

Engage Oklahoma 2009 Guide to Business and Economic Development

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10 R&D Facilities in Oklahoma - #5 of 10 facilities making great strides in Oklahoma:

OSU University Multispectral Laboratory (UML), Ponca City

The OSU (UML) is a national center focused on the test, evaluation and implementation of sensor-related technologies for defense, homeland security, energy, and intelligence systems. Wholly owned by OSU and operated by Triton Scientific, systems assessed at the lab include chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, explosive, command, control, communications and computing for intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, unmanned aerial systems, petrochemical, biofuels, biometrics, psychological, medical and pharmaceutical. The laboratory was established in 2006 with a \$2 million investment from the Ponca City Development Authority and a \$2 million gift from ConocoPhillips.

10 Companies that recently chose Oklahoma - #1 of 10 success stories:

Triton Scientific, Ponca City

The laboratory, owned by Oklahoma State University and operated by Triton Scientific, is a national center for testing, evaluating and implementing defense, homeland security, energy and intelligence systems. Its director, D. Webster Keogh, Ph.D., says Oklahoma's Quality Jobs Program was the No. 1 reason the company chose to expand its business in Oklahoma.

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Oklahoma Fast Forward, the Department of Commerce business site location team, works with corporate executives and national site location consultants to recruit relocating and expanding businesses to Oklahoma.

Creating New Jobs. Achieving Economic Growth.

In 2008, Oklahoma continued capitalizing on its desirable location, competitive incentives, and partnerships with regional and community economic development authorities to recruit new business to the state.

National Defense, Security and Intelligence Center Complete Phase I

Phase I of a national center for testing, evaluating and implementing defense, homeland security, energy and intelligence systems became operational in Ponca City in June. Wholly owned by Oklahoma State University and operated by Oklahoma –based Triton Scientific, OSU-University Multispectral Laboratories (OSU-UML) is a non-profit LLC. “As a government-owned, contractor-operated facility, OSU-UML is similar in structure and operation to labs like Los Alamos,” says Lab Director D. Webster Keogh, Ph.D.

He praised the State’s Quality Jobs Program benefits. “The number one reason we wanted to push the rest of our business into Oklahoma is the assistance we’ve received from Commerce, combined with the fantastic support we’ve had from the Ponca City Development Authority and their partnership with OSU.”

OSU_UML expects to create 136 jobs in Ponca City and Stillwater. Salaries for these positions will average \$95,725.