

Kensington, MD-January 4, 2010 - Encon Group Inc has named David B. Johnson Vice President of it's Engineering firm based in Kensington, MD.

In his new position ,Mr. Johnson will be the senior executive with overall responsibility for the company's operations, including strategy development, business development, budgeting, profit and loss, quality, safety, client service and employee relations.

In 2004, David Johnson joined Encon as Director of Life Sciences, while at the same time continuing his role as Senior Mechanical Engineer. Mr. Johnson has over 18 years of cGMP manufacturing experience in engineering design , project management. David has been involved with all aspects of biopharmaceutical facilities, equipment, and infrastructure design, construction, validation, and plant manufacturing operations.

From 2000 to 2004, Mr. Johnson held the position of Director of Engineering for QIAGEN Inc., a biotech company known as the world's leading provider of DNA enabling technologies. From 1992 to 2000, he worked for the pharmaceutical company Chesapeake Biological Laboratories, Inc., as Director of Engineering and Manufacturing Operations.



Mr. Johnson's particular specialty within the biotech industry is the development and production of process sensitive biopharmaceutical products in a cGMP environment. His experience also includes the design, construction, validation, and start-up of over \$200 million of new manufacturing, laboratory, infrastructure and support facilities.

In 1989, Mr. Johnson received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Maryland. He is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Maryland. His professional affiliations include the Association of Facility Engineers and the International Society for Pharmaceutical Engineering.