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SACRED WIND DEDICATES NAVAJO COMMUNITY COMPUTER LAB

Sacred Wind Holds Dedication Ceremony for Computer Training Center at the Huerfano Chapter of the Navajo Nation

Albuquerque, NM, May23, 2007 – Sacred Wind Communications, Inc., (“Sacred Wind”) a New Mexico telecommunications company that serves portions of western and northwestern New Mexico, including areas of the Navajo Nation, is holding a dedication ceremony on May 31, 2007 to commemorate its Huerfano Computer Training Center. Sacred Wind opened this computer lab at the Huerfano Chapter in February, 2007 with two bilingual trainers and ten computer systems.

This computer lab was funded by a USDA-RUS Broadband grant in the amount of \$436,431 and matching funds furnished by Sacred Wind and the Huerfano Chapter. The purpose of this Computer Lab was to provide free computer and internet training to the Huerfano Chapter and all surrounding communities, while also allowing the public to have access to computers for their academic, personal and business use.

The Huerfano Computer Training Center has been opened for three months and already has had hundreds of students come through its doors. Those using the lab have been of all ages and come for various reasons: preschoolers learning to play games on the computers, school children doing research projects and homework at the lab, adults emailing their families who live far away, and Elders researching health issues.

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Not only is use of the lab free and are all lessons free of charge to the Community, but any person who takes and passes the training course and is from a low income family receives a free refurbished computer from Sacred Wind. The idea behind this program is that all people should be afforded the opportunity to have access to computer technology, no matter what their situation or their means.

The Dedication Ceremony is slated for Thursday, May 31st at 11:00 A.M. at the Huerfano Chapter House. Huerfano Chapter President Wilson Ray, Sacred Wind's President Gil Arviso, USDA's State Director of Rural Development, and many other officials from the Navajo Nation and the public sector will attend. There will be refreshment offered after the brief ceremony, and all members of the community are welcome.

About Sacred Wind

Sacred Wind Communications, Inc. was founded in 2004, and is the only telecommunications company in the country exclusively dedicated to serve the Navajo people. Its temporary headquarters is in Gallup, as it constructs a new headquarters in Yatahey, NM. Sacred Wind's administration office is in Albuquerque. For more information about the company, see www.sacredwindcommunications.com, and for more information about Sacred Wind's non-profit organization, visit us at www.swccnm.com.

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