

Walgreens.com to Sell FIRSTICE® Cold Therapy Products

SAN DIEGO, CA—October 21, 2008—METIS Products LLC, developer of the patented FIRSTICE® cold therapy product line, is pleased to announce Walgreens.com as the newest outlet for online retail sales. FIRSTICE® has revolutionized the cold pack market with its innovative solution for cold therapy.

FIRSTICE® is a unique product that uses a polymer bead backbone to hold water in a gelatin-like state at room temperature. Once the water freezes, each water molecule disassociates from the gelatin and this process creates a bag of snow, softer and more comfortable than the current products that have been used over the last 40 years. “We are proud to offer Walgreens.com customers another alternative to the traditional cold therapies with the reusable and longer lasting FIRSTICE®,” said James Pantera, Director of Operations of METIS Products LLC. Popular Science Magazine named FIRSTICE® as one of “12 Must Have Products” for 2007.

Key Benefits of FIRSTICE®

- Safer for the skin than ice, gel or chemical packs
- Lasts four times longer than gel and chemical ice packs of same size
- Molds to the right shape without decreasing effectiveness
- Reusable within a few hours
- Cost effective and environmentally friendly
- No leaking or watery mess

FIRSTICE® products are currently available for sale at www.walgreens.com.

About Walgreens:

Walgreens (www.walgreens.com) is the nation's largest drugstore chain with fiscal 2008 sales of \$59 billion. The company operates 6,479 drugstores in 49 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Walgreens provides the most convenient access to consumer goods and cost-effective health care services in America through its retail drugstores, Walgreens Health Services division and Walgreens Health and Wellness division. Walgreens Health Services assists pharmacy patients and prescription drug and medical plans through Walgreens Health Initiatives Inc. (a pharmacy benefit manager), Walgreens Mail Service Inc., Walgreens Home Care Inc., Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy LLC and SeniorMed LLC (a pharmacy provider to long-term care facilities). Walgreens Health and Wellness division includes Take Care Health Systems, which is comprised of: Take Care Consumer Solutions, managers of 24-7 convenient care clinics at Walgreens drugstores, and Take Care Employer Solutions, managers of worksite-based health and wellness services at 364 employer campuses.

About METIS Products LLC:

Based in San Diego, California, METIS Products LLC manufactures medical devices and cold therapy products including the FIRSTICE® line. Our patented technologies are used by medical specialists, professional sporting organizations, corporations and individuals. Sample clientele are the French Olympic Committee, Southern California Olympic Training Facility, San Diego Padres, US Navy and US Department of Labor – Job Corps. For more information or purchase information, please contact us online at www.firstice.com.

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