## **Executive Summary:**

The New Mexico Junior College is a state support institution of higher education non-profit corporation whose mission is to foster, encourage, and promote college education (academic, technical, and career technology). New Mexico Junior College seeks additional funding to provide qualified persons the opportunity to obtain advanced education and training in the nuclear energy field.

New Mexico Junior College in Lea County New Mexico received a grant from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 2007. The primary purpose of the grant was to establish a Nuclear Technician Training Program. With the implementation of the program and the development of partnerships with both secondary and four-year institutions, a need for scholarship funding has developed.

New Mexico Junior College is requesting \$130,000 over a one-year period for scholarships in nuclear safety, radiological control, and nuclear technology. NMJC will use these scholarships to support students entering the nuclear field or obtaining certifications necessary for work in the nuclear industry. Typical scholarship recipient will be a full or part student who cannot access industry or dual credit funds for tuition and fees.

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