

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Commission file number 0-12957

**Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State of incorporation)

**22-2372868**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**20 Commerce Drive (Suite 135), Cranford New Jersey**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**07016**

(Zip Code)

**(732) 980-4500**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

Shares of Common Stock outstanding as of October 31, 2017: 44,214,603

**PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Financial Statements.**

**ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	<u>September 30,</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2016</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 4,320	\$ 7,639
Other receivable	3,500	-
Other current assets	84	270
Total current assets	<u>7,904</u>	<u>7,909</u>
Deferred tax assets, net	1,149	3,362
Total assets	<u>\$ 9,053</u>	<u>\$ 11,271</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 213	\$ 770
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	158	170
Total current liabilities	<u>371</u>	<u>940</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock - \$0.01 par value, authorized 3,000,000 shares; no shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016	-	-
Common stock - \$0.01 par value, authorized 170,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 44,214,603 shares at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016	441	441
Additional paid-in capital	83,650	90,282
Accumulated deficit	(75,409)	(80,392)
Total stockholders' equity	<u>8,682</u>	<u>10,331</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 9,053</u>	<u>\$ 11,271</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
(In thousands, except per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Royalties	\$ 151	\$ 1,965	\$ 8,366	\$ 7,461
Miscellaneous income	-	21	-	63
Total revenues	<u>151</u>	<u>1,986</u>	<u>8,366</u>	<u>7,524</u>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>				
General and administrative	335	376	1,021	1,533
Total operating expenses	<u>335</u>	<u>376</u>	<u>1,021</u>	<u>1,533</u>
Operating (loss) income and (loss) income before income tax (benefit) expense	(184)	1,610	7,345	5,991
Income tax (benefit) expense	(337)	674	2,362	2,503
Net income	<u>\$ 153</u>	<u>\$ 936</u>	<u>\$ 4,983</u>	<u>\$ 3,488</u>
<b>Earnings per common share</b>				
Basic	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.08
Diluted	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.02</u>	<u>\$ 0.11</u>	<u>\$ 0.08</u>
Weighted-average shares – basic	<u>44,215</u>	<u>44,214</u>	<u>44,215</u>	<u>44,214</u>
Weighted-average shares – diluted	<u>44,215</u>	<u>44,214</u>	<u>44,215</u>	<u>44,214</u>

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**ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
(In thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 4,983	\$ 3,488
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Deferred tax provision	2,213	2,501
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(3,883)	(4,765)
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,313	1,224
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Common stock dividend	(6,632)	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,632)	-
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(3,319)	1,224
Cash at beginning of period	7,639	11,672
Cash at end of period	\$ 4,320	\$ 12,896

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**ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**(1) Description of Business**

Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (together with its subsidiaries, “Enzon” or the “Company”) receives royalty revenues from existing licensing arrangements with other companies primarily related to sales of four marketed drug products, namely, PegIntron®, Sylatron®, Macugen® and CIMZIA®. The primary source of the Company’s royalty revenues in 2017 is the entrance into a Second Amendment (“Nektar Second Amendment”) to the Company’s Cross-License and Option Agreement (the “Nektar License Agreement”) with Nektar Therapeutics, Inc. (“Nektar”), which generated non-recurring royalty revenues of \$7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 (see below).

Previously, the primary source of the Company’s royalty revenues was sales of PegIntron, which is marketed by Merck & Co., Inc. (“Merck”). The Company currently has no clinical operations and limited corporate operations. The Company has no intention of resuming any clinical development activities or acquiring new sources of royalty revenues. Royalty revenues from sales of PegIntron accounted for approximately 100% and 61% of the Company’s total royalty revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and approximately 13% and 70% of the Company’s total royalty revenue in the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, before adjustment for Merck’s recoupment of previously overpaid royalties. The effects of such recoupments were recorded as decreases of royalty revenues aggregating \$0 and \$564,000 for the three and nine-month periods ending September 30, 2017, respectively, as discussed in Note 11.

The Company was previously dedicated to the research and development of innovative therapeutics for patients with high unmet medical needs. Beginning in December 2012, the Company’s Board of Directors (the “Board”), with outside consultants, began a review of the possible sale or disposition of one or more corporate assets or a sale of the Company. At that time, the Company suspended substantially all clinical development activities with a goal of conserving capital and maximizing value returned to the Company’s stockholders. By April 2013, the review did not result in a definitive offer to acquire the Company or all or substantially all of the Company’s assets. At the same time, the Company announced that its Board intended to distribute excess cash, expected to arise from ongoing royalty revenues, in the form of periodic dividends to stockholders. On February 4, 2016, the Company’s Board adopted a Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution, the implementation of which has been postponed. (See Note 10.)

