



## NEWS RELEASE

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### GLAXOSMITHKLINE TO EXPAND TO NEW SITE IN SOUTHCHASE

**(GREENVILLE COUNTY, SC)** The Greenville Area Development Corporation announced today that GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare will expand its distribution facility to a new 20+ acre site in the Southchase Industrial Park in Fountain Inn. Currently located in an existing building on Harrison Bridge Road in Simpsonville, the company will lease the new facility from Liberty Property Trust, a real estate company. The new facility will have 260,000 square feet of space and employ 50 associates.

GSK Consumer Healthcare's new distribution facility will supply the company's full portfolio of products to the southeast region. Expanding for additional capacity as well as to meet new climate-control requirements, the project was competitive with existing operations in Memphis, Tennessee. Harper Construction will be the general contractor for the new building.

"GSK Consumer Healthcare has been in the Greenville area since 1988 and this new facility demonstrates our renewed commitment to this area. The Greenville Area Development Corporation has been instrumental in our search for a suitable facility, and we are thrilled to be moving to this wonderful new area and new distribution center," said Joyce Ables, GlaxoSmithKline's Regional Distribution Manager.

"Encouraging this kind of capital investment is central to our mission of creating more fertile economic soil conditions here in South Carolina," said Governor Mark Sanford. "Glaxo is a major player in the pharmaceutical industry and we're very pleased to have them expanding in the Upstate."

"Glaxo is a world class company," said Secretary of Commerce Bob Faith. "They are exactly the kind of company we need to do more here in South Carolina to attract and grow as we renew our state's focus on economic development. I'm excited about this expansion and look forward to working with companies like Glaxo to maximize the impact they can have on South Carolina's overall business climate."

"Facing a heightened level of competitiveness for new investment, we are especially pleased that GlaxoSmithKline chose to grow their Greenville location," said Phyllis Henderson, Chairwoman of County Council, "we hope this is the beginning of what will be a great year for Greenville County."

"GlaxoSmithKline has been one of our county's quiet successes," said Bill Workman, chairman of the board of the GADC, "we are pleased to see this major pharmaceutical company expand to one of our prominent locations. Their visible presence will say much about our area to future prospects."

GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare is the world's second largest over-the-counter healthcare products company and also ranks second globally in sales of oral care products. Its more than 40 well-known products include such medicine cabinet staples as Abreva®, Aquafresh® toothpastes and toothbrushes, Nicorette®, NicoDerm® CQ, Oxy®, Sensodyne® and Tums®. GlaxoSmithKline – one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies – is committed to improving the quality of human life by enabling people to do more, feel better and live longer.

For more information on Glaxo Smith Kline, please see [www.gsk.com](http://www.gsk.com).

*The Greenville Area Development Corporation is a non-profit organization established by Greenville County Council to promote and enhance the economic growth and development of Greenville County.*