



## **Piedmont REIT Signs Motorola to New Lease in South Plainfield, N.J.**

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NORCROSS, Ga. (August 31, 2007) – Piedmont Office Realty Trust Inc. today announced it has signed Motorola to a 145,000-square-foot, five-year extension at its offices in South Plainfield, N.J.

The campus-style property, at 1111 Durham Ave., will host research and development operations for the telecommunications manufacturer. “We’re very pleased Motorola is remaining,” said George Wells, senior vice president for Piedmont, a real estate investment trust. “We feel the building’s prominent signage options and redundant power systems were important features for Motorola.”

Motorola, which formerly leased the entire three-story, 245,000-square-foot building, will now continue to lease approximately 60 percent of the property through 2012. The building, built in 1972, was acquired by the REIT in 2000; it’s one of seven buildings that comprise 2 million square feet owned by the REIT in New Jersey.

The REIT was represented by Dennis McConnell and Jodie Matthews of Jones Lang LaSalle; Motorola was represented by Ray Sohmer and Craig Eisenhardt of CB Richard Ellis.

Piedmont, formerly known as Wells REIT and specializing in Class-A office properties, currently owns 81 buildings totaling more than 21 million square feet in 23 states (including Washington, D.C.). Properties include the corporate headquarters of such organizations as AT&T Wireless, U.S. Bancorp, NASA and Nestlé USA. Across the portfolio, Piedmont properties are 95 percent leased. For more information, see [www.piedmontreit.com](http://www.piedmontreit.com).

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