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CINERGY, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY SPONSOR COAL CONFERENCE

CINCINNATI -- Cinergy Corp. has joined with the University of Kentucky in sponsoring a major conference on the future of coal, highlighting the major environmental, economic and technology issues associated with its use.

Coal 2020 - Burning Questions will be held on October 12 and 13, 2004, at the Marriott Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington, Ky. Featured speakers include Kentucky Governor Ernie Fletcher, Kentucky Public Service Commission Chairman Mark David Goss, Cambridge Energy Research Associates Chairman Daniel Yergin, US EPA Assistant Administrator Jeffrey Holmstead, and executives of the major coal producers in the region. The conference will be hosted by UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. and Cinergy Chairman, President and CEO James E. Rogers and is also sponsored in part by Eastman Chemical Company.

“Because Cinergy burns about 30 million tons of coal per year and has major investments in coal-fired power generation, we have a significant interest in its future,” said Cinergy’s Rogers. “The University of Kentucky’s leadership role in coal research creates a natural partnership for us in a thoughtful discussion about a key component in the nation’s energy policy.”

“The University of Kentucky is proud to partner with Cinergy to lead a discussion about the future of coal both in Kentucky and throughout the nation,” said UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. “UK is involved in approximately \$50 million in ongoing energy research and energy-related environmental research. That experience and expertise has allowed us to gather the brightest energy minds from industry, academia and government to discuss how coal can play a vital role in this new knowledge-based, global economy.”

“This is the type of conversation that we hope to continue at the university as we work to help diversify and enhance Kentucky’s economy.”

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The link below provides full details on the conference and the participants:

<http://www.cinergy.com/coal2020/>.

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