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FERGUSON TO OPEN OPERATIONS IN ROSWELL, N.M.

The Roswell-Chaves County Economic Development Corporation announced today that Ferguson, the largest U.S. distributor of plumbing supplies and pipe, valves and fittings (PVF), will open their 7th New Mexico storefront in Roswell. "I want to welcome Ferguson Plumbing Supply and extend our congratulations on the opening of their new location, stated Mayor Del Journey, City of Roswell." "We're excited to include them as yet another quality addition to our business community and I wish them well as they prepare to open. We appreciate their confidence in selecting Roswell."

They will commence operations the beginning of March in a brand new building on the 700 block of North Virginia. The store will include plumbing supplies and parts, appliances and HVAC. Bill Owen, President of Roswell-Chaves County EDC stated, "Any time we get a large national company to open an operation in Roswell, it is significant. We want to welcome Ferguson Enterprises to our community. Ferguson is the largest U.S. distributor of plumbing supplies and plans to initially employ five people. We look forward to them being an active participant in many community organizations and programs!"

About Ferguson:

Founded in 1953, Ferguson employs approximately 16,500 associates in approximately 1,350 locations in 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Caribbean and Mexico, and is committed to growth – of their business, their people and their support of the communities in which they do business.

Ferguson was acquired by the Wolseley Group in 1982. Coupled with Ferguson's strong commitment to customer service and entrepreneurial spirit, Wolseley's financial strength contributed to the company's phenomenal growth and has allowed them to diversify into residential, HVAC/R, waterworks, commercial and industrial business groups. The company has a unique culture and a tradition of supporting civic, cultural, educational, and environmental activities through participation and financial contributions. Ferguson is proud to be recognized as a national sponsor of The United Way and a national partner of Habitat for Humanity, an organization dedicated to eliminating poverty housing.