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### **\$40K NSF AWARD FUNDS PARTNERSHIP WITH LCC & LOCAL NANOTECHNOLOGY FIRM**

LANSING – Lansing Community College in partnership with Claytec, Inc., a Lansing area nanotechnology startup, has been awarded a \$40,000 National Science Foundation Phase IIC grant. These funds will be used to provide fellowships to LCC faculty and students that will enable them to work with Claytec as they develop their products and commercialize their technology.

Work under this grant will begin in July, 2009.

“This is an incredible opportunity for LCC faculty and students to gain experience in the emerging nanotechnology industry,” said LCC Science Department Chair Thomas Deits. “In addition, the knowledge they acquire and share will inspire their peers to consider nanotechnology as a source of future careers.”

Claytec, Inc. has received an NSF Small Business Innovative Research grant to develop their proprietary mesoporous nanoparticle technology. These new nanomaterials can be used to save energy in the production of chemicals, to strengthen materials for auto parts and other high value products, and in a variety of other high-value applications.

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