



Food Safety Net Services Named 2006 Aggie 100 Honoree

COLLEGE STATION, TX. (Friday, October 13, 2006) – **Food Safety Net Services of San Antonio, Texas** is among the firms selected for the 2nd annual “Aggie 100” list of the fastest-growing companies owned and operated by Texas A&M University former students. Food Safety Net Services was recognized as number **34** on the list.

The 100 companies with the highest compounded annual revenue growth from 2003 to 2005 were recognized at a formal luncheon at The Zone Club on the Texas A&M campus. The honorees are also featured in the November 2006 issue of Texas Aggie magazine published by The Association of Former Students.

“We are pleased to honor our successful former students and highlight their accomplishments,” explained Richard M. Scruggs, Director, Center for New Ventures and Entrepreneurship. Food Safety Net Services has achieved a great deal in its history and we’d like to think that has a lot to do with the work ethic, integrity and knowledge gained from their leaders’ association with Texas A&M University.”

A complete Aggie 100 list can be viewed at www.aggie100.com.

About the Aggie 100

The Aggie 100 program, one-of-a-kind at the college level, was created by Mays Business School's Center for New Ventures and Entrepreneurship, whose mission is to provide encouragement, education, networking and assistance to entrepreneurially-minded students, faculty and Texas businesses. Aggie 100 is a unique way for Texas A&M University to demonstrate its pride in the accomplishments of its former students while enriching the educational experience for today's students.

While there are many ways to define business success, the Aggie 100 focuses on growth as an indicator of job creation, product acceptance and entrepreneurial vision. The Aggie 100 program identifies, recognizes and celebrates the 100 fastest growing Aggie-owned or Aggie-led businesses in the world.

Companies were required to meet the following criteria:

- In business for 5 years or more as of June 2006,
- Verifiable revenues of \$100,000 or more for calendar year 2003, and
- Operations consistent with the Aggie Code of Honor.

Additionally, the company had to meet one of the following leadership criteria:

- A Texas A&M University former student or group of former students must have owned 51% or more of the company from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2005, or
- A Texas A&M University former student must have been active in the business and have served as the Company's chief executive (for example CEO, president or managing partner) from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2005.

About The Center for New Ventures and Entrepreneurship

Texas A&M's Center for New Ventures and Entrepreneurship develops, disseminates and assists in the application of entrepreneurial knowledge. Founded in 1999, the Center is part of Mays Business School's Department of Management. The Center enhances student education through campus speakers, competitions, work experiences and financial support. Texas A&M faculty and Technology Commercialization Center benefit from the Center's educational programs, extensive business community network and the Center's entrepreneurial services. The Center also reaches out to the state's business community offering educational programs, business assistance and access to University resources. The Center is supported by corporate and individual members and sponsors who believe in the value of an entrepreneurial education program and the potential of Texas businesses interacting with Texas A&M University.