



Charles River Laboratories Completes the Acquisition of Celsis International Ltd.

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WILMINGTON, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 24, 2015-- Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (NYSE: CRL) announced today that it has completed the previously announced acquisition of Celsis International Ltd. for \$212 million in cash, subject to certain post-closing working capital adjustments. The acquisition complements Charles River Endotoxin and Microbial Detection's (EMD) position as a leading provider of rapid endotoxin testing and bacterial identification for biopharmaceutical manufacturing, and creates the most comprehensive solution for rapid quality control testing of biopharmaceutical and consumer products.

Celsis is a leading provider of rapid bacterial detection systems for quality control testing in the biopharmaceutical and consumer products industries. Celsis's systems are principally used for product-release testing to help ensure the safe manufacture of drugs and consumer products. The addition of Celsis, with its Advance II™, Accel™, and Innovate™ systems for non-sterile applications, complements EMD's recently introduced PTS-Micro™, rapid bacterial (bioburden) detection system for sterile biopharmaceutical applications. The comprehensive EMD and Celsis portfolio is expected to drive increased adoption of EMD's quality control testing solutions across both sterile and non-sterile applications, as clients seek a single provider for their rapid product-release testing needs.

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This news release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "will," "may," "estimate," "plan," "outlook," and "project" and other similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. Forward-looking statements include statements in this press release regarding the acquisition of Celsis International Ltd. (Celsis) and Charles River's expectations with respect to the impact of Celsis on the Company and its product and service offerings; Charles River's projected future performance; as well as Charles River's future growth in the area of endotoxin and microbial detection products and services. Forward-looking statements are based on Charles River's current expectations and beliefs, and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict and that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated or implied by the forward-looking statements. A further description of these risks, uncertainties, and other matters can be found in the Risk Factors detailed in Charles River's Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed on February 17, 2015, as well as other filings we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Because forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, actual results and events may differ materially from results and events currently expected by Charles River, and Charles River assumes no obligation and expressly disclaims any duty to update information contained in this news release except as required by law.

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