1994 Most Innovative Products Awards Honor Innovation, the Environment and Dr. Beyster

With over 600 people in attendance, the winners of CONNECT's Most Innovative New Products Awards were announced at a luncheon December 7 at the Hyatt La Jolla. Now in its seventh year, the competition was expanded this year to include a region spanning from Tijuana to Temecula, and an additional Environmental Technologies category.

A lifetime achievement award was presented to **Dr. J.R. Beyster**, founder, Chairman and CEO of Science Applications International Corporation and the founder of the Foundation for Enterprise Development, which is dedicated to helping companies become employee-owned corporations. As an additional recognition of **SAIC's** contribution to San Diego, the company was the winner in the Life Sciences category for the AcustarTM Advanced Surgical Navigation System, developed in conjunction with the Codman Division of Johnson and Johnson.



Quantum Magnetics won the award in the High-Tech Electronics category for the Quantum Magnetics Contraband Detector, which is capable of screening items such as postal packages and briefcases for the presence of explosives and contraband at a fraction of the cost of similar devices. Tudor Publishing took the honors in the Software Category with their Assessment Management System™, a software management system to track and use the data from computer adaptive assessment programs to automatically update extensive databases and then report separately to the teacher, principal and parent. And Strain Monitor Systems, Inc. was the winner of the "X" Category for the Smart Material Strain Monitor, a device that is attached to structures to provide an indication of the onset of structural instability.

The winner of this year's newest category, Environmental Technologies, was Malek Inc. for the Caustic Regeneration Memberane Process, which regenerates sodium aluminum from the chemical milling of aircraft parts, and reuses them, eliminating the need to transport the dissolved liquid to a hazardous waste site.

Imperial Bank; Johnson & Higgins; Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps; Price Waterhouse; and *The San Diego Business Journal* co-sponsored the 1994 awards.

Dr. J.R. Beyster accepts the award on behalf of SAIC and its innovative efforts and contributions to San Diego.

Terry Bibbens Goes to Washington

Terry Bibbens, Director of Public Policy, CONNECT has accepted a post as Entrepreneur-in-Residence with the Office of

Advocacy, Small Business
Administration in Washington, D.C. effective January 4,
1995. At CONNECT,
Bibbens has managed the
survey and subsequent study
conducted by Price
Waterhouse to access the
concerns of the biotech
industry regarding the FDA

approval process time; has helped San Diego ward off restrictive air-pollution regulations; and developed strategies to provide guaranteed water supplies for the biotech and high-tech industries in the region.

According to Bill Otterson, Director, CONNECT, "Bibbens work in the area of public policy has helped to advance many of the causes and concerns of our sponsors and members. We have hopes that 'our man in Washington' will help us gain further

insights into federal programs and provide feedback to government departments on the needs of high-tech."

Core Technologies and Business Strategies: Doing Business On The Internet

UCSD CONNECT,
the Software
Industry Council
and the Foundation
for Enterprise
Development
(F.E.D.) are presenting a half-day course for professional
service providers and business executives
interested in understanding Internet
technology and its business implications on
Wednesday, February 8, 1995 from 7:30
a.m. to noon at the Sheraton Grande Torrey

Pines.

It's predicted that by 1998, over 100 million customers will be on the internet, This program, Information Technologies & Doing Business on the Internet, will focus on how you can become part of this indispensable business tool. Topics will include "Landscape of the Internet - How It Will Impact How Business is Done" with Tom Munnecke from SAIC; a technology overview by Thomas Powell; "The Internet as a Business Resource" presented by Lee Stein, First Virtual, and Douglas McArthur of BioData; "Making the Internet More Robust"; and "Case Studies of How Companies use the Internet and Electronic Communications" with speakers Daniel O'Neill, Cadence; Skip Swayze, BakerNet. Chuck Knuff, Forté, and Jeff Jacobs, QUALCOMM. Sid Karin, Director, San Diego Supercomputer Center, will lead a panel discussion on "Where Do I Go From Here?"

This activity has been approved for minimum continuing legal education credit by the State Bar of California and the California State Board of Accountancy in the amount of four hours. For further information or to register for this program, please contact CONNECT at (619) 534-6114 or email to khruska@ucsd.edu. A copy of the brochure for this program can be accessed on the CONNECT homepage at http://www.connect.org/connect. **