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Legislators Moroney and Jackson Welcome Pfizer, Inc. to Rockland County

Drug Giant Pfizer, Inc. Has Agreement to Acquire Wyeth Pharmaceuticals

New City, NY (February 5, 2009) – Rockland County Legislators Patrick Moroney and Robert D. Jackson have written to the CEO of Pfizer, Inc. to welcome the pharmaceutical giant to Rockland County and to offer assistance during the period of transition. Pfizer has entered into an agreement to purchase Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Rockland County’s largest private-sector employer, located in Pearl River. The purchase is expected to finalize in the latter part of 2009.

In their letter addressed to Pfizer CEO Jeffrey B. Kindler, Legislators Moroney and Jackson, who represent the area in which the complex is located, praised the mutually beneficial relationship that has existed during the 100 years that the facility has operated in Pearl River. A workforce of 3100 is presently employed at the Wyeth campus.

“This remains an idyllic location with a skilled and dedicated workforce in place,” said Legislator Jackson. “It is central to major highways, airports, residential and retail opportunities. A part of Rockland’s growth over the past fifty years can be attributed, in part, to the employment opportunities; generations of Rocklanders have been employed at the facility or remained here to raise families, open businesses and to encourage the quality of our schools, neighborhoods and municipal programs and services.”

Legislator Moroney said, “We will extend the same respect and gratitude to Pfizer and plan to work with them as they transition their operation to Rockland County. This location is the heart of the manufacture of an important infant vaccine and a bone marrow cancer treatment drug that have major impact on health and longevity.” Moroney added, “I believe this facility is important to the continued success of Pfizer’s emergence as the world’s leading drug manufacturer.”

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