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PDL BioPharma Responds to Class Action Lawsuit

INCLINE VILLAGE, Nev., Sept. 23, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- PDL BioPharma, Inc. (PDL) (NASDAQ: PDLI), has been informed of a class action lawsuit filed against the company that alleges violations of federal securities laws. The company disputes the allegations in the complaint and will vigorously defend this lawsuit.

"We believe that any claims alleging violations of securities laws are without merit and we intend to vigorously defend our position," stated John P. McLaughlin, president and chief executive officer of PDL. "We remain committed to our strategy of acquiring income generating assets and continuing to pay dividends to our shareholders."

About PDL BioPharma

PDL BioPharma manages a portfolio of patents and royalty assets, consisting primarily of its Queen et al. antibody humanization patents and license agreements with various biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. PDL pioneered the humanization of monoclonal antibodies and, by doing so, enabled the discovery of a new generation of targeted treatments for cancer and immunologic diseases for which it receives significant royalty revenue. PDL is currently focused on intellectual property asset management, acquiring new income generating assets, and maximizing value for its shareholders.

The company was formerly known as Protein Design Labs, Inc. and changed its name to PDL BioPharma, Inc. in 2006. PDL was founded in 1986 and is headquartered in Incline Village, Nevada.

To support its ability to pay dividends, PDL seeks to provide non-dilutive growth capital and financing solutions to late stage public and private healthcare companies and offers immediate financial monetization of royalty streams to companies, academic institutions, and inventors. PDL has invested approximately \$715 million to date. PDL is focused on the quality of the income generating assets and potential returns on investment.

For more information, please visit www.pdl.com.

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