



SEGURO SURGICAL™ ... A TEDCO RECORD BREAKER

November 16, 2010: Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO) today announced that one of its portfolio companies, **Seguro Surgical™**, Inc., has taken its medical device to commercialization in record time. Seguro achieved this milestone within four months of receiving a Maryland Technology Transfer and Commercialization Fund ("MTTCF") grant. The previous record was eight months. Seguro licensed its Lap Pak abdominal packing platform technology from the Johns Hopkins University in September 2009 and registered the device with the FDA on September 3, 2010. The technology was commercially launched at the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting in Washington DC in early October 2010.

TEDCO is proud to note that prior to this licensing, the technology was supported by its University Technology Development Fund (UTDF).

Lap Pak is a silicone device designed to replace the cotton towels currently used to pack and secure the bowels during major open abdominal surgeries. Lap Pak's one-piece structure will allow surgeons to quickly pack the bowels securely and expose the surgical site during the entire operation thus saving expensive operating room time and improving patient safety.

Seguro estimates that the Lap Pak market is approximately \$500 million in the US. The Company is currently in the process of extending its platform by further developing Lap Pak to reduce post-operative adhesions, a condition that occurs following up to 30% of abdominal surgeries at an annual cost to the US healthcare system of over \$15 billion, and for use in minimally invasive (laparoscopic) surgeries.

Dr. Steve Kubisen, CEO and co-founder of Seguro commented, "Seguro was able to accomplish this milestone by assembling a management team of medical device entrepreneurs and experienced operating executives with a keen focus on strategy and execution. We are delighted to have completed the FDA registration and look forward to launching the product. We believe that the cost reduction potential and safety profile of this product will drive its rapid adoption within the surgical community. We would like to thank TEDCO for their support. TEDCO recognized the value of our technology and team and provided early key support that allowed us to progress rapidly. The business acumen of the TEDCO team made the funding process straightforward and timely."

Seguro is a medical device company that in-licenses and develops early stage medical device technologies that meet our mission of reducing health care costs, while improving patient safety.

For more information see the company's website at www.segurosurgical.com.