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**WASHINGTON** — Delaware Congressman John Carney met this week with Dr. Ray Yin, Founder and Chief Technology Officer for ANP Technologies, a Newark small business that specializes in technology development for the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and defense industries. On Tuesday, ANP Technologies was honored by the U.S. Small Business Administration as a 2011 Tibbetts Award recipient, for companies and individuals who achieve excellence in high technology. Also attending the meeting was Mr. Tom Bodnar, ANP Technologies' Chief Business Officer.

“It was a pleasure to meet Dr. Yin and Mr. Bodnar to congratulate them on the unique and innovative work ANP Technologies is doing to support the U.S. Department of Defense, as well as biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies throughout the nation,” said Congressman Carney. “The progress this company has made shows the potential that entrepreneurs and small business owners in our state can achieve. I am committed to working with Delaware’s businesses to find ways the federal government can better support their growth and continue the development of a 21st century economy.”

ANP Technologies is one of only 44 small businesses in the nation to receive a 2011 Tibbetts Award. The award is given annually to participants in the SBA’s Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program that have demonstrated success in research and development, driving innovation, and job creation. SBIR is a competitive program that supports the federal government’s research and development efforts by providing funding to small, high-tech businesses.

“We’re honored to receive this recognition from the Small Business Administration and thankful that Congressman Carney was able to meet with us about our future business development plan,” said Tom Bodnar, Chief Business Officer for ANP Technologies. “Receiving the Tibbett award represents a culmination of an effort we began in 2004 when we submitted our first Small

Business Innovation Research (SBIR) proposal, and we look forward to continuing the development of this technology.”

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