Under the Company’s existing agreements with certain third party licensees, the Company may be entitled to (i) potential future milestone payments contingent upon the achievement of certain milestones with respect to several other drug products in various stages of clinical and preclinical development and (ii) potential future royalty payments related to any future sales of these drug products. Due to the challenges associated with developing and obtaining approval for drug products, there is substantial uncertainty whether any of these milestones will be achieved. The Company also has no control over the time, resources and effort that these third party licensees may devote to their programs and limited access to information regarding or resulting from such programs. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will receive any of the milestone or royalty payments under these agreements.

As part of the Company’s sale of its former specialty pharmaceutical business that was completed in January 2010, the Company may be entitled to certain potential future milestone payments contingent upon the achievement of certain regulatory approval-related milestones with respect to Oncaspar from Shire plc (“Shire”), which assumed the milestone payment obligations when it acquired the Oncaspar product portfolio from Sigma-Tau Finanziaria S.p.A. in July 2015. Based on Shire’s May 2, 2017 investor presentation, the Company believed that Shire anticipated filing a Biologics License Application (“BLA”) for SC Oncaspar with the FDA in the third quarter of 2017. As of September 30, 2017, there has been no public announcement by Shire of any such filing. If filed and FDA approval is obtained for SC Oncaspar, under its agreement, the Company would be entitled to a milestone payment of \$7.0 million. There can be no assurance that Shire will file a BLA for SC Oncaspar with the FDA or that the FDA will approve the BLA, if filed. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will receive any of the milestone payments related to SC Oncaspar or any other such milestone payments resulting from its agreements with any of the Company’s other third party licensees. The Company will not recognize revenue until notification from Shire or any of the Company’s other third party licensees that the conditions necessitating payment of the milestone were satisfied and collection of the milestone payment is reasonably assured.

On June 26, 2017, the Company entered into the Nektar Second Amendment, wherein Nektar agreed to buy-out all remaining payment obligations to the Company under the Nektar License Agreement. In consideration for fully paid-up licenses under the Nektar License Agreement and for the dismissal with prejudice of all claims and counterclaims asserted in the litigation with Nektar, Nektar agreed to pay the Company the sum of \$7.0 million, which satisfies all future obligations of royalty payments pursuant to the Nektar License Agreement, the first \$3.5 million of which was paid within one business day of the effective date of the Nektar Second Amendment and the remaining \$3.5 million will be paid within one business day of January 5, 2018. Accordingly, the Company recorded revenue of \$7.0 million and a receivable of \$3.5 million in the second quarter of 2017.

## **(2) Basis of Presentation**

### *Interim Financial Statements*

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared from the books and records of the Company in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required for complete annual financial statements. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year. Interim condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

### *Principles of Consolidation*

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated as part of the consolidation.

### *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates include legal and contractual contingencies and income taxes. Although management bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, actual results could differ from these estimates.

### *Revenues*

Royalties under the Company's license agreements with third-parties and pursuant to the sale of its former specialty pharmaceutical business are recognized when reasonably determinable and earned through the sale of the product by the third-party and collection is reasonably assured. Notification from the third-party licensee of the royalties earned under the license agreement is the basis for royalty revenue recognition. This information generally is received from the licensees in the quarter subsequent to the period in which the sales occur.

## **(3) New Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers," relating to revenue recognition. This new standard provides for a single five-step model to be applied to all revenue contracts with customers as well as requires additional financial statement disclosures that will enable users to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows relating to customer contracts. Companies have an option to use either a retrospective approach or cumulative effect adjustment approach to implement the standard. This ASU, as amended, is effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those years beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company is currently assessing the impact of this update, but preliminarily believes that its adoption will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The Company does not expect the adoption of other recently issued accounting pronouncements to have a significant impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flow.

## **(4) Financial Instruments and Fair Value**

The carrying values of cash, other receivables, other current assets, accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets approximated their fair values at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 due to their short-term nature.

## **(5) Supplemental Cash Flow Information**

There were no income tax or interest payments made during the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

There were estimated federal income tax payments of \$135,000 and estimated New Jersey income tax payments of \$1,500 made during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The \$135,000 represented an over estimate of taxes due in the third quarter of 2016, such amount was recorded as a receivable, included in other current assets, and subsequently collected.

On August 10, 2017, the Company's Board of Directors declared a special cash dividend of \$0.15 per share of the Company's common stock. This dividend, aggregating approximately \$6.6 million, was paid on September 26, 2017.

## (6) Income Per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing the income available to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Restricted stock units (nonvested shares) are not considered to be outstanding shares until the vesting criteria (service and/or performance) have been satisfied.

