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Rick Ritter is Interim President/CEO and Vice President of Business Development for Idaho TechConnect, Inc. (ITC). ITC is a newly formed private non-profit that focuses solely on technology, its development, transfer, commercialization and impact on the state's economy. Idaho TechConnect, as the name implies, helps "connect" people, facilities, programs and other resources to assist new and emerging technology businesses.

Prior to joining ITC, Mr. Ritter served as the Director of Technology Outreach for the Technology and Entrepreneurial Center (TECenter) at the Boise State University West Campus and as Technology Specialist for the Idaho Small Business Development Center (ISBDC). A major part of this effort is connecting companies to research and development resources like the Small Business Innovation Research program. There are more than fifty such programs that can be used to develop new products and services.

Mr. Ritter is past Coordinator of Graduate Studies and Research for the College of Engineering at Boise State University. Rick's duties included the start-up of the Graduate Engineering program and the growth of research funding. Before returning to Boise State University Rick was also the Director of the Idaho Innovation Center (IIC) in Idaho Falls for six years. The IIC is Idaho's oldest (1986 & 1996) and largest (80,000 sq. ft.) small business incubator.

Other experience includes the start-up of four businesses (leasing, land development and real estate, construction, business solutions), 10 years with the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, a year as a junior high school teacher and coach and a year with the Idaho Department of Labor.

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