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INTERNET2 PRESIDENT AND CEO H. DAVID LAMBERT TO
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(Washington DC) – PESC is pleased to announce the addition of H. David Lambert, President & CEO of Internet2, as Keynote Speaker for its upcoming Spring 2012 Data Summit being held May 2-4, 2012 in Las Vegas at the Wynn Hotel. Mr. Lambert’s address, scheduled for Wednesday May 2, 2012 over lunch, will focus on Community Driven Innovation Defining Our Future. Registration for the Spring 2012 Data Summit is still available and all information is posted online at www.PESC.org.

H. David Lambert was named President and CEO of Internet2 in July 2010. Under his leadership, Internet2 is building on the organization’s foundations to establish a unique set of unified capabilities that enable innovation for U.S. and global research and education institutions by leveraging the organization around the core principles of innovation, transformation, and community.

Lambert is leading Internet2 to focus on several key areas: advanced network services, national and regional collaboration, global reach and leadership, industry and research partnership engagement, NET+ Services “above the network,” and the U.S. Unified Community Anchor Network (U.S. UCAN). These areas have yielded extraordinary results in a very short period of time and include launching domestic and global end-to-end advanced networking capabilities, creating the first 100G transcontinental network with ESnet, forming partnerships with Indiana University and the China Research and Education Network to link U.S. and Chinese research and education networks, working with Educause and more than 50 universities to pilot a new model for digital course materials, and forming new strategic industry partnerships to provide new cloud and network services.

Internet2 is now positioned to take the lead in establishing the community’s vision to enable innovation for U.S research and education facilities by combining Internet2’s Advanced Network Services Portfolio, NET+ service capabilities, and the InCommon federated identity capabilities by integrating them through an intentional end-to-end
architecture at the national, regional, and campus level. This Innovation Platform Initiative will result in the development of a layer 2 service, increase support for software defined networks, provide a robust environment for cloud services, and ensure Internet2’s position at the forefront of advanced networks.

Prior to joining Internet2, Lambert was the first Vice President for Information Services and Chief Information Officer at Georgetown University. He was recruited to Georgetown from Cornell University, where he served as Vice President for Information Technology from 1994 through 1997 and as Director of Network Services from 1989 through 1993. Prior to joining Cornell in 1989, Lambert held several technical and leadership positions at Indiana University, Bloomington. Mr. Lambert’s academic background includes a B.A. in Political Science from West Virginia University (1971) and doctoral studies in Political Science at Indiana University, Bloomington (1972-1976). He also holds the Professional Manager Certificate from Indiana University’s Graduate School of Business.

The Common Identity and Trust (CommIT) Collaborative, forged through a partnership between PESC’s Electronic Authentication/Electronic Authorization (EA2) Task Force and Internet2’s InCommon Federation, will also hold extensive meetings at the Spring 2012 Data Summit, including the Higher Education Group, the Business Group & the Technical Group; and a general session presented by CommIT leadership.

ABOUT INTERNET2
Internet2® is a member-owned advanced technology community founded by the nation’s leading higher education institutions in 1996. Internet2 provides a collaborative environment for U.S. research and education organizations to solve common technology challenges, and to develop innovative solutions in support of their educational, research, and community service missions. For more information, visit http://www.internet2.edu.

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