For purposes of calculating diluted earnings per common share, the denominator includes both the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding and the number of common stock equivalents if the inclusion of such common stock equivalents is dilutive. Dilutive common stock equivalents potentially include stock options and nonvested shares using the treasury stock method and shares issuable under the employee stock purchase plan (ESPP). There were no common stock equivalents during any of the periods presented. Income per common share information is as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
<b>Income Per Common Share – Basic and Diluted:</b>				
Net income	\$ 153	\$ 936	\$ 4,983	\$ 3,488
Weighted-average common shares outstanding	44,215	44,214	44,215	44,214
Basic and diluted income per share	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.08

As of September 30, 2017 and 2016, options for 41,787 and 218,719 shares, respectively, were outstanding that have been excluded from the calculation of diluted weighted average shares outstanding, as they would be anti-dilutive since the respective options' strike price was greater than the current market price of the shares and/or there was a net loss for the three-month period ended September 30, 2017.

**(7) Stock-Based Compensation**

*Stock Options and Restricted Stock Units (RSUs or Nonvested Shares)*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, no options were granted and the Company incurred no stock-based compensation expense. No RSUs were outstanding as of September 30, 2017.

Activity related to stock options and nonvested shares during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and related balances outstanding as of that date are reflected below (in thousands):

	<b>Stock Options</b>
Outstanding at January 1, 2017	219
Granted	-
Exercised and vested	-
Expired and forfeited	177
Outstanding at September 30, 2017	<u>42</u>
Options vested and expected to vest at September 30, 2017	<u>42</u>
Options exercisable at September 30, 2017	<u>42</u>



## **(8) Income Taxes**

The Company incurred tax expense of approximately \$2.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 of which approximately \$0.3 million in income tax benefit was incurred during the third quarter of 2017. The effective tax rate for the three-month period ended September 30, 2017 was 183% compared to 41.7% for the corresponding period in the prior year. The change in the rate is attributable to a pre-tax book loss for the quarter as well as changes in projected income for the year. The Company expects to continue to utilize the deferred tax asset through the remainder of 2017, resulting in an expected effective tax rate of approximately 39.1% for the year.

After reducing its deferred tax assets by approximately \$2.2 million during nine months ended September 30, 2017, the Company continues to provide a valuation allowance against all of its deferred tax assets except for NOLs expected to be utilized in the 2018 and 2019 tax years as the Company believes it is more likely than not that these remaining deferred tax assets will not be realized. Management of the Company will continue to assess the need for this valuation allowance and will make adjustments to it when appropriate.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company recorded \$2.5 million of income tax expense for U.S. federal income tax, substantially all of which related to a reduction of the Company's net deferred tax assets. Of this amount, approximately, \$674,000 was recorded in the third quarter of 2016.

Tax benefits of uncertain tax positions are recognized only if it is more likely than not that the Company will be able to sustain a position taken on an income tax return. The Company has no liability for uncertain tax positions. Interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits, would be recognized as income tax expense.

## **(9) Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

Commencing on March 1, 2016, the Company changed the location of its principal executive offices to 20 Commerce Drive, Suite 135, Cranford, New Jersey, 07016. The Company entered into an office service agreement with Regus Management Group, LLC ("Regus") for use of office space at this location effective March 1, 2016. Under the agreement, in exchange for the Company's right to use the office space at this location, the Company was required to pay Regus an initial service retainer of \$2,418 and thereafter pay Regus a monthly fee of \$1,209 until February 28, 2017. This agreement was renewed for another year, until February 28, 2018, for a monthly fee of \$1,229.

The Company has been involved in various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or liquidity.

## **(10) Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution**

On February 4, 2016, the Company's Board adopted a Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution (the "Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution"), pursuant to which the Company would, subject to obtaining requisite stockholder approval, be liquidated and dissolved in accordance with Sections 280 and 281 (a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. In approving the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution, the Company's Board had considered, among other factors, the ability of the Company to obtain no-action relief from the SEC to suspend certain of the Company's reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the anticipated cost savings if such relief is granted by the SEC. Upon further review, the Company concluded that the SEC was unlikely to grant such relief to the Company in 2016. Accordingly, after further consideration, the Company's Board determined that it would be fair, advisable and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to postpone seeking stockholder approval of the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution until a later time to be determined by the Company's Board.

If dissolution and liquidation of the Company pursuant to the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution are approved by the Company's stockholders and implemented by management, it is expected that the Company's corporate existence will continue for the purpose of winding up its business and affairs through the year 2021, consistent with the expiration of the Company's existing license arrangements that generate its royalty revenues, unless extended by certain license events occurring. The Company's future royalty revenues are forecasted to aggregate approximately \$11 million from the beginning of 2017 through the end of 2021. This forecast is based upon a variety of estimates and numerous assumptions made by the Company's management with respect to, among other matters, forecasted sales of the drug products for which the Company has the right to receive royalties and other matters, many of which are difficult to predict, are subject to significant uncertainties, and are beyond the Company's control. As a result, there can be no assurance that the estimates and assumptions upon which this forecast is based will prove accurate, that the projected results will be realized or that actual results will not be substantially higher or lower than forecasted.

