



**Living Cell Technologies Ltd**

## **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **Living Cell Technologies Expands Breeding Capability with New Production Facility**

**October 23, 2008 – Melbourne, Australia, Auckland, New Zealand and Boulder, USA – Living Cell Technologies Limited (ASX:LCT; OTCQX:LVCLY)** today announced that it will expand its breeding capabilities with the construction of a new Designated Pathogen Free (DPF) facility for the breeding of LCT's unique pig herd.

Building consent has been granted for the facility, which will be built in Invercargill in New Zealand's South Island, and is expected to be operational in the first quarter of 2009.

The DPF facility will allow the company to expand its pig herd under conditions that maintain their high health status free of infectious organisms. The new facility complies with Food and Drug Administration (FDA) standards and animal welfare guidelines, providing living space and opportunity for the pigs to interact socially with each other and staff. A separate maternity unit is provided for sows and piglets.

LCT's Chief Operating Officer, Dr Paul Tan said: "The new facility is integral to the Company's future growth, given the recent approval for the initiation of a Phase I/IIa clinical trial in New Zealand and the expansion of our Russian clinical trial which commenced in mid-2007 and has yielded positive safety and efficacy data to date.

"Porcine islet cells of uniform quality are critical to the administration of our clinical trials. We have taken great care to ensure facility compliance with animal welfare guidelines as we pursue a treatment for type 1 diabetes."

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#### **About Living Cell Technologies: [www.lctglobal.com](http://www.lctglobal.com)**

Living Cell is developing cell-based products to treat life threatening human diseases. The Company owns a biocertified pig herd that it uses as a source of cells for treating diabetes and neurological disorders. For patients with Type 1 diabetes, the Company transplants microencapsulated islet cells so that near-normal blood glucose levels may be achieved without the need for administration of insulin or at significantly reduced levels. The company entered clinical trials for its diabetes product in 2007. For the treatment of Huntington's disease and other neurological disorders, the company transplants microencapsulated choroid plexus cells that deliver beneficial proteins and neurotrophic factors to the brain. Living Cell's technology enables healthy living cells to be injected into patients to replace or repair damaged tissue without requiring the use of immunosuppressive drugs to prevent rejection. Living Cell also offers medical-grade porcine-derived products for the repair and replacement of damaged tissues, as well as for research and other purposes.

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