



To; All Assembly Members

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Dear Assembly Member

In November Catalent Pharma solutions on the Deeside Industrial Park entered into consultation period on the future of their facility at Deeside. This is as a result of the loss of a large contract causing the wider company to review its existing sites across Europe.

The consultation has now finished and the company have confirmed that the Deeside plant will close with the loss of circa 92 jobs, the majority of which will be packaging related. Some staff will relocate to their Bolton facility with remaining staff being offered a full redundancy package.

We are working closely with the company to explore every option to retain a workforce in Wales. A small team of Project Managers may be retained at the site.

There are several thriving life sciences companies located along the A55 corridor and my officials are working with these and Catalent Pharma management to source alternative job opportunities.

I will keep you up to date on any further developments.

*Edwina Hart*