## **(11) Royalty Revenues and Accounts Payable**

In March 2017, Merck notified the Company that, during the second and third quarters of 2016, it had made an overpayment to Enzon of approximately \$770,000 in royalties (net of a 25% royalty interest that the Company had previously sold). This was due to a previous misunderstanding regarding the date on which the Company's right to receive royalties from U. S. sales of PegIntron expired, which Merck then advised had occurred in February 2016. Merck notified the Company that it intended to recover such overpayment from the Company by reducing future royalties to which the Company would otherwise be entitled from Merck until the full amount of the overpayment had been recouped. Accordingly, in the December 31, 2016 financial statements, the Company reduced its previously recorded revenues by the net \$770,000 overpayment and recorded a corresponding liability to Merck in accounts payable.

During the three-month period ending March 31, 2017, Merck reported net royalties earned by the Company aggregated approximately \$636,000 and withheld that amount as a partial recoupment of its overpayment. That left a balance due to Merck of approximately \$134,000 at March 31, 2017.

During the second quarter of 2017, Merck reported net royalties earned by the Company of approximately \$335,000. From this amount, Merck would have withheld approximately \$134,000, as the balance of the recoupment of the previously reported overpayment. This would have left approximately \$201,000 as due to the Company.

However, in the second quarter of 2017, Merck notified the Company that they discovered additional overpayments to the Company resulting from the inaccuracy as to the date on which the Company's right to receive royalties from various countries' sales of PegIntron expired. Such net overpayment to Enzon aggregated approximately \$563,000 in royalties during 2015 and 2016. Merck notified the Company that it intended to recover such overpayment from the Company by reducing future royalties to which the Company would otherwise be entitled from Merck until the full amount of the overpayment had been recouped. Accordingly, in the June 30, 2017 financial statements, the Company reduced its previously recorded revenues by the net \$563,000 overpayment. Merck withheld the \$201,000 of the royalties otherwise due for the second quarter of 2017 as a partial recoupment. As a result, the Company recorded the \$363,000 remaining to be recouped by Merck as a liability to Merck in accounts payable at June 30, 2017.

In the third quarter of 2017, Merck again notified the Company that, based on rebates and returns of PegIntron products, they had deducted approximately \$150,000 from aggregate royalties that were otherwise due to Enzon. This resulted in a net amount due to Enzon of \$150,000, which was applied by Merck to the \$363,000 liability to Merck. As a result, the Company recorded the \$213,000 remaining to be recouped by Merck as a liability to Merck in accounts payable at September 30, 2017.

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to "Enzon," the "Company," "we," "us," or "our" and similar terms mean Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

### Overview

We receive royalty revenues from existing licensing arrangements with other companies primarily related to sales of four marketed drug products, namely, PegIntron<sup>®</sup>, Sylatron<sup>®</sup>, Macugen<sup>®</sup> and CIMZIA<sup>®</sup>. The primary source of our royalty revenues in 2017 is the non-recurring \$7.0 million of royalties resulting from our entrance into a Second Amendment (the "Nektar Second Amendment") to the Company's Cross-License and Option Agreement (the "Nektar License Agreement") with Nektar Therapeutics, Inc. ("Nektar"). (See below.) Previously, the primary source of our royalty revenues was sales of PegIntron, which is marketed by Merck & Co., Inc. ("Merck"). We currently have no clinical operations and limited corporate operations. We have no intention of resuming any clinical development activities or acquiring new sources of royalty revenues. Royalty revenues from sales of PegIntron accounted for approximately 100% and 61% of our total royalty revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and approximately 13% and 70% of our total royalty revenue in the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, before adjustment for Merck's recoupment of previously overpaid royalties. The effects of such recoupments were recorded as decreases of royalty revenues aggregating \$-0- and \$564,000 for the three and nine-month periods ending September 30, 2017, respectively, as discussed in Note 11 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

We were previously dedicated to the research and development of innovative therapeutics for patients with high unmet medical needs. In December 2012, we announced that our Board of Directors with outside consultants began a review of the possible sale or disposition of one or more corporate assets or a sale of our company. At that time, we substantially suspended all clinical development activities with a goal of conserving capital and maximizing value returned to our stockholders. In April 2013, we announced that we had concluded a review of the sale or disposition of one or more corporate assets or a sale of our company. The review did not result in a definitive offer to acquire our company or all or substantially all of our assets. In the same announcement, we also announced that our Board of Directors intended to distribute excess cash, expected to arise from ongoing royalty revenues, in the form of periodic dividends to stockholders.

