



## **NJTC Celebrates Region's Best Innovators 3D Biotek Named 2009 INCUBATOR COMPANY TO WATCH**

**SOMERSET, NJ (Nov. 18, 2009)** – The New Jersey Technology Council (NJTC) announced the winners of its 2009 “Best of Year” honors last night at the Annual NJTC Awards Gala. The black-tie event, which celebrates the technology sectors of New Jersey, was held at the Palace at Somerset.

3D Biotek received an award of “2009 Incubator Company to Watch” in the Award Gala.

“We are so proud and excited to have been able to name 3D Biotek as the 2009 Incubator Company to Watch,” said Maxine Ballen, CEO and president of the NJTC. “It goes almost without saying that this has been a difficult year for all of us in the technology community. We, at the NJTC, see the glass as more than half full and look forward to a year of growth ahead. We know that 3D Biotek is deserving of this Gala Award and are excited to watch this company as it continues to be an innovative leader in New Jersey.”

The NJTC Awards Gala, an annual event recognizing the “Best in Technology” companies as well as government, educational and technology support leaders, has often been called the “Academy Awards” for New Jersey’s technology community. The gala honors companies and individuals in many categories – including Public, Private, Life Sciences, Green Communications, and IT/software.

(For a complete list of 2009 Gala Award winners, visit [www.njtc.org](http://www.njtc.org).)

"This is my favorite event of the entire year because we are able to celebrate not only New Jersey's best and brightest technology stars but we also take a moment to recognize the wondrous innovations that have been discovered right here in our own backyard," said Ballen.

The NJTC Gala Awards is held annually to publicly recognize and celebrate some of New Jersey's most successful companies. The event is hosted by the NJTC with support from several key sponsors.

### **About 3D Biotek, LLC:**

3D Biotek is a medical device company that develops novel three-dimensional (3D) scaffolds for biomedical applications. The currently globally marketed product is 3D Insert™ is a series of novel 3D scaffolds for use in drug screening, stem cell research, and tissue engineering. The company's pipeline products include bioactive 3D scaffolds for bone and cartilage repairs. 3D Biotek is also developing an innovative technology for fabrication of

bioabsorbable cardiovascular stents. The company received multiple grants from NIH (SBIR) and NJ Commission on Science and Technology. For more information on 3D Biotek, visit <http://www.3dbiotek.com>.

**About The NJTC**

The New Jersey Technology Council provides business support, networking opportunities, information, advocacy and recognition of technology companies and their leaders. Founded in 1996, the NJTC's more than 1,100 member companies work together to support their own enterprises while advancing New Jersey's status as a leading technology center in the United States. For more information on the NJTC, visit <http://www.njtc.org>.