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Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the year ended December 31, 2006

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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AKORN, INC.

(Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

LOUISIANA

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

72-0717400

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2500 Millbrook Drive, Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number: (847) 279-6100

SECURITIES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 12(b) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which registered

Common Stock, No Par Value

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

SECURITIES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 12(g) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT:

(None)

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

Note – Checking the box above will not relieve any Registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act from their obligation under those Sections.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act 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 if disclosure of delinquent filers in response to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained in this form, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

Large accelerated filer: Accelerated filer: Non-accelerated filer:

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

The aggregate market value of the voting stock of the Registrant held by non-affiliates (affiliates being, for these purposes only, directors, executive officers and holders of more than 5% of the Registrant's common stock) of the Registrant as of June 30, 2006 was approximately \$116,511,997.

The number of shares of the Registrant's common stock, no par value per share, outstanding as of March 8, 2007 was 86,374,771.

Documents incorporated by reference: Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2007 Annual Meeting incorporated by reference into Part III, Items 10-14 of this Form 10-K.

Forward-Looking Statements and Factors Affecting Future Results

Certain statements in this Form 10-K constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. When used in this document, the words “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate” and “expect” and similar expressions are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statements, including statements regarding our intent, belief or expectations are not guarantees of future performance. These statements involve risks and uncertainties and actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including but not limited to:

- Our ability to comply with all of the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration, including current Good Manufacturing Practices regulations;
- Our ability to obtain regulatory approvals of, commence operations at and obtain business for our new lyophilization facility;
- Our ability to avoid defaults under debt covenants;
- Our ability to generate cash from operations sufficient to meet our working capital requirements;
- The effects of federal, state and other governmental regulation on our business;
- Our success in developing, manufacturing, acquiring and marketing new products;
- The success of our strategic partnerships for the development and marketing of new products;
- Our ability to bring new products to market and the effects of sales of such products on our financial results;
- The effects of competition from generic pharmaceuticals and from other pharmaceutical companies;
- Availability of raw materials needed to produce our products; and
- Other factors referred to in this Form 10-K and our other Securities and Exchange Commission filings.

See “Item 1A. Risk Factors” on pages 8 through 15. You should read this report completely with the understanding that our actual results may differ materially from what we expect. Unless required by law, we undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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PART I

Item 1. *Business*

We manufacture and market diagnostic and therapeutic pharmaceuticals in specialty areas such as ophthalmology, rheumatology, anesthesia and antidotes, among others. Our customers include physicians, optometrists, hospitals, wholesalers, group purchasing organizations and other pharmaceutical companies. We are a Louisiana corporation founded in 1971 in Abita Springs, Louisiana. In 1997, we relocated our headquarters and certain operations to Illinois. We have a wholly owned subsidiary named Akorn (New Jersey), Inc., which operates in Somerset, New Jersey and is involved in manufacturing, product development, and administrative activities related to our ophthalmic and hospital drugs & injectables segments.

We classify our operations into three identifiable business segments, ophthalmic, hospital drugs & injectables and contract services. These three segments are described in greater detail below. For information regarding revenues and gross profit for each of our segments, see Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note M – “Segment Information.”

Ophthalmic Segment. We market a line of diagnostic and therapeutic ophthalmic pharmaceutical products. Diagnostic products, primarily used in the office setting, include mydriatics and cycloplegics, anesthetics, topical stains, gonioscopic solutions, angiography dyes and others. Therapeutic products, sold primarily to wholesalers and other national account customers, include antibiotics, anti-infectives, steroids, steroid combinations, glaucoma medications, decongestants/antihistamines and anti-edema medications. Non-pharmaceutical products include various artificial tear solutions, preservative-free lubricating ointments, eyelid cleansers, vitamin supplements and contact lens accessories.

Hospital Drugs & Injectables Segment. We market a line of specialty injectable pharmaceutical products, including antidotes, anesthesia, and products used in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and pain management. These products are marketed to hospitals through wholesalers and other national account customers as well as directly to medical specialists.

Contract Services Segment. We manufacture products for third party pharmaceutical and biotechnology customers based on their specifications.

Manufacturing. We have manufacturing facilities located in Decatur, Illinois and Somerset, New Jersey. See Item 2. Properties. We manufacture a diverse group of sterile pharmaceutical products, including solutions, ointments and suspensions for our ophthalmic and hospital drugs & injectables segments. Our Decatur facility manufactures products for all three of our segments. Our Somerset facility manufactures ophthalmic solutions and ointment products. We have added freeze-dried (lyophilized) manufacturing capabilities at our Decatur manufacturing facility and are currently waiting for a Pre-Approval Inspection (“PAI”) from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) to begin using the lyophilization facility for commercial production. We intend to develop an internal Abbreviated New Drug Application (“ANDA”) lyophilized product pipeline. See Item 1A. Risk Factors – “Our growth depends on our ability to timely develop additional pharmaceutical products and manufacturing capabilities.”

Sales and Marketing. While we are working to expand our proprietary product base through internal development and external product licensing development, the majority of our current products are non-proprietary. We rely on our efforts in marketing, distribution, product development and low cost manufacturing to maintain and increase our market share.

Our ophthalmic segment uses a three-tiered sales effort. Outside sales representatives sell directly to retina surgeons and ophthalmic group practices. In-house sales (telemarketing) and customer service (catalog sales) sell to office-based ophthalmic physicians and hospitals. A national account group contracts with wholesalers, retail chains and other group purchasing organizations that represent hospitals in the United States. Contract services markets our contract manufacturing services through direct mail, trade shows and direct industry contacts.

Research and Development. In 2006, we received 11 ANDA product approvals from the Office of Generic Drugs. As of December 31, 2006, we had 35 ANDA product submissions for generic pharmaceuticals under review at the Office of Generic Drugs: 16 from internal development and 19 from various strategic agreements with nine external partners. In most, but not all, instances we own the ANDAs that are produced by our strategic partnerships. We plan to continue to file ANDAs on a regular basis as pharmaceutical products come off patent allowing us to compete by marketing generic equivalents. See “Government Regulation” beginning on page seven.

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In 2004 we began to enter into strategic partnerships for the development and marketing of a number of products, a discussion of which is below:

Under an agreement we entered into in 2004 with Strides Arcolab Limited (“Strides”), Akom-Strides, LLC (the “Joint Venture Company”), of which we and Strides are both 50% owners, is developing patent-challenge products and ANDA products for the U.S. hospital and retail markets. We have each funded Akom-Strides, LLC with \$1,500,000. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note Q – “Business Alliances”. As our strategic partner, Strides is responsible for developing, manufacturing and supplying products that we will sell and market in the United States on an exclusive basis.

Also in 2004, we and FDC Limited entered into a purchase and supply agreement, which would provide us with an ophthalmic finished dosage form product pipeline for exclusive use in the United States and Canada. FDC Limited is to develop and manufacture the ophthalmic products, which we will market directly in the United States.

In October 2004, we entered into an exclusive drug development and distribution agreement for oncology drug products for the United States and Canada with Serum Institute of India, Ltd. (“Serum”). Serum is currently building a facility in Pune, India for the manufacture of these products. We will own the ANDAs and buy products developed under the agreement from Serum under a negotiated transfer price arrangement. Once the products are approved, we will market and sell them in the United States and Canada under our label.

On November 16, 2004, we entered into an Exclusive License and Supply Agreement with Hameln Pharmaceuticals (“Hameln”) for two Orphan Drug New Drug Applications (“NDAs”) — Calcium-DTPA and Zinc-DTPA – which were both approved by the FDA in August 2004. These products are antidotes for the treatment of radioactive poisoning. Under the terms of the agreement, we paid a one-time license fee of 1,550,000 Euros (\$2,095,000) for an exclusive license for five years, subject to extension for successive two-year periods. Orphan drug exclusivity status is granted by the FDA for a period of seven years from the date of approval of the NDA. Hameln manufactures both drugs, and we market and distribute both drugs in the United States and Canada. We share revenues 50:50, subject to adjustments. We pay any annual FDA establishment fees and for the cost of any post-approval studies. On December 30, 2005 we were awarded a \$21,491,000 contract from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”) for these products which we subsequently sold to HHS in March of 2006. In December 2006 we sold HHS an additional \$3,502,000 of these antidote products.

During 2005, we paid M.D. Anderson \$75,000 for the right to license a patent from The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center called “M-EDTA Pharmaceutical Preparations of Uses Thereof.” Under the terms of the agreement we entered into with M.D. Anderson, we will also fund clinical trials and pay a milestone license fee upon FDA approval and then pay royalties for the life of the patent.

On March 7, 2006, we entered into a 10-year exclusive agreement with Cipla, Ltd. (“Cipla”), an Indian pharmaceutical company located in Mumbai, India. Under the terms of the agreement, Cipla manufactures and supplies an oral anti-infective ANDA drug product using our formulation, and we are responsible for the ANDA regulatory submission and clinical development. We also fund the purchase of specialized manufacturing equipment and pay Cipla milestone fees for Cipla’s assistance with ANDA development and submission. We agreed to purchase the product from Cipla and Cipla agreed to supply the product to us on an exclusive basis in the United States. We will own the ANDA in the United States.

On November 8, 2006, we entered into both a Development and Exclusive Distribution Agreement (the “Development and Exclusive Distribution Agreement”) and a Development Funding Agreement (“Development Funding Agreement” and together with the Development and Exclusive Distribution Agreement, the “Agreements”) with Serum. Under the Agreements, Serum has agreed to appoint us as the exclusive distributor for Rabies monoclonal antibody (the “Product”). In exchange for us receiving exclusive marketing and distribution rights for the Product to North, Central, and South America, we have agreed to help fund development of the Product through milestone payments. These milestone payments include the successful completion of Phase I, Phase II, and Phase III clinical trials and receipt of approval for a biologics license application from the FDA’s Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. As the exclusive marketing and distribution partner of Serum for the Product in America, we will receive 40% of the revenues from Product sales in North America and 50% of the revenues from Product sales in Central and South America. Also as part of the Development and Exclusive Distribution Agreement, Serum grants us the first option right to obtain exclusive marketing rights in North, Central, and South America for a second monoclonal antibody product, Anti-D human monoclonal antibody (“Anti-D”). The exclusive marketing rights for Anti-D would be consistent with the terms and conditions in the Agreements for the Product.

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Additionally, Serum has granted us the first option right to expand the territory in which it has exclusive rights to include Europe in exchange for minimum annual product sales requirements in Europe.

Pre-clinical and clinical trials required in connection with the development of pharmaceutical products are performed by contract research organizations under the direction of our personnel. No assurance can be given as to whether we will file NDAs, or ANDAs, when anticipated, whether we will develop marketable products based on any filings we do make, or as to the actual size of the market for any such products, or as to whether our participation in such market would be profitable. See “Government Regulation” on page seven and Item 1A. Risk Factors – “Our growth depends on our ability to timely develop additional pharmaceutical products and manufacturing capabilities”.

We also maintain a business development program that identifies potential product acquisition or product licensing candidates. We have focused our business development efforts on products that complement our existing product lines and that have few or no competitors in the market.

At December 31, 2006, twelve of our full-time employees were involved in product research and business development.

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Such costs amounted to \$11,797,000, \$4,510,000, and \$1,861,000, for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively.

Patents, Trademarks and Proprietary Rights. We consider the protection of discoveries in connection with our development activities important to our business. We have sought, and intend to continue to seek, patent protection in the United States and selected foreign countries where deemed appropriate. As of December 31, 2006, we had received seven U.S. patents and had four additional U.S. patent applications pending.

We also rely upon trademarks, trade secrets, unpatented proprietary know-how and continuing technological innovation to maintain and develop our competitive position. We enter into confidentiality agreements with certain of our employees pursuant to which such employees agree to assign to us any inventions relating to our business made by them while in our employ. However, there can be no assurance that others may not acquire or independently develop similar technology or, if patents are not issued with respect to products arising from research, that we will be able to maintain information pertinent to such research as proprietary technology or trade secrets. See Item 1A. Risk Factors — “Our patents and proprietary rights may not adequately protect our products and processes”.

Employee Relations. At December 31, 2006, we had 371 full-time employees, 310 of whom were employed by us and 61 by our wholly owned subsidiary, Akom (New Jersey), Inc. Akom-Strides, LLC has no employees. We believe we enjoy good relations with our employees, none of whom are represented by a collective bargaining agent.

Competition. The marketing and manufacturing of pharmaceutical products is highly competitive, with many established manufacturers, suppliers and distributors actively engaged in all phases of the business. Most of our competitors have substantially greater financial and other resources, including greater sales volume, larger sales forces and greater manufacturing capacity. See Item 1A. Risk Factors — “Our industry is very competitive. Additionally changes in technology could render our products obsolete”.

The companies that compete with our ophthalmic segment include Alcon Laboratories, Inc., Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Novartis and Bausch & Lomb, Inc. The ophthalmic segment competes primarily on the basis of price and service.

The companies that compete with our hospital drugs & injectables segment include both generic and name brand companies such as Hospira, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Abraxis Pharmaceutical Products and Baxter International. The hospital drugs & injectables segment competes primarily on the basis of price.

Competitors in our contract services segment include Baxter International, Hospira and Patheon. The contract services segment competes primarily on the basis of price and technical capabilities.

Suppliers and Customers. In 2006 purchases from Hameln represented approximately 13% of our purchases and in both 2005 and 2004, purchases from Cardinal Health PTS, LLC accounted for approximately 17% of our purchases. We require a supply of quality raw materials and components to manufacture and package pharmaceutical products for ourselves and for third parties with which we have contracted. The principal components of our products are active and inactive pharmaceutical ingredients and certain packaging materials. Many of these components are available from only a single source and, in the case of many of our ANDAs and NDAs, only

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one supplier of raw materials has been identified. Because FDA approval of drugs requires manufacturers to specify their proposed suppliers of active ingredients and certain packaging materials in their applications, FDA approval of any new supplier would be required if active ingredients or such packaging materials were no longer available from the specified supplier. The qualification of a new supplier could delay our development and marketing efforts. If for any reason we are unable to obtain sufficient quantities of any of the raw materials or components required to produce and package our products, we may not be able to manufacture our products as planned, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In 2006 we sold \$25,464,000 of our radiation DTPA antidote products to HHS which represented 36% of our sales in 2006. There were no sales to HHS in 2005. In addition, a small number of large wholesale drug distributors account for a large portion of our gross sales, revenues and accounts receivable. Those distributors are:

- AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“AmerisourceBergen”)
- Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal”); and
- McKesson Drug Company (“McKesson”).

These three wholesale drug distributors accounted for approximately 50% of our total gross sales and 33% of our revenues in 2006, and 53% of our gross accounts receivable as of December 31, 2006. The difference between gross sales and revenue is that gross sales do not reflect the deductions for chargebacks, rebates and product returns (See Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — “Critical Accounting Policies”). The percentages of gross sales, revenue and gross trade receivables attributed to each of these three wholesale drug distributors for the years ended December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 were as follows:

	2006			2005		
	Gross Sales	Net Revenue	Gross Accounts Receivable	Gross Sales	Net Revenue	Gross Accounts Receivable
AmerisourceBergen	13%	9%	12%	24%	16%	28%
Cardinal	19%	13%	24%	28%	19%	29%
McKesson	18%	11%	17%	17%	11%	19%

AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal and McKesson are distributors of our products as well as a broad range of health care products for many other companies. None of these distributors is an end user of our products. If sales to any one of these distributors were to diminish or cease, we believe that the end users of our products would find little difficulty obtaining our products either directly from us or from another distributor. However, the loss of one or more of these distributors, together with a delay or inability to secure an alternative distribution source for end users, could have a material negative impact on our revenue, business, financial condition and results of operations. We consider our business relationships with these three wholesalers to be in good standing and have fee for services contracts with Cardinal and McKesson. We have also established a fee for service contract with AmerisourceBergen, which began in January 2006. A change in purchasing patterns, a decrease in inventory levels, an increase in returns of our products, delays in purchasing products and delays in payment for products by one or more distributors also could have a material negative impact on our revenue, business, financial condition and results of operations. See Item 1A Risk factors – “We depend on a small number of distributors, the loss of any of which could have a material adverse effect”.

Backorders. As of December 31, 2006, we had approximately \$737,000 of products on backorder as compared to approximately \$1,400,000 of backorders as of December 31, 2005. This decrease in backorders is due to higher production levels in 2006. We anticipate filling all current open backorders during 2007.

Government Regulation. Pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors are subject to extensive regulation by government agencies, including the FDA, the Drug Enforcement Administration (“DEA”), the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) and other federal, state and local agencies. The federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (the “FDC Act”), the Controlled Substance Act and other federal statutes and regulations govern or influence the development, testing, manufacture, labeling, storage and promotion of products that we manufacture and market. The FDA inspects drug manufacturers and storage facilities to determine compliance with its current Good Manufacturing Practices (“cGMP”) regulations, non-compliance with which can result in fines, recall and seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production, refusal to approve NDAs and criminal prosecution. The FDA also has the authority to revoke approval of drug products.

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FDA approval is required before any drug can be manufactured and marketed. New drugs require the filing of an NDA, including clinical studies demonstrating the safety and efficacy of the drug. Generic drugs, which are equivalents of existing, off-patent brand name drugs, require the filing of an ANDA. An ANDA does not, for the most part, require clinical studies since safety and efficacy have already been demonstrated by the product originator. However, the ANDA must provide data demonstrating the equivalency of the generic formulation in terms of bioavailability. The time required by the FDA to review and approve NDAs and ANDAs is variable and beyond our control.

FDA Warning Letter. The FDA issued a Warning Letter to us in October 2000 following a routine inspection of our Decatur manufacturing facility. Since 2000, and in response to the violations cited by the FDA, we implemented a comprehensive systematic compliance plan at our Decatur manufacturing facility. We maintained regular communications with the FDA and provided periodic progress reports. During this time, the FDA initiated no enforcement action. On December 13, 2005, the FDA notified us that we had satisfactorily implemented corrective actions and the FDA had determined that our Decatur manufacturing facility was in substantial compliance with cGMP regulations. Consequently, the restrictions of the Warning Letter were removed and we became eligible for new product approvals for products manufactured at our Decatur manufacturing facility. Several such product approvals were received in 2006. While under the Warning Letter restrictions from 2000 to 2005, our inability to fully utilize the capabilities of the Decatur manufacturing facility had a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Product Recalls. There were no product recalls during 2006, 2005 or 2004.

DEA Regulation. We also manufacture and distribute several controlled-drug substances, the distribution and handling of which are regulated by the DEA. Failure to comply with DEA regulations can result in fines or seizure of product.

Environment. We do not anticipate any material adverse effect from compliance with federal, state and local provisions that have been enacted or adopted regulating the discharge of materials into the environment, or otherwise relating to the protection of the environment.

Foreign Sales. During 2006, 2005 and 2004, approximately \$1,104,000, \$3,666,000 and \$5,435,000, respectively, of our revenues were from external customers located in foreign countries. The decline in volume is primarily due to one customer switching over to internally sourcing an ophthalmic product they had previously purchased from us in 2005 and 2004.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

We have experienced recent operating losses, working capital deficiencies and negative cash flows from operations, and these losses and deficiencies may continue in the future.

Our recent operating losses may continue in the future and there can be no assurance that our financial outlook will improve. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004, our operating losses were \$4,905,000, \$ 7,479,000 and \$368,000, respectively. We generated a positive cash flow from operations in 2006 of \$2,509,000, however we generated negative flows of \$148,000 and \$3,461,000 in 2005 and 2004, respectively. There can be no assurance that our results of operations will reflect improvement in the future. If our results of operations do not improve in the future, an investment in our common stock could be negatively affected.

We have invested significant resources in the development of lyophilization manufacturing capability, and we may not realize the benefit of these efforts and expenditures.

We are in the process of completing an expansion of our Decatur, Illinois manufacturing facility to add capacity to provide lyophilization manufacturing services, a manufacturing capability we currently do not have. As of December 31, 2006, we had spent approximately \$22,433,000 on the lyophilization facility expansion and anticipate the need to spend approximately \$200,000 of additional funds (excluding capitalized interest) which will primarily be used for testing and validation as the major capital equipment items are currently in place. In December 2006, we placed the sterile solutions portion of this operation in service which augments our existing production capacities. The remaining \$5,196,000 of construction in progress, which is specific to lyophilization (freeze-dry) operations, is awaiting final review and a PAI by the FDA for us to place this equipment into commercial production.

We are working toward the development of an internal ANDA lyophilized product pipeline and expect manufacturing capabilities for lyophilized products to be in place by mid-2007. However, there is no guarantee that we will be successful in completing development of lyophilization capability, or that other intervening events will not occur that reduce or eliminate the anticipated benefits from such capability. For instance, the market for lyophilized products could significantly diminish or be eliminated, or new technological advances could render the lyophilization process obsolete, prior to our entry into the market. There can be no assurance that we will realize the anticipated benefits from our significant investment into lyophilization capability at our Decatur manufacturing facility, and our failure to do so could significantly limit our ability to grow our business in the future.