In June 2015, we delivered notice to Nektar asserting a breach of our Cross-License and Option Agreement with Nektar for Nektar's failure to pay a post-patent expiration immunity fee that we believe became payable under such agreement. Nektar had disputed our claim to an immunity fee. On August 14, 2015, we filed a summons and complaint against Nektar in the Supreme Court of the State of New York for breach of contract (the "Nektar Litigation").

On June 26, 2017, we entered into a Second Amendment to the Nektar License Agreement, wherein Nektar agreed to buy-out all remaining payment obligations to us under the Nektar License Agreement, and in connection therewith, Nektar and we also agreed to settle the Nektar Litigation. In consideration for fully paid-up licenses under the Nektar License Agreement and for the dismissal with prejudice of all claims and counterclaims asserted in the Nektar Litigation, Nektar agreed to pay us the sum of \$7.0 million, which satisfies all future obligations of royalty payments pursuant to the Agreement, the first \$3.5 million of which was paid within one business day of the effective date of Nektar Second Amendment and the remaining \$3.5 million of which will be paid within one business day of January 5, 2018.

Under our existing agreements with certain third party licensees, we may be entitled to (i) potential future milestone payments contingent upon the achievement of certain milestones with respect to several drug products in various stages of clinical and preclinical development and (ii) potential future royalty payments related to any future sales of these drug products. Due to the challenges associated with developing and obtaining approval for drug products, there is substantial uncertainty whether any of these milestones will be achieved. We also have no control over the time, resources and effort that these third party licensees may devote to their programs and limited access to information regarding or resulting from such programs. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will receive any of the milestone or royalty payments under these agreements.

As part Enzon's sale of its former specialty pharmaceutical business that was completed in January 2010, we may be entitled to certain potential future milestone payments contingent upon the achievement of certain regulatory approval-related milestones with respect to Oncaspar from Shire plc ("Shire"), which assumed the milestone payment obligations when it acquired the Oncaspar product portfolio from Sigma-Tau Finanziaria S.p.A. in July 2015. Based on Shire's May 2, 2017 investor presentation, we believed that Shire anticipated filing a Biologics License Application ("BLA") for SC Oncaspar with the FDA in the third quarter of 2017. As of September 30, 2017, there has been no public announcement by Shire of any such filing. If such filing is made and FDA approval is obtained for SC Oncaspar, under our agreement, we would be entitled to a milestone payment of \$7.0 million. There can be no assurance that Shire will file a BLA for SC Oncaspar with the FDA or that the FDA will approve the BLA, if filed. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that we will receive any of the milestone payments related to SC Oncaspar or any other such milestone payments resulting from our agreements with any of Enzon's other third party licensees. We will not recognize revenue until notification from Shire or any of our other third party licensees that the conditions necessitating payment of the milestone were satisfied and collection of the milestone payment is reasonably assured.

Commencing on March 1, 2016, we changed the location of our principal executive offices to 20 Commerce Drive, Suite 135, Cranford, New Jersey, 07016. We entered into an office service agreement with Regus Management Group, LLC (“Regus”) for use of office space at this location effective March 1, 2016. Under the agreement, in exchange for our right to use the office space at this location, the Company was required to pay Regus an initial service retainer of \$2,418 and thereafter pay Regus a monthly fee of \$1,209 until February 28, 2017. This agreement was renewed for another year, until February 28, 2018, for a monthly fee of \$1,229.

We wound down our remaining research and development activities during 2013. We have no intention of resuming any clinical development activities or acquiring new sources of royalty revenues.

#### *Plan of Dissolution*

On February 4, 2016, our Board of Directors adopted a Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution (the “Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution”), pursuant to which the Company would, subject to obtaining requisite stockholder approval, be liquidated and dissolved in accordance with Sections 280 and 281(a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. In approving the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution, our Board of Directors had considered, among other factors, the ability of the Company to obtain no-action relief from the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) to suspend certain of the Company’s reporting obligations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the anticipated cost savings if such relief is granted by the SEC. Upon further review, we concluded that the SEC was unlikely to grant such relief to the Company in 2016. Accordingly, after further consideration, our Board of Directors determined that it would be fair, advisable and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to postpone seeking stockholder approval of the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution until a later time to be determined by our Board of Directors.

If dissolution and liquidation of the Company pursuant to the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution are approved by our stockholders and implemented by us, we expect the Company’s corporate existence to continue for the purpose of winding up its business and affairs through the year 2021, consistent with the expiration of our existing license arrangements that generate our royalty revenues. Our future royalty revenues are forecasted to aggregate approximately \$11 million from the beginning of 2017 through the end of 2021. This forecast is based upon a variety of estimates and numerous assumptions made by our management with respect to, among other matters, forecasted sales of the drug products for which we have the right to receive royalties and other matters, many of which are difficult to predict, are subject to significant uncertainties, and are beyond our control. As a result, there can be no assurance that the estimates and assumptions upon which this forecast is based will prove accurate, that the projected results will be realized or that actual results will not be substantially higher or lower than forecasted.

