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Subject: Transfer of Altarum's Environmental and Emerging Technologies Division (EETD) to Michigan Technological University (Michigan Tech)

We are pleased to announce that on October 1, 2006, Altarum's Environmental and Emerging Technologies Division (EETD) (all personnel, equipment and contracts/grants) will be divested and become the Ann Arbor based Michigan Tech Research Institute (MTRI). The Altarum Institute will focus solely on healthcare issues, while the new Michigan Tech Research Institute (formerly EETD) will focus on education, research, and development of technology to sense and understand natural and manmade environments. Drs. Robert Shuchman and Nikola Subotic will serve as Co-Directors of the new Institute and report to Dr. David Reed, Vice President for Research at Michigan Tech.

MTRI, with a staff of twenty-six, will continue the Environmental Research Institute of Michigan (ERIM) not-for-profit heritage of development of cutting edge remote sensing instrumentation and geospatial analysis techniques for societal good, first started at the end of the second world war in the form of Willow Run Laboratory. The entire staff of the new Institute looks forward to continued collaboration with our existing sponsors and research partners as well as renewing past affiliations.