We depend on a small number of distributors, the loss of any of which could have a material adverse effect.

A small number of large wholesale drug distributors account for a large portion of our gross sales, revenues and accounts receivable. The following three distributors, AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal and McKesson, accounted for approximately 50% of total gross sales and 33% of total revenues in 2006, and 53% of gross trade receivables as of December 31, 2006. In addition to acting as distributors of our products, these three companies also distribute a broad range of health care products for many other companies. The loss of one or more of these distributors, together with a delay or inability to secure an alternative distribution source for end users, could have a material negative impact on our revenue and results of operations and lead to a violation of debt covenants. A change in purchasing patterns, inventory levels, increases in returns of our products, delays in purchasing products and delays in payment for products by one or more distributors also could have a material negative impact on our revenue and results of operations.

Certain of our directors are subject to conflicts of interest.

Dr. John N. Kapoor, Ph.D., the chairman of our board of directors, our chief executive officer from March 2001 to December 2002, and a principal shareholder, is affiliated with EJ Financial Enterprises, Inc. ("EJ Financial"), a health care consulting investment company. EJ Financial is involved in the management of health care companies in various fields, and Dr. Kapoor is involved in various capacities with the management and operation of these companies. The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89 (the "Kapoor Trust"), the beneficiary and sole trustee of which is Dr. Kapoor, is a principal shareholder of each of these companies. As a result, Dr. Kapoor does not devote his full time to our business. Although such companies do not currently compete directly with us, certain companies with which EJ Financial is involved are in the pharmaceutical business. Discoveries made by one or more of these companies could render our products less competitive or obsolete. Potential conflicts of interest could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may require additional capital to grow our business and such funds may not be available to us.

We may require additional funds to grow our business. However, adequate funds through the financial markets or from other sources may not be available when needed or on terms favorable to us due to our recent financial history. Further, the terms of such additional financing, if obtained, likely will require the granting of rights, preferences or privileges senior to those of our common stock and result in substantial dilution of the existing ownership interests of our common stockholders and could include covenants and restrictions that limit our ability to operate or expand our business in a manner that we deem to be in our best interest.

Our growth depends on our ability to timely develop additional pharmaceutical products and manufacturing capabilities.

Our strategy for growth is dependent upon our ability to develop products that can be promoted through current marketing and distributions channels and, when appropriate, the enhancement of such marketing and distribution channels. We may not meet our anticipated time schedule for the filing of ANDAs and NDAs or may decide not to pursue ANDAs or NDAs that we have submitted or anticipate submitting. Our internal development of new pharmaceutical products is dependent upon the research and development capabilities of our personnel and our strategic business alliance infrastructure. There can be no assurance that we or our strategic business alliances will successfully develop new pharmaceutical products or, if developed, successfully integrate new products into our existing product lines. In addition, there can be no assurance that we will receive all necessary FDA approvals or that such approvals will not involve delays, which adversely affect the marketing and sale of our products. Our failure to develop new products, to maintain substantial compliance with FDA compliance guidelines or to receive FDA approval of ANDAs or NDAs, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We have entered into several strategic business alliances which may not result in marketable products.

We have entered several strategic business alliances that have been formed to supply us with low cost finished dosage form products. Since 2004, we have entered into various purchase and supply agreements, license agreements, and a joint venture that are all designed to provide finished dosage form products that can be marketed through our distribution pipeline. However, there can be no assurance that any of these agreements will result in FDA-approved ANDAs or NDAs, or that we will be able to market any such finished dosage form products at a profit. In addition, any clinical trial expenses that we incur may result in adverse financial consequences to our business.

Our success depends on the development of generic and off-patent pharmaceutical products which are particularly susceptible to competition, substitution policies and reimbursement policies.

Our success depends, in part, on our ability to anticipate which branded pharmaceuticals are about to come off patent and thus permit us to develop, manufacture and market equivalent generic pharmaceutical products. Generic pharmaceuticals must meet the same quality standards as branded pharmaceuticals, even though these equivalent pharmaceuticals are sold at prices that are significantly lower than that of branded pharmaceuticals. Generic substitution is regulated by the federal and state governments, as is reimbursement for generic drug dispensing. There can be no assurance that substitution will be permitted for newly approved generic drugs or that such products will be subject to government reimbursement. In addition, generic products that third parties develop may render our generic products noncompetitive or obsolete. There can be no assurance that we will be able to consistently bring generic pharmaceutical products to market quickly and efficiently in the future. An increase in competition in the sale of generic pharmaceutical products or our failure to bring such products to market before our competitors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Further, there is no proprietary protection for most of the branded pharmaceutical products that either we or other pharmaceutical companies sell. In addition, governmental and cost-containment pressures regarding the dispensing of generic equivalents will likely result in generic substitution and competition generally for our branded pharmaceutical products. We attempt to mitigate the effect of this substitution through, among other things, creation of strong brand-name recognition and product-line extensions for our branded pharmaceutical products, but there can be no assurance that we will be successful in these efforts.

We can be subject to legal proceedings against us, which may prove costly and time-consuming even if meritless.

In the ordinary course of our business, we can be involved in legal actions with both private parties and certain government agencies. To the extent that our personnel may have to spend time and resources to pursue or contest any matters that may be asserted from time to time in the future, this represents time and money that is not available for other actions that we might otherwise pursue which could be beneficial to our future. In addition, to the extent that we are unsuccessful in any legal proceedings, the consequences could have a negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. See Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

Our revenues depend on sale of products manufactured by third parties, which we cannot control.

We derive a significant portion of our revenues from the sale of products manufactured by third parties, including our competitors in some instances. There can be no assurance that our dependence on third parties for the manufacture of such products will not adversely affect our profit margins or our ability to develop and deliver our products on a timely and competitive basis. If for any reason we are unable to obtain or retain third-party manufacturers on commercially acceptable terms, we may not be able to distribute certain of our products as planned. No assurance can be made that the manufacturers we use will be able to provide us with sufficient quantities of our products or that the products supplied to us will meet our specifications. Any delays or difficulties with third-party manufacturers could adversely affect the marketing and distribution of certain of our products, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Dependence on key executive officers.

Our success will depend, in part, on our ability to attract and retain key executive officers. We are particularly dependent upon Dr. John N. Kapoor, Ph.D., chairman of our board of directors, and Mr. Arthur S. Przybyl, our chief executive officer. The inability to attract and retain key executive officers, or the loss of one or more of our key executive officers could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We must continue to attract and retain key personnel to be able to compete successfully.

Our performance depends, to a large extent, on the continued service of our key research and development personnel, other technical employees, managers and sales personnel and our ability to continue to attract and retain such personnel. Competition for such personnel is intense, particularly for highly motivated and experienced research and development and other technical personnel. We are facing increasing competition from companies with greater financial resources for such personnel. There can be no assurance that we will be able to attract and retain sufficient numbers of highly skilled personnel in the future, and the inability to do so could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition and results of operations.

We are subject to extensive government regulations that increase our costs and could subject us to fines, prevent us from selling our products or prevent us from operating our facilities.

Federal and state government agencies regulate virtually all aspects of our business. The development, testing, manufacturing, processing, quality, safety, efficacy, packaging, labeling, record keeping, distribution, storage and advertising of our products, and disposal of waste products arising from such activities, are subject to regulation by the FDA, DEA, FTC, the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency. Similar state and local agencies also have jurisdiction over these activities. Noncompliance with applicable United States and/or state or local regulatory requirements can result in fines, injunctions, penalties, mandatory recalls or seizures, suspensions of production, recommendations by the FDA against governmental contracts and criminal prosecution. Any of these could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. New, modified and additional regulations, statutes or legal interpretation, if any, could, among other things, require changes to manufacturing methods, expanded or different labeling, the recall, replacement or discontinuation of certain products, additional record keeping and expanded documentation of the properties of certain products and scientific substantiation. Such changes or new legislation could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. See Item 1. Business — “Government Regulation.”

FDA regulations. All pharmaceutical manufacturers, including us, are subject to regulation by the FDA under the authority of the FDC Act. Under the FDC Act, the federal government has extensive administrative and judicial enforcement authority over the activities of finished drug product manufacturers to ensure compliance with FDA regulations. This authority includes, but is not limited to, the authority to initiate court action to seize unapproved or non-complying products, to enjoin non-complying activities, to halt manufacturing operations that are not in compliance with cGMP, to recall products, to seek civil and monetary penalties and to

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criminally prosecute violators. Other enforcement activities include refusal to approve product applications or the withdrawal of previously approved applications. Any such enforcement activities, including the restriction or prohibition on sales of products we market or the halting of our manufacturing operations, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, product recalls may be issued at our discretion, or at the request of the FDA or other government agencies having regulatory authority for pharmaceutical products. Recalls may occur due to disputed labeling claims, manufacturing issues, quality defects or other reasons. No assurance can be given that restriction or prohibition on sales, halting of manufacturing operations or recalls of our pharmaceutical products will not occur in the future. Any such actions could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Further, such actions, in certain circumstances, could constitute an event of default under the terms of our various financing relationships.

We must obtain approval from the FDA for each pharmaceutical product that we market which requires a regulatory submission. The FDA approval process is typically lengthy and expensive, and approval is never certain. Our new products could take a significantly longer time than we expect to gain regulatory approval and may never gain approval. Even if the FDA or another regulatory agency approves a product, the approval may limit the indicated uses for a product, may otherwise limit our ability to promote, sell and distribute a product or may require post-marketing studies or impose other post-marketing obligations.

We and our third-party manufacturers are subject to periodic inspection by the FDA to assure regulatory compliance regarding the manufacturing, distribution, and promotion of pharmaceutical products. The FDA imposes stringent mandatory requirements on the manufacture and distribution of pharmaceutical products to ensure their safety and efficacy. The FDA also regulates drug labeling and the advertising of prescription drugs. A finding by a governmental agency or court that we are not in compliance with FDA requirements could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We were previously subject to an FDA Warning Letter which the FDA issued to us in October 2000 which was subsequently removed in 2005. See Item 1. Business – “FDA Warning Letter”.

If the FDA changes its regulatory position, it could force us to delay or suspend our manufacturing, distribution or sales of certain products. We believe that all of our current products are in substantial compliance with FDA regulations and have received the requisite agency approvals for their manufacture and sale. In addition, modifications or enhancements of approved products are in many circumstances subject to additional FDA approvals which may or may not be granted and which may be subject to a lengthy application process. Any change in the FDA’s enforcement policy or any decision by the FDA to require an approved NDA or ANDA for one of our products not currently subject to the approved NDA or ANDA requirements or any delay in the FDA approving an NDA or ANDA for one of our products could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A number of products we market are “grandfathered” drugs that are permitted to be manufactured and marketed without FDA-issued ANDAs or NDAs on the basis of their having been marketed prior to enactment of relevant sections of the FDC Act and amendments thereto. The regulatory status of these products is subject to change and/or challenge by the FDA, which could establish new standards and limitations for manufacturing and marketing such products, or challenge the evidence of prior manufacturing and marketing upon which grandfathering status is based. Any such change in the status of a “grandfathered” product could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are subject to extensive DEA regulation, which could result in our being fined or otherwise penalized. We also manufacture and sell drugs which are “controlled substances” as defined in the federal Controlled Substances Act and similar state laws, which impose, among other things, certain licensing, security and record keeping requirements administered by the DEA and similar state agencies, as well as quotas for the manufacture, purchase and sale of controlled substances. The DEA could limit or reduce the amount of controlled substances which we are permitted to manufacture and market. See Item 1. Business – “DEA Regulation”.

We may implement product recalls and could be exposed to significant product liability claims; we may have to pay significant amounts to those harmed and may suffer from adverse publicity as a result.

The manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceuticals involves an inherent risk that our products may prove to be defective and cause a health risk. In that event, we may voluntarily implement a recall or market withdrawal or may be required to do so by a regulatory authority. We have recalled products in the past and, based on this experience, believe that the occurrence of a recall could result in significant costs to us, potential disruptions in the supply of our products to our customers and adverse publicity, all of which could harm our ability to market our products. There were no product recalls in 2006, 2005 or 2004.

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Although we are not currently subject to any material product liability proceedings, we may incur material liabilities relating to product liability claims in the future. Even meritless claims could subject us to adverse publicity, hinder us from securing insurance coverage in the future and require us to incur significant legal fees and divert the attention of the key employees from running our business. Successful product liability claims brought against us could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We currently have product liability insurance in the amount of \$5,000,000 for aggregate annual claims with a \$50,000 deductible per incident and a \$250,000 aggregate annual deductible. However, there can be no assurance that such insurance coverage will be sufficient to fully cover potential claims. Additionally, there can be no assurance that adequate insurance coverage will be available in the future at acceptable costs, if at all, or that a product liability claim would not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The FDA may authorize sales of some prescription pharmaceuticals on a non-prescription basis, which would reduce the profitability of our prescription products.

From time to time, the FDA elects to permit sales of some pharmaceuticals currently sold on a prescription basis, without a prescription. FDA approval of the sale of our products without a prescription would reduce demand for our competing prescription products and, accordingly, reduce our profits.

Our industry is very competitive. Additionally, changes in technology could render our products obsolete.

We face significant competition from other pharmaceutical companies, including major pharmaceutical companies with financial resources substantially greater than ours, in developing, acquiring, manufacturing and marketing pharmaceutical products. The selling prices of pharmaceutical products typically decline as competition increases. Further, other products now in use, under development or acquired by other pharmaceutical companies, may be more effective or offered at lower prices than our current or future products. The industry is characterized by rapid technological change that may render our products obsolete, and competitors may develop their products more rapidly than we can. Competitors may also be able to complete the regulatory process sooner, and therefore, may begin to market their products in advance of our products. We believe that competition in sales of our products is based primarily on price, service and technical capabilities. There can be no assurance that: (i) we will be able to develop or acquire commercially attractive pharmaceutical products; (ii) additional competitors will not enter the market; or (iii) competition from other pharmaceutical companies will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Many of the raw materials and components used in our products come from a single source.

We require a supply of quality raw materials and components to manufacture and package pharmaceutical products for ourselves and for third parties with which we have contracted. Many of the raw materials and components used in our products come from a single source and interruptions in the supply of these raw materials and components could disrupt our manufacturing of specific products and cause our sales and profitability to decline. Further, in the case of many of our ANDAs and NDAs, only one supplier of raw materials has been identified. Because FDA approval of drugs requires manufacturers to specify their proposed suppliers of active ingredients and certain packaging materials in their applications, FDA approval of any new supplier would be required if active ingredients or such packaging materials were no longer available from the specified supplier. The qualification of a new supplier could delay our development and marketing efforts. If for any reason we are unable to obtain sufficient quantities of any of the raw materials or components required to produce and package our products, we may not be able to manufacture our products as planned, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our patents and proprietary rights may not adequately protect our products and processes.

The patent and proprietary rights position of competitors in the pharmaceutical industry generally is highly uncertain, involves complex legal and factual questions, and is the subject of much litigation. There can be no assurance that any patent applications or other proprietary rights, including licensed rights, relating to our potential products or processes will result in patents being issued or other proprietary rights secured, or that the resulting patents or proprietary rights, if any, will provide protection against competitors who: (i) successfully challenge our patents or proprietary rights; (ii) obtain patents or proprietary rights that may have an adverse effect on our ability to conduct business; or (iii) are able to circumvent our patent or proprietary rights position. It is possible that other parties have conducted or are conducting research and could make discoveries of pharmaceutical formulations or processes that would precede any discoveries made by us, which could prevent us from obtaining patent or other protection for these discoveries or marketing products developed there from. Consequently, there can be no assurance that others will not independently develop

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pharmaceutical products similar to or obsoleting those that we are planning to develop, or duplicate any of our products. Our inability to obtain patents for, or other proprietary rights in, our products and processes or the ability of competitors to circumvent or obsolete our patents or proprietary rights could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Concentrated ownership of our common stock and our registration of shares for public sale creates a risk of sudden changes in our share price.

The sale by any of our large shareholders of a significant portion of that shareholder's holdings could have a material adverse effect on the market price of our common stock. We have registered 71,785,437 shares held by certain of our investors for sale under registration statements on a Form S-1 and Form S-3 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Sales of these shares on the open market could cause the price of our stock to decline.

Exercise of warrants and options may have a substantial dilutive effect on our common stock.

If the price per share of our common stock at the time of exercise or conversion of any warrants or stock options is in excess of the various exercise or conversion prices of such convertible securities, exercise or conversion of such convertible securities would have a dilutive effect on our common stock. Holders of our outstanding warrants and options would receive 4,966,487 shares of our common stock at a weighted average exercise price of \$2.88 per share. Any additional financing that we secure likely will require the granting of rights, preferences or privileges senior to those of our common stock which may result in substantial dilution of the existing ownership interests of our common shareholders.

The terms of our preferred stock may reduce the value of our common stock.

We are authorized to issue up to a total of 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series. Our board of directors may determine whether to issue additional shares of preferred stock and the terms of such preferred stock without further action by holders of our common stock. If we issue additional shares of preferred stock, it could affect the rights or reduce the value of our common stock. In particular, specific rights granted to future holders of preferred stock could be used to restrict our ability to merge with or sell our assets to a third party. These terms may include voting rights, preferences as to dividends and liquidation, conversion and redemption rights, and sinking fund provisions. We continue to seek capital for the growth of our business, and this additional capital may be raised through the issuance of additional preferred stock.

We experience significant quarterly fluctuation of our results of operations, which may increase the volatility of our stock price

Our results of operations may vary from quarter to quarter due to a variety of factors including, but not limited to, the timing of the development and marketing of new pharmaceutical products, the failure to develop such products, delays in obtaining government approvals, including FDA approval of NDAs or ANDAs for our products, expenditures to comply with governmental requirements for manufacturing facilities, expenditures incurred to acquire and promote pharmaceutical products, changes in our customer base, a customer's termination of a substantial account, the availability and cost of raw materials, interruptions in supply by third-party manufacturers, the introduction of new products or technological innovations by our competitors, loss of key personnel, changes in the mix of products sold by us, changes in sales and marketing expenditures, competitive pricing pressures, expenditures incurred to pursue or contest pending or threatened legal action and our ability to meet our financial covenants. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in avoiding losses in any future period. Such fluctuations may result in volatility in the price of our common stock.

"Penny Stock" rules may make buying or selling our common stock difficult.

As of March 8, 2007, the market price of our common stock exceeded \$5.00 per share. However, there can be no guarantee that it will continue to do so. If our market price falls below \$5.00 per share, trading in our common stock may be subject to the "penny stock" rules. The SEC has adopted regulations that generally define a penny stock to be any equity security that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share, subject to certain exceptions. These rules would require that any broker-dealer that would have to recommend our common stock to persons other than prior customers and accredited investors, must, prior to the sale, make a special written suitability determination for the purchaser and receive the purchaser's written agreement to execute the transaction. Unless an exception is available, the regulations would require the delivery, prior to any transaction involving a penny stock, of a disclosure schedule explaining the penny stock market and the risks associated with trading in the penny stock market. In addition, broker-dealers must disclose commissions payable to both the broker-dealer and the registered representative and current quotations for the

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securities they offer. The additional burdens imposed upon broker-dealers by such requirements may discourage broker-dealers from effecting transactions in our common stock, which could severely limit the market price and liquidity of our common stock.

The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources and distract management.

As a public company, we are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"). These requirements are extensive. The Exchange Act requires that we file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and financial condition. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls for financial reporting. In order to maintain and improve the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, significant resources and management oversight is required. This may divert management's attention from other business concerns, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

Item 2. Properties.

Since August 1998, our headquarters and certain administrative offices, as well as a finished goods warehouse, have been located in leased space at 2500 Millbrook Drive, Buffalo Grove, Illinois. We lease approximately 48,000 square feet.

We own a 76,000 square foot facility located on 15 acres of land in Decatur, Illinois. This facility is currently used for packaging, distribution, warehousing and office space. In addition, we own a 55,000 square-foot manufacturing facility in Decatur, Illinois. Our Decatur facilities support all three of our segments. We added 10,000 square feet to our Decatur manufacturing facility to add the ability to provide lyophilization manufacturing services. However, this lyophilization manufacturing facility still needs to go through validation and approval by the FDA, which is anticipated in the first half of 2007. Manufacturing capabilities for lyophilized products are projected to be in place by mid-2007. We currently do not need lyophilization capabilities, but such capabilities would give us the capability to manufacture additional products for our contract customers and allow us to pursue other ANDA products and to internally produce one of our outsourced products. As of December 31, 2006, we had spent approximately \$22,433,000 on the lyophilization expansion and anticipate the need to spend approximately \$200,000 of additional funds (excluding capitalized interest), which will be focused primarily on validation testing. In December 2006, we placed the building and sterile solutions portion of this operation (\$17,237,000) in service which augments our existing production capacities. The remaining \$5,196,000 of construction in progress, which is specific to lyophilization (freeze-dry) operations, is awaiting final review and a PAI by the FDA for us to place this equipment into commercial production. We are working toward the development of an internal ANDA lyophilized product pipeline and expect manufacturing capabilities for lyophilized products to be in place by mid-2007.