Throughout this Management's Discussion and Analysis, the primary focus is on our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition. The percentage changes throughout the following discussion are based on amounts stated in thousands of dollars and not the rounded millions of dollars reflected in this section.

## Results of Operations

### Revenues:

**Royalties** (in millions of dollars):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2017	% Change	2016	2017	% Change	2016
Royalty revenue	\$ .15	93%	\$ 2.0	\$ 8.9	19%	\$ 7.5
Less: Recoupment by Merck	-	N/A	-	(0.6)	N/A	-
	<u>\$ .15</u>	<u>93%</u>	<u>\$ 2.0</u>	<u>\$ 8.3</u>	<u>11%</u>	<u>\$ 7.5</u>

Royalty revenues related to the Nektar Second Amendment aggregated \$7.0 million in the second quarter of 2017. Royalty revenues from sales of PegIntron were negative in the second quarter of 2017 due to the recoupment by Merck of previously overpaid royalties and accounted for approximately 100% and 61% of our total royalty revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and 13% and 70% (before recoupment) of our total royalty revenues for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Aside from the negative effects of the recoupments and substantial product returns and rebates in the third quarter of 2017, royalty revenues from Merck have been declining sharply. There are multiple oral drug therapies, both available and in development, that have been effective for treatment of hepatitis C that do not require interferon. As a result, it is likely that sales of PegIntron-related products will continue their declining trend.

The following table summarizes our PegIntron royalties earned (in millions of dollars):

PegIntron royalties from:	Three Months Ended September 30,		Dollar	Percent	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Dollar	Percent
	2017	2016	Change	Change	2017	2016	Change	Change
US sales	\$ (0.09)	\$ 0.30	\$ (0.39)	(128)%	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.88	\$ (1.00)	(114)%
Foreign sales - Europe	0.17	0.12	0.05	40%	0.59	1.03	(0.44)	43%
Foreign sales - Japan	0.00	0.01	(0.01)	(79)%	(0.05)	0.04	(0.09)	(225)%
Foreign sales - Other	0.07	0.78	(0.71)	(92)%	0.70	3.25	(2.55)	(78)%
Total	\$ 0.15	\$ 1.21	\$ (1.06)	(88)%	\$ 1.12	\$ 5.20	\$ (4.08)	(78)%
Less: Recoupment by Merck	-	-	-	-	(0.56)	-	(0.56)	-
	<u>\$ 0.15</u>	<u>\$ 1.21</u>	<u>\$ (1.06)</u>		<u>\$ 0.56</u>	<u>\$ 5.20</u>	<u>\$ (4.71)</u>	

Our future revenues are heavily weighted towards royalties and revenues to be received from the use of our technology and are dependent upon numerous factors outside of our control. Other than the non-recurring royalties resulting from the Nektar Second Amendment and potential future milestone payments with others, a significant portion of our royalty revenues is dependent upon sales of PegIntron, which have been in decline since 2008 and which recently suffered from returns and rebates. Merck's obligation to pay us royalties on sales of PegIntron terminates, on a country-by-country basis, upon the later of the date on which the last patent to contain a claim covering PegIntron expires in the country or 15 years after the date on which PegIntron was first approved for commercial marketing in such country. Our rights to receive royalties from sales of PegIntron expired in the U.S. in 2016 and are expected to expire in Europe in 2018 and in Japan in 2021.

Other factors potentially affecting our royalty revenues include new or increased competition from products that may compete with the products for which we receive royalties and the effectiveness of marketing by our licensees.

On June 26, 2017, we entered into a Second Amendment to our Cross-License and Option Agreement with Nektar wherein Nektar agreed to buy-out all remaining payment obligations to us under the Cross-License and Option Agreement, and in connection therewith, Nektar and we also agreed to settle prior litigation in which we had alleged a breach of contract for Nektar's failure to pay a post-patent expiration immunity fee that we believe became payable under the Cross-License and Option Agreement. In consideration for fully paid-up licenses under the Cross-License and Option Agreement and for the dismissal with prejudice of all claims and counterclaims asserted in the litigation, Nektar agreed to pay us the sum of \$7.0 million, which satisfies all future obligations of royalty payments pursuant to the Cross-License and Option Agreement, the first \$3.5 million of which was paid within one business day of the effective date of the Second Amendment and the remaining \$3.5 million of which will be paid within one business day of January 5, 2018. Accordingly, the Company recorded revenue of \$7.0 million and an account receivable of \$3.5 million in the second quarter of 2017.

### Miscellaneous Income

There was no miscellaneous income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017.

Miscellaneous income was approximately \$63,000 and \$21,000 for the nine months and three months ended September 30, 2016, respectively, and related, primarily, to sublease income.

