



We are delighted to add Vanguard to the SolAero family. This acquisition combines highly complementary core businesses to create a stronger company that will drive value for our customers and grow the employee base in our Albuquerque headquarters. We look forward to continuing to bring innovative and cost-effective solutions to the worldwide aerospace industry.

Brad Clevenger, CEO, SolAero Technologies Corp

COMPANY NEWS

SolAero Acquires Vanguard Space Technologies

SolAero, a leading provider of satellite solar power and structural solutions, has acquired Vanguard Space Technologies, Inc., also a provider of aerospace structural products and assemblies. Vanguard has a proven history of delivering satellite structural components and assemblies for commercial, defense, and civil satellites to customers around the world. While the acquisition of Vanguard offers key synergy opportunities for the company, no near-term changes to any of the companies' operations are planned as a result of the transaction. SolAero is headquartered in the Sandia Science & Technology Park (SS&TP) and employs approximately 250 people.



COMPANY NEWS

America's Road Exhibit Opens at Museum

A special exhibit, "America's Road: The Journey of Route 66," will be on display through September 25 at the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History located in the SS&TP. Share in the history and fascination of one of the world's most famous highways and understand its role as a major pathway for those who migrated west and the communities it helped support. Go back in time with stories, images, and artifacts that include an original 1965 Ford Mustang, classic service stations, motor courts, public art, and more. The exhibit is included with museum admission. For more information, visit www.nuclearmuseum.org.



TLHS School Supply Drive

The SS&TP Program Office recently partnered with the Technology Leadership High School (TLHS), located in the Park, to conduct a School Supply Drive to help students and teachers get the tools they need to succeed in the classroom. Students dropped off collection boxes at the 27 participating companies and organizations in the SS&TP and picked them up once full. Thanks to the generosity of everyone in the Park, this initiative was a success!



An Entrepreneur Exploration Workshop was recently held at the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History. David Sais, a Sandia National Laboratories Six Sigma black belt, taught participants the Design Thinking process by matching customers' needs with technology to create a viable business strategy. Design Thinking is a way to tackle entrepreneurial challenges. A total of 52 Sandians, entrepreneurs, and small business individuals attended the event.