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### **BIOTICS RESEARCH CORP. ANNOUNCES EXPANSION IN ROSENBERG**

ROSENBERG, TEXAS (August 4, 2009) - The City of Rosenberg and the Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council (GFBEDC) announced today a 35,000 sf expansion of Biotics Research Corporation's Rosenberg facility. The \$2 million expansion project will create an estimated twenty-five (25) new jobs when complete, and will expand the company's existing manufacturing and warehouse operations. The City of Rosenberg and Fort Bend County Commissioners' Court approved tax abatements for the project.

Denis DeLuca, President of Biotics Research Corporation stated that "Biotics has been a leading manufacturer of vitamins and dietary supplements with a global market for its products for over thirty years. Going forward with this expansion, with the help of the incentives from the city and county, we are very confident our market share will continue to increase." Biotics' current facility in Rosenberg is 42,000 sf and employs approximately 100 people.

"It's a credit to Biotics that its business is still prospering in these uncertain times," said City of Rosenberg Mayor Joe Gurecky "It's important that we continue to work with

businesses to help them expand and create new jobs, especially under the current economic conditions.”

“Rosenberg represents a fresh new wave of business expansion and relocation potential for Fort Bend County,” remarked Barkley Peschel, Vice President Development & Operations of the GFBEDC. “Although Rosenberg is a well established commercial center in Fort Bend, the continued growth of the area and of Greater Houston is creating many new business opportunities on the forward edge of that growth, and Rosenberg is that forward edge in the southwestern sector of the region.”

The Rosenberg Development Corporation also approved an agreement with Biotics and the City to supplement the reconstruction of Spacek Road with up to \$300,000 in drainage improvements in order to make the land developable for the expansion. Biotics shared responsibility for a portion of the cost and committed to retain the jobs at the site for a ten year period.

The City of Rosenberg and Fort Bend County recruited Biotics to its current location in 1998, with the company receiving tax abatements on its original facility from both entities. That project added more than \$9 million to the tax rolls and created over one hundred jobs.

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