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ECSU Students took a trip to Regent University, VA to decide if Regent will be in their future. (Inger Parker, Sr., Jason Mitchell, Sr., Jonas Pope, Sr., Yvonne-Ribeiro-Yemofio, Jr., Jamal Williams, Jr., Mario Jackson, Jr.)

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ECSU students help beautify the campus during the second "Clean-up Day" on Saturday, April 6.

-photo by Rich Harvey

MAYNARD, Mass.—(BUSINESS WIRE via COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE) —With the tightening job market for graduating seniors, college students are facing a more difficult labor market than in years past. According to the most recent MonsterTRAK poll, 79 percent of the respondents said finding a job after graduation is their primary concern right now. These results confirm a growing sentiment of concern among students about their prospects for employment. MonsterTRAK is a product of Monster(R), the leading global online careers site and flagship brand of TMP Worldwide Inc. (NASDAQ: TMPW).

In an online poll conducted last week (March 18th-25th), MonsterTRAK asked,

"Which is your primary concern right now?"

A total of 1701 votes were cast, revealing:

— 79% (1339 votes) said: "Finding a job after graduation."

— 19% (319 votes) said: "Completing coursework and graduating on time."

— 2% (43 votes) said: "Finding a place to live after graduation."

"With the tightening job market, college students are becoming increasingly worried about finding post-graduation employment, according to this recent poll," said Ken Ramberg, senior vice president of MonsterTRAK. "However, the market has been a boom to small and mid-sized employers who, for the first time in many years, are able to attract some of the best and brightest college talent."

With the tougher job market and the increasing concern, many students are immersed in their job search process to get a step up on their peers. An important component of that search for college students across the country is MonsterTRAK,

the definitive career resource for college students and alumni, which today announced that it has surpassed over one million college students that have registered on the website as part of their career management strategy. The college-focused offering also earned top honors as the most visited student-related website, according to market research firm Student Monitor(R).

According to the Student Monitor study, 18 percent of the nation's college students visited MonsterTRAK during the Fall 2001 semester, more than any other college student-related website. Based on the national survey of 1,200 four-year, full-time undergraduate students, Student Monitor also reported that MonsterTRAK was the only career site ranked among the top 15 most visited college-student related websites.

"Given the current economy, it is no surprise why MonsterTRAK is a popular destination among college students," said Eric Weil, Student Monitor's managing partner. "As a result of the tight job market, students are concerned more than ever about finding internships or full-time jobs after graduation. They know they must be proactive to find the best career opportunities."

Extending its offerings to the college market, MonsterTRAK also announced recruiting partnerships with the Alpha Tau Omega (ATO), Beta Theta Pi, and Alpha Kappa Psi fraternities. The co-branded sites enable alumni to exclusively post career opportunities and search resumes within these organizations. Fraternity members can also post resumes to the fraternity-specific and MonsterTRAK national resume databases and search targeted job opportunities.

Since its inception in 1988, more than 500,000 employers have utilized MonsterTRAK to post full-time, part-time and internship opportunities. MonsterTRAK partners with over 1,350 college and university career centers, MBA programs, alumni associations and student groups, providing more entry-level jobs than any other career management entity — on- or offline.

The results of the current MonsterTRAK poll are based on votes cast by MonsterTRAK users from March

18 to March 25, 2002. Only one vote per user is counted toward the final tabulation. Anyone interested in voting in MonsterTRAK's current online poll may do so by logging onto MonsterTRAK at www.monstertrak.com. Users may review the results of past polls by going to <http://content.monstertrak.monster.com/polls>.

About Monster

Monster, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading global careers website, recording over 38.8 million unique visits during the month of February 2002 according to independent research conducted by I/PRO. Monster connects the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals, offering innovative technology and superior services that give them more control over the recruiting process. The Monster global network consists of local content and language sites in the United States, United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, New Zealand, Singapore, Hong Kong, France, Scotland, Germany, Ireland, Spain, Luxembourg, India, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Switzerland, and Finland. Monster is the official online career management services sponsor of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and 2002 and 2004 U.S. Olympic Teams. More information about Monster is available at www.monster.com or by calling 1-800-MONSTER.

About TMP Worldwide

Founded in 1967, TMP Worldwide Inc., with more than 11,000 employees in 32 countries, is the online recruitment leader, the world's largest Recruitment Advertising agency network, and one of the world's largest Executive Search and Executive Selection agencies. TMP Worldwide, headquartered in New York, is also the world's largest Yellow Pages advertising agency and a provider of direct marketing services. The company's clients include more than 90 of the Fortune 100 and more than 480 of the Fortune 500 companies. In June 2001, TMP Worldwide was added to the

S & P 500 Index. More information about TMP Worldwide is available at www.tmp.com.

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Source: Monster

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Class of 2002
at Commencement
on Saturday,
May 11, 2002
at
the Roebuck Stadium.
Share their joy!!!**