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### Parata closes deal and stays in Durham

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DURHAM, NC – Parata Systems LLC has successfully closed its acquisition of McKesson Automated Prescription Systems, a former business unit of McKesson Corporation (NYSE: MCK).

As part of the announcement, Parata confirmed that it will expand its corporate headquarters in Durham where it was founded in 2001, rather than relocate to one of McKesson APS's locations in Alexandria, La., or Pittsburgh, Pa. A decision regarding the company's manufacturing location is yet to be determined.

Parata's acquisition will bring a projected 130 jobs over the next three years, part of a total \$15 million investment over five years for the corporate operation.

Key to Parata's decision were county and government incentives, including a \$100,000 One North Carolina Fund grant and a \$100,000 incentive from Durham County.

Further, Parata qualified for the North Carolina New and Expanding Industry Training Incentives, which promotes training to qualify North Carolina employees.

"Parata was founded in Durham, and we attribute the region's robust talent and technical resources as integral to our success," Jess Eberdt, CEO, Parata Systems, says. "The commitment of the Governor to retaining growth businesses like Parata certainly played a role in our decision to maintain our commitment here."

On June 21, Parata Systems was honored by the N.C. Center for Entrepreneurial Development as 2005 Growth Company of the Year.

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