

## **Enzon Board Authorizes Share Repurchase of up to \$50 Million**

BRIDGEWATER, N.J., Dec 03, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ENZN) announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to \$50 million of its outstanding shares of common stock in order to return value to its shareholders.

The share repurchase program will be funded from the Company's available <u>cash</u>. As of September 30, 2009, the Company had cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and marketable securities of \$201.3 million.

Enzon expects that shares may be purchased at prevailing market prices through a variety of methods, including open market or private transactions, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. The timing and actual number of shares repurchased will depend on a variety of factors, including the share price, corporate and regulatory requirements, and other market and economic conditions. Repurchases may be commenced or suspended from time to time without prior notice, and the program may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

## **About Enzon**

Enzon Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to developing, manufacturing and commercializing important medicines for patients with cancer and other life-threatening conditions. The Company has a portfolio of four marketed products, Oncaspar(R), DepoCyt(R), Abelcet(R) and Adagen(R). Enzon's drug development programs utilize several cutting-edge approaches, including its industry-leading PEGylation technology platform and the Locked Nucleic Acid (LNA) technology. 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 its revenue base. The Company recently announced the agreement to sell the specialty pharmaceutical business. Further information about Enzon and this press release can be found on the Company's web site at <a href="https://www.enzon.com">www.enzon.com</a>.

## **Forward Looking Statements**

There are forward-looking statements contained herein, which can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as the words "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," "potential," "anticipates," "plans" or "intends" and similar expressions. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, events or developments to be materially different from the future results, events or developments indicated in such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to: the timing, success and cost of clinical studies; the ability to obtain regulatory approval of products; market acceptance of, and continuing demand for, Enzon's products and the impact of competitive products and pricing. A more detailed discussion of these 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, 2008. These factors should be considered carefully and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. No assurance can be given that the future results covered by the forward-looking statements will be achieved. All information in this press release is as of the date of this press release and Enzon does not intend to update this information.

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