



**University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Nebraska Innovation Campus**

**Annual Master and Business Plan Updates
as required by LB 1116**

(Date of Introduction: January 23, 2008, One Hundredth Legislature of Nebraska)

December 2015 Update

Governance and Operations:

- July 1, 2015
 - James Linder, Interim President NU System left the NICDC Board of Directors.
 - Hank Bounds, President of the NU System appointed to the NICDC Board of Directors
 - Larry Miller, President of Phibro Animal Health Corporation appointed to the NICDC Board of Directors.
 - Dana Bradford, Executive Chairman Waitt Brands reappointed to the NICDC Board of Directors
 - Tom Henning, Chairman, President and CEO Assurity Life Insurance Company reappointed to the NICDC Board of Directors.
- October 5, 2015
 - Jennifer Lottman hired to serve as the NIC Administrative Technician bring the total number of NIC employees to four.

Development Progress:

- April 2015
 - Greenhouse Innovation Center Occupancy granted by the City
- May 2015
 - LemnaTec Large GH High Throughput Plant Phenotyping System is installed and testing begins on Phase I of deployment
- July 2015
 - Food Innovation Center Occupancy granted by the City of Lincoln
 - UNL Food Science and Technology Department, Food Processing Center and Food Allergy Research and Resource Programs start moving into to the Food Innovation Center.
 - UNL and ConAgra begin installing equipment in the Food Processing Pilot Plants
- September 2015



- Spreetail announced plans to move into Innovation Commons with construction to start in December of 2015
- Tetrad Property Group and NICDC announce that SDL III design will begin in 2015 with construction to start in 2016. SDL III will be an 80,000 sq. ft. building north of the Greenhouse Innovation Center.

A Partnership between NIC, UNL, Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Invest Nebraska, Bio Nebraska and the US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration is announced. This partnership called the Biotech Connector will allow for the construction of 10,000 sq. ft. of wet lab space for small and startup companies. The partnership will also work to develop a range of educational outreach partnerships and programs and provide mentoring in innovation and entrepreneurship. October 2015

- NIC Grand Opening Celebrated on October 9
- Alliance for Advanced Food Sanitation formally announced. This consortium of partners bring together ConAgra, Cargill, Nestle, Hersey's, Neogen, EcoLab, Kellogg, Commercial Food Sanitation and UNL to work on food sanitation issues important to all. More efficient and effective sanitation will result in a reduction in the quantities of chemicals used in sanitation, savings in time, and operational costs resulting in more affordable foods at the consumer level, and consistently safer food products.
- November 2015
 - Hastings HVAC, Quantified Ag, FDMR (Suji's Cuisine) and Intellifarm, Nutek Food Science, and Metagenome Analytics all move into the Food Innovation Center
- December 2015
 - ENHANCE Health System moves into Innovation Commons

NIC Facts:

Constructed Space – 380,000 sq. ft.
Leased Space - 345,000 sq. ft.
% of Space Leased - 91%

At full buildout approximately 5,000 people will be working in approximately 2.2 million sq. ft. of space on NIC. Full buildout is projected to occur in 2037.



LR 200:

NIC was the focus of LR 200 during the summer and fall of 2015. Background information for LR 200 was submitted by the University of Nebraska to the Legislature in September of 2015 and is available through the Appropriations Committee. Hearings were conducted on October 9 and November 4 of 2015 to publically discuss the contents of this report.