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Benco Dental Acquires KernCo Dental Supply, Inc.

WILKES-BARRE, PA (February 13, 2007) — Benco Dental, the nation's fastest-growing distributor of dental products and equipment, today announced the acquisition of KernCo Dental Supply, Inc. Financial terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Scott Kern, president and founder of KernCo Dental Supply, Inc., will join Benco Dental along with a number of other key team members.

"We are pleased to make KernCo part of Benco Dental," said Charles Cohen, president of Benco Dental. "The strategic fit between our two companies is ideal."

Scott Kern said, "Like Benco Dental, KernCo built our reputation on outstanding customer service. Merging with Benco Dental will allow us to offer current KernCo customers the same great service they've come to expect, together with an expanded array of products and services including digital technology integration, practice development consulting, dental office design and much more."

KernCo Dental Supply, Inc. was founded in 1991. The company grew to become a leading provider of dental supplies, equipment and repair service in central Pennsylvania.

About Benco Dental

Benco Dental is the nation's fastest-growing dental distributor, selling supplies, equipment, and consulting services. The company is headquartered in Wilkes-Barre, PA, and serves over 20,000 dental practices and laboratories in 34 states. Founded in 1930 and focused on a unique mission to "deliver success, smile after smile," Benco Dental's industry-leading products and programs include: the BluChip® Buying Club, dentistry's original and most rewarding customer loyalty program; Painless® AI™ (Artificial Intelligence™), a cutting-edge electronic ordering and product selection system; Insite™ dental office design; BencoNET™ digital imaging and operator integration systems; Transitions Group™ practice development consulting; and the best-trained sales and service team in the business. The toll-free order line is 1-800-GO BENCO. Visit Benco Dental online at www.benco.com.