



## ABEC Begins Operations at European Centre of Excellence

**Bethlehem, PA USA and Fermoy, Co. Cork, Ireland – October 8, 2015**

ABEC today announced the opening of its new facility in Fermoy, Co. Cork, Ireland. ABEC acquired the 8,000m<sup>2</sup> facility earlier this year and has completed refurbishment works and started operations. ABEC is now producing engineered process equipment for biopharmaceutical manufacturing at the site, as well as delivering direct services and support to customers in Ireland and Europe.

ABEC currently has over 50 employees at the site and continues recruitment for a range of engineering, design, manufacturing and customer support personnel. ABEC also recently completed the previously announced acquisition of Kell Stainless Ltd. in Kells, Co. Meath, bringing the total number of employees in Ireland to well over 100.

Commenting on today's announcement ABEC's CEO Scott Pickering said: *"We are pleased to be directly serving customers from our facilities in Ireland, and would like to thank the IDA, our contractors, Co. Cork, and the people of Fermoy for their support in reaching this milestone."*



*Minister Sean Sherlock cuts the Grand Opening ribbon along side ABEC CEO and President, Scott Pickering, and Cllr. Kevin O'Keefe*

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## About ABEC

Since 1974, ABEC has been a leader in delivering integrated process solutions for manufacturing in the biopharmaceutical industry. Many of today's leading antibody, vaccine, and recombinant protein therapies are manufactured by processes and equipment engineered, manufactured, installed and serviced by ABEC, and a majority of the world's pharmaceutical and biotech companies are ABEC customers. ABEC's unique value is based on long experience, complete in-house capabilities, a custom, flexible approach, and long-term credibility. Whether building new capacity or improving existing facilities, ABEC's turn-key solutions reduce overall cost and time to market while delivering maximum productivity.