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THEKEN SEEKING FDA CLEARANCE FOR FIVE PRODUCTS IN EARLY 2007

Working Towards Releasing Six Products within Six Months

AANS 2007 Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. – (April 16, 2007) Theken Spine, a member of the Theken Family of Companies, announces that to date this year, it has submitted applications to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to receive marketing clearance for five new products.

Throughout 2007, Theken expects to begin marketing the following products:

- Vu Mesh™, PEEK-OPTIMA® Vertebral Body Replacement System
- Atoll™, Cervico-Thoracic Fixation System
- x•POD™ Adjustable Vertebral Body Replacement System
- Coral[™] Minimally Invasive System (MIS) with new friction head polyaxial pedicle screw. The new
 design includes cannulated, fenestrated and solid screws.
- Vu e•POD™, PEEK-OPTIMA® Vertebral Body Replacement System

Private showings for each system will be held at Theken booth #1700 during exhibit hours at the American Academy of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) being held in Washington D.C. April 16-18.

Theken expects to submit a new thoracic plate to the FDA by mid-2007.

For more information on the FDA clearance process, please contact Theken Spine.

About Theken, a family of companies

The Theken family of companies Theken Spine, LLC, Theken Disc, LLC, Theken Orthopaedic, Inc. and Therics, LLC (www.theken.com) specializes in pioneering spinal implant technologies that improve spinal surgical techniques benefiting patients as well as surgeons. Theken provides comprehensive product lines that offer surgeons peace of mind through steadfast product reliability and easy-to-use instrumentation. Products include cervical plates, pedicle screws, spacers, degenerative/deformity and trauma devices. Theken also leads the market in next-generation artificial disc replacement technology.

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