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Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins Assists San-Mar Laboratories in Securing \$750,000 for Expansion & Local Job Creation Plans

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On Wednesday, August 25th Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins held a press conference announcing a \$750,000 State grant she assisted in securing from the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) for San-Mar Laboratories to make investments needed to reduce operating costs, produce new products and expand the business.

“This funding will allow San-Mar Laboratories to create and retain an estimated 315 high-quality jobs in Westchester County,” said Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D/WF–Westchester). “During this challenging economic time, initiatives that attract business opportunities and support the growth of local enterprises that create jobs in our region must be a top priority.”

Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins has made job creation and support for locally owned and operated businesses a top priority, securing millions in State funding for expansion projects that will both create and secure hundreds of local jobs.

Founded in 1975, San-Mar Laboratories is the thirteenth largest employer in Westchester County, and is a vital member of the local economy and business community. Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins has previously toured the company and has worked with Marvin Berkrot, President and CEO of San-Mar Laboratories, in helping to secure this funding.

“San-Mar Laboratories would like to thank the Empire State Development Corporation for the financial assistance we will be receiving, and, in particular, I would like to thank Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, who realizes the importance of manufacturing to the region. She was quick to recognize how we can continue to create jobs and ensure economic stability for the County, State and Nation, and for that we are very grateful,” said Marvin Berkrot, President and CEO of San-Mar Laboratories.

“Our renewed partnership with San-Mar Laboratories not only strengthens New York's position within Governor Paterson's New Economy, it secures San-Mar's future in New York. As a contributing member of the Westchester community for the past 35 years and a valued Mid-Hudson manufacturer, San-Mar's decision to reinvest in the state, creating and retaining hundreds of jobs, speaks volumes to the many coveted assets the region has to offer. Now, with PACB approval, San-Mar will move forward and continue to grow and thrive in its Westchester home,” said Dennis M. Mullen, Chairman & CEO of Empire State Development.