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ALASKA BUSINESS PORTAL WEBINARS AVAILABLE

ANCHORAGE, AK JUNE 27, 2008: The Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc. (AMEP), adds state of the art webinars to its repertoire of delivery methods for presentations and training sessions. A webinar is an online “virtual seminar” that is conducted via the internet and telephone.

“This delivery method will allow us to expand our reach throughout rural Alaska, without adding additional travel costs to AMEP and the people we serve. Webinars will allow us to show organizations what we have to offer before we come out into the community to work with clients. We can involve multiple communities around the state at the same time.”

Training seminars for the AMBIT Alaska Business Portal eCommerce Program consist of a two hour workshop to train small businesses on how to access and create a simple-to-use eCommerce website for their business. The seminar cost and the first nine months of hosting are covered by the Alaska Manufacturing Business Industry & Technology program (AMBIT).

Workshops are held on a regular basis both in our office in Anchorage, by appointment; and in other areas of the state by invitation of a local or regional organization interested in promoting economic development through new markets for their communities.

The Alaska Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc. (AMEP) has created a new Business Portal on our affiliate program site, www.ambit.cc, for small businesses, service providers and small manufacturers to have an inexpensive web presence. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit, incorporated under Alaska statute and located in Anchorage, Alaska. Our mission is to assist small manufacturers to be successful. We created the Alaska Manufacturing Business Industry & Technology program (AMBIT) to work with all businesses to provide business development and incubation services across Alaska's vast distances.

The Alaska Business Portal offers businesses the opportunity to have an inexpensive web presence and online store. Within one afternoon's time during our step-by-step training, a business can online and selling merchandise with the ability to accept secure credit card transactions. The first nine months of the Alaska Business Portal is FREE. Beginning the tenth month, the cost is \$49.95 per month - if it is not working for you, cancel the month-to-month subscription at the end of nine months!

THE ALASKA MANUFACTURING EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP, INC. (AMEP) is committed to developing the state's economy through the provision of technical, business and economic training and assistance to Alaska's small manufacturers and to rural Alaskans producing, marketing, and distributing Native art and other home-based manufactured products.

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