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VERTEBRON™ INC. PROUDLY ANNOUNCES ITS STRATEGIC ACQUISITION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SPANNING VERTEBRAL BODY REPLACEMENT AND STAND ALONE ALIF FIXATION TECHNOLOGIES

STRATFORD, Conn.—September 19, 2005—VERTEBRON Inc. (VERTEBRON) is proud to announce the acquisition of issued intellectual property, expanding its anterior thoracolumbar fixation and reconstruction product portfolio. The recent acquisition from Nacor International, Inc. spans vertebral body replacement and stand alone anterior lumbar interbody fixation technologies. This strategic acquisition broadens VERTEBRON's spinal fusion portfolio, consisting of degenerative and trauma applications, to also include anterior reconstruction technologies.

VERTEBRON's product portfolio consists of both spinal fusion and motion preservation implant technologies. The acquired intellectual property specifically provides the ability to address both corpectomy reconstruction (vertebral body replacement) and anterior discectomy (stand alone interbody fusion) and fixation. With this new technology, VERTEBRON will be able to address an even wider range of pathologies and treatment options including posterior and stand alone anterior thoracolumbar fixation.

VERTEBRON's capability to specifically address "stand alone" anterior fusion and fixation will enable surgeons to address anterior pathologies through a single, anterior surgical approach. This minimizes patient trauma and any potential for surgical complications in comparison to traditional systems which require both an anterior exposure to address the pathology, and posterior exposure to supplement fixation with pedicle screws.

Hosam Afifi, President and CEO of VERTEBRON added, "This recent patent acquisition continues to demonstrate our commitment to spinal surgeons providing easy to use products for all spinal pathologies. Our goal is to continually provide our surgeons with the most innovative technologies for all their spinal surgery needs. VERTEBRON will now be able to address anterior thoracolumbar reconstruction which we plan to also expand into cervical applications."

VERTEBRON is a privately-held, medical device company that has developed next-generation spinal implants, including artificial discs (motion preservation), cervical plates, pedicle screws and interbody fusion systems which integrate spinal, orthopaedic and total joint technologies. VERTEBRON's comprehensive product portfolio offers simplified surgical techniques with enhanced intra-operative flexibility and innovative instrumentation to spinal surgeons worldwide. For more information, please visit www.VERTEBRON.com.

While this press release contains certain forward-looking statements, actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in VERTEBRON's Business Plan and other documents and other known and unknown risks and factors.

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