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Center for Innovation receives first research grant for energy from Georgia's Center of Innovation

The Center for Innovation received its first research grant from Georgia's Center of Innovation (COI) for Energy. COI grants are provided to assist new or existing industries to overcome technical challenges and achieve results in job growth and economic prosperity.

Georgia Southern Working with Statesboro Startup

Faculty from the Department of Chemistry are working in collaboration with Efficien, LLC, a startup company based in Statesboro, to optimize processes and products in a technology that converts reclaimed waste rubber into high performance specialty chemicals. Not only does the technology result in value added products, but it provides reduced impact on waste management systems.

Efficien has invested significant capital in its pilot scale facilities and is a co-funder of the research. Efficien is currently projecting a commercial launch in 2016, bringing additional jobs and capital investment to coastal Georgia.

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