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PHEBRA PHARMACEUTICALS WELCOMES NEW FEDERAL MINISTERS

Phebra, the Australian-based pharmaceutical company, has congratulated Tanya Plibersek on her appointment to the Cabinet as the new Federal Minister for Health and Greg Combet for his expanded role as Minister for Industry and Innovation.

Ms Plibersek, who was Humans Services Minister, takes over the crucial health portfolio from outgoing Minister Nicola Roxon, while Mr Combet adds Industry and Innovation to his Climate Change and Energy Efficiency portfolios.

“Phebra congratulates Minister Plibersek and Minister Combet on their respective appointments today,” Phebra Chief Executive, Dr Mal Eutick, said.

“As a locally-based pharmaceutical company which develops and manufactures critical medicines here in Australia, Phebra looks forward to working in collaboration with them in their key portfolio areas of Health, Industry and Innovation and also with Mark Butler, in his role as the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing and Social Inclusion.”

Dr Eutick also commended outgoing Health Minister Nicola Roxon and Innovation Minister Senator Kim Carr for their constructive work with the Australian pharmaceutical industry in such areas as PBS reforms, tax credits for research and development and support for local clinical trials.

Phebra develops manufactures and markets a range of critical medicines in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, Canada and parts of Europe, covering important disease areas such as cystic fibrosis, antidotes, diagnostics, oncology and pain.

The company has invested more than \$16 million into a new manufacturing plant in Sydney’s inner North West which will result in expanded research and development and production capacity and associated flow-on investments into the local pharmaceutical industry.

The new plant is expected to be completed by mid 2012.

At Phebra, we create critical medicines that save and improve lives.

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