Our wholly owned subsidiary, Akom (New Jersey) Inc. also leases approximately 35,000 square feet of space in Somerset, New Jersey. This space is used for manufacturing, research and development and administrative activities related to our ophthalmic and hospital drugs and injectables segments.

We do not have any idle manufacturing facilities, however, the capacity utilization at both our Decatur and Somerset facilities was approximately 80% and 100%, respectively, during the year ended December 31, 2006. We experienced improved utilization rates at our Decatur facility for 2006 in line with the December 2005 FDA finding that we are in substantial compliance with cGMP regulations. We can produce approximately 65 batches per month if our Decatur and Somerset facilities are all operating at normal capacity. Operating the manufacturing facilities at the reduced level has led to lower gross margins due, in part, to unabsorbed fixed manufacturing costs.

Our current space in Decatur is considered adequate to accommodate our manufacturing needs for the foreseeable future while we are expanding our manufacturing space at our Somerset production facility to accommodate new product growth.

Item 3. *Legal Proceedings.*

We are party to legal proceedings and potential claims arising in the ordinary course of our business. The amount, if any, of ultimate liability with respect to such matters cannot be determined. Despite the inherent uncertainties of litigation, we at this time do not believe that such proceedings will have a material adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

Item 4. *Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.*

No matters were submitted to a vote of security holders during the quarter ended December 31, 2006.

PART II**Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.**

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal periods indicated, the high and low sales prices or closing bid prices for our common stock for the two most recent fiscal years and for the first quarter of our current fiscal year. On February 7, 2007 our common stock was listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "AKRX". Before such listing from November 24, 2004 until February 6, 2007, our common stock was listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "AKN." From May 3, 2004 to November 23, 2004, our common stock was traded on the OTC Bulletin Board under the stock symbol "AKRN.OB." The market represented by the OTC Bulletin Board is extremely limited and the price for our common stock traded on the OTC Bulletin Board is not necessarily a reliable indication of the value of our common stock. The quotations for the periods in which our common stock traded on the OTC Bulletin Board reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, markdown or commission and may not represent actual transactions. Trading prices are based on published financial sources, information received from the American Stock Exchange, OTC Bulletin Board and Reuters based on all transactions reported on the OTC Bulletin Board and Reuters. Prior to trading on the OTC Bulletin Board our common stock was traded on the Pink Sheets from June 25, 2002 until May 2, 2004.

	High	Low
Year Ending December 31, 2007		
1st Quarter (through March 9, 2007)	\$6.48	\$5.00
Year Ended December 31, 2006		
1st Quarter	5.55	3.90
2nd Quarter	5.37	3.61
3rd Quarter	4.25	3.01
4th Quarter	6.61	3.40
Year Ended December 31, 2005		
1st Quarter	\$3.95	\$2.65
2nd Quarter	3.18	2.20
3rd Quarter	3.80	2.17
4th Quarter	4.91	3.12

As of March 8, 2007, the market price of our common stock exceeded \$5.00 per share. However, there can be no guarantee that it will continue to do so. If our market price falls below \$5.00 per share, trading in our common stock may be subject to the "penny stock" rules. The SEC has adopted regulations that generally define a penny stock to be any equity security that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share, subject to certain exceptions. These rules would require that any broker-dealer that would have to recommend our common stock to persons other than prior customers and accredited investors, must, prior to the sale, make a special written suitability determination for the purchaser and receive the purchaser's written agreement to execute the transaction. Unless an exception is available, the regulations would require the delivery, prior to any transaction involving a penny stock, of a disclosure schedule explaining the penny stock market and the risks associated with trading in the penny stock market. In addition, broker-dealers must disclose commissions payable to both the broker-dealer and the registered representative and current quotations for the securities they offer. The additional burdens imposed upon broker-dealers by such requirements may discourage broker-dealers from effecting transactions in our common stock, which could severely limit the market price and liquidity of our common stock.

As of March 8, 2007, we had 86,374,771 shares of common stock outstanding, which were held by approximately 575 stockholders of record. This number does not include stockholders for which shares are held in a "nominee" or "street" name. The closing price of our common stock on March 8, 2007 was \$6.00 per share. The transfer agent for our common stock is Computershare Investor Services, LLC, 2 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602.

We did not pay cash dividends in 2006, 2005, or 2004 and do not expect to pay dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. Moreover, we are currently prohibited from making any dividend payment under the terms of our various financing relationships. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – "Financial Condition and Liquidity" beginning on page 22.

On August 23, 2005, we filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No.333-127794) (the "S-3") with the SEC, which was declared effective on September 7, 2005. Pursuant to Rule 429 under the Securities Act of 1933, the prospectus included in the S-3 is a combined prospectus and relates to the previously filed Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No.333-119168) (the "S-1"), as to which the S-3 constitutes Post-Effective Amendment No. 3. Such Post-Effective Amendment became effective concurrently with the effectiveness of the S-3. The S-3 relates to the resale of 64,964,680 shares, no par value per share, of our common stock by the selling stockholders identified in the S-3, which have been issued or reserved for issuance upon the conversion or exercise of shares of our

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Series A Preferred Stock, shares of Series B Preferred Stock, warrants and convertible notes, including shares estimated to be issuable or that have been issued in satisfaction of accrued and unpaid dividends and interest on shares of preferred stock and convertible notes, respectively. Of the 64,964,680 shares of our common stock registered under the S-3, 60,953,394 of such shares were registered under the S-1. The shares of common stock registered by the S-3 and the S-1 represent the number of shares that have been issued or are issuable upon the conversion or exercise of the Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, warrants and convertible notes described in the Registration Statement, including shares estimated to be issuable in satisfaction of dividends accrued and unpaid through December 31, 2007 on such securities. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock and all convertible notes have been converted to shares of our common stock.

With respect to the S-1, we estimated the aggregate offering price of the amount registered to be \$182,246,053, which was derived from the average of the bid and asked prices of our common stock on September 17, 2004, as reported on the OTC Bulletin Board(R). With respect to the S-3, we estimated the aggregate offering price of the amount registered to be \$10,870,585, which was derived from the average of the high and low prices of our common stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange on August 18, 2005. Such amounts were estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933. As of March 9, 2007, we are aware of the sale of 6,981,565 shares of common stock by selling stockholders under the S-3 or the S-1. We do not know at what price such shares were sold, or how many shares of common stock will be sold in the future or at what price. We have not and will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the shares by the selling stockholders. The selling stockholders will receive all of the proceeds from the sale of the shares and will pay all underwriting discounts and selling commissions, if any, applicable to the sale of the shares. We will, in the ordinary course of business, receive proceeds from the issuance of shares upon exercise of the warrants described in the S-3 or the S-1, which we will use for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

Equity Compensation Plans Approved by Stockholders.

Our stockholders approved each of the Akom, Inc. 1988 Incentive Compensation Plan (“1988 Plan”), under which any of our officers or key employees was eligible to receive stock options as designated by our board of directors, and the Akom, Inc. 1991 Stock Option (the “1991 Directors’ Plan”), under which options were issuable to our directors. The 1988 Plan expired on November 2, 2003 and the 1991 Directors Plan expired December 7, 2001. The Akom, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan (“2003 Stock Option Plan”) was approved by the board of directors on November 6, 2003 and approved by our stockholders on July 8, 2004. On March 29, 2005, our board of directors approved the Amended and Restated Akom, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan (the “Amended 2003 Plan”), effective as of April 1, 2005, and this was subsequently approved by our stockholders on May 27, 2005. The Amended 2003 Plan is an amendment and restatement of the 2003 Stock Option Plan and provides us with the ability to grant other types of equity awards to eligible participants besides stock options. The aggregate number of shares of our common stock that may be issued pursuant to awards granted under the Amended 2003 Plan is 5,000,000. As of December 31, 2006, there were 3,155,000 options and 350,000 restricted stock awards outstanding under the Amended 2003 Plan.

The following table sets forth certain information as of December 31, 2006, with respect to compensation plans under which our shares of common stock were issuable as of that date. We have no equity compensation plans that have not been approved by our security holders.

<u>Plan Category</u>	<u>Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights</u>	<u>Weighted-average price of outstanding options, warrants and rights</u>	<u>Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in the first column)</u>
Equity Compensation plans approved by security holders:	3,505,375	\$ 3.40	1,177,236
Total	<u>3,505,375</u>	<u>\$ 3.40</u>	<u>1,177,236</u>

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth our selected consolidated financial information as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, and 2002.

	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
OPERATIONS DATA (000's)					
Revenues	\$71,250	\$ 44,484	\$ 50,708	\$ 45,491	\$ 51,419
Gross profit	26,880	14,944	18,202	12,148	20,537
Operating loss (1)	(4,905)	(7,479)	(368)	(6,276)	(3,565)
Interest and other expense (2)	(1,055)	(1,113)	(2,650)	(6,220)	(3,148)
Pretax loss	(5,960)	(8,592)	(3,018)	(12,496)	(6,713)
Income tax provision (benefit) (3)	3	17	8	(171)	6,239
Net loss	(5,963)	(8,609)	(3,026)	(12,325)	(12,952)
Preferred stock dividends and adjustments (4)	(843)	(4,082)	(34,436)	—	—
Net loss available to common stockholders	\$ (6,806)	\$(12,691)	\$(37,462)	\$(12,325)	\$(12,952)
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic	73,988	26,095	20,817	19,745	19,589
Diluted	73,988	26,095	20,817	19,745	19,589
PER SHARE					
Equity	\$ 0.95	\$ 1.57	\$ 2.27	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.58
Net loss:					
Basic	(0.09)	(0.49)	(1.80)	(0.62)	(0.66)
Diluted	(0.09)	(0.49)	(1.80)	(0.62)	(0.66)
Price: High	6.61	4.91	4.30	2.35	4.00
Low	3.01	2.17	2.00	0.45	0.60
BALANCE SHEET (000's)					
Current assets	\$39,654	\$ 15,694	\$ 22,393	\$ 10,595	\$ 13,239
Net property, plant & equipment	33,486	31,071	31,893	33,907	35,314
Total assets	82,083	57,095	66,922	59,415	63,538
Current liabilities, including debt in default (5)	10,253	15,460	11,160	11,959	43,803
Long-term obligations, less current installments (6)	1,516	602	8,436	36,065	8,383
Shareholders' equity	70,314	41,033	47,326	11,391	11,352
CASH FLOW DATA (000's)					
From operating activities	\$ 2,509	\$ (148)	\$ (3,461)	\$ (1,932)	\$ 9,357
From investing activities	(4,377)	(1,857)	(838)	(1,743)	(5,315)
From financing activities	22,895	(1,314)	8,191	3,529	(9,033)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	21,027	(3,319)	3,892	(146)	(4,991)

- (1) Operating loss includes the following (in thousands): (a) long-lived asset impairment charges of (i) \$2,037 in 2004, (ii) \$2,362 in 2002.
- (2) Interest and other expense include the following (in thousands): (a) loss on Exchange Transaction of \$3,102 in 2003 and (b) dividends and discount accretion related to our Series A Preferred Stock of \$1,064 in 2004 and \$589 in 2003. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Financial Conditions and Liquidity. After the July 2004 shareholder approval relating to our Series A Preferred Stock, such dividends and accretion did not impact net income (loss) but continued to impact earnings (loss) per share until the Series A Preferred Stock was converted to shares of our common stock on January 13, 2006.
- (3) Income tax provision (benefit) includes (in thousands) a \$9,216 charge in 2002 to establish a full valuation allowance against our net deferred income tax assets. Such net assets continued to be fully offset by a valuation allowance.

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- (4) Pursuant to the July 2004 shareholder approval that resulted in our Series A Preferred Stock being recharacterized as equity rather than debt, dividends and adjustments related to our preferred stock, while not impacting net loss, do result in increased losses available to common stockholders when computing basic and diluted loss per share. A significant portion of these adjustments for 2004 relate to accreting the carrying value of the preferred stock up to its stated value. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary data – Note H, “Preferred Stock”.
- (5) Current liabilities include (in thousands) \$3,250 and \$35,565 of debt in default as of December 31, 2004 and 2002 respectively. The 2002 debt was refinanced in 2003 as part of the Exchange Transaction while the \$3,250 debt was retired in 2005. See Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – “Financial Conditions and Liquidity”.
- (6) Long-term obligations include (in thousands) \$21,132 of Series A Preferred Stock as of December 31, 2003. Pursuant to the July 2004 shareholder approval relating to our Series A Preferred Stock, these securities were reclassified into shareholders’ equity.

Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

We added key management personnel, including a new vice president of global quality in 2005 and a new chief financial officer in 2004. Management has reduced our cost structure, improved our processes and systems and implemented new controls over capital and operational spending. We anticipate sales growth through internal product development efforts, additional contract services opportunities which we are actively pursuing and ongoing progress we are seeing with our strategic partners on new products development. Management believes these activities will improve our results of operations, cash flow from operations and our future prospects.

Our revenues are derived from sales of diagnostic and therapeutic pharmaceuticals by our ophthalmic segment, from sales of diagnostic and therapeutic pharmaceuticals by our hospital drugs and injectables segment, and from contract services revenue.

The following table sets forth the percentage relationships that certain items from our Consolidated Statements of Operations bear to revenues for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004.

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
Revenues			
Ophthalmic	27%	51%	59%
Hospital Drugs & Injectables	60	31	24
Contract Services	<u>13</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>17</u>
Total revenues	100	100	100
Gross profit			
Ophthalmic	9%	18%	29%
Hospital Drugs & Injectables	26	13	6
Contract Services	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
Total Gross Profit	38	34	36
Selling, general and administrative expenses	26	37	26
Amortization and write-downs of intangibles	2	4	7
Research and development expenses	17	10	4
Operating loss	(7)	(17)	(1)
Net loss	(8)%	(19)%	(6)%

COMPARISON OF TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

Consolidated revenues increased 60%, or \$26,766,000 for the year ended December 31, 2006 compared to the prior year.

Ophthalmic segment revenues decreased 14%, or \$3,131,000, primarily due to reduced sales of diagnostic and anesthetic products. Hospital Drugs and Injectables segment revenues increased 210% or \$28,770,000 for the year, reflecting the increased volumes of

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anesthesia and antidote products. In particular, sales of \$25,464,000 of DTPA radiation antidote products to HHS were a primary driver for the sales increase in this category. This large order level for DTPA is not expected to recur, although we do anticipate continued orders for this antidote product. Contract services revenues increased by 14%, or \$1,127,000, mainly due to increased order volumes on contract products.

The chargeback and rebate expense, a component of net revenues, for the year ended December 31, 2006 increased to \$26,295,000 from \$24,391,000 in 2005, due to a general increase in the product sales mix of higher chargeback and rebate percentage items along with increased price competition. Note that sales of our DTPA antidote product to HHS were not subject to chargeback or rebate expense.

Consolidated gross profit of \$26,880,000 was 38% for 2006 as compared to a gross profit of \$14,944,000 or 34% for 2005. The gross profit of our ophthalmic segment decreased \$2,000,000 or 25% due to a less favorable product mix and increased price competition. Our hospital drugs and injectables segment gross profit increased \$12,374,000 or 216% mainly due to sales of DTPA radiation antidote products to HHS as noted above. Our contract services segment gross profit improved \$1,562,000 or 138% from the prior year mainly due to an improved sales mix combined with process cost reductions.

Selling, general and administrative (“SG&A”) expenses increased 13%, to \$18,603,000 for 2006 from \$16,405,000 for 2005, mainly due to FAS 123R stock compensation expense of \$1,229,000 in 2006, increased FDA fees of \$537,000 and consulting fees for Sarbanes-Oxley 404 implementation of \$435,000.

Research and development (“R&D”) expense increased significantly, by 162% in 2006, to \$11,797,000 from \$4,510,000 for the year 2005, mainly due to R&D expenses related to lyophilization testing and validation, clinical studies costs for our new ophthalmic anesthetic product (“Akten”) and funding for product development with our strategic partners including costs for development of an oral anti-infective product. We anticipate continued higher spending levels in our R&D for new product development activities.

Interest expense decreased to \$604,000 in 2006 from \$2,325,000 in 2005, which represents a 74% decrease. This decrease is primarily due to lower outstanding borrowings in 2006 as we paid off debt and generated interest income in the latter part of 2006. This was partially offset by higher interest rates in 2006.

Other income (expense) in 2006 was (\$451,000) which was mainly due to an early debt retirement fee of \$391,000 to retire high-interest debt in the first quarter of 2006.

We recorded a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. Accordingly, the income tax expense (benefit) recorded for 2006 and 2005 represents various minimum federal/state income tax expenses.

As a result of the matters described above, net loss for 2006 was \$5,963,000 versus a net loss in 2005 of \$8,609,000, a \$2,646,000 decrease in loss. After consideration of preferred stock dividends and adjustments in 2006 of \$843,000 and 2005 of \$4,082,000 related to specific accounting for our preferred stock (see Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note H – “Preferred Stock”), loss per share for 2006, on both a basic and diluted basis, was \$0.09 on weighted average shares outstanding of 73,988,000 compared to a basic and diluted loss per share for 2005 of \$0.49 on weighted average shares outstanding of 26,095,000.

COMPARISON OF TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

Consolidated revenues decreased 12% for the year ended December 31, 2005 compared to the prior year.

Ophthalmic segment revenues decreased 24%, or \$7,153,000, primarily due to reduced sales of diagnostic and anesthetic products. Injectable segment revenues increased 11% or \$1,378,000 for the year, reflecting the increased volumes of anesthesia and antidote products. Contract services revenues decreased by 5%, or \$449,000, mainly due to lower volumes of contract research project work.

The chargeback and rebate expense, a component of net revenues, for the year ended December 31, 2005 increased to \$24,391,000 from \$16,915,000 in 2004, due to a general increase in the product sales mix of higher chargeback and rebate percentage items along with increased price competition.

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Consolidated gross profit of \$14,944,000 was 34% for 2005 as compared to a gross profit of \$18,202,000 or 36% for 2004. The gross profit of our ophthalmic segment decreased \$6,417,000 or 44% due to a less favorable product mix and increased price competition. Our hospital drugs and injectables segment gross profit increased \$2,452,000 or 75% due to a sales mix shift toward higher margin antidote products and additional manufacturing volume efficiencies for these products. Our contract services segment gross profit improved \$707,000 or 165% from the prior year mainly due to a reduction in unfavorable plant manufacturing variances at our Decatur manufacturing facility.

SG&A expenses increased 23%, to \$16,405,000 for 2005 from \$13,300,000 for 2004, due to the 2005 management bonuses (\$1,479,000), reduced bad debt recoveries in 2005 (\$777,000) and increased FDA fees (\$557,000).

Amortization and write-down of intangibles decreased by \$1,901,000 due to an impairment charge of \$2,037,000 in 2004 related to product license intangible assets for Biolon, Erythromycin, Cromolyn Sodium, AKWA Tears and Tears Renewed products. The carrying value of the intangible assets for these products was reduced to zero in 2004.

R&D expense increased significantly, by 142% in 2005, to \$4,510,000 from \$1,861,000 for the year ended December 31, 2004, mainly due to R&D expenses related to lyophilization validation (\$1,073,000) and product development expenses for Akorn-Strides, LLC (\$757,000). We anticipate continued growth in our R&D spending for new product development activities.

Interest expense decreased to \$2,325,000 in 2005 from \$4,218,000 in 2004, which represents a 45% decrease. This decrease is primarily due to a decrease in Series A Preferred Stock interest expense (\$1,064,000) and a decrease in deferred financing for warrants (\$874,000). The residual difference is mainly due to lower outstanding borrowings in 2005 as a result of using a portion of our Series B Preferred Stock issuance in August 2004 to pay down bank debt and retire a promissory note held by NeoPharm, Inc. ("NeoPharm") in 2005. This was partially offset by higher interest rates in 2005.

Other income (expense) in 2005 was \$1,212,000 due to gains related to retirement of the promissory note held by NeoPharm. The gain of \$1,562,000 in 2004 was mainly the result of settlements of disputes which resulted in a gain on the sale of our investment in Novadaq Technologies, Inc. ("Novadaq") and a lower than accrued payout on a prior dispute settlement. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note E – "Investment in Novadaq Technologies".

We recorded a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. Accordingly, the income tax expense (benefit) recorded for 2005 and 2004 represents various minimum federal/state income tax expenses.

As a result of the matters described above, net loss for 2005 was \$8,609,000 versus a net loss in 2004 of \$3,026,000, a \$5,583,000 increase in loss. After consideration of preferred stock dividends and adjustments in 2005 of \$4,082,000 and 2004 of \$34,436,000 related to specific accounting for our preferred stock (see Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note H – "Preferred Stock"), loss per share for 2005, on both a basic and diluted basis, was \$0.49 on weighted average shares outstanding of 26,095,000 compared to a basic and diluted loss per share for 2004 of \$1.80 on weighted average shares outstanding of 20,817,000.

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

Overview

As a result of the factors outlined above, we have experienced losses from operations in 2006 and 2005 of \$4,905,000 and \$7,479,000, respectively and the net losses for these years were \$5,963,000 and \$ 8,609,000, respectively.

