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A-CHECK AMERICA, INC. LOCATES HEADQUARTERS IN THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE

A-Check America, Inc. has established their new headquarters in the city of Riverside's University Research Park. A nationwide pre-employment screening agency affiliated with ACT 1 Personal Services, A-Check has located its headquarters in a new 30,000 sq ft building owned by Jim Guthrie Construction. They plan to employ over 100 people and be operational by October 2006.

Founded in 1998 by Janice Bryant Howroyd, the company is a privately held national background and drug screening company servicing more than 1,000 accounts nationally. In addition to the background and drug screening services offered when the company began, the company now offers Fingerprinting, Applicant Tracking System, Assessments and Vendor Management software solutions.

The Inland Empire Economic Partnership began working with the company in November of 2004. "IEEP worked hard to help us find a home, they were genuinely interested in helping us," said Carlos Lacambra, vice president of A-Check America. "They took the time to learn what we needed and immediately started to help. And they were great in working with our real estate broker John Oien with CBRE."

John Oien, vice president of CBRE and an IEEP member, represented A-Check in the deal, a five-year lease with option to purchase. “Given the nature of A-Check’s work, the Research Park is an ideal location for the company’s business plans.” Said John.

When IEEP initially met with the company it was growing quickly, had outgrown its current facilities and needed to establish a headquarters location. IEEP provided tax information, community information, labor force availability and commenced five site searches received by member cities, brokers, developers and the two counties, generating more than ninety available properties within the Inland Empire for the company’s review. As a result, IEEP facilitated meetings with developers, brokers, Inland Empire cities and specifically several meetings with the City of Riverside, and the County of Riverside working closely with both to attract the company.

“Riverside offered us a great value and they were very interested in having us in their city. They have the infrastructure and backbone in place to support a successful high-tech business such as ours. There was no question – Riverside is definitely the best place for us,” said Carlos Lacambra.

“Riverside has the right combination of access to labor force, quality of life, infrastructure and proactive attitude that make it attractive to companies like A-Check,” said Karin Weddig Durant, vice president economic development for IEEP.

Inland Empire Economic Partnership is the region’s only private, non-profit economic development corporation that promotes Southern California’s Inland Empire with the purpose of enriching the region’s economy through business attraction, expansion, retention, and creation.

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