



## **Your INL Update — Week of March 8, 2010**

This is Nicole Stricker with your INL Update.

Microbes may be used to help develop renewable energy resources thanks in part to the work of Idaho National Laboratory engineer David Thompson. That's why Idaho State University's College of Engineering recently named him the 2010 Outstanding Engineer. Thompson received the award at a recent ISU ceremony.

INL employees are supporting Idaho Public Television's critical fundraising efforts this year. A number of lab employees traveled to Boise to take viewer telephone pledges, and INL is engaging in the Festival 2010 Corporate Challenge — a friendly competition among companies. INL is one of the only eastern Idaho companies participating in IPTV's 2010 fundraising festival.

The link between INL and university nuclear researchers is now getting stronger. INL is teaming with five universities in five states to form the Institute for Nuclear Energy Science and Technology or I-NEST. The institute's goal is to help define INL's long-term nuclear energy research and development strategy.

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