As of December 31, 2006, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$21,818,000. Our net working capital at December 31, 2006 was \$29,401,000 versus a net working capital of \$234,000 at December 31, 2005, resulting primarily from the increased cash levels from stock issuances and the decrease in debt as we retired our major debt instruments in the first quarter of 2006 (see discussion below). This reduced current debt by \$6,650,000 from the prior year level.

During the year ended December 31, 2006, we generated \$2,509,000 in cash from operations as the net loss was offset by non-cash expenses of \$6,379,000 for the period, a \$785,000 change in working capital items and a \$1,308,000 increase in the product warranty reserve related to our DTPA antidote product (see "Critical Accounting Policies" below). During 2005, we used \$148,000 in cash from operations as the net loss was offset by \$6,957,000 in non-cash expenses and a \$2,966,000 reduction in working capital items

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(mainly attributable to lower receivables with wholesalers) while the non-cash gain on retirement of debt reduced the operating cash flow. Investing activities for 2006 generated a \$4,377,000 reduction in cash flow mainly due to capital expenditures for production equipment. Investing activities during 2005 required \$1,857,000 in cash and included \$1,782,000 of property, plant, and equipment additions to our lyophilization facility and other manufacturing equipment in 2005. Financing activities for 2006 provided \$22,895,000 in cash primarily due to the \$18,078,000 net proceeds from the March 2006 common stock and warrants offering and an additional \$3,543,000 from the September 2006 private placement with Serum. Financing activities for 2005 used \$1,314,000 in cash primarily due to the \$2,500,000 payment to retire the NeoPharm promissory note offset by \$1,556,000 received from the sale of stock and exercise of warrants.

On October 7, 2003, a group of investors (the “Investors”) purchased all of our then outstanding senior bank debt from The Northern Trust Company (“Northern Trust”), a balance of \$37,731,000, at a discount and exchanged such debt with us (the “Exchange Transaction”) for (i) 257,172 shares of our Series A Preferred Stock, (ii) subordinated promissory notes in the aggregate principal amount of approximately \$2,767,000 (the “2003 Subordinated Notes”), (iii) warrants to purchase an aggregate of 8,572,400 shares of our common stock with an exercise price of \$1.00 per share (“Series A Warrants”), and (iv) \$5,473,862 in cash from the proceeds of the term loan under the Credit Facility described in a following paragraph. The 2003 Subordinated Notes and cash were issued by us to (a) The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89 (the “Kapoor Trust”), the sole trustee and sole beneficiary of which is Dr. John N. Kapoor, our chairman of the board of directors and the holder of a significant stock position in Akom, (b) Arjun Waney, a holder of a significant stock position in Akom, and (c) Argent Fund Management Ltd., for which Mr. Waney serves as Chairman and Managing Director and 52% of which is owned by Mr. Waney. We also issued warrants (“Note Warrants”) to the holders of the 2003 Subordinated Notes to purchase an aggregate of 276,714 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$1.10 per share and paid a portion of the legal fees of the Investors.

Simultaneously with the consummation of the Exchange Transaction, we entered into a credit agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association (“LaSalle Bank”) providing us with two term loans (collectively, the “Term Loans”) which consisted of a \$5,500,000 term loan A, and a \$1,500,000 term loan B, totaling \$7,000,000, and a revolving line of credit of up to \$5,000,000 (the “Revolver”) to provide for working capital needs (the “Credit Facility”) secured by substantially all of our assets. Our obligations under the Credit Facility were guaranteed by the Kapoor Trust and Mr. Waney. In exchange for this guaranty, we issued additional warrants (the “Guaranty Warrants”) to purchase 880,000 and 80,000 shares of common stock to the Kapoor Trust and Mr. Waney, respectively, with an exercise price of \$1.10 per share. Such guarantees have since been released by LaSalle Bank.

On August 23, 2004, we completed a private placement of 141,000 shares of our Series B Preferred Stock at a price of \$100 per share, convertible into common stock at a price of \$2.70 per share, with warrants to purchase 1,566,667 additional shares of our common stock exercisable until August 23, 2009, with an exercise price of \$3.50 per share (“Series B Warrants”). The net proceeds to us after payment of investment banker fees and expenses and other transaction costs of approximately \$1,056,000 were approximately \$13,044,000.

A portion of the net proceeds of the private placement of the Series B Preferred Stock paid off the outstanding debt from LaSalle Bank. The remainder of the net proceeds was used for working capital, payment of the NeoPharm promissory note, validation and testing of our new lyophilization facility and general corporate purposes.

An additional common stock private placement offering was completed on March 8, 2006 which yielded net proceeds to us of approximately \$18,078,000 which was used to reduce debt and fund additional product development activities and build a fund for future product development spending. On March 20, 2006 we retired the 2003 Subordinated Notes for a cash payment of \$3,288,000 which included principal and interest. In September 2006, we issued 1,000,000 shares of our common stock in a private placement with Serum at a price of \$3.56 per share. The offering price was \$3,560,000 and the net proceeds to us, after payment of approximately \$17,000 in expenses, were approximately \$3,543,000.

As of December 31, 2006, we had approximately \$ 21,818,000 in cash and approximately \$7,369,000 of undrawn availability under the Credit Facility with LaSalle Bank. We believe that our realigned balance sheet, access to our line of credit and capital markets and our cash flows from operations will be sufficient to operate our business for the next twelve months.

Facility Expansion

We are in the final stages of completing an expansion of our Decatur, Illinois manufacturing facility to add capacity to provide lyophilization manufacturing services, a manufacturing capability we currently do not have.

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As of December 31, 2006, we had spent approximately \$22,433,000 on the lyophilization expansion and anticipate the need to spend approximately \$200,000 of additional funds to complete the expansion related to the lyophilization equipment. These additional funds will primarily be used for testing and validation as the major capital equipment items are currently in place. In December 2006, we placed the building and sterile solutions portion of this operation (\$17,237,000) in service which augments our existing production capacities. The remaining \$5,196,000 of construction in progress, which is specific to lyophilization (freeze-dry) operations, is awaiting final review and a PAI by the FDA for us to place this equipment into commercial production. We anticipate the PAI review in the first half of 2007. In addition, we are working toward the development of an internal ANDA lyophilized product pipeline for these operations.

Credit Facility

As stated above, and further described in Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note G — Financing Arrangements, we entered into a Credit Facility with LaSalle Bank in 2003. The Credit Facility included the Term Loans, as well as the Revolver secured by substantially all of our assets. The Credit Facility will mature on September 30, 2008. The Term Loans carried interest at prime plus 1.75% and required principal payments of \$195,000 per month commencing October 31, 2003, with the payments first to be applied to term loan B. The Revolver bears interest at prime plus 0.50 % (previously prime plus 1.50%). The Term Loans were paid off with the proceeds from our Series B Preferred Stock offering in August 2004 and we had a zero balance on the Revolver at December 31, 2006.

Availability under the Revolver is determined by the sum of (i) 80% of eligible accounts receivable, (ii) 50% of raw material, finished goods and component inventory excluding packaging items, not to exceed \$5,000,000, and (iii) the difference between 90% of the forced liquidation value of machinery and equipment (\$4,092,000) and the sum of \$1,750,000 and the outstanding balance under term loan B (the term B loan was retired in August 2004). The Credit Facility contains certain restrictive covenants including but not limited to certain financial covenants such as EBITDA (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization) to interest expense and Senior Debt to EBITDA ratios. If we are not in compliance with the covenants of the Credit Facility, LaSalle Bank has the right to declare an event of default and all of the outstanding balances owed under the Credit Facility would become immediately due and payable. The Credit Facility also contains subjective covenants providing that we would be in default if, in the judgment of the lenders, there is a material adverse change in our financial condition. We negotiated an amendment to the Credit Facility effective December 31, 2003 that clarified certain covenant computations and waived certain technical violations. Because the Credit Facility also requires us to maintain our deposit accounts with LaSalle, the existence of these subjective covenants, pursuant to EITF Abstract No. 95-22, require that we classify outstanding borrowings under the Revolver as a current liability (zero as of December 31, 2006).

On August 13, 2004, we entered into the First Amendment to the Credit Facility (the “First Amendment”). Among other things, the First Amendment amended certain of our financial covenants and LaSalle Bank agreed to waive certain events of default arising out of our noncompliance with certain of our obligations. Certain financial conditions in the Kapoor Trust guaranty were also amended as a result of the First Amendment.

On August 26, 2004, we entered into the Second Amendment to the Credit Facility (the “Second Amendment”), which released the Kapoor Trust guaranty and eliminated certain event of default provisions that were related to the Kapoor Trust guaranty. In addition, on August 27, 2004, LaSalle Bank cancelled each of the irrevocable standby letters of credit posted by Dr. Kapoor and Mr. Waney.

On October 8, 2004, we entered into the Third Amendment to the Credit Facility (the “Third Amendment”) which waived events of default associated with the warrants issuance to AEG Partners, LLC (see Preferred Stock and Warrants discussion below) and the NeoPharm promissory note default (discussed below). In addition, the Third Amendment amended definitions of the Computation Period and EBITDA to Interest Expense Ratio for covenant calculations.

On September 30, 2005, we entered into the Fourth Amendment to Credit Facility, (the “Fourth Amendment”) which, among other things, extended the term through September 30, 2008 and increased the revolving commitment amount under the Credit Facility from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

On March 1, 2006, a subsequent Amendment, Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement was made effective which adjusted the Credit Facility debt covenant computations for the periods ended December 31, 2005 and March 31, 2006. The revisions adjusted the defined EBITDA for certain R&D expenses and the interest coverage formula to exclude interest paid on the NeoPharm promissory note retirement and thereby resolved a default on the debt covenants of the Credit facility at December 31, 2005. In addition it provided consent for the private placement of common stock in March of 2006 and waived certain defaults therefrom.

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On March 5, 2007, another Amendment, Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement was made effective which adjusted the Credit Facility debt covenant computations for the periods ended December 31, 2006 and beyond. The revisions adjusted the defined EBITDA for certain R&D expense levels and waived defaults prior to this revision.

Subordinated Debt

In 2001, we entered into a \$5,000,000 convertible subordinated debt agreement including a \$3,000,000 Tranche A note ("Tranche A Note") and a \$2,000,000 Tranche B note ("Tranche B Note") with the Kapoor Trust (collectively, the "Convertible Note Agreement"). Under the terms of the Convertible Note Agreement, both Tranche A Note and Tranche B Note, which were due December 20, 2006, bore interest at prime plus 3% and were issued with detachable warrants (the "Tranche A Warrants" and the "Tranche B Warrants") to purchase shares of common stock. Interest payments were prohibited under the terms of a subordination arrangement. The convertible feature of the Convertible Note Agreement, as amended, allowed for conversion of the subordinated debt plus interest into our common stock, at a price of \$2.28 per share of common stock for Tranche A and \$1.80 per share of common stock for Tranche B. The Company negotiated an early settlement of the Tranche A Note and the Tranche B Note in March 2006. The associated principal and accumulated interest of approximately \$7,298,000 was retired by conversion into 3,540,281 shares of the Company's common stock on March 31, 2006. A debt retirement fee of approximately \$391,000 was paid as an inducement to retire these notes prior to the original maturity date of December 20, 2006.

In December 2001, we entered into a \$3,250,000 five-year loan (the "NeoPharm Note") with NeoPharm to fund the completion our lyophilization facility located in Decatur, Illinois. Dr. Kapoor, our chairman, is also a director of NeoPharm and holds a substantial stock position in NeoPharm, as well as in Akom. Under the terms of the NeoPharm Note evidencing the loan, interest accrued at the initial rate of 3.6% to be reset quarterly based upon NeoPharm's average return on its cash and readily tradable long and short-term securities during the previous calendar quarter. In consideration for the loan, under a separate processing agreement between us and NeoPharm, we agreed to provide NeoPharm with access to at least 15% of the capacity of its lyophilization facility each year upon completion of the lyophilization facility.

The NeoPharm Note was subordinate to our senior debt owed to LaSalle Bank but was senior to the subordinated debt owed to the Kapoor Trust. On October 6, 2004, we received a notice from NeoPharm indicating that an event of default had occurred on the NeoPharm Note. The notice stated that an event of default was triggered when the processing agreement between NeoPharm and Akom, which was contractually obligated to go into effect on or before October 1, 2004, failed to occur. The processing agreement failed to become effective, in part, because of our inability to remove the sanctions imposed by the FDA on our Decatur manufacturing facility.

The event of default under the NeoPharm Note also triggered a cross-default provision under the Convertible Note Agreement. The Kapoor Trust waived the cross-default. Because of this default, we recorded the \$3,250,000 of debt and \$362,000 of accrued interest as current obligations as of December 31, 2004. On May 16, 2005, we paid all principal and interest due under the NeoPharm Note with a one-time cash payment of \$2,500,000 and terminated the processing agreement between NeoPharm and us. On May 13, 2005, we entered into a Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement with LaSalle Bank pursuant to which LaSalle Bank agreed to waive events of default arising out of our noncompliance with our obligations under the Credit Facility resulting from our pay-off of the NeoPharm Note.

As part of the Exchange Transaction, we issued the 2003 Subordinated Notes to the Kapoor Trust, Arjun Waney and Argent Fund Management, Ltd. The 2003 Subordinated Notes were to mature on April 7, 2006 and bore interest at prime plus 1.75%. On March 20, 2006 the Company retired the 2003 Subordinated Notes with a cash payment of \$3,288,000 which included the original \$2,767,000 principal balance plus the accrued interest up to the date of payment.

Other Indebtedness

In June 1998, we entered into a \$3,000,000 mortgage agreement with Standard Mortgage Investors, LLC, of which there were outstanding borrowings of \$602,000 and \$938,000 at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. The principal balance is payable over 10 years, with the final payment due in June 2008. The mortgage note bears a fixed interest rate of 7.375% and is secured by the real property located in Decatur, Illinois.

The fair value of the debt obligations approximated the recorded value as of December 31, 2006.

Preferred Stock and Warrants

Series A Preferred Stock

Prior to its conversion, the Series A Preferred Stock accrued dividends at a rate of 6.0% per annum, which rate was fully cumulative, accrued daily and compounded quarterly. While the dividends could have been paid in cash at our option, such dividends were being deferred and were converted into our common stock. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock had liquidation rights in preference over junior securities, including the common stock, and had certain anti-dilution protections. The Series A Preferred Stock and unpaid dividends were convertible at any time into a number of shares of common stock equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (x) \$100 per share plus any accrued but unpaid dividends on that share by (y) \$0.75, as such numbers could be adjusted from time to time pursuant to the terms of the Restated Articles of Incorporation. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock were to convert to shares of common stock on the earlier to occur of (i) October 8, 2006 and (ii) the date on which the closing price per share of common stock for at least 20 consecutive trading days immediately preceding such date exceeds \$4.00 per share. Until our shareholders approved certain provisions regarding the Series A Preferred Stock (the "Stockholders Approval"), which occurred in July 2004, the Series A Preferred Stock was also redeemable in October 2011. Holders of Series A Preferred Stock had full voting rights, with each holder entitled to a number of votes equal to the number of shares of common stock into which its shares could be converted.

The initial amount recorded for the Series A Preferred Stock, as described in Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note H – "Preferred Stock," was \$5,174,000 below its stated value. Until the July 8, 2004 Stockholders Approval date we had been accreting this difference over the time period from issuance to the mandatory redemption date in October 2011. Accretion was \$267,000 in 2004 and \$220,000 in 2003.

Pursuant to FASB No. 150 — "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity," as amended, the Series A Preferred Stock was originally reflected as a liability because of its mandatory redemption feature. That characterization remained through July 8, 2004 and as such, dividends have been reflected as interest expense in the statement of operations through July 8, 2004. As a result of the Stockholders Approval on July 8, 2004, the carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock was reclassified into shareholders' equity and future dividends are reflected as adjustments to accumulated deficit and are shown in the financial statements as impacting income (loss) available to common stockholders. Additionally, and in accordance with EITF Abstract No. 00-27, we also recorded in July 2004 the value of the conversion option imbedded at issuance in each share of Series A Preferred Stock, subject to limitations described in the EITF. That value, approximately \$20,874,000, reduced the carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock to near zero with the offsetting excess to common stock. The carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock was then adjusted to its full aggregated stated value, plus unpaid dividends (approximately \$26,552,000) with a charge directly to accumulated deficit. That charge did not impact net earnings for the third quarter of 2004, but substantially reduced earnings available to common stockholders and generated a loss per share for that period.

Effective as of January 13, 2006, pursuant to the automatic conversion provisions set forth in our Restated Articles of Incorporation, all 241,122 outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock immediately and automatically converted into an aggregate of 36,796,755 shares of our common stock, no par value.

As set forth in our Restated Articles of Incorporation, all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock immediately and automatically converted into shares of our common stock on the day after the closing price per share of the common stock exceeded \$4.00 for 20 consecutive trading days. The closing price per share of the Common Stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange exceeded \$4.00 for 20 consecutive trading days as of the close of the market on January 12, 2006. Consequently, all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock automatically converted into shares of our common stock on January 13, 2006. No shares of Series A Preferred Stock remain outstanding. Akorn received no consideration in connection with the automatic conversion.

Series B Preferred Stock

On August 23, 2004, we issued an aggregate of 141,000 shares of Series B Preferred Stock at a price of \$100 per share, convertible into common stock at a price of \$2.70 per share, to certain investors, with Series B Warrants to purchase 1,566,667 additional shares of common stock exercisable until August 23, 2009, with an exercise price of \$3.50 per share. The net proceeds to us after payment of investment banker fees and expenses and other transaction costs of approximately \$1,056,000 were approximately \$13,044,000. A portion of the proceeds was used to pay off the Term Loans and reduce the Revolver to zero. That early pay down and resulting elimination of certain personal guarantees of that debt resulted in the write-off of \$245,000 of unamortized deferred financing fees. Remaining proceeds were used for working capital and other general corporate purposes, including validation testing of our

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lyophilization facility. In accounting for the issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock and Series B Warrants, we recorded additional charges directly to accumulated deficit of \$5,998,000. That charge did not impact net earnings for the third quarter, but substantially reduced earnings available to common stockholders and earnings per share for that period.

Prior to its conversion, the Series B Preferred Stock accrued dividends at a rate of 6.0% per annum, which rate was fully cumulative, accrued daily and compounded quarterly. While the dividends could be paid in cash at our option, such dividends were deferred and added to the Series B Preferred Stock balance. Each share of our Series B Preferred Stock, and accrued and unpaid dividends with respect to each such share, was convertible by the holder thereof at any time into a number of shares of our common stock equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (x) \$100 plus any accrued but unpaid dividends on such share by (y) \$2.70, as such numerator and denominator could be adjusted from time to time pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of our Restated Articles of Incorporation governing the Series B Preferred Stock. We had the option of converting all shares of Series B Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock on any date after August 23, 2005 as to which the closing price per share of the common stock for at least 20 consecutive trading days immediately preceding such date exceeded \$5.00 per share.

As required under the terms of the Series B Preferred Stock transaction, we completed the registration with the SEC of the common shares into which the Series B Preferred Stock is convertible in October 2004, among others. Had the registration statement not become effective within 270 days from August 23, 2004, each holder would have had the right to compel us to purchase its shares of Series B Preferred Stock for cash in an amount equal to \$115 per share (the "Put Option"). As a result of the Put Option, and pursuant to SEC rules and regulations, our Series B Preferred Stock was reflected outside of the shareholder's equity section of our consolidated balance sheet until the registration statement became effective. Due to that registration, the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock could no longer put their shares back to us, and accordingly, the Series B Preferred Stock was reclassified into equity in October 2004.

Immediately after the private placement of the Series B Preferred Stock, the purchasers of Series B Preferred Stock held approximately 31% of the aggregate voting rights represented by outstanding shares of common stock and Series B Preferred Stock. Immediately after the Series B Preferred Stock private placement and assuming the exercise of all outstanding conversion rights, warrants and options to acquire common stock, the purchasers of Series B Preferred Stock would hold approximately 9% of the common stock, on a fully-diluted basis. Prior to the Series B Preferred Stock private placement, the purchasers of Series B Preferred Stock held approximately 5% of the outstanding voting securities and would have held approximately 18% of the common stock on a fully-diluted basis.

All outstanding shares of our Series B Preferred Stock were to immediately and automatically convert into shares of common stock on the day after the closing price per share of the common stock exceeded \$5.00 for 20 consecutive trading days and this occurred as of the close of the market on the American Stock Exchange on December 13, 2006. Consequently, all 66,000 outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock immediately and automatically converted into an aggregate of 2,804,800 shares of common stock on December 14, 2006. As of December 31, 2006, no shares of Series B Preferred Stock remain outstanding. Akom received no consideration in connection with the automatic conversion.

