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## Novus completes buy of Albion's animal nutrition unit

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**Novus International** said it completed its **previously announced purchase** of the **Albion Laboratories Inc.**'s animal nutrition division for an undisclosed amount.

Clearfield, Utah-based Albion makes feed and other products for beef and dairy cattle.

St. Charles-based Novus' is a nutrition and feed production company serving the animal agriculture, companion animal, human and industrial markets.

Novus said the acquisition of the Albion unit would further expand the company's chelated trace mineral product line for livestock operations and Novus' global reach.

After surpassing \$600 million in sales last year in the animal nutrition market, Novus **is launching a line** of nutritional ingredients for human foods and supplements.

Novus, led by Chief Executive Thad Simons, has 230 employees locally and more than 350 employees worldwide. Novus is privately owned by **Mitsui & Co. (U.S.A.) Inc.** and **Nippon Soda Co. Ltd.**