



**ALS Laboratory Group**  
ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY & TESTING SERVICES



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**We are pleased and excited to announce that Paragon (a division of DataChem Laboratories, Inc.) has been acquired by the ALS Laboratory Group, North America, based in Houston, Texas. Paragon is now part of the global ALS Laboratory Group, offering a greater range of analytical chemistry all around the world.**

Paragon is a recognized quality leader and is one of the largest providers of environmental, industrial hygiene, and radiochemistry testing services in the U.S. Paragon has clients throughout the U.S. and enjoys a nationwide reputation for producing quality and legally defensible data.

We want to assure Paragon's clients that senior management, technical managers, project managers, and our highly trained chemists and scientists will remain with the company. We are committed to the continued success and geographic expansion of our business; which has developed into one of the most successful environmental, industrial hygiene, and radiochemistry laboratories consistently delivering the highest level of performance. We will continue to honor all pricing and service arrangements you have with Paragon. As a group, we will be going forward with ALS Laboratory Group to combine the best aspects of both companies into a stronger network of laboratories that will continue to excel as your preferred laboratory partner. We will continue to provide you a high level of service and legally defensible data.

With this union, Paragon joins a most impressive global network of environmental laboratories which now includes 51 locations spread around the globe. These countries include Canada, Mexico, Chile, Peru, Australia, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Sweden, Czech Republic, Denmark, Norway, and the U.S.; all providing clients with superior analytical and technical support for local and international projects. The ALS Laboratory Group is a diverse, global company with 117 laboratories operating in 35 countries staffed by over 6,000 employees. In addition to environmental services, the ALS Laboratory Group offers a broad range of sophisticated state-of-the-art services to four main market segments including: mining and mineral exploration, equipment maintenance through used lubricant analysis, commodity analysis and certification, and environmental monitoring. The ALS Laboratory Group is part of a long established Australian public company, Campbell Brothers Limited which has operated service-oriented businesses for over 130 years.

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We look forward to continuing to work with you.

Regards,

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