Warrants

The Series A Warrants issued in connection with the Exchange Transaction for 8,572,400 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$1.00 per share were exercisable at any time prior to expiration on October 7, 2006. The Guaranty Warrants for 960,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$1.10 per share were issued in consideration of the debt guaranty as part of the Exchange Transaction. Also, as part of the Exchange Transaction, we issued the Note Warrants for 276,714 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$1.10 per share. In addition, there were Tranche A Warrants and Tranche B Warrants that were outstanding prior to the Exchange Transaction for 1,000,000 and 667,000 shares of common stock with per share exercise prices of \$2.85 and \$2.25, respectively. As of December 31, 2006, all of the outstanding Series A Warrants, Guaranty Warrants, Note Warrants, Tranche A, and Tranche B Warrants were exercised.

The Series B Warrants are exercisable at any time prior to expiration on August 23, 2009. The warrants for 1,566,667 shares of common stock were issued on August 23, 2004 and have an exercise price of \$3.50 per share. As of December 31, 2006, 555,555 warrants were exercised. As of December 31, 2006, there were 1,011,112 outstanding Series B Warrants.

As further described in Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplemental Data, Note N – "Commitments and Contingencies," we have issued to AEG Partners, LLC ("AEG") warrants (the "AEG Warrants") to purchase 1,250,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.75 per share. AEG exercised 200,000 of the AEG Warrants during 2006 and 800,000 AEG Warrants remain outstanding as of December 31, 2006.

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On March 8, 2006 we issued 4,311,669 shares of our common stock in a private placement with various investors at a price of \$4.50 per share which included warrants to purchase 1,509,088 additional shares of common stock. The warrants are exercisable for a five year period at an exercise price of \$5.40 per share and may be exercised by cash payment of the exercise price or by means of a cashless exercise. The aggregate offering price of the private placement was approximately \$19,402,000 and the net proceeds to us, after payment of approximately \$1,324,000 of commissions and expenses, was approximately \$18,078,000. The net proceeds were allocated based on the relative fair market values of the common stock and warrants with \$16,257,000 allocated to the common stock and \$1,821,000 allocated to the warrants.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

(In Thousands)

The following table details our future contractual obligations as of December 31, 2006.

Description	Payment Due — by Period				More than 5 years
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	
Current and Long Term-Debt	\$ 602	\$ 394	\$ 208	\$ —	\$ —
Operating Leases	10,635	1,125	2,375	2,416	4,719
Interest Payments on Debt	35	31	4	—	—
Total:	<u>\$ 11,272</u>	<u>\$ 1,550</u>	<u>\$ 2,587</u>	<u>\$ 2,416</u>	<u>\$ 4,719</u>

SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts

	Revenues	Gross Profit	Net Income (Loss)		
			Amount	Per Share Basic	Per Share Diluted
Year Ended December 31, 2006:					
1st Quarter	\$29,730	\$11,733	\$ 3,126	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.04
2nd Quarter	12,475	4,955	(1,963)	(0.03)	(0.03)
3rd Quarter	14,490	5,951	(1,067)	(0.02)	(0.02)
4th Quarter	14,555	4,241	(6,059)	(0.07)	(0.07)
Year Ended December 31, 2005:					
1st Quarter	\$10,181	\$ 3,343	\$(2,287)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.13)
2nd Quarter	12,578	4,852	(67)	(0.04)	(0.04)
3rd Quarter	10,985	3,668	(2,614)	(0.14)	(0.14)
4th Quarter	10,740	3,081	(3,641)	(0.18)	(0.18)

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Revenue Recognition

We recognize product sales for our ophthalmic and hospital drugs and injectables business segments upon the shipment of goods or upon the delivery of goods, depending on the sales terms. The contract services segment, which produces products for third party customers, based upon their specification, at a pre-determined price, also recognizes sales upon the shipment of goods or upon delivery of the product or service as appropriate. Revenue is recognized when all of our obligations have been fulfilled and collection of the related receivable is probable. Provision for estimated doubtful accounts, chargebacks, rebates, discounts and product returns is made at the time of sale and is analyzed and adjusted, if necessary, at each balance sheet date.

Allowance for Chargebacks and Rebates

We enter into contractual agreements with certain third parties such as hospitals and group-purchasing organizations to sell certain products at predetermined prices. The parties have elected to have these contracts administered through wholesalers that buy the product from us and subsequently sell it to those third parties. When a wholesaler sells products to one of the third parties that are subject to a contractual price agreement, the difference between the price paid to us by the wholesaler and the price under the specific contract is charged back to us by the wholesaler. We track sales and submitted chargebacks by product number and contract for each

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wholesaler. Utilizing this information, we estimate a chargeback percentage for each product. We reduce gross sales and increase the chargeback allowance by the estimated chargeback amount for each product sold to a wholesaler. We reduce the chargeback allowance when we process a request for a chargeback from a wholesaler. Actual chargebacks processed can vary materially from period to period based upon actual sales volume through the wholesalers. However, our provision for chargebacks is fully reserved for at the time when sales revenues are recognized.

We obtain certain wholesaler inventory reports to aid in analyzing the reasonableness of the chargeback allowance that will be paid out in the future. We assess the reasonableness of our chargeback allowance by applying the product chargeback percentage based on historical activity to the quantities of inventory on hand per the wholesaler inventory reports and an estimate of in-transit inventory that is not reported on the wholesaler inventory reports at the end of the period. In accordance with our accounting policy, our estimate of the percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement is based on a six-quarter trend of such sales through wholesalers. We use this percentage estimate (95% as of December 31, 2006) until historical trends or new information indicate that a revision should be made. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our actual chargeback rate experience and new trends are factored into our estimates each quarter as market conditions change. In the first quarter of 2004, we obtained more precise information from the wholesalers to estimate the amount of in-transit inventory, which lowered our estimate of in-transit inventory. This resulted in us recognizing approximately \$500,000 less in chargeback expense in the first quarter of 2004. We have used this new information on a going forward basis as a more accurate estimate of in-transit inventory. Additionally, in the second quarter of 2004, we, in accordance with our policy, reduced our estimate of the percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement. This reduction was made in reaction to a six-quarter trend of such sales being below our previous estimates, thereby confirming that the reduced percentage was other than temporary. This estimate change resulted in approximately \$480,000 less in chargeback expense in the second quarter of 2004. In the fourth quarter of 2005, we reviewed our sales trends through wholesalers and revised the estimated percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement which resulted in a \$408,000 increase in chargeback expense in the fourth quarter 2005. We again reviewed and revised this same percentage estimate in the fourth quarter of 2006 which resulted in a \$446,000 increase in the chargeback expense in the fourth quarter of 2006. We intend to use this revised estimate on a going forward basis until historical trends indicate that additional revisions should be made.

Similarly, we maintain an allowance for rebates related to fee for service contracts and other programs with certain customers. Rebate percentages vary by product and by volume purchased by each eligible customer. We track sales by product number for each eligible customer and then apply the applicable rebate percentage, using both historical trends and actual experience to estimate our rebate allowance. We reduce gross sales and increase the rebate allowance by the estimated rebate amount when we sell our products to our rebate-eligible customers. We reduce the rebate allowance when we process a customer request for a rebate. At each balance sheet date, we analyze the allowance for rebates against actual rebates processed and make necessary adjustments as appropriate. Actual rebates processed can vary materially from period to period. However, our provision for rebates is fully reserved for at the time when sales revenues are recognized.

The recorded allowances reflect our current estimate of the future chargeback and rebate liability to be paid or credited to our wholesaler and other customers under the various contracts and programs. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded chargeback and rebate expense of \$26,295,000, \$24,391,000 and \$16,915,000, respectively. The allowance for chargebacks and rebates was \$8,370,000 and \$7,634,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Allowance for Product Returns

Certain of our products are sold with the customer having the right to return the product within specified periods and guidelines for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to pending expiration dates. Provisions are made at the time of sale based upon tracked historical experience, by customer in some cases. In evaluating month-end allowance balances, we consider actual returns to date that are in process, the expected impact of product recalls and the wholesaler's inventory information to assess the magnitude of unconsumed product that may result in a product return to us in the future. We estimate our sales returns reserve based on a historical percentage of returns to sales utilizing a twelve month look back period. One-time historical factors or pending new developments that would impact the expected level of returns are taken into account to determine the appropriate reserve estimate at each balance sheet date. The sales returns level can be impacted by factors such as overall market demand and market competition and availability for substitute products which can increase or decrease the end-user pull through for sales of our products and ultimately impact the level of sales returns. Actual returns experience and trends are factored into our estimates each quarter as market conditions change.

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Actual returns processed can vary materially from period to period. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded a provision for product returns of \$3,861,000, \$3,122,000 and \$1,956,000, respectively. The allowance for potential product returns was \$2,437,000 and \$1,529,000 at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Provisions for doubtful accounts, which reflect trade receivable balances owed to us that are believed to be uncollectible, are recorded as a component of SG&A expenses. In estimating the allowance for doubtful accounts, we have:

- Identified the relevant factors that might affect the accounting estimate for allowance for doubtful accounts, including: (a) historical experience with collections and write-offs; (b) credit quality of customers; (c) the interaction of credits being taken for discounts, rebates, allowances and other adjustments; (d) balances of outstanding receivables, and partially paid receivables; and (e) economic and other exogenous factors that might affect collectibility (e.g., bankruptcies of customers, “channel” factors, etc.).
- Accumulated data on which to base the estimate for allowance for doubtful accounts, including: (a) collections and write-offs data; (b) information regarding current credit quality of customers; and (c) information regarding exogenous factors, particularly in respect of major customers.
- Developed assumptions reflecting our judgments as to the most likely circumstances and outcomes, regarding, among other matters: (a) collectibility of outstanding balances relating to “partial payments;” (b) the ability to collect items in dispute (or subject to reconciliation) with customers; and (c) economic and other exogenous factors that might affect collectibility of outstanding balances — based upon information available at the time.

For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded a net expense/(benefit) for doubtful accounts of (\$150,000), \$74,000, and (\$43,000), respectively. The 2005 expense was mainly due to one uncollectible account while the favorable experience in 2006 and 2004 was due to recoveries and reduced reserve requirements which exceeded write offs and reduced previously identified collectibility concerns. The allowance for doubtful accounts was \$3,000 and \$13,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. As of December 31, 2006, we had a total of \$ 196,000 of past due gross accounts receivable, of which \$54,000 was over 60 days past due. We perform monthly a detailed analysis of the receivables due from our wholesaler customers and provide a specific reserve against known uncollectible items for each of the wholesaler customers. We also include in the allowance for doubtful accounts an amount that we estimate to be uncollectible for all other customers based on a percentage of the past due receivables. The percentage reserved increases as the age of the receivables increases.

Allowance for Discounts

Cash discounts are available to certain customers based on agreed upon terms of sale. We evaluate the discount reserve balance against actual discounts taken. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded a provision for discounts of \$1,595,000, \$1,003,000 and \$925,000 respectively. The allowance for discounts was \$236,000 and \$244,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Allowance for Slow-Moving Inventory

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (average cost method) or market. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note D — “Inventories”. We maintain an allowance for slow-moving and obsolete inventory. For finished goods inventory, we estimate the amount of inventory that may not be sold prior to its expiration or is slow moving based upon recent sales activity by unit and wholesaler inventory information. We also analyzed our raw material and component inventory for slow moving items. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded a provision for inventory obsolescence of \$652,000, \$530,000 and \$1,290,000, respectively. The allowance for inventory obsolescence was \$ 510,000 and \$916,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Warranty Liability

The DTPA product warranty relates to a ten year expiration guarantee on DTPA sold to HHS. We are performing yearly stability studies for this product and, if the annual stability does not support the ten-year product life, we will replace the product at no charge. Our supplier, Hameln Pharmaceuticals, will also share this cost if we do not meet the DTPA stability requirement. If the ongoing

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product testing confirms the ten-year stability for DTPA we will not incur a replacement cost and this reserve will be eliminated with a corresponding reduction to cost of sales after the ten-year period.

Income Taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and net operating loss and other tax credit carryforwards. These items are measured using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. We record a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized.

Intangibles

Intangibles consist primarily of product licensing and other such costs that are capitalized and amortized on the straight-line method over the lives of the related license periods or the estimated life of the acquired product, which range from 3 years to 18 years. Accumulated amortization at December 31, 2006 and 2005 was \$16,260,000 and \$14,875,000, respectively. Amortization expense was \$1,385,000, \$1,508,000, and \$1,372,000 for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively. We regularly assess the impairment of intangibles based on several factors, including estimated fair market value and anticipated cash flows. In 2004, we recorded impairment charges on certain intangible assets. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note S — “Asset Impairment Charges”.

Stock-Based Compensation

Under SFAS No. 123(R), stock compensation cost is estimated at the grant date based on the fair value of the award, and the cost is recognized as expense ratably over the vesting period. We have historically used the Black-Scholes model for estimating the fair value of stock options in providing the pro forma fair value method disclosures pursuant to SFAS No. 123 and have decided to continue using this model under SFAS No. 123(R). Determining the assumptions that enter into the model is highly subjective and requires judgment. We use an expected volatility that is based on the historical volatility of our stock. The expected life assumption is based on historical employee exercise patterns and employee post-vesting termination behavior. The risk-free interest rate for the expected term of the option is based on the average market rate on U.S. treasury securities in effect during the quarter in which the options were granted. The dividend yield reflects historical experience as well as future expectations over the expected term of the option. Also, under SFAS No. 123(R), we are required to estimate forfeitures at the time of grant and revise in subsequent periods, if necessary, if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. After reviewing historical forfeiture information, we have decided to use 10% as an estimated forfeiture rate.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In February 2006, the Financial Accounting Standard Board (“FASB”) issued SFAS No. 155, *Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments — An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140*. This statement amends SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, and No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities*. SFAS No. 155 permits fair value remeasurement for any hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation. This statement also establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation. SFAS No. 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired, issued, or subject to a remeasurement event occurring in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. We do not expect that the adoption of SFAS No. 155 will have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In September 2005, the EITF reached a consensus on Issue No. 05-8, “Income Tax Consequences of Issuing Convertible Debt with a Beneficial Conversion Feature.” Under EITF 05-8, the issuance of convertible debt with a beneficial conversion feature results in a temporary difference for purposes of applying Statement 109. The deferred taxes recognized for the temporary difference should be recorded as an adjustment to paid-in capital. EITF 98-5 “Accounting for Convertible Securities with Beneficial Conversion Features or Contingently Adjustable Conversion Ratios” and EITF 00-27 “Application of Issue No. 98-5 to Certain Convertible Instruments” require that the non-detachable conversion feature of a convertible debt security be accounted for separately if it is a beneficial conversion feature. A beneficial conversion feature is recognized and measured by allocating to additional paid-in capital a portion of the proceeds equal to the conversion feature’s intrinsic value. A discount on the convertible debt is recognized for the amount that is allocated to additional paid-in capital. The debt discount is accreted from the date of issuance to the stated redemption date of the convertible instrument or through the earliest conversion date if the instrument does not have a stated redemption date. The

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U.S. Federal Income Tax Code includes the entire amount of proceeds received at issuance as the tax basis of the convertible debt security. The EITF 05-8 Consensus should be applied retrospectively to all instruments with a beneficial conversion feature accounted for under EITF 98-5 and EITF 00-27 for periods beginning after December 15, 2005. The adoption of EITF 05-8 did not have a material impact on our financial statements.

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections (“SFAS 154”), which replaces APB Opinion No. 20, Accounting Changes and SFAS No. 3, Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements. SFAS 154 retained accounting guidance related to changes in estimates, changes in a reporting entity and error corrections. However, changes in accounting principles must be accounted for retrospectively by modifying the financial statements of prior periods unless it is impracticable to do so. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. The adoption of SFAS 154 did not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (“SFAS No. 123R”), which revised and replaced SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Payments and superseded APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees (“APB 25”). SFAS 123R requires the measurement of all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, using a fair-value based method and the recording of such expense in its consolidated statements of operations. The pro forma disclosures previously permitted under SFAS No. 123 are no longer an alternative to financial statement recognition. The provisions for SFAS No. 123R are effective for the first interim or annual reporting period beginning after June 15, 2005. We adopted SFAS No. 123R on January 1, 2006.

SFAS 123R permits public companies to adopt its requirements using one of two methods. The first adoption method is a “modified prospective” method in which compensation cost is recognized beginning with the effective date (i) based on the requirements of SFAS 123R for all share-based payments granted after the effective date and (ii) based on the requirements of SFAS 123 for all awards granted to employees prior to the effective date of SFAS 123R that remain unvested on the effective date. The second adoption method is a “modified retrospective” method, which includes the requirements of the modified prospective method described above, but also permits entities to restate, based on the amounts previously recognized under SFAS 123 for purposes of pro forma disclosures, either (i) all prior periods presented or (ii) prior interim periods in the year of adoption.

We elected the modified prospective method and did not restate prior year amounts. The adoption of SFAS 123R’s fair value method did have a significant impact on our results of operations, although it had no impact on our overall financial position. Had we adopted SFAS 123R in prior years, the impact of that adoption would have approximated the impact of SFAS 123, as described in the disclosure of pro forma net earnings and pro forma earnings per share.

In November 2005, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) No. 123(R)-3, “Transition Election Related to Accounting for Tax Effects of Share-Based Payment Awards” (FSP 123(R)-3). We elected to adopt the alternative transition method provided in FSP 123(R)-3 for calculating the tax effects of stock-based compensation pursuant to SFAS 123(R).

In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, “Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes — an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109” (“FIN 48”). FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes by prescribing a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, and disclosure. FIN 48 is effective January 1, 2007. We are in the process of evaluating the impact that FIN 48 will have on our Consolidated Financial Statements. At this time we do not believe that adoption of FIN 48 will have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2006 the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, “Fair Value Measurements” (“SFAS 157”), which provides guidance on how to measure assets and liabilities that use fair value. SFAS 157 will apply whenever another U.S. GAAP standard requires (or permits) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value but does not expand the use of fair value to any new circumstances. This standard will also require additional disclosures in both annual and quarterly reports. SFAS 157 will be effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The adoption of SFAS 157 is not expected to have a material impact on our results of operations or financial position.

In September 2006, the SEC issued SAB No. 108, “Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements.” This Bulletin addresses quantifying the financial statement effects of misstatements, including how the effects of prior year uncorrected errors must be considered in quantifying misstatements in the current year financial statements. This Bulletin is effective for fiscal years ending after November 15, 2006 and allows for a one-time

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transitional cumulative effect adjustment to beginning retained earnings in the fiscal year adopted for errors that were not previously deemed material, but are material under the guidance in SAB No. 108. The adoption of this Bulletin is not expected to have a material impact on our financial statements.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are subject to market risk associated with changes in interest rates if we draw a balance under our Credit Facility. Our only current interest rate exposure involves our Revolver debt under the Credit Facility which bears interest at prime (8.25% as of December 31, 2006) plus 0.50%. The balance on the Revolver at December 31, 2006 was zero. With the retirement of the Tranche A and Tranche B notes and also the 2003 Subordinated Notes in March 2006 our interest rate exposure was substantially diminished compared to our exposure for these prime-rate based instruments in 2005. Our other long-term debt is for our mortgaged property in Decatur, Illinois at a fixed interest rate of 7.375%. We estimate that a change of 1.0% in our variable rate debt from the interest rates in effect at December 31, 2006 would result in a zero pre-tax change in annual interest expense based on our existing zero drawdown against our revolving line of credit.

Our financial instruments consist mainly of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and debt. The carrying amounts of these instruments, except debt, approximate fair value due to their short-term nature. The carrying amounts of our bank borrowings under our debt instruments approximate fair value because the interest rates are reset periodically to reflect current market rates.

The fair value of the debt obligations approximated the recorded value as of December 31, 2006.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The following financial statements are included in Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Shareholders
Akorn, Inc.
Buffalo Grove, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Akorn, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Akorn, Inc. and Subsidiaries at December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the results of their operations and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2006, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As disclosed in Note J to the consolidated financial statements, effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value method of accounting provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share Based Payment."

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of Akorn, Inc. and Subsidiaries internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and our report dated March 7, 2007 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ BDO Seidman, LLP

Chicago, Illinois
March 7, 2007

**Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on
Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

Board of Directors
Akorn, Inc.
Buffalo Grove, Illinois

We have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying Item 9A, Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, that Akorn, Inc. and Subsidiaries maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assessment and an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, management's assessment that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the COSO criteria. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, based on the COSO criteria.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Standards Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Akorn, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholder's equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2006 and our report dated March 7, 2007 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

/s/ BDO Seidman, LLP

Chicago, Illinois
March 7, 2007

AKORN, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in Thousands, Except Share Data)

	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,818	\$ 791
Trade accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3 and \$13 at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively)	4,781	3,222
Inventories	11,734	10,279
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,321	1,402
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	39,654	15,694
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET	33,486	31,071
OTHER ASSETS		
Intangibles, net	8,825	10,210
Other	118	120
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	8,943	10,330
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 82,083	\$ 57,095
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Current installments of debt	\$ 394	\$ 7,044
Trade accounts payable	4,719	3,046
Accrued compensation	1,849	1,519
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	3,291	3,851
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	10,253	15,460
Long-term debt, less current installments	208	602
Warranty liability	1,308	—
TOTAL LIABILITIES	11,769	16,062
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Common stock, no par value — 150,000,000 shares authorized; 85,990,964, and 27,618,745 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively	150,250	67,339
Series A Preferred Stock, \$1.00 par value 257,172 shares authorized and issued, 241,122 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2005	—	27,232
Series B Preferred Stock, \$1.00 par value 170,000 shares authorized, 141,000 shares issued, 106,600 outstanding as of December 31, 2005	—	10,758
Warrants to acquire common stock	4,862	13,696
Accumulated deficit	(84,798)	(77,992)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	70,314	41,033
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 82,083	\$ 57,095

See notes to the consolidated financial statements.

