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Governor's Office of Economic Development Approves Business Development Incentives *Thermo Fisher Scientific has roots in Utah State University research*

Salt Lake City – The Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) Board met today and approved a post performance Economic Development Tax Increment Financing (EDTIF) incentive for Thermo Fisher Scientific. The company will be making a \$21 million capital investment in Logan Utah and is expected to generate over \$9 million in new state tax revenue over the next ten years. They will also be hiring 196 new fulltime staff in Logan during the same period. New state wages are expected to exceed \$68 million over ten years. The jobs will exceed 145% of the Cache County Median Wage and will include full benefits. During the next ten years the state will rebate a portion of the new taxes paid, up to a maximum of \$2.735 million, not exceeding 30% of new state tax revenue during the life of the deal.

Fisher Scientific acquired HyClone, a Utah State University spin-off in 2003 and in November 2006 merged with Thermo Scientific to form Thermo Fisher Scientific. Thermo Fisher Scientific is a publicly traded world leader serving the scientific, pharmaceutical and biotech, clinical diagnostic and research industries. They provide high-end analytical instruments, laboratory equipment, chemicals, supplies and services used in scientific research, safety and healthcare. The company employs 30,000 people worldwide.

The Bioprocess Production unit, the former HyClone, in Logan employs 400 people and manufactures sera, media, reagents and single-use sterile bioprocess container products for use by the biopharmaceutical industry in research and the manufacture of human and animal drugs and vaccines. Thermo Fisher Scientific's Logan facility is part of the State's Life Science cluster and will contribute to the strong and growing group of Life Science companies in the State.

The Board also made an adjustment to a previously approved incentive for the Barnes Aerospace Division of the Barnes Group, Inc. As a result of business decisions by the company a reduction in the original incentive was appropriate. The company will be creating fewer new jobs than was originally

planned, however the new project will still be creating 474 new full-time employees in Weber County and retaining 145 existing jobs in their Ogden facility. The new post performance EDTIF incentive will be a maximum of 20% of new state tax revenue up to a maximum of \$2,000,000 over the next fifteen years. The company expects to spend \$11.8 million in new capital investment and will be paying in excess of \$68 million in new state wage during the same period. Wages will exceed 143% of the Weber County median wage and will include benefits.

In other business the GOED Board approved an incentive of up to \$150,000 for two films. The incentives will not exceed 15% of dollars spent in the State. The first is an independent movie, "Cusp", is reminiscent of the popular CSI story type and the second will feature a popular Japanese female band, "the Oreska Band." A third film will be a "70's setting" about teenagers who get through life as delinquents and then upon the death of one of the group reflect on the mistakes of the past. Its incentive will not exceed \$253,833 or 15% of the dollars spent in the state. All of the movies expect to be filmed before Christmas this year.

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