# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 3, 2005

# ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 22-2372868 Delaware 0-12957 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission file Number) (IRS Identification No.) of incorporation) 685 Route 202/206, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (908) 541-8600 (Former name or former address, if changed since last report) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b) Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-

# **Item 8.01 Other Events**

Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ENZN) today announced that it will discontinue further development of Pegamotecan, a PEGylated cytotoxic drug of the topoisomerase I inhibitor class. The Company's decision is based on an interim analysis of the data from a Phase 2b trial in patients with gastric or gastroesophageal cancers whose disease progressed following prior chemotherapy. Further, based on a strategic analysis of the potential investment return versus the required resource allocation and associated development risks, the Company will not actively pursue other potential indications for Pegamotecan. The Company plans to redirect this R&D investment to advance other products within its pipeline and pursue other opportunities with greater potential.

# **Item 9.01 Exhibits**

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated February 3, 2005

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 3, 2005

By: /s/ Kenneth J. Zuerblis

Kenneth J. Zuerblis Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer



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# **ENZON REPORTS ON CLINICAL PROGRAM FOR PEGAMOTECAN**

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# **About Enzon**

Enzon Pharmaceuticals is a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development and commercialization of therapeutics to treat life-threatening diseases. The Company has developed or acquired a number of marketed products, including PEG-INTRON(R), marketed by Schering-Plough, and ABELCET(R), ONCASPAR(R), ADAGEN(R), and DEPOCYT(R), marketed in North America by Enzon's specialized sales force. Enzon's science-driven strategy includes an extensive drug development program that leverages the Company's macromolecular engineering technology platforms, including PEG modification and single-chain antibody (SCA (R)) technologies. Internal research and development efforts are complemented by strategic transactions that provide access to additional marketed products and promising clinical compounds. Enzon has several drug candidates in various stages of development, independently and with partners. Further information about Enzon and this press release can be found on the Company's web site at www.enzon.com.

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