### **Operating Expenses:**

General and Administrative (in millions of dollars):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine months Ended September 30,		
	2017	% Change	2016	2017	% Change	2016
General and administrative	\$ 0.34	(11)	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.02	(34)	\$ 1.55

General and administrative expenses in the three months ended September 30, 2017 declined by approximately \$41,000, or 11%, to \$335,000 from \$376,000 for the third quarter of 2016. The decrease in expense is substantially attributable to the approximate \$50,000 decrease in corporate filings in 2017, as compared with 2016, as partially offset by a net increase in office expense and contracted services.

General and administrative expenses in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 decreased by approximately \$532,000, or 34%, to \$1.02 million from \$1.55 million for the first nine months of 2017. The decrease in expense is substantially attributable to the decrease in rent expense, utility costs and general insurance expense in connection with our lease termination as well as a decrease in professional fees, primarily legal and accounting fees, incurred in 2016 in connection with the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution that was adopted in February 2016.

### **Tax Expense:**

We incurred a tax expense of approximately \$2.4 million in the first nine months of 2017, of which approximately \$0.3 million in income tax benefit was incurred during the third quarter of 2017. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was 32.2%, compared with 41.7% for the corresponding period in the prior year. The reduction in the effective tax rate is attributable to the increase in projected income for the current year, of \$3.9 million, which included the effect of the \$7 million in revenues related to the Second Amendment with Nektar. In addition, we recorded tax expense of \$1.4 million as a discrete item in the second quarter of 2017 for the tax effect of a decrease in the beginning of the year projection of income to be available in future years.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our current sources of liquidity are our (i) cash on hand and (ii) anticipated royalty revenues from third-party sales of marketed drug products that utilize our proprietary technology, including the remaining \$3.5 million due from Nektar in January 2018. While we no longer have any research and development activities, we continue to retain rights to receive royalties from existing licensing arrangements with other companies. We believe that our cash on hand, collection of the \$3.5 million receivable from Nektar and anticipated royalty revenues, will be sufficient to fund our operations, at least, through November 15, 2018. However, our future royalty revenues are expected to decrease sharply over the next several years and there can be no assurance that we will receive amounts of royalty revenues as anticipated.

Under our existing agreements with certain third party licensees, we may be entitled to (i) potential future milestone payments contingent upon the achievement of certain milestones with respect to several drug products in various stages of clinical and preclinical development and (ii) potential future royalty payments related to any future sales of these drug products. Due to the challenges associated with developing and obtaining approval for drug products, there is substantial uncertainty whether any of these milestones will be achieved. We also have no control over the time, resources and effort that these third party licensees may devote to their programs and limited access to information regarding or resulting from such programs. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will receive any of the milestone or royalty payments under these agreements.

Cash was \$4.3 million as of September 30, 2017, as compared to \$7.6 million as of December 31, 2016. The decrease of approximately \$3.3 million was primarily attributable to the net cash provided by operating activities of approximately \$3.3 million, as partially offset by cash used in financing activities of \$6.6 million in connection with the special cash dividend that was paid to shareholders in September 2017.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As part of our ongoing business, we do not participate in transactions that generate relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities (SPEs), which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually limited purposes. As of September 30, 2017, we were not involved in any SPE transactions.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

A critical accounting policy is one that is both important to the portrayal of a company's financial condition and results of operations and requires management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain.

Our consolidated financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles that are generally accepted in the United States ("U.S. GAAP"). All applicable U.S. GAAP accounting standards effective as of September 30, 2017 have been taken into consideration in preparing the consolidated financial statements. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures. Some of those estimates are subjective and complex, and, consequently, actual results could differ from those estimates. The following accounting policies and estimates have been highlighted as significant because changes to certain judgments and assumptions inherent in these policies could affect our consolidated financial statements.

We base our estimates, to the extent possible, on historical experience. Historical information is modified as appropriate based on current business factors and various assumptions that we believe are necessary to form a basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities. We evaluate our estimates on an ongoing basis and make changes when necessary. Actual results could differ from our estimates.

### *Revenues*

Royalties under our license agreements with third-parties and pursuant to the sale of our former specialty pharmaceutical business are recognized when reasonably determinable and earned through the sale of the product by the third-party and collection is reasonably assured. Notification from the third-party licensee of the royalties earned under the license agreement is the basis for royalty revenue recognition. This information generally is received from the licensees in the quarter subsequent to the period in which the sales occur.

### *Income Taxes*

Under the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. A valuation allowance on deferred tax assets is provided for when it is more likely than not some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. As of September 30, 2017, we believe, based on our projections, that it is more likely than not that, except for \$1.7 million of net operating losses, our deferred tax assets, including the remaining net operating losses from operating activities and stock option exercises, will not be realized. We recognize the benefit of an uncertain tax position that we have taken or expect to take on the income tax returns we file if it is more likely than not we will be able to sustain our position.

