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September 5, 2025

**TO:** New Mexico Economic Development Department Technology and Innovation

On behalf of New Mexico Tech, I am pleased to submit this letter of commitment for Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) Ingenuity's RFP response to the NM EDD’s RFP “Innovation Hubs Grant 2025,” the Quantum Communication Node Hub.

CNM Ingenuity (Ingenuity), the economic and workforce development arm of Central New Mexico Community College, represents a unique combination of technical workforce expertise, deep-tech ecosystem development, including quantum and similarly sensitive technologies. Ingenuity’s Quantum Communication Node Hub uniquely provides access to broad workforce development and a sustainable model to build the New Mexico Quantum industry. Ingenuity is building the inclusive infrastructure and human capital required to support the growth and commercialization of private-sector quantum innovation in New Mexico and the Mountain West.

If funded, New Mexico Tech agrees to commit the following:

* will provide input to, and seek support from, the Quantum Communication Node Hub regarding the innovation of our inventions and technologies.
* will contribute to instructional content by providing subject matter expertise.
* will provide input to, and hire from, the Quantum Communication Node Hub career and education pathways whenever possible.
* will use our platform to promote the Quantum Communication Node Hub to accelerate progress and success.

On behalf of New Mexico Tech, I endorse our commitment to this project, as it develops foundational and essential supply chain capabilities for advanced technologies in New Mexico. We believe the proposed Quantum Communication Node Hub will support the fruitful collaboration of multiple public, private, and educational institutions in service to our State’s shared economic development.

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