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**Construction Milestones at West's Waterford, Ireland Manufacturing Facility
*Company Provides Archeology Update***

Waterford, Ireland — August 12, 2015 – [West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc.](#) (NYSE: WST), a global leader in innovative packaging components and drug delivery systems, reports progress with the construction of the company's new pharmaceutical component manufacturing facility in Waterford, Ireland.

The 95,000 square foot (approximately 8,800 square meters) facility will be situated at a 44-acre strategic industrial site at Knockhouse on Old Kilmeaden Road in Waterford. Civil works on the site commenced in mid-July. Since then, the site development has commenced and the foundation has been completed for the new production and administration buildings.

At the same time, and in accordance with the approved plans for the site, an archeological excavation is being carried out on behalf of West in partnership with Waterford City & County Council on a separate part of the site, which is not a part of the first phase of construction. The excavation is being carried out by a team of professional archeologists under a license provided by the National Monuments Service, whose representatives have visited the site twice during the course of the excavation to monitor progress. The Service recommended to West that best practice is to dig, record and preserve any artefacts.

The excavation is expected to be complete by the end of August. At that time, there will be a process of post-excavation analysis and research carried out by the archaeologists that will enable them to compile a final report on the excavations, which will be shared with the public. West is happy to know that the archaeological work currently underway will contribute to the public's knowledge and appreciation of Waterford's archaeological heritage.

The new West facility will produce packaging components for insulin injector cartridges and other high-value packaging components, in order to meet growing demand from pharmaceutical and biotech customers. Once operational in 2018, this new site is expected to bring approximately 150 new jobs to Waterford and is intended to grow to support as many as 250-300 additional jobs through future expansions.

About West

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