## Forward-Looking Information and Factors That May Affect Future Results

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the “safe harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements contained in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, other than statements that are purely historical, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as the words “believes,” “expects,” “may,” “will,” “should,” “potential,” “anticipates,” “plans” or “intends” or the negative thereof, or other variations thereof, or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy. Forward-looking statements are based upon management’s present expectations, objectives, anticipations, plans, hopes, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding the future and are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, events or developments to be materially different from those indicated in such forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, the following risks and uncertainties:

- The proposed dissolution and liquidation of the Company may not be completed in a timely manner or at all.
- The amount we distribute to our shareholders as liquidating distributions, if any, pursuant to the Plan of Liquidation and Dissolution may be substantially less than estimated.
- We derive a significant portion of our royalty revenues from continued sales of PegIntron, which have been in decline since 2008, in part, because there are multiple oral drug therapies, both available and in development, that have been effective for treatment of hepatitis C that do not require interferon, and if sales of PegIntron continue to decline or sales of other drug products for which we receive royalty revenues materially decline, our results of operations and financial position could be materially harmed.
- We may not be able to sustain profitability and we may incur losses over the next several years.
- Our rights to receive royalties on sales of PegIntron and sales of other drug products will eventually expire and we currently do not intend on acquiring new sources of royalty revenues.
- We may not realize our deferred income tax assets.
- We have outsourced all corporate functions, which make us dependent on third-parties to perform these corporate functions.
- We may be subject to a variety of types of product liability or other claims based on allegations that the use of our product candidates by participants in our previously conducted clinical trials has resulted in adverse effects, and our insurance may not cover all product liability or other claims.
- Our revenues depend on patents and proprietary rights, which may offer only limited protection against potential infringement and the development of competing products.
- We are party to license agreements whereby we may receive royalties from products subject to regulatory approval.
- The price of our common stock has been, and may continue to be, volatile.
- Our common stock is quoted on the OTCQX market of the OTC Markets Group, Inc., which has a very limited trading market and, therefore, market liquidity for our common stock is low and our stockholders’ ability to sell their shares of our common stock may be limited.
- If we experience an "ownership change," as defined in Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, our ability to fully utilize our net operating loss carryforwards (“NOLs”) on an annual basis will be substantially limited, and the timing of the usage of the NOLs could be substantially delayed, which could therefore significantly impair the value of those benefits.



- The declaration of dividends is within the discretion of our Board of Directors, subject to any applicable limitations under Delaware corporate law. Our ability to pay dividends in the future depends on, among other things, our future royalty revenues, which are expected to decrease sharply over the next several years, as well as our ability to manage expenses, including costs relating to our ongoing operations.
- Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and under Delaware corporate law may make it more difficult to acquire us, even though such acquisitions may be beneficial to our stockholders.
- The issuance of preferred stock may adversely affect rights of our common stockholders.

A more detailed discussion of these risks and uncertainties and other factors that could affect results is contained in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, as updated in “Item 1A. Risk Factors” of our subsequent quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. These risks and uncertainties and other factors should be considered carefully and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. As such, no assurance can be given that the future results covered by the forward-looking statements will be achieved. All information in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is as of the date of this report, unless otherwise indicated, and we undertake no duty to update this information.

### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

As a smaller reporting company, we are not required to provide information required by this item.

### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our management, under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), as of September 30, 2017. Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. The Company’s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of September 30, 2017, the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, during the quarter ended September 30, 2017 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

## Part II – OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There are no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 filed on March 24, 2017.

### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

None.

### Item 6. Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Reference No.</b>
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+	Filed herewith.	
*	These certifications are not deemed filed by the Commission and are not to be incorporated by reference in any filing the Company makes under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, irrespective of any general incorporation language in any filings.	

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

**ENZON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

(Registrant)

Dated: November 9, 2017

/s/ Andrew Rackear

Andrew Rackear

Chief Executive Officer and Secretary

(Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: November 9, 2017

/s/ Richard L. Feinstein

Richard L. Feinstein

Vice President-Finance and

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 302 OF  
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Andrew Rackear, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 of Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

November 9, 2017

/s/ Andrew Rackear

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Andrew Rackear  
Chief Executive Officer and Secretary  
(Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 302 OF  
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Richard L. Feinstein, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 of Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

November 9, 2017

/s/ Richard L. Feinstein

Richard L. Feinstein  
Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. §1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Andrew Rackear, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

November 9, 2017

/s/ Andrew Rackear

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Andrew Rackear  
Chief Executive Officer and Secretary  
(Principal Executive Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 has been provided to Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and will be furnished to the Securities Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. §1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Richard L. Feinstein, Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

November 9, 2017

/s/ Richard L. Feinstein

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Richard L. Feinstein

Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 has been provided to Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and will be furnished to the Securities Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

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