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3TIER opens Latin American corporate office and expands Seattle headquarters

Dual office expansions marks company's growth in the Americas

3TIER, a leading provider of weather-driven forecasts and assessments for the renewable energy sector, announced today the opening of a new corporate office in Panama City, Panama and the expansion of its Seattle headquarters. These office developments reflect the overall increase of 3TIER's operations, driven by the demands from developers, utilities, and financiers for the most advanced tools to understand their renewable energy resources. In 2006, the company doubled both revenue and staff to serve the expanding U.S. and international markets.

"Our growth has been fueled by the rapidly increasing interest in renewable energy and our ability to successfully deliver to our clients the knowledge they need to build and operate efficient power projects," said Kenneth Westrick, 3TIER's CEO. "This expansion firmly establishes 3TIER as one of the largest forecasting firms serving the global renewable energy market."

Westrick believes 3TIER continues to win new business because of the company's scientific core and its ongoing commitment to develop innovative and relevant forecasting and assessment products and services.

"The depth of our scientific background and emphasis on technology is the key to how we provide the most advanced solutions to our clients. It is what sets us apart and is driving our expansion in the Americas and beyond," said Westrick.

Both office locations allow 3TIER to capitalize on the local highly-educated and skilled workforce. The city of Seattle is a leading center for atmospheric science research and technology which allows 3TIER to attract and retain staff from the nation's top talent field. In Panama, the 3TIER office is located in the "City of Knowledge," a specialized center for high-tech and international companies on the shores of the Panama Canal.

3TIER has recently signed assessment and forecasting contracts with dozens of new clients based in the United States, Canada, Panama, Colombia, Great Britain, and Turkey.

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About 3TIER

3TIER provides scientifically-based renewable energy forecast and assessment products and services to organizations worldwide. The company is recognized as a global leader in renewable energy forecasting and currently is the leading forecasting firm for renewable energy in North America. 3TIER's assessment and forecasting tools provide the most reliable and accurate resource knowledge available for single or integrated power projects – enabling companies to maximize operational efficiency and make effective and informed operational decisions. Founded in 1999, Seattle-based 3TIER exclusively employs scientific and engineering experts who develop and manage sophisticated atmospheric prediction systems using advanced computing technologies. For more information, visit the 3TIER website at www.3tiergroup.com.

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