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ABEC, Inc Acquires 3S Stainless to Expand Downstream Separation Capabilities

Bethlehem, PA.--ABEC, Inc. today announced that it has completed the acquisition of 3S Stainless, of Uxbridge, MA; a leading supplier of custom, high quality separation systems for downstream processing of biopharmaceuticals. The acquisition expands ABEC's portfolio of products offering to customers for an integrated bioprocess solution.

"This acquisition, combined with our strong production technology and global distribution infrastructure, will enable us to bring bioprocess equipment manufacturing to a new level of efficiency and help drive down the overall cost and start up times associated with new manufacturing facilities," said Scott Pickering, President and CEO of ABEC. "3S' experience and capabilities are critical to our roadmap since it complements our approach to turn key integrated bioprocess systems and will enable customers to streamline the equipment design process and reduce costs."

Peter Silverberg, President of 3S Stainless commented, "We are excited to be part of ABEC. Our products and core values are aligned with those at ABEC and we consider this a great opportunity to bring high value bioprocess solutions to our customers with unparalleled levels of customer support. Together, we will help customers meet their project deliverables by managing cost, and delivering on-time high value bioprocess solutions."

About ABEC

ABEC (www.abec.com) is a privately held systems engineering and equipment company servicing major biopharmaceutical companies for more than 30 years. Recognized as a global leader in the design and supply of bioreactors, ABEC is always expanding its product portfolio in an effort to deliver more cost effective production solutions. ABEC is headquartered in Bethlehem, PA with manufacturing in both Bethlehem and Springfield, MO.

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