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INGRAIN ADDS DR. AVRAMI GRADER AS CHIEF SCIENTIST

--Industry expert will drive continued innovation in rock property measurements--

Houston, TX – Rock physics company, Ingrain, has added scientist Dr. Avrami Grader to its executive management team, effective immediately. Selected to serve as Ingrain’s chief scientist, Dr. Grader will lead the firm in developing advanced methods for the computation of rock properties and multi-phase flow through reservoir rocks.

Houston-based Ingrain is dramatically improving the technology of fluid flow measurement in oil and gas reservoir rocks, allowing E&P operators to better understand their assets and make smarter, more informed field management decisions. The company’s digital process uses near real-time patented numerical methods to measure both common and highly complex reservoir rock properties, enabling operators to reduce downtime and improve efficiency. Ingrain’s process provides more accurate measurements than methods used by traditional labs.

“Dr. Grader brings extensive expertise in determining the multi-phase fluid flow in rocks, which is the very foundation of Ingrain’s technology,” said CEO Henrique Tono. “His impressive record in CT imaging and understanding of methods for computing rock properties and multiphase flow will allow us to significantly strengthen our offerings,” he said.

Dr. Grader joins Ingrain following 21 years as a professor in Penn State University’s Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering, where he founded and directed the Center for Quantitative Imaging. He focused his research on identifying digital processes to effectively measure the flow of oil and water within the pore spaces of rocks. During his research, he pioneered the mathematical extension of the Buckley and Leverett theory, a computational method for determining the dynamics of fluid flow.

Dr. Grader earned MSc and PhD degrees in petroleum engineering from Stanford University, and is a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers’, the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers (AIME).

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Ingrain was formed in 2007 to bring the petrophysical innovations of founders Dr. Amos Nur and Dr. Henrique Tono to the E&P marketplace. Ingrain uses a patented numerical method to compute physical properties of reservoir rocks from core samples and drill cutting fragments. The company’s advances in 3D imaging technology provide oil field operators with comprehensive and accurate measurements of reservoir rock properties including permeability, multi-phase flow, elasticity and conductivity in near real-time. Ingrain’s financial backers include Energy Ventures, a leading venture capital firm specializing in upstream technology. Ingrain currently operates from its international headquarters in Houston, Texas. For more information about Ingrain, please visit www.ingrainrocks.com.