



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **MIKEL, INC. OPENS NEW ENGINEERING OFFICE AT THE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY & MANUFACTURING CENTER IN FALL RIVER, MA**

**Fall River, MA - September 22, 2003** – MIKEL, Inc. has opened a new engineering office at the Advanced Technology & Manufacturing Center in Fall River, MA. MIKEL, headquartered in Nevada, opened this expansion office with three employees whose primary focus is on providing the U.S. Navy with technological solutions for undersea warfare (USW).

Brian Guimond, President of MIKEL stated, “The rationale behind MIKEL’s expansion into the South Coast Research and Technology Park is to build a relationship with the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, and tap into their intellectual resources to support and accelerate our company’s growth.” Dr. Thomas Curry, Director of the ATMC added, “The association between MIKEL and the ATMC is an important step in broadening our efforts to assist technology companies that have the potential to grow and prosper in the region.”

Mr. Guimond, MIKEL’s founder, is a Fall River native and a graduate of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (B.S.E.E, M.S.E.E) and the University of Rhode Island (M.B.A). He is returning to the local area after serving as the Science Advisor and as the Director of Tactical Analysis for the Commander submarine force U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) at Pearl Harbor, HI.

**About MIKEL:** MIKEL is an advanced engineering company primarily focused on providing the U.S. Navy with affordable real time technological solutions to complex USW sensor processing, and decision support and analysis issues facing modern Navy platforms and systems. The solutions involve development of novel signal and data processing techniques applied to submarine sonar and combat systems as well as underwater range tracking systems. For more information, please visit [www.mikelinc.com](http://www.mikelinc.com).

**About UMASS Advanced Technology & Manufacturing Center.** UMass Dartmouth's Advanced Technology & Manufacturing Center (ATMC) is located at the SouthCoast Research and Technology Park in Fall River, MA. The ATMC leverages University resources for economic development by focusing in three strategic areas: research and partnering with industry; enabling and accelerating new technology ventures; and hosting technical, business and educational conferences and workshops.

The Technology Venture Center, where MIKEL operates, provides infrastructure for emerging companies as they grow and develop into the future technology and manufacturing leaders of Southeastern Massachusetts. For more information, please visit [www.atmc.umassd.edu](http://www.atmc.umassd.edu).

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