micron Technology, Inc. and its subsidiaries manufacture and market DRAMs, very fast SRAMs, Flash, other semiconductor components, memory modules, graphics accelerators, and personal computer systems.

About WGU

WGU is a competency-based, degree-granting, virtual university that delivers cost-effective education using the Internet and other advanced telecommunications and networking technologies. WGU's mission is to expand educational opportunities for learners everywhere by offering online access to courses from universities, colleges and corporate training programs through its unique online catalog. WGU was formed in 1997 as a result of the vision of the governors of the Western United States to share higher education distance learning resources.

More information about Micron Technology, Inc., can be obtained at www.micron.com