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Press Release

Hager EMTEC's New Director Technology Commercialization

Dayton, OH: The Edison Materials Technology Center (EMTEC) is pleased to announce the promotion of Dr. Joseph Hager to Director Federal/Academia Technology Commercialization. This position is part of EMTEC's ongoing work with the Air Force Research Lab Materials & Manufacturing Directorate (AFRL) Technology Transfer activities. In addition to working with various Ohio universities, Dr. Hager will work closely with AFRL scientists and engineers to understand their various research initiatives and enable collaborations between EMTEC, industry, and AFRL. Using AFRL and EMTEC commercialization processes, Dr. Hager will aid in the identification of high commercial potential technologies with AFRL specific benefits to accelerate the commercialization of these valued technologies.

With over twenty-five years working in materials research and development involving polymers, ceramics, metals, and composites, Dr. Hager's extensive experience provides an excellent base to further EMTEC's goals of economic development in Ohio and to assist AFRL in linking industry and AFRL collaborative opportunities. For the past three years Dr. Hager was the Senior Scientist, Alternative Energy Technology at EMTEC. Prior to joining EMTEC, Dr. Hager held various positions including Assistant Professor of Engineering Mechanics at the U.S. Air Force Academy and a Program Manager with the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. He has also been an independent technical consultant and started two different technology companies. Dr. Hager has a PhD. in Materials Science and Engineering from the University of Florida with undergraduate degrees from Purdue University. Dr. Hager was a Fulbright-Hayes Scholar in thermodynamics and holds two patents on carbon and composites along with numerous technical publications.

The Edison Materials Technology Center (EMTEC) in Dayton, Ohio is a non-profit, member-based organization serving Ohio's technology companies. As an organization that creates business and technology strategies; sponsors, coordinates, and manages collaborative projects leading to commercialization; and assists new business formation EMTEC is committed to the mission of "accelerating materials technologies to the market". EMTEC provides technical coordination and

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commercialization assistance to Ohio's industry, universities, and government labs to strengthen Ohio's industrial competitiveness in alternative energy, nanomaterials, polymers, composites, automotive, biomaterials, and metal casting markets.

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