

News Release

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LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS SUPPLIES SANDIA WITH HIGH-PERFORMANCE STORAGE SYSTEMS

Albuquerque, N. M. – SICORP, Inc., a local small minority-owned business, has been awarded a \$1.8 million contract to provide Sandia National Laboratories with two high-capacity, high-performance data storage systems.

Each system that SICORP will supply and install meets Sandia's research objectives for use in scientific computing systems. These storage systems will provide the storage capacity equivalent to five million average-size books. At four gigabytes per second, the systems perform at a rate of reading or printing 5,000 books a second. Integration of the storage systems is scheduled for supercomputing clusters at Sandia by July 2001.

Sandia Contracting Representative Jeff Young said, "This contract was awarded to SICORP because of their technical expertise and best price."

SICORP was founded in 1997 by company president Joseph Bridges, who says his company's goal is to help customers reduce costs by simplifying the understanding, management and operation of storage systems. The company provides its customers a variety of service and support programs.

Sandia Supplier Relations Manager Cynthia Schneeberger said, "We are thrilled that SICORP has been added to our family of contractors, and look forward to a continuing association with them."

Sandia is a multiprogram Department of Energy laboratory, operated by a subsidiary of Lockheed Martin Corp. With main facilities in Albuquerque, N.M., and Livermore, Calif., Sandia has major research and development responsibilities in national security, energy and environmental technologies, and economic competitiveness.

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