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AccuWeather’s patented technologies help to geographically pinpoint observed weather conditions and other observed events and allow for information to be delivered through the use of mobile devices, which will be utilized in collaboration with the NWS for providing forecasts and warnings on hazardous weather conditions.

The patents, which AccuWeather Chief Executive Officer Barry Lee Myers said are worth about seven figures per license, were provided to the NWS at no cost.

“The National Weather Service and AccuWeather have worked closely together to ensure the safety of businesses and individuals across the United States, helping citizens to become better prepared for severe weather,” Myers said. “We are proud to be at the forefront of this ground-breaking government and weather industry partnership and thank our colleagues at the NWS for their diligence and dedication, joining together to bring the advantage of AccuWeather’s proprietary technologies forward to improve people’s lives.”

The deal, according to the company, is unprecedented.

“This is a wonderful step forward in terms of cooperative efforts to help protect and inform people and businesses throughout the United States,” said Joel N. Myers, founder, president, and chairman of AccuWeather. “A strong relationship between the NWS and AccuWeather ensures greater availability of the most detailed and accurate severe weather information possible, protecting the lives and property of enterprises and individuals throughout the country.”

Business development consultation in New Leaf, Hammond Building

The Penn State Small Business Development Center recently began to offer services in two locations outside of Innovation Park.

Jennifer Riden, the SBDC’s latest addition as a business consultant who will be focused on student entrepreneurship, will offer consulting hours at New Leaf Initiative and at the campus’ Hammond Building.

She will be at New Leaf, at 243 S.Allen St., Suite 337, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and in Hammond Building’s Kunkle Lounge from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Walk-in consulting hours at Hammond are provided by a partnership between the SBDC and Nittany Consulting Group.

Riden can be reached at jem342@psu.edu.

Need help finding a job?

PA CareerLink of Centre County will host Customer Appreciation Day from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sept. 24 in honor of Workforce Development Month.

The public, employers and community partners are invited to stop by the office at 240 Match Factory Place in Bellefonte for refreshments and information about services, which are free. Everyone who attends will also have a chance to win a gift basket.

PA CareerLink staff will be available to answer questions and explain programs and services, and job seekers can learn more about job search techniques, resume and cover letter development, career exploration, On-the-Job Training, post-secondary training funding and setting education and employment goals. Information on employment programs will also be available for dislocated workers, youth and veterans.

PA CareerLink’s Career Resource Area also offers staff assistance and computer access for job searches. The facility also offers a direct priority phone line to the unemployment compensation call center.

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