



## Enzon Reports Significant Progress on the Reduction of Its Debt

### Only \$12.5 million in 2008 debt remaining

BRIDGEWATER, N.J., Feb 14, 2008 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ENZN) today announced it has successfully reduced the remaining portion of its 2008 debt to only \$12.5 million. In August 2007, the Company strategically monetized 25 percent of its future royalties of PEG-INTRON for proceeds of \$92.5 million. A portion of the proceeds were restricted for the sole purpose of eliminating the remaining 2008 debt balance. In addition to the purchases in the fourth quarter of 2007, the Company successfully purchased another \$59.9 million on favorable terms in January 2008.

"We are pleased to have been successful in extinguishing such a significant portion of our outstanding 2008 debt balance ahead of the required timetable," said Jeffrey H. Buchalter, chairman and chief executive officer of the Company. "Reducing the large debt burden we inherited is a great strategic accomplishment for Enzon."

#### About Enzon

Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the development, manufacturing, commercialization of important medicines for patients with cancer and other life-threatening conditions. Enzon has a portfolio of four marketed products, Oncaspar(R), DepoCyt(R), Abelcet(R) and Adagen(R). The Company's drug development programs utilize several cutting-edge approaches, including its industry-leading PEGylation technology platform used to create product candidates with benefits such as reduced dosing frequency and less toxicity. Enzon's PEGylation technology was used to develop two of its products, Oncaspar and Adagen, and has created a royalty revenue stream from licensing partnerships for other products developed using the technology. Enzon also engages in contract manufacturing for several pharmaceutical companies to broaden the Company's revenue base. Further information about Enzon and this press release can be found on the Company's web site at [www.enzon.com](http://www.enzon.com).

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