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St. James Mercy Hospital Partners with LeChase Construction of Rochester, N.Y. to Build New Facility

July 11, 2016...Hornell, N.Y. – After a thorough and competitive review, St. James Mercy Hospital (SJM) has awarded the construction manager contract for its new hospital and medical village project to LeChase Construction Services, LLC. Headquartered in Rochester, N.Y., with a local office in Corning, N.Y., LeChase has an extensive background in health care construction, having recently completed the UR Medicine’s Golisano Children’s Hospital.

In addition, LeChase has completed projects for institutions such as Duke University and Bausch & Lomb, Inc. Locally, LeChase recently has worked with both Alfred University and the North Hornell Elementary School.

"It was important for us to choose a construction partner with strong local ties to the Hornell community and who understands how important this project is, not only to SJMH, but also to the patients we serve," said Jennifer Sullivan, SJMH President and CEO. "LeChase has a proven track record of safety, efficiency and cleanliness, and the team has demonstrated a keen understanding of the needs of the Southern Tier. We are very excited to partner with LeChase for this project."

"We are proud to partner with St. James in building this transformative medical village in Hornell," said LeChase Construction CEO William H. Goodrich. "We have worked with more than 40 health care institutions and we will bring that experience along with a local presence to benefit the project. This is truly an exciting endeavor and the leadership of St. James Mercy Hospital is to be commended for being at the forefront of improving health care delivery and creating a true community asset."

LeChase will be working closely with architect Razak & Associates, and project manager HB Cornerstone for the \$55 million facility and medical village project. Groundbreaking on the new facility is expected to occur by the end of 2016. The facility completion date is expected to be in early to mid-2018.

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***About St. James Mercy Hospital** - Founded in 1890, St. James Mercy Hospital provides compassionate, quality care for the residents of Hornell, NY and the surrounding communities. The hospital offers a full range of inpatient and outpatient services, including emergency, express care, acute medical and surgical, imaging, and laboratory. Specialty services include orthopedics, dialysis, cardiac rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation, physical therapy, and a personal emergency response system (MercyLine). For more information, visit www.stjamesmercy.org.*

***About LeChase Construction Services, LLC** - LeChase Construction (www.lechase.com) is a full-service construction management and general construction firm with extensive experience in many industry sectors. Since 1944, the consistent stability and growth of LeChase Construction have stemmed from the dedication, interest and hard work of the entire organization allowing LeChase a broad reach of services and the ability to provide local delivery. The over 70-year-old firm is well recognized for its commitment to quality, innovation and safety.*

Having completed projects throughout the U.S., as well as having project experience in Canada, Brazil and the U.K., LeChase is willing and able to travel for unique opportunities. With strategic alliances located throughout the country, mobile job teams and operational support in several states, we can dedicate the right resources to your specific project needs no matter where it is located. Widely recognized as one of the area's top contractors, LeChase's annual revenues are nearly \$700 million in building construction.