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HEALTH-CHEM DIAGNOSTICS RECEIVES SITE PLAN APPROVAL IN A RECORD 59 DAYS

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (APRIL 23, 2010) – Health-Chem Diagnostics (HCD) obtained site plan approval for their 200,000 square foot research and manufacturing facility utilizing St. Lucie County's Economic Development Expedited Review Process. The company submitted their site plan on February 26, 2010 and received approval by the Board of County Commissioners on April 13, 2010. The county's review process can take between 3 and 5 months; however, with close cooperation between company officials, Stiles Architectural Group, and county planners, the review process was managed expeditiously and efficiently, enabling the company to fast track development of their facility.

The fully air-conditioned facility will be located at the Airport West Commerce Park and will provide 160 high-wage jobs. HCD will manufacture the patented transdermal (TD) Glucose skin patch for use in the TD Glucose Monitoring System. This system provides diabetics with a non-invasive, painless, bloodless, easy to use and rapid method to monitor their glucose levels. The TD Glucose System combines proprietary and patented trans-dermal technology with HCD membrane-based diagnostic technology. The retail price of the TD Glucose Monitoring System is expected to be competitive with currently available finger-stick blood glucose monitoring systems and will be available for sale first in the European Union in early 2011.

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About HealthChem Diagnostics Holdings, LLC:

HEALTH-CHEM DIAGNOSTICS (HCD) manufactures point-of-care medical diagnostic products for use at home, in physician offices, and other healthcare locations and markets them worldwide through multiple distribution channels under its own HealthCheck brand as well as OEM (original equipment manufacturer) and private label programs.

Some of HCD's diagnostic line of products on the market and in development include its HealthCheck brand of at home testing and screening products, noninvasive TD Glucose™ Monitoring System for diabetics to monitor glucose levels, HealthChem Diagnostics Total and HDL Cholesterol Home Screening Tests, professional use TriMeter™ system for analytical monitoring of Total and HDL Cholesterol and blood glucose from a finger-stick, Drugs of Abuse screening tests available in HCD's branded ScanGuard™ and private label One-Step slide, strip or multi-test cassette formats, Over-the Counter and professional pregnancy and fertility family planning products in multiple formats – including HCD's accurate and easy to use One Step-One Minute Pregnancy Test™ 2 One Minute Dipstream™ Wand and soon to be approved in Europe the Sanisal Saliva HIV Test that requires no blood for rapid HIV testing in 10 minutes.

Many of HealthChem's diagnostic products incorporate its patented and proprietary membrane-based technology platform. HCD presently holds 7 U.S. patents with foreign equivalence, and has 2 U.S and 12 foreign patent applications pending.

About the EDC of St. Lucie County, Inc.:

The Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County, Inc. is a 501c(6) not-for-profit, membership organization whose mission is to encourage a competitive environment that nurtures clusters of industries employing state-of-the-art technologies, a skilled workforce, and that stimulate economic growth through expansion of the private sector within St. Lucie County and the Research Coast.