AKORN, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
Revenues	\$ 71,250	\$ 44,484	\$ 50,708
Cost of sales	44,370	29,540	32,506
GROSS PROFIT	26,880	14,944	18,202
Selling, general and administrative expenses	18,603	16,405	13,300
Amortization and write down of intangibles	1,385	1,508	3,409
Research and development expenses	11,797	4,510	1,861
OPERATING EXPENSES	31,785	22,423	18,570
OPERATING LOSS	(4,905)	(7,479)	(368)
Interest expense	(604)	(2,325)	(4,218)
Debt Retirement Gain/(Expense)	(391)	1,212	—
Gain related to disputed settlements	—	—	1,562
Other income/(expense)	(60)	—	6
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	(5,960)	(8,592)	(3,018)
Income tax provision	3	17	8
NET LOSS	(5,963)	(8,609)	(3,026)
Preferred stock dividends and adjustments	(843)	(4,082)	(34,436)
NET LOSS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ (6,806)	\$ (12,691)	\$ (37,462)
NET LOSS PER SHARE:			
BASIC	\$ (0.09)	\$ (0.49)	\$ (1.80)
DILUTED	\$ (0.09)	\$ (0.49)	\$ (1.80)
SHARES USED IN COMPUTING NET LOSS PER SHARE:			
BASIC	73,988	26,095	20,817
DILUTED	73,988	26,095	20,817

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AKORN, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006, 2005 AND 2004
(In Thousands)

	Common Stock Add'l Paid-In-Capital		Series A Preferred Stock	Series B Preferred Stock	Warrants to acquire Common Stock	Retained Earnings (Accum. Deficit)	Total
	Shares	Amount					
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2003	19,826	\$ 25,506	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 13,724	\$(27,839)	\$11,391
Net Loss	—	—	—	—	—	(3,026)	(3,026)
Reclassification of Series A Preferred Stock	—	—	22,182	—	—	—	22,182
Issuance of Series B Preferred Stock and Warrants, net of issuance costs	—	—	—	9,914	3,130	—	13,044
Preferred stock dividends earned	—	—	822	300	—	(1,122)	—
Intrinsic value of beneficial conversion features in convertible preferred stock	—	25,826	(22,862)	(2,964)	—	—	—
Accretion to stated value of preferred stock	—	—	27,232	6,094	—	(33,326)	—
Conversion of preferred stock into common stock	2,236	1,822	(1,587)	(235)	—	—	—
Exercise of warrants into common stock	2,433	4,807	—	—	(2,771)	12	2,048
Intrinsic value of beneficial conversion features in convertible interest	—	269	—	—	—	—	269
Adjustment of AEG warrant value due to dispute settlement	—	—	—	—	77	—	77
Exercise of stock options	594	1,233	—	—	—	—	1,233
Employee stock purchase plan issuances	44	108	—	—	—	—	108
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2004	25,133	59,571	25,787	13,109	14,160	(65,301)	47,326
Net Loss	—	—	—	—	—	(8,609)	(8,609)
Preferred stock dividends earned	—	—	1,563	783	—	(2,346)	—
Intrinsic value of beneficial conversion features in convertible preferred stock	—	1,736	—	—	—	(1,736)	—
Conversion of preferred stock into common stock	1,409	3,252	(118)	(3,134)	—	—	—
Exercise of warrants into common stock	350	652	—	—	(464)	—	188
Intrinsic value of beneficial conversion features in convertible interest	—	353	—	—	—	—	353
Exercise of stock options	693	1,287	—	—	—	—	1,287
Employee stock purchase plan issuances	34	81	—	—	—	—	81
Amortization of Deferred Compensation related to Restricted Stock Awards	—	407	—	—	—	—	407
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2005	27,619	67,339	27,232	10,758	13,696	(77,992)	41,033
Net Loss	—	—	—	—	—	(5,963)	(5,963)
Preferred stock dividends earned	—	—	55	536	—	(591)	—
Intrinsic value of beneficial conversion features in convertible preferred stock	—	252	—	—	—	(252)	—
Conversion of preferred stock into common stock	41,275	38,581	(27,287)	(11,294)	—	—	—
Exercise of warrants into common stock	6,957	13,503	—	—	(10,655)	—	2,848
Conversion of convertible notes into common stock	3,540	7,298	—	—	—	—	7,298
Net Proceeds from issuance of common stock and warrants	5,312	19,800	—	—	1,821	—	21,621
Exercise of stock options	1,107	1,672	—	—	—	—	1,672
Employee stock purchase plan issuances	41	173	—	—	—	—	173
Amortization of Deferred Compensation related to Restricted Stock Awards	—	719	—	—	—	—	719

Restricted Stock Awards withheld for payment of employee tax liability	140	(316)					(316)
Accrue FAS123R Share Based Payment Expense	—	1,229					1,229
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	85,991	\$ 150,250	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 4,862	\$(84,798)	\$70,314

See notes to the consolidated financial statements.

AKORN, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Dollars in Thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net loss	\$ (5,963)	\$ (8,609)	\$ (3,026)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash from operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	3,344	5,239	4,075
Amortization of deferred financing fees	28	74	1,208
Amortization of debt discount	1,059	1,237	945
Impairment of long-lived assets	—	—	2,037
Non-cash expense related to preferred stock	—	—	1,064
Prepayments to Strides Arcolab Limited	—	(250)	—
Gain on retirement of debt	—	(1,212)	—
Non-cash stock compensation expense	1,948	407	—
Gain related to dispute settlements	—	—	(1,562)
Gain on disposal of long-lived assets	—	—	(6)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Trade accounts receivable	(1,559)	3,360	(4,956)
Inventories	(1,455)	142	(2,614)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	81	(198)	(1,234)
Trade accounts payable	1,673	2,351	(14)
Product Warranty	1,308	—	—
Royalty Liability	1,517	—	—
Accrued customer liability	256	—	—
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	272	2,013	622
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2,509	(148)	(3,461)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(4,377)	(1,782)	(689)
Proceeds from sale of investments	—	—	2,000
Proceeds from sale of long-lived assets	—	—	6
Purchase of product intangibles and product licenses	—	(75)	(2,155)
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(4,377)	(1,857)	(838)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayments of long-term debt	(3,103)	(370)	(6,730)
Repayment of NeoPharm Debt	—	(2,500)	—
Net proceeds from common stock and warrant offering	21,621	—	13,044
Change in line of credit	—	—	(1,500)
Proceeds from exercise of stock warrants	2,848	188	2,036
Proceeds under stock option and stock purchase plans	1,529	1,368	1,341
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	22,895	(1,314)	8,191
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	21,027	(3,319)	3,892
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	791	4,110	218
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 21,818	\$ 791	\$ 4,110

See notes to the consolidated financial statements.

AKORN, INC.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note A — Business and Basis of Presentation

Business: Akorn, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Akorn (New Jersey), Inc. (collectively, the “Company”) manufacture and market diagnostic and therapeutic pharmaceuticals in specialty areas such as ophthalmology, rheumatology, anesthesia and antidotes, among others. Customers, including physicians, optometrists, wholesalers, group purchasing organizations and other pharmaceutical companies, are served primarily from three operating facilities in the United States. In September 2004, the Company, along with a venture partner, formed a mutually owned limited liability company, Akorn-Strides, LLC (the “Joint Venture Company”). See Note Q – “Business Alliances.”

Basis of Presentation: The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. As a result of the debt refinancing and equity transactions disclosed in Notes G and H, the Company has substantially reversed its historical liquidity concerns. The Company believes that its current line of credit, together with cash generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet its near-term cash requirements.

Note B — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Consolidation: The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Akorn, Inc and its wholly owned subsidiary, Akorn (New Jersey) Inc. Intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. Significant estimates and assumptions for the Company relate to the allowance for doubtful accounts, the allowance for chargebacks, the allowance for rebates, the allowance for product returns and discounts and the reserve for slow-moving and obsolete inventories, the carrying value of intangible assets and the carrying value of deferred income tax assets.

Revenue Recognition: The Company recognizes product sales for its ophthalmic and hospital drugs and injectables business segments upon the shipment of goods or upon the delivery of the product or service as appropriate. Revenue is recognized when all obligations of the Company have been fulfilled and collection of the related receivable is probable.

The contract services segment, which produces products for third party customers based upon their specification and at a pre-determined price, also recognizes sales upon the shipment of goods or upon delivery of the product or service as appropriate. Revenue is recognized when all obligations of the Company have been fulfilled and collection of the related receivable is probable.

Provision for estimated doubtful accounts, chargebacks, rebates, discounts and product returns is made at the time of sale and is analyzed and adjusted, if necessary, at each balance sheet date.

Cash Equivalents: The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturity of three months or less when purchased, to be cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable: The nature of the Company’s business inherently involves, in the ordinary course, significant amounts and substantial volumes of transactions and estimates relating to allowances for doubtful accounts, product returns, chargebacks, rebates and discounts given to customers. This is a natural circumstance of the pharmaceutical industry and not specific to the Company and inherently lengthens the collection process. Depending on the product, the end-user customer, the specific terms of national supply contracts and the particular arrangements with the Company’s wholesaler customers, certain rebates, chargebacks and other credits are deducted from the Company’s accounts receivable. The process of claiming these deductions depends on wholesalers reporting to the Company the amount of deductions that were earned under the respective terms with end-user customers (which, in turn, depends on which end-user customer with different pricing arrangements might be entitled to a particular deduction). This process can lead to “partial payments” against outstanding invoices as the wholesalers take the claimed deductions at the time of payment.

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Unless otherwise noted, the provisions and allowances for the following customer deductions are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as reductions of revenues and trade accounts receivable, respectively.

Chargebacks and Rebates: The Company enters into contractual agreements with certain third parties such as hospitals and group-purchasing organizations to sell certain products at predetermined prices. The parties have elected to have these contracts administered through wholesalers that buy the product from the Company and subsequently sell it to these third parties. When a wholesaler sells products to one of these third parties that are subject to a contractual price agreement, the difference between the price paid to the Company by the wholesaler and the price under the specific contract is charged back to the Company by the wholesaler. The Company tracks sales and submitted chargebacks by product number and contract for each wholesaler. Utilizing this information, the Company estimates a chargeback percentage for each product. The Company reduces gross sales and increases the chargeback allowance by the estimated chargeback amount for each product sold to a wholesaler. The Company reduces the chargeback allowance when it processes a request for a chargeback from a wholesaler. Actual chargebacks processed by the Company can vary materially from period to period based upon actual sales volume through the wholesalers. However, the Company's provision for chargebacks is fully reserved for at the time when sales revenues are recognized.

Management obtains certain wholesaler inventory reports to aid in analyzing the reasonableness of the chargeback allowance. The Company assesses the reasonableness of its chargeback allowance by applying the product chargeback percentage based on historical activity to the quantities of inventory on hand per the wholesaler inventory reports and an estimate of in-transit inventory that is not reported on the wholesaler inventory reports at the end of the period. In accordance with its accounting policy, the Company's estimate of the percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement is based on a six-quarter trend of such sales through wholesalers. The Company uses this percentage estimate (95% as of December 31, 2006) until historical trends indicate that a revision should be made. On an ongoing basis, the Company evaluates its actual chargeback rate experience and new trends are factored into its estimates each quarter as market conditions change. In the first quarter of 2004, the Company obtained more precise information from the wholesalers to estimate the amount of in-transit inventory, which lowered its estimate of in-transit inventory. This resulted in the Company recognizing approximately \$500,000 less in chargeback expense in the first quarter of 2004. The Company is using this new information on a going forward basis as a more accurate estimate of in-transit inventory. Additionally, in the second quarter of 2004, the Company, in accordance with its policy, reduced its estimate of the percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement. This reduction was made in reaction to a six-quarter trend of such sales being below the Company's previous estimates, thereby confirming that the reduced percentage was other than temporary. This estimate change resulted in approximately \$480,000 less in chargeback expense in the second quarter of 2004. In the fourth quarter of 2005, Management reviewed sales trends through wholesalers and revised the estimated percentage amount of wholesaler inventory that will ultimately be sold to a third party that is subject to a contractual price agreement which resulted in a \$408,000 increase in chargeback expense in the fourth quarter 2005. The Company again reviewed and revised this same percentage estimate in the fourth quarter of 2006 which resulted in a \$446,000 increase in the chargeback expense in the fourth quarter of 2006. The Company intends to use this revised estimate on a going forward basis until historical trends indicate that additional revisions should be made.

Similarly, the Company maintains an allowance for rebates related to contract and other programs with certain customers. Rebate percentages vary by product and by volume purchased by each eligible customer. The Company tracks sales by product number for each eligible customer and then applies the applicable rebate percentage, using both historical trends and actual experience to estimate its rebate allowance. The Company reduces gross sales and increases the rebate allowance by the estimated rebate amount when the Company sells its products to its rebate-eligible customers. The Company reduces the rebate allowance when it processes a customer request for a rebate. At each balance sheet date, the Company analyzes the allowance for rebates against actual rebates processed and makes necessary adjustments as appropriate. Actual rebates processed can vary materially from period to period. However, the Company's provision for rebates is fully reserved for at the time when sales revenues are recognized.

The recorded allowances reflect the Company's current estimate of the future chargeback and rebate liability to be paid or credited to its wholesaler and other customers under the various contracts and programs. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, the Company recorded chargeback and rebate expense of \$26,295,000, \$24,391,000 and \$16,915,000, respectively. The allowance for chargebacks and rebates was \$8,370,000 and \$7,634,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Sales Returns: Certain of the Company's products are sold with the customer having the right to return the product within specified periods and guidelines for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to, pending expiration dates. Provisions are made at the time of sale based upon tracked historical experience, by customer in some cases. The Company estimates its sales returns reserve based on a historical percentage of returns to sales utilizing a twelve month look back period. One-time historical factors or pending

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new developments that would impact the expected level of returns are taken into account to determine the appropriate reserve estimate at each balance sheet date. As part of the evaluation of the balance required, the Company considers actual returns to date that are in process, the expected impact of any product recalls and the wholesaler's inventory information to assess the magnitude of unconsumed product that may result in a sales return to the Company in the future. The sales returns level can be impacted by factors such as overall market demand and market competition and availability for substitute products which can increase or decrease the end-user pull through for sales of the Company's products and ultimately impact the level of sales returns. Actual returns experience and trends are factored into the Company's estimates each quarter as market conditions change. Actual returns processed can vary materially from period to period. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004 the Company recorded a provision for product returns of \$3,861,000, \$3,122,000 and \$1,956,000, respectively. The allowance for potential product returns was \$2,437,000 and \$1,529,000 at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Doubtful Accounts: Provisions for doubtful accounts, which reflects trade receivable balances owed to the Company that are believed to be uncollectible, are recorded as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses. In estimating the allowance for doubtful accounts, the Company has:

- Identified the relevant factors that might affect the accounting estimate for allowance for doubtful accounts, including: (a) historical experience with collections and write-offs; (b) credit quality of customers; (c) the interaction of credits being taken for discounts, rebates, allowances and other adjustments; (d) balances of outstanding receivables, and partially paid receivables; and (e) economic and other exogenous factors that might affect collectibility (e.g., bankruptcies of customers, "channel" factors, etc.).
- Accumulated data on which to base the estimate for allowance for doubtful accounts, including: (a) collections and write-offs data; (b) information regarding current credit quality of customers; and (c) information regarding exogenous factors, particularly in respect of major customers.
- Developed assumptions reflecting management's judgments as to the most likely circumstances and outcomes, regarding, among other matters: (a) collectibility of outstanding balances relating to "partial payments;" (b) the ability to collect items in dispute (or subject to reconciliation) with customers; and (c) economic and other exogenous factors that might affect collectibility of outstanding balances — based upon information available at the time.

For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, the Company recorded a net expense/(benefit) for doubtful accounts of (\$150,000), \$74,000, and (\$43,000), respectively. The 2005 expense was mainly due to one uncollectible account while the favorable experience in 2006 and 2004 was due to recoveries and reduced reserve requirements which exceeded write offs and reduced previously identified collectibility concerns. The allowance for doubtful accounts was \$3,000 and \$13,000, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. As of December 31, 2006, the Company had a total of \$196,000 of past due gross accounts receivable, of which \$54,000 was over 60 days past due. The Company performs monthly a detailed analysis of the receivables due from its wholesaler customers and provides a specific reserve against known uncollectible items for each of the wholesaler customers. The Company also includes in the allowance for doubtful accounts an amount that it estimates to be uncollectible for all other customers based on a percentage of the past due receivables. The percentage reserved increases as the age of the receivables increases.

Discounts: Cash discounts are available to certain customers based on agreed upon terms of sale. The Company evaluates the discount reserve balance against actual discounts taken. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, the Company recorded a provision for discounts of \$1,595,000, \$1,003,000 and \$925,000, respectively. The allowance for discounts was \$236,000 and \$244,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Inventories: Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (average cost method) or market (see Note D — "Inventories"). The Company maintains an allowance for slow-moving and obsolete inventory. For finished goods inventory, the Company estimates the amount of inventory that may not be sold prior to its expiration or is slow moving based upon recent sales activity by unit and wholesaler inventory information. The Company also analyzes its raw material and component inventory for slow moving items. For the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, the Company recorded a provision for inventory obsolescence of \$652,000, \$530,000 and \$1,290,000, respectively. The allowance for inventory obsolescence was \$510,000 and \$916,000 as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Intangibles: Intangibles consist primarily of product licensing and other such costs that are capitalized and amortized on the straight-line method over the lives of the related license periods or the estimated life of the acquired product, which range from 3 years to 18 years. Accumulated amortization at December 31, 2006 and 2005 was \$16,260,000 and \$14,875,000, respectively. Amortization

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expense was \$1,385,000, \$1,508,000 and \$1,372,000 for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively. The Company regularly assesses the impairment of intangibles based on several factors, including estimated fair market value and anticipated cash flows.

During 2004, the Company recorded impairment charges of \$2,037,000 related to product license intangible assets for Biolon, Erythromycin, Cromolyn Sodium, AKWA Tears, and Tears Renewed in its ophthalmic segment. The Company determined that projected profitability on the products was not sufficient to support the carrying value of the intangible assets. The recording of these charges reduced the carrying value of the intangible assets related to these product licenses to zero.

The amortization expense of acquired intangible assets, absent any further impairments, for each of the five years ending December 31, 2011 will be as follows (in thousands):

For the year ended 12/31/07	\$1,355
For the year ended 12/31/08	\$1,354
For the year ended 12/31/09	\$1,354
For the year ended 12/31/10	\$1,354
For the year ended 12/31/11	\$1,313

Property, Plant and Equipment: Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method in amounts considered sufficient to amortize the cost of the assets to operations over their estimated service lives or lease terms. The average estimated service lives of buildings, leasehold improvements, furniture and equipment, and automobiles are approximately 30, 10, 10, and 5 years, respectively. Depreciation expense was \$1,959,000, \$2,604,000 and \$2,703,000 for 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively.

Net Loss Per Common Share: Basic net loss per common share is based upon weighted average common shares outstanding. Diluted net loss per common share is based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding, including the dilutive effect, if any, of stock options, warrants and convertible securities using the treasury stock and if converted methods. However, due to net losses in each of the last three years, the Company had no dilutive stock options, warrants or convertible securities. Antidilutive shares excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share include 5,316,000, 59,661,000, and 59,229,000, for 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively, related to options, warrants and convertible securities.

Income Taxes: Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and net operating loss and other tax credit carryforwards. These items are measured using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments: The Company's financial instruments include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and term debt. The fair values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments. The carrying amounts of the Company's bank and subordinated borrowings approximate fair value because the interest rates are reset periodically to reflect current market rates.

Stock-Based Compensation: Under SFAS No. 123(R), stock compensation cost is estimated at the grant date based on the fair value of the award, and the cost is recognized as expense ratably over the vesting period. We have historically used the Black-Scholes model for estimating the fair value of stock options in providing the pro forma fair value method disclosures pursuant to SFAS No. 123 and have decided to continue using this model under SFAS No. 123(R). Determining the assumptions that enter into the model is highly subjective and requires judgment. We use an expected volatility that is based on the historical volatility of our stock. The expected life assumption is based on historical employee exercise patterns and employee post-vesting termination behavior. The risk-free interest rate for the expected term of the option is based on the average market rate on U.S. treasury securities in effect during the quarter in which the options were granted. The dividend yield reflects historical experience as well as future expectations over the expected term of the option. Also, under SFAS No. 123(R), we are required to estimate forfeitures at the time of grant and revise in subsequent periods, if necessary, if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. After reviewing historical forfeiture information, we have decided to use 10% as an estimated forfeiture rate.

