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## IPS APPOINTS MANUFACTURING/OPERATIONS VETERAN AS DIRECTOR OF COMPLIANCE, LATIN AMERICAS

-Alexandre José Jorge DeSeabra Offers Depth of International Compliance, Quality and Biomanufacturing Technical Expertise to Clients in Latin America -

Lafayette Hill, PA; April 9, 2013 – IPS-Integrated Project Services, Inc. (IPS), a leading, fullservice engineering firm dedicated to helping clients succeed with capital projects and improve operations, today announced the appointment of Alexandre José Jorge DeSeabra as Director of Compliance, Latin Americas.

"We are pleased to welcome Alex to IPS," said Dave Goswami, PE, Chief Executive Office and Chairman, IPS. "He brings a broad range of global biopharmaceutical experience, including cuttingedge technical expertise and extensive international compliance knowledge to help our multinational clients maximize their growth potential. With our growing international business and our new focus on Latin Americas, Alex fulfills a key role in our growth. With the addition of Alex, IPS is well-positioned to achieve our clients' strategic goals and business objectives in Brazil and other countries within Latin America."

Mr. DeSeabra possesses more than twenty years of leadership and senior-level management experience in operations, quality assurance, quality control and compliance of state-of-the-art global biomanufacturing facilities. His experience includes the start-up of three manufacturing companies, nine internationally compliant biologics manufacturing facilities and the successful manufacture of fourteen licensed therapeutics based upon microbial, mammalian and autologous cell lines. Mr. DeSeabra has provided the development and implementation of short- and long-term international commissioning and qualification programs; performing audits and design review, process and equipment validation, change control procedures, risk analysis, production failure analysis and remediation and in-depth drafting, reviewing and approval of quality and regulatory documentation.

With a passion for quality, Mr. DeSeabra has also established manufacturing, quality and compliance programs and enhanced business operations with such companies as Tunnell Consulting, Inc. and Kyamanox, Inc. He was recruited by TiGenix, Inc. to establish manufacturing and quality operations for an autologous cell therapy-based product. Prior to that, he led development, documentation and commercialization efforts for OxThera, Inc. Mr. DeSeabra founded and was president and chairman of BioFactura, Inc., a biopharmaceutical development, particularly in Brazil, he brokered an \$80 million biosimilars partnership between a Brazilian pharmaceutical company and a New York-based hedge fund, and led efforts to partner with a Brazilian pharmaceutical company to create Brazil's first contract manufacturing organization specializing in biosimilars. Mr. DeSeabra received his Bachelor's Degree in Biological Sciences from the University of Maryland, College Park and received his PMI-certification in Project Management from Villanova University.

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