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# Astro Pak Corporation Invests in Titusville, FL for Expansion

The company's presence in North Brevard promises new growth for the region

Space Coast, FL (August 17, 2017) – The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) is pleased to announce that Astro Pak Corporation has selected Titusville, Florida as the new location for the company's expanding field operations. Based in California, Astro Pak Corporation is the North American leader in precision cleaning, passivation, and related specialties. The company will focus on providing the highest level of technical services to a variety of sectors including aerospace, biotechnology and pharmaceutical, food and beverage, as well as others that produce industrial and high purity products.

Astro Pak Corporation has acquired, and plans to refurbish, a 44,000 square-foot industrial building on Grissom Parkway in Titusville, following the company's tradition of continuous investment in its facilities nationwide. This refurbishment will insure that operations will offer the most modern, advanced, and world class resources to the industries served, and will include the creation of its Space Coast cleanroom.

Along with Astro Pak Corporation's investment in the Titusville facility, the company is also investing in the Space Coast's existing industry with its purchase of the assets of Chemko Technical Services. Astro Pak plans to retain jobs from the existing Chemko operation, and create an additional 17 new positions, as it moves to broaden the field of services offered.

"Thanks to the work of the EDC, the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ), and the City of Titusville, we will again see an exciting addition to the North Brevard business climate," stated Lynda Weatherman, president and CEO of the EDC. "With its expanded field operations, Astro Pak will not only retain existing jobs, but create additional employment opportunities, further strengthening the Space Coast's high-tech industry base."

"The NBEDZ is pleased to induce Astro Pak's decision to acquire the building on Grissom Parkway, not only because of the new employment the project will generate, but also because of the new market directions the company plans to pursue, which should increase the area's economic diversification," said Troy Post, Executive Director of the NBEDZ.

"Over the years Chemko has established a solid business with great employees and loyal customers," noted Ken Verheyen, CEO of Astro Pak. "Astro Pak is excited to help expand upon the existing legacy by building these new large, ultra-modern class 6 and class 7 cleanrooms. It will be exciting to support the Space Coast with a state-of-the-art facility for cleaning space and ground support hardware, as well as create a location from which we can deploy regionally to perform on-site cleaning at our customer's facilities throughout the southeastern US."

For more information, visit www.AstroPak.com

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The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) is dedicated to attracting new business and investment and expanding existing industry throughout the Space Coast, influencing change on government laws and regulations affecting economic development, promoting the Space Coast to encourage new investment, supporting efforts of Space Coast military installations, and relaying new programs and procedures to assist manufacturing and high-tech companies. The EDC is a private, not-for-profit coalition whose stakeholders are business leaders committed to the economic growth and stability of Florida's Space Coast. Visit <a href="https://www.SpaceCoastEDC.org">www.SpaceCoastEDC.org</a>.

#### **About Astro Pak**

Astro Pak has been the leading provider of precision cleaning and <u>passivation</u> services in North America since 1959. Astro Pak continues to improve its technologies and precision cleaning for the Medical Device, Semiconductor, Biopharm and a myriad of other markets, while maintaining our leader position in contract cleaning for the Aerospace and Defense industries. Astro Pak is privately corporation. For more information, please visit www.astropak.com.