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Note C — Allowance for Customer Deductions

The activity in various allowance accounts is as follows (in thousands):

	Doubtful Accounts Years Ended December 31,			Returns Years Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004	2006	2005	2004
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 13	\$ 435	\$ 609	\$ 1,529	\$ 1,393	\$ 1,077
Provision (recovery)	(150)	74	(43)	3,861	3,122	1,956
Charges	140	(496)	(131)	(2,953)	(2,986)	(1,640)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 13</u>	<u>\$ 435</u>	<u>\$ 2,437</u>	<u>\$ 1,529</u>	<u>\$ 1,393</u>

	Discounts Years Ended December 31,			Chargebacks and Rebates Years Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004	2006	2005	2004
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 244	\$ 234	\$ 94	\$ 7,634	\$ 5,406	\$ 4,804
Provision	1,595	1,003	925	26,295	24,391	16,915
Charges	(1,603)	(993)	(785)	(25,559)	(22,163)	(16,313)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 236</u>	<u>\$ 244</u>	<u>\$ 234</u>	<u>\$ 8,370</u>	<u>\$ 7,634</u>	<u>\$ 5,406</u>

Note D — Inventories

The components of inventories are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2006	2005
Finished goods	\$ 2,923	\$ 4,914
Work in process	1,293	1,702
Raw materials and supplies	7,518	3,663
	<u>\$ 11,734</u>	<u>\$ 10,279</u>

The Company maintains an allowance for excess and obsolete inventory. The activity in this account is as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 916	\$ 660	\$ 917
Provision	652	530	1,290
Charges	(1,058)	(274)	(1,547)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 510</u>	<u>\$ 916</u>	<u>\$ 660</u>

Note E — Investment in Novadaq Technologies

In the first quarter of 2002, the Company received an equity ownership in Novadaq Technologies, Inc., (“Novadaq”), of 4,000,000 common shares (representing approximately 16.4% of the outstanding shares) as part of a settlement between the Company and Novadaq. The Company had previously advanced \$690,000 to Novadaq for development costs and recorded these advances as an intangible asset. Based on the settlement, the Company had reclassified these advances as an Investment in Novadaq. In the fourth quarter of 2002, the Company received an additional 132,000 shares of Novadaq, valued at \$23,000 which was recorded as a gain in 2002 pursuant to a pre-existing agreement with another third party. In 2004, the Company and Novadaq reached an agreement on a separate dispute whereby Novadaq repurchased the Company’s holdings in Novadaq for \$2,000,000. The settlement resulted in a gain of \$1,287,000 which is part of the \$1,562,000 gain related to disputed settlements in the 2004 Consolidated Statement of Operations. (See Note N – “Commitments and Contingencies.”)

Note F — Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consist of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2006	2005
Land	\$ 396	\$ 396
Buildings and leasehold improvements	18,071	9,393
Furniture and equipment	37,826	27,866
Automobiles	55	55

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	December 31,	
	2006	2005
Accumulated depreciation	56,348	37,710
	<u>(28,637)</u>	<u>(26,879)</u>
Construction in progress	27,711	10,831
	5,775	20,240
	<u>\$ 33,486</u>	<u>\$ 31,071</u>

Construction in progress represents capital expenditures principally related to the Company's lyophilization facility. The accumulated lyophilization facility spending through December 31, 2006 was \$22,433,000. The Company capitalized interest expense related to the lyophilization project of \$220,000 and \$1,166,000 in 2004 and 2003, respectively. The Company estimates an additional \$200,000 in spending will be required to complete the expansion (excluding capitalized interest). In December 2006, the Company placed \$17,237,000 of this cost into service which is for the facility and sterile solutions portion of this operation which augments its existing production capacities. The remaining \$5,196,000 of construction in progress, which is specific to lyophilization (freeze-dry) operations, is awaiting final review and a Pre-Approval Inspection ("PAI") by the FDA for the Company to place this equipment into commercial production. The Company anticipates a successful inspection and placing the lyophilization equipment in service in the first half of 2007. There can be no assurance the Company will realize the anticipated benefits from its investment into lyophilization capability and, if not, material impairment charges may be required.

Note G — Financing Arrangements

The Company's long-term debt consists of (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2006	2005
Convertible subordinated debentures	\$ —	\$ 5,000
Mortgage payable	602	938
2003 Subordinated Notes	—	2,767
	602	8,705
Less unamortized discount on debt	—	(1,059)
Less current installments	(394)	(7,044)
Long-term debt	<u>\$ 208</u>	<u>\$ 602</u>

Maturities of debt are as follows (in thousands):

Year ending December 31:

2007	\$ 394
2008	208
Total	<u>\$ 602</u>

In December 1997, the Company entered into a \$45,000,000 (as amended) revolving credit agreement with The Northern Trust Company ("Northern Trust"). Borrowings under this credit agreement were secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and bore floating interest rates that were 7.25% at September 30, 2003. The Company went into default under the Northern Trust credit agreement in 2002 and thereafter operated under an agreement under which Northern Trust would agree to forbear from exercising its remedies (the "Forbearance Agreement"). The Forbearance Agreement provided for additional borrowings and was extended on numerous occasions in 2003.

On October 7, 2003, a group of investors (the "Investors") purchased all of the Company's then outstanding senior bank debt from Northern Trust, a balance of \$37,731,000, at a discount and exchanged such debt with the Company (the "Exchange Transaction") for (i) 257,172 shares of Series A 6.0% Participating Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred Stock"), (ii) subordinated promissory notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,767,139 (the "2003 Subordinated Notes"), (iii) warrants to purchase an aggregate of 8,572,400 shares of the Company's common stock with an exercise price of \$1.00 per share ("Series A Warrants"), and (iv) \$5,473,862 in cash from the proceeds of the term loan under the Credit Facility described in a following paragraph. The 2003 Subordinated Notes and cash were issued by the Company to (a) The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89 (the "Kapoor Trust"), the sole trustee and sole beneficiary of which is Dr. John N. Kapoor, the Company's Chairman of the Board of Directors and the holder of a significant stock position in the Company, (b) Arjun Waney, a holder of a significant stock position in the Company, and (c) Argent

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Fund Management Ltd., for which Mr. Waney serves as Chairman and Managing Director and 52% of which is owned by Mr. Waney. The Company also issued to the holders of the 2003 Subordinated Notes warrants to purchase an aggregate of 276,714 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$1.10 per share.

As a result of the Exchange Transaction, the Company recorded transaction costs of approximately \$3,102,000. The transaction costs consisted principally of cash and securities owed to restructuring and investment banking professionals that provided services directly related to the extinguishment of the Northern Trust debt.

In accounting for the Exchange Transaction, the Company first reduced the carrying amount of the Northern Trust debt by the cash paid to Investors. The remaining carrying value was then allocated among the three securities issued to fully extinguish the debt based on the relative fair values of those securities. Accordingly, the Series A Preferred Stock, the 2003 Subordinated Notes and the Series A Warrants were initially recorded at \$20,874,000, \$2,046,000 and \$9,337,000, respectively, before, in the case of the 2003 Subordinated Notes, the discount described below and before, in the case of the stock securities, related issuance costs of \$480,000. The fair value of the Series A Warrants was estimated by the Company using the same method and estimates as described for the warrants issued with the 2003 Subordinated Notes. All outstanding warrants as described above were exercised prior to their October 7, 2006 expiration date.

Simultaneously with the consummation of the Exchange Transaction, the Company entered into a credit agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association ("LaSalle Bank") providing the Company with two Term Loans (collectively, the "Term Loans") which consisted of a \$5,500,000 term loan A, and a \$1,500,000 term loan B totaling \$7,000,000, and a revolving line of credit of up to \$5,000,000 (the "Revolver") to provide for working capital needs (collectively, the "Credit Facility") secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company. The obligations of the Company under the Credit Facility had been guaranteed by the Kapoor Trust and Mr. Waney. In exchange for this guaranty, the Company issued additional warrants ("Guarantee Warrants") to purchase 880,000 and 80,000 shares of common stock to the Kapoor Trust and Mr. Waney, respectively, and had agreed to issue to each of them, on each anniversary of the date of the consummation of the Exchange Transaction, warrants to purchase additional shares of common stock; however, the guarantees were terminated before the first anniversary, as described below. The warrants issued in exchange for these guarantees had an exercise price of \$1.10 per share. These warrants were exercised in 2006 and none of the warrants remain outstanding as of December 31, 2006.

The Term Loans bore interest at prime plus 1.75% and were paid in full on August 23, 2004. The Credit Facility was set to mature on October 7, 2005 and was renewed on September 30, 2005. The renewed Credit Facility expires in September 30, 2008 and does not provide for term loans, but includes a revolving line of credit (the "Revolver"). The Revolver bears interest at prime plus 0.50% (8.25% as of December 31, 2006). Availability under the Revolver is determined by the sum of (i) 80% of eligible accounts receivable, (ii) 50% of raw material, finished goods and component inventory excluding packaging items, not to exceed \$5,000,000 and (iii) the difference between 90% of the forced liquidation value of machinery and equipment (\$4,092,000 as of August 2003) and \$1,750,000. The availability as of December 31, 2006 was approximately \$ 7,369,000. The Credit Facility contains certain restrictive covenants including but not limited to certain financial covenants such as EDITDA to interest expense and Senior Debt to EBITDA ratios. The Credit Facility also contains subjective covenants providing that the Company would be in default if, in the judgment of the lenders, there is a material adverse change in the Company's financial condition. Because the Credit Facility also requires the Company to maintain its deposit accounts with LaSalle Bank, the existence of these subjective covenants, pursuant to EITF Abstract No. 95-22, requires that outstanding borrowings under the Revolver be classified as a current liability. On August 13, 2004, the Company entered into the First Amendment to the Credit Facility. Among other things, the First Amendment amended certain financial covenants and LaSalle Bank agreed to waive certain events of default arising out of noncompliance with certain obligations. Certain financial conditions in the Kapoor Trust guaranty were also amended as a result of the First Amendment. On August 26, 2004, the Company entered into the Second Amendment to the Credit Facility, which released the Kapoor Trust guaranty and eliminated certain event of default provisions that were related to the Kapoor Trust guaranty. In addition, on August 27, 2004, LaSalle Bank cancelled each of the irrevocable standby letters of credit posted by Dr. Kapoor and Mr. Waney. On October 8, 2004, the Company entered into the Third Amendment to the Credit Facility (the "Third Amendment") which waived events of default associated with the warrants issuance to AEG Partners, LLC ("AEG") and the NeoPharm Promissory Note default. In addition, the Third Amendment amended definitions of the Computation Period and EBITDA to Interest Expense Ratio for covenant calculations.

As part of the Exchange Transaction, the Company recorded \$1,627,000 as deferred financing costs, including the value of the Guarantee Warrants. This amount was being amortized as a component of interest expense over the life of the related debt or guarantee. With the retirement of the Term Loans and related guarantee terminations in the third quarter of 2004, the remaining guarantee warrant amortization and deferred financing costs not related to the Revolver were charged to interest expense, resulting in

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\$245,000 of additional amortization. Including these adjustments, amortization in 2006, 2005 and 2004 was \$0, \$74,000, and \$1,208,000, respectively.

As more fully described in Note H, the Company issued additional preferred stock and warrants on August 23, 2004. A portion of the related proceeds was used to pay off the Term Loans and pay down the Revolver. The Company continues to maintain the Revolver which, as of December 31, 2006, had an outstanding balance of zero.

In 2001, the Company entered into a \$5,000,000 convertible subordinated debt agreement (the "Convertible Note Agreement") consisting of a \$3,000,000 Tranche A note ("Tranche A Note") and a \$2,000,000 Tranche B note ("Tranche B Note") with the Kapoor Trust. Borrowings under the Convertible Note Agreement were due December 20, 2006, bore interest at prime plus 3.0% and were issued with detachable warrants to purchase approximately 1,667,000 shares of common stock. Interest could not be paid under the Convertible Note Agreement until the termination of the Credit Facility. The convertible feature of the convertible subordinated debt, as amended, allowed the Kapoor Trust to immediately convert the subordinated debt plus interest into common stock of the Company, at a price of \$2.28 per share of common stock for Tranche A Note and \$1.80 per share of common stock for Tranche B Note. The Company negotiated an early settlement of the Tranche A Note and the Tranche B Note in March 2006. The associated principal and accumulated interest of approximately \$7,298,000 was retired by conversion into 3,540,281 shares of the Company's common stock on March 31, 2006. A debt retirement fee of approximately \$391,000 was paid as an inducement to retire these notes prior to the original maturity date of December 20, 2006. The detachable warrants to purchase 1,667,000 shares of common stock were exercised on a cashless basis on November 15, 2006 and the associated net common stock issuance was 807,168 shares.

The Company, in accordance with APB Opinion No. 14, recorded the convertible subordinated debt and related warrants as separate securities. Furthermore, in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Abstract No. 00-27, the Company had also computed and recorded a separate amount related to the "intrinsic" value of the conversion option related to the debt. The resultant debt discount of \$3,024,000, equivalent to the value assigned to the warrants and the "intrinsic" value of the conversion option, was amortized and charged to interest expense over the life of the subordinated debt. Additionally, as the accrued interest on the convertible subordinated debt was also convertible into common stock, it could also result in separately recordable beneficial conversion amounts. Such amounts are recorded when the price of the Company's common stock is higher than the conversion rate when the interest is accrued. The beneficial conversion feature amount related to interest was \$0, \$353,000 and \$269,000 in 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively, and was recorded as an increase to paid-in-capital and as additional debt discount amortizable over the remaining term of the convertible subordinated debt. Related debt discount amortization was \$946,000, \$728,000 and \$573,000 in 2006, 2005, 2004, respectively.

In December 2001, the Company entered into a \$3,250,000 five-year loan (the "NeoPharm Note") with NeoPharm, Inc. ("NeoPharm") to fund the Company's efforts to complete its lyophilization facility located in Decatur, Illinois. Dr. Kapoor, the Company's chairman, is also a director of NeoPharm and holds a substantial stock position in NeoPharm, as well as in the Company. Under the terms of the NeoPharm Note evidencing the loan, interest accrued at the initial rate of 3.6% to be reset quarterly based upon NeoPharm's average return on its cash and readily tradable long and short-term securities during the previous calendar quarter. In consideration for the loan, under a separate processing agreement between the Company and NeoPharm, the Company, agreed to provide NeoPharm with access to at least 15% of the capacity of its lyophilization facility each year upon completion of the lyophilization facility.

The NeoPharm Note was subordinate to the Company's senior debt owed to LaSalle Bank but was senior to the subordinated debt owed to the Kapoor Trust. On October 6, 2004, the Company received a notice from NeoPharm indicating that an event of default had occurred on the NeoPharm Note. The notice stated that an event of default was triggered when the processing agreement between NeoPharm and the Company, which was contractually obligated to go into effect on or before October 1, 2004, failed to occur. The processing agreement failed to become effective, in part, because of the Company's inability to remove the sanctions imposed by the FDA on its Decatur manufacturing facility.

The event of default under the NeoPharm Note also triggered a cross-default provision under the Convertible Note Agreement and the Credit Facility. The Kapoor Trust waived the cross-default. On October 8, 2004, the Company entered into a Third Amendment to the Credit Facility which, among other things, amended certain of the financial covenants and LaSalle Bank agreed to waive certain events of default arising out of noncompliance with certain obligations, including noncompliance arising from the event of default under the NeoPharm Note. Because of this default, the Company recorded the \$3,250,000 of debt and \$362,000 of accrued interest as current obligations as of December 31, 2004. On May 16, 2005, the Company paid all principal and interest due under the NeoPharm Note with a one-time cash payment of \$2,500,000 and terminated the processing agreement between NeoPharm and the Company. This settlement generated a gain of \$1,212,000 in 2005 which is included in Other Income in the Company's Consolidated Statement

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of Operations. On May 13, 2005, the Company entered into a Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement with LaSalle Bank pursuant to which LaSalle Bank agreed to waive events of default arising out of the Company's noncompliance with its obligations under the Credit Facility resulting from its pay-off of the NeoPharm Note.

As part of the Exchange Transaction, the Company issued the 2003 Subordinated Notes to the Kapoor Trust, Arjun Waney and Argent Fund Management, Ltd. in the amount of \$2,767,000. The 2003 Subordinated Notes were to mature on April 7, 2006 and bore interest at prime plus 1.75% but interest payments were prohibited under the terms of a subordination arrangement between LaSalle and the note holders. The 2003 Subordinated Notes were subordinate to the Credit Facility but senior to the Convertible Note Agreement. The Company also issued warrants (the "Note Warrants") to the holders of the 2003 Subordinated Notes to purchase an aggregate of 276,714 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$1.10 per share. On March 20, 2006 the Company retired the 2003 Subordinated Notes with a cash payment of \$3,288,000 which included the original \$2,767,000 principal balance plus the accrued interest up to the date of payment. The 2003 Subordinated Notes warrants to purchase 276,714 shares of common stock were exercised on a cashless basis during 2006. The net common stock issuance was 199,412 shares.

The Company, in accordance with APB Opinion No. 14, recorded the initial issuance of the 2003 Subordinated Notes and Note Warrants as separate securities. The fair value of the Note Warrants was estimated on the date of issuance using the modified Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: (i) dividend yield of zero, (ii) expected volatility of 127.5%, (iii) risk free rate of 2.19%, and (iv) expected life of 3 years. As a result, the Company assigned a value of \$336,000 to Note Warrants and recorded this amount in shareholders' equity and as a discount, along with the spread between the face value of the debt and its initial recorded value as described above, on the 2003 Subordinated Notes. Related debt discount amortization was \$114,000, \$509,000, and \$373,000 in 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

In June 1998, the Company entered into a \$3,000,000 mortgage agreement with Standard Mortgage Investors, LLC of which there were outstanding borrowings of \$602,000 and \$938,000 at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. The principal balance is payable over 10 years, with the final payment due in June 2008. The mortgage note bears a fixed interest rate of 7.375% and is secured by the real property located in Decatur, Illinois.

On March 8, 2006 the Company issued 4,311,669 shares of its common stock in a private placement with various investors at a price of \$4.50 per share which included warrants to purchase 1,509,088 additional shares of common stock. The warrants are exercisable for a five year period at an exercise price of \$5.40 per share and may be exercised by cash payment of the exercise price or by means of a cashless exercise. The aggregate offering price of the private placement was approximately \$19,402,000 and the net proceeds to the Company, after payment of approximately \$1,324,000 of commissions and expenses, was approximately \$18,078,000. The net proceeds were allocated based on the relative fair market values of the common stock and warrants with \$16,257,000 allocated to the common stock and \$1,821,000 allocated to the warrants.

In September 2006, the Company issued 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in a private placement with Serum Institute of India, Ltd. at a price of \$3.56 per share. The offering price was \$3,560,000 and the net proceeds to the Company, after payment of approximately \$17,000 in expenses, was approximately \$3,543,000.

Note H — Preferred Stock

Prior to conversion, the Series A Preferred Stock accrued dividends at a rate of 6.0% per annum, which rate was fully cumulative, accrued daily and compounded quarterly. While the dividends could be paid in cash at the Company's option, such dividends were deferred and added to the Series A Preferred Stock balance. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock had liquidation rights in preference over junior securities, including the common stock, and had certain anti-dilution protections. The Series A Preferred Stock and unpaid dividends were convertible at any time into a number of shares of common stock equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (x) \$100 per share plus any accrued but unpaid dividends on that share by (y) \$0.75, as such numbers could be adjusted from time to time pursuant to the terms of the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation. All shares of Series A Preferred Stock were to convert to shares of common stock on the earlier of (i) October 8, 2006 and (ii) the date on which the closing price per share of common stock for at least 20 consecutive trading days immediately preceding such date exceeded \$4.00 per share. Until the Company's shareholders approved certain provisions regarding the Series A Preferred Stock (the "Stockholders Approval"), which occurred in July 2004, the Series A Preferred Stock had a mandatory redeemable feature in October 2011.

Holders of Series A Preferred Stock had full voting rights, with each holder entitled to a number of votes equal to the number of shares of common stock into which its shares could be converted. Holders of Series A Preferred Stock and common stock would vote together as a single class on all matters submitted to a shareholder vote, except in cases where a separate vote of the holders of Series

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A Preferred Stock was required by law or by the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation. The Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation provide that the Company cannot take certain actions, including (i) issuing additional Series A Preferred Stock or securities senior to or on par with the Series A Preferred Stock, (ii) amending the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation or By-laws to alter the rights of the Series A Preferred Stock, (iii) effecting a change of control or (iv) effecting a reverse split of the Series A Preferred Stock, without the approval of the holders of 50.1% of the Series A Preferred Stock.

Immediately after the Exchange Transaction, the Investors held approximately 75% of the aggregate voting rights represented by outstanding shares of common and Series A Preferred Stock. After the Exchange Transaction and assuming the exercise of all outstanding conversion rights, warrants and options to acquire common stock, the Investors would hold approximately 77% of the common stock, on a fully-diluted basis. Prior to the Exchange Transaction, the Investors held approximately 35% of the outstanding voting securities and would have held approximately 42% of the common stock on a fully-diluted basis.

The initially recorded amount of the Series A Preferred Stock, as described in Note G, was \$5,174,000 below its stated value. The Company, up through the Stockholders Approval date, had been accreting this difference over the time period from issuance to the mandatory redemption date in October 2011. Accretion in 2004 and 2003 was \$267,000 and \$220,000, respectively.

Pursuant to FASB No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity", as amended, the Series A Preferred Stock was originally reflected as a liability because of its mandatory redemption feature. That characterization remained through July 8, 2004 and as such, dividends were reflected as interest expense in the statement of operations through July 8, 2004. As a result of the Stockholders Approval on July 8, 2004, the carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock was reclassified into shareholders' equity and subsequent accretion and dividends were reflected as adjustments to accumulated deficit and are shown in the financial statements as impacting income (loss) available to common stockholders. Additionally, and in accordance with EITF Abstract No. 00-27, the Company also recorded in July 2004 the value of the conversion option imbedded at issuance in each share of Series A Preferred Stock, subject to limitations described in the EITF abstract. That value, approximately \$20,874,000, reduced the carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock to near zero with an offsetting credit to common stock. The carrying value of the Series A Preferred Stock was then adjusted to its full aggregated stated value, plus unpaid dividends (approximately \$26,552,000) with a charge directly to accumulated deficit. That charge did not impact net earnings for the third quarter of 2004, but substantially reduced earnings available to common stockholders and earnings per share for that period.

As set forth in the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation, all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock immediately and automatically converted into shares of Common Stock on the day after the closing price per share of the Common Stock exceeded \$4.00 for 20 consecutive trading days. The closing price per share of the Common Stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange exceeded \$4.00 for 20 consecutive trading days as of the close of the market on January 12, 2006. Consequently, on January 13, 2006 all 241,122 of the Company's outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock automatically converted into an aggregate of 36,796,755 shares of Common Stock. No shares of Series A Preferred Stock remain outstanding after this conversion.

On August 23, 2004, the Company issued an aggregate of 141,000 shares of Series B 6.0% Participating Preferred Stock ("Series B Preferred Stock") at a price of \$100 per share, that was convertible into common stock at a price of \$2.70 per share, to certain investors, with warrants to purchase 1,566,667 additional shares of common stock exercisable until August 23, 2009, with an exercise price of \$3.50 per share ("the "Series B Warrants") The net proceeds to the Company after payment of investment banker fees and expenses and other transaction costs of approximately \$1,056,000 were approximately \$13,044,000. A portion of the proceeds was used to pay off the Term Loans and reduce the Revolver to zero. Remaining proceeds were used for working capital and other general corporate purposes, including validation testing of the Company's Lyophilization facility. In accounting for the issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock and Series B Warrants in 2004, the Company recorded additional charges directly to accumulated deficit of \$5,998,000. That charge did not impact net earnings in 2004, but substantially reduced earnings available to common stockholders and earnings per share for that period.

As required under the terms of the Series B Preferred Stock, the Company completed a registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission in October 2004 of the common shares into which the Series B Preferred Stock were convertible. Due to that registration, the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock could no longer put their shares back to the Company. Accordingly, the Series B Preferred Stock was reclassified into equity from debt in October 2004.

Immediately after the private placement, the purchasers of Series B Preferred Stock held approximately 31% of the aggregate voting rights represented by outstanding shares of common stock and Preferred Stock. After the private placement and assuming the exercise of all outstanding conversion rights, warrants and options to acquire common stock, the purchasers of Series B Preferred Stock would hold approximately 9% of the common stock, on a fully-diluted basis. Prior to the private placement, the purchasers of

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Series B Preferred Stock held approximately 5% of the outstanding voting securities and would have held approximately 18% of the common stock on a fully-diluted basis.

Prior to its conversion, the Series B Preferred Stock accrued dividends at a rate of 6.0% per annum, which rate was fully cumulative, accrued daily and compounded quarterly. While the dividends could be paid in cash at the Company's option, such dividends were deferred and added to the Series B Preferred Stock balance. Each share of Series B Preferred Stock, and accrued and unpaid dividends with respect to each such share, was convertible by the holder thereof at any time into a number of shares of our common stock equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (x) \$100 plus any accrued but unpaid dividends on such share by (y) \$2.70, as such numerator and denominator could be adjusted from time to time pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation governing the Series B Preferred Stock. The Company had the option of converting all shares of Series B Preferred Stock into shares of the Company's common stock on any date after August 23, 2005 as to which the closing price per share of the common stock for at least 20 consecutive trading days immediately preceding such date exceeds \$5.00 per share. The closing price per share of the common stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange exceeded \$5.00 for 20 consecutive trading days as of the close of the market on December 13, 2006. Consequently, all 66,000 outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock immediately and automatically converted into an aggregate of 2,804,800 shares of common stock on December 14, 2006. As of December 31, 2006, no shares of Series B Preferred Stock remain outstanding.

Note I — Leasing Arrangements

The Company leases real and personal property in the normal course of business under various operating leases, including non-cancelable and month-to-month agreements. Payments under these leases were \$1,361,000, \$1,696,000, and \$1,549,000 for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively.

The following is a schedule, by year, of future minimum rental payments required under non-cancelable operating leases (in thousands):

Year ending December, 31	
2007	\$ 1,125
2008	1,166
2009	1,209
2010 and thereafter	<u>7,135</u>
Total	<u>\$ 10,635</u>

Note J — Stock Options, Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Restricted Stock

Under the 1988 Incentive Compensation Program (the "Incentive Program") which expired November 2, 2003, any officer or key employee of the Company was eligible to receive options as designated by the Company's Board of Directors. The exercise price of the options granted under the Incentive Program were not to be less than 50 percent of the fair market value of the shares subject to the option on the date of grant, as determined by the Board of Directors. All options granted under the Incentive Program during the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 have exercise prices equivalent to the market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. Options granted under the Incentive Program generally vest over a period of three years and expire within a period of five years. Under the Amended and Restated Akom, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan (the "Amended 2003 Plan"), 3,845,000 options have been granted to employees. These options generally vest over a period of three years and expire within a period of five years.

Under the 1991 Stock Option Plan for Directors (the "Directors' Plan"), which expired in December 7, 2001, persons elected as directors of the Company were granted nonqualified options at the fair market value of the shares subject to option on the date of the grant. Options granted under the Directors' Plan vested immediately and expire five years from the date of grant. Under the 2003 Plan, 85,000 options have been granted to directors. The Amended 2003 Plan was approved by the shareholders in May 2005.

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share Based Payment" (SFAS 123(R)), applying the modified prospective method. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123(R), the Company applied the provisions of APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," in accounting for its stock-based awards, and accordingly, recognized no compensation cost for its stock plans other than for its restricted stock awards.

Under the modified prospective method, SFAS 123(R) applies to new awards and to awards that were outstanding as of December 31, 2005 that are subsequently vested, modified, repurchased or cancelled. Compensation expense recognized during 2006 includes the portion vesting during the period for (1) all share-based payments granted prior to, but not yet vested as of December 31,

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2005, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" (SFAS 123) and (2) all share-based payments granted subsequent to December 31, 2005, based on the grant-date fair value estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The Company has calculated its available APIC pool of net excess benefits using the alternative transition method as defined in FASB 123R-3.

Stock option compensation expense of \$1,229,000 was recognized during the year ended December 31, 2006. As a result of the Company's decision to adopt the modified prospective method, prior period results have not been restated. For awards issued prior to January 1, 2006, the Company used the multiple award method for allocating the compensation cost to each period. For awards issued on or after January 1, 2006, concurrent with the adoption of SFAS 123(R), the Company has elected to use the single-award method for allocating the compensation cost to each period.

Had compensation cost for the Company's stock-based compensation plans been determined based on SFAS No. 123, the Company's loss and net loss per share for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 would have been the pro forma amounts indicated below (in thousands, except for per share data).

	2005	2004
Net income (loss) as reported	\$ (8,609)	\$ (3,026)
Add: stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income	407	—
Deduct: total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair-value-based method for all awards	(1,441)	(3,223)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(9,643)	(6,259)
Deduct: preferred stock dividends and adjustments	(4,082)	(34,436)
Pro forma net loss available for common stockholders	\$(13,725)	\$(40,695)
Basic and diluted loss per share of common stock		
Shares used in Computing Net Loss Per Share	26,095	20,817
As reported	\$ (0.49)	\$ (1.80)
Pro forma	\$ (0.53)	\$ (1.95)

A summary of stock based compensation activity within the Company's stock-based compensation plans for the year ended December 31, 2006 is as follows:

	Number of Shares (in thousands)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at January 1, 2006	3,706	\$ 2.54		
Granted	1,037	\$ 4.71		
Exercised	(1,300)	\$ 2.06		
Forfeited	(288)	\$ 3.91		
Outstanding at December 31, 2006	3,155	\$ 3.22	2.9	\$ 9,560
Vested or expected to vest at December 31, 2006	3,040	\$ 3.18	0.3	\$ 9,334
Exercisable at December 31, 2006	2,130	\$ 2.69	2.4	\$ 7,583

The aggregate intrinsic value for stock options outstanding and exercisable is defined as the difference between the market value of the Company's common stock as of the end of the period and the exercise price of the stock options. The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised was \$3,917,000, \$848,000 and \$288,000 for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively. As a result of the stock options exercised, the Company recorded cash received and additional paid-in-capital of \$1,672,000, \$1,287,000, and \$1,233,000 during the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, respectively.

As of December 31, 2006, the total amount of unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock options was \$1,157,000 which is expected to be recognized as expense over a weighted-average period of 1.2 years.

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Under both SFAS 123(R) and the fair value method of accounting under SFAS 123 (SFAS 123 Pro Forma), the fair value of stock options granted is determined using the Black-Scholes model. The Company's expected volatility was based on the historical volatility of its stock. The expected life assumption is based on historical employee exercise patterns and employee post-vesting termination behavior. The risk-free interest rate for the expected term of the option is based on the average market rate on U.S. treasury securities in effect during the quarter in which the options were granted. The dividend yield reflects historical experience as well as future expectations over the expected term of the option. Also, SFAS No. 123(R) requires an estimate of forfeitures at the time of grant and revision in subsequent periods, if necessary, if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. After reviewing historical forfeiture information, the Company has decided to use 10% as an estimated forfeiture rate. The assumptions used in estimating the fair value of the stock options granted during the period, along with the weighted-average grant date fair values, were as follows:

	2006 (SFAS 123(R))	2005 (SFAS 123 Pro Forma)	2004 (SFAS 123 Pro Forma)
Expected Volatility	45% - 62%	59% - 83%	95%
Expected Life (in years)	3.5 - 3.7	5.0	5.0
Risk-free interest rate	4.6% - 5.0%	3.9% - 4.4%	3.4%
Dividend yield	—	—	—
Fair value per stock option	\$ 1.89	\$ 1.70	\$ 2.05

The Akom, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan permits eligible employees to acquire shares of the Company's common stock through payroll deductions not exceeding 15% of base wages, at a 15% discount from market price. A maximum of 1,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock may be acquired under the terms of the Plan. New shares issued under the plan approximated 42,000 in 2006, 34,000 in 2005 and 44,000 in 2004.

The Company also grants restricted stock awards to certain employees. Restricted stock awards are valued at the closing market value of the Company's common stock on the day of grant, and the total value of the award is recognized as expense ratably over the vesting period of the employees receiving the grants. As of December 31, 2006, the total amount of unrecognized compensation expense related to nonvested restricted stock awards was \$1,178,000. The Company recognized compensation expense of \$719,000 and \$407,000 during the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively, related to outstanding restricted stock awards.

On April 20, 2006, the Company granted 350,000 shares of restricted stock to certain officers. The market value was \$5.05 per share on that date and the Company recorded \$1,767,500 as deferred compensation expense. The shares fully vest on April 20, 2009 and \$589,000 was recorded as compensation expense in 2006.

The following is a summary of nonvested restricted stock activity:

	Number of Shares (in thousands)	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at December 31, 2005	208	\$ 2.61
Granted	350	\$ 5.05
Vested	(206)	\$ 2.61
Canceled	(2)	\$ 2.61
Nonvested at December 31, 2006	350	\$ 5.05

Note K — Income Taxes

The income tax provision (benefit) consisted of the following (in thousands):

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	Current	Deferred	Total
Year ended December 31, 2006			
Federal	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
State	3	—	3
	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>
Year ended December 31, 2005			
Federal	\$ 15	\$ —	\$ 15
State	2	—	2
	<u>\$ 17</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 17</u>
Year ended December 31, 2004			
Federal	\$ 6	\$ —	\$ 6
State	2	—	2
	<u>8</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>8</u>

Income tax expense (benefit) differs from the “expected” tax expense (benefit) computed by applying the U.S. Federal corporate income tax rate of 34% to income before income taxes as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
Computed “expected” tax expense (benefit)	\$ (2,027)	\$ (2,922)	\$ (1,027)
Change in income taxes resulting from:			
State income taxes, net of federal income tax	(287)	(414)	(145)
Nondeductible preferred stock accretion and other permanent differences	(543)	161	926
Valuation allowance change	2,860	3,192	254
Income tax expense (benefit)	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 17</u>	<u>\$ 8</u>

Net deferred income tax assets at December 31, 2006 and 2005 include (in thousands):

	December 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Deferred income tax assets:		
Other accrued expenses	\$ 839	\$ 826
Intangible assets	649	750
Net operating loss carry forward	15,756	13,475
Other	3,730	3,128
	<u>20,974</u>	<u>18,179</u>
Valuation allowance	<u>(20,192)</u>	<u>(17,332)</u>
	782	847
Deferred income tax liabilities:		
Property, plant and equipment, net	<u>(782)</u>	<u>(847)</u>
Net	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. In performing its analysis of whether a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred income tax asset was necessary, the Company evaluated the data and determined the amount of the net deferred income tax assets that are more likely than not to be realized. Based upon its analysis, the Company established a valuation allowance to reduce the net deferred income tax assets to zero. The Company has net operating loss carry forwards of approximately \$40 million expiring from 2021 through 2026.

Note L — Retirement Plan

All employees who have attained the age of 21 are eligible for participation in the Company’s 401(k) Plan. The plan-related expense for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, totaled \$344,000, \$311,000, and \$276,000, respectively. The employer’s matching contribution is a percentage of the amount contributed by each employee and is funded on a current basis.

Note M — Segment Information

The Company classifies its operations into three business segments, ophthalmic, hospital drugs and injectables, and contract services. The ophthalmic segment manufactures, markets and distributes diagnostic and therapeutic pharmaceuticals. The hospital drugs and injectables segment manufactures, markets and distributes drugs and injectable pharmaceuticals, primarily in niche markets. This segment was previously classified as the injectable segment, however the Company recently changed the classification to reflect that an increasing amount of pharmaceuticals delivered by the Company to hospitals are drugs other than injectable pharmaceuticals. The new classification reflects that the segment includes both drugs and injectable pharmaceuticals. The contract services segment manufactures products for third party pharmaceutical and biotechnology customers based on their specifications. The Company's basis of accounting in preparing its segment information is consistent with that used in preparing its consolidated financial statements.

Selected financial information by industry segment is presented below (in thousands):

	Years ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
REVENUES			
Ophthalmic	\$ 19,528	\$ 22,659	\$ 29,812
Hospital Drugs & Injectables	42,489	13,719	12,341
Contract Services	9,233	8,106	8,555
Total revenues	<u>\$ 71,250</u>	<u>\$ 44,484</u>	<u>\$ 50,708</u>
GROSS PROFIT			
Ophthalmic	\$ 6,069	\$ 8,069	\$ 14,486
Hospital Drugs and Injectables	18,114	5,740	3,288
Contract Services	2,697	1,135	428
Total gross profit	26,880	14,944	18,202
Operating expenses	<u>31,785</u>	<u>22,423</u>	<u>18,570</u>
Operating loss	(4,905)	(7,479)	(368)
Interest, Debt Retirement gain/(expense) & Other income (expense)	<u>(1,055)</u>	<u>(1,113)</u>	<u>(2,650)</u>
Loss before income taxes	<u>\$ (5,960)</u>	<u>\$ (8,592)</u>	<u>\$ (3,018)</u>

The Company manages its business segments to the gross profit level and manages its operating and other costs on a company-wide basis. Intersegment activity at the gross profit level is minimal. The Company does not identify assets by segment for internal purposes, as certain manufacturing and warehouse facilities support more than one segment.

Note N — Commitments and Contingencies

(i) The FDA issued a Warning Letter to the Company in October 2000 following a routine inspection of its Decatur manufacturing facility. Since 2000, and in response to the violations cited by the FDA, The Company implemented a comprehensive systematic corrective action plan at its Decatur manufacturing facility. The Company maintained regular communications with the FDA and provided periodic progress reports. During this time, the FDA initiated no enforcement action. On December 13, 2005, the FDA notified the Company that it had satisfactorily implemented corrective actions and the FDA had determined that its Decatur manufacturing facility was in substantial compliance with cGMP regulations. Consequently, the restrictions of the Warning Letter were removed and the Company became eligible for new product approvals for products manufactured at its Decatur manufacturing facility. While under the Warning Letter restrictions from 2000 to 2005, the inability to fully utilize the capabilities of the Decatur manufacturing facility had a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

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(ii) On October 8, 2003, the Company, pursuant to the terms of the Letter Agreement dated September 26, 2002 between the Company and AEG Partners LLC (“AEG”), terminated AEG. On August 2 and 3, 2004, the Company and AEG participated in a mandatory and binding arbitration hearing. The arbitrator took the matter under submission and rendered his decision dated August 19, 2004, which was received on August 23, 2004. The arbitrator’s decision directed the following: (1) payment to AEG for the sum of \$300,000, plus interest of 5% per annum from October 7, 2003 (approximately \$13,479), (2) issuance of warrants to AEG to purchase 1,250,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.75 per share, and (3) denial of AEG’s request that the Company pay AEG’s attorneys’ fees and costs. As a result of the arbitrator’s decision, the Company reported a one-time net gain of approximately \$295,000 in the third quarter of 2004. It was determined none of the anti-dilution provisions in our outstanding securities were triggered by the issuance of the AEG Warrants. AEG exercised 200,000 warrants during the year ended December 31, 2006 and has 800,000 warrants remaining as of December 31, 2006.

(iii) The Company is a party in other legal proceedings and potential claims arising in the ordinary course of its business. The amount, if any, of ultimate liability with respect to such matters cannot be determined. Despite the inherent uncertainties of litigation, management of the Company at this time does not believe that such proceedings will have a material adverse impact on the financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows of the Company.

Note O — Supplemental Cash Flow Information (in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2006	2005	2004
Interest and taxes paid:			
Interest (net of amounts capitalized)	\$ 593	419	\$ 434
Income taxes	2	72	2

Note: In March 2006, \$7,298 in principal and interest related to convertible notes was retired by conversion to the common stock of Akom, Inc.

Note P — Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2006, the Financial Accounting Standard Board (“FASB”) issued SFAS No. 155, *Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments — An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140*. This statement amends SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, and No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities*. SFAS No. 155 permits fair value remeasurement for any hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation. This statement also establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation. SFAS No. 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired, issued, or subject to a remeasurement event occurring in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. The Company does not expect that the adoption of SFAS No. 155 will have a significant impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2005, the EITF reached a consensus on Issue No. 05-8, “Income Tax Consequences of Issuing Convertible Debt with a Beneficial Conversion Feature.” Under EITF 05-8, the issuance of convertible debt with a beneficial conversion feature results in a temporary difference for purposes of applying Statement 109. The deferred taxes recognized for the temporary difference should be recorded as an adjustment to paid-in capital. EITF 98-5 “Accounting for Convertible Securities with Beneficial Conversion Features or Contingently Adjustable Conversion Ratios” and EITF 00-27 “Application of Issue No. 98-5 to Certain Convertible Instruments” require that the non-detachable conversion feature of a convertible debt security be accounted for separately if it is a beneficial conversion feature. A beneficial conversion feature is recognized and measured by allocating to additional paid-in capital a portion of the proceeds equal to the conversion feature’s intrinsic value. A discount on the convertible debt is recognized for the amount that is allocated to additional paid-in capital. The debt discount is accreted from the date of issuance to the stated redemption date of the convertible instrument or through the earliest conversion date if the instrument does not have a stated redemption date. The U.S. Federal Income Tax Code includes the entire amount of proceeds received at issuance as the tax basis of the convertible debt security. The EITF 05-8 Consensus should be applied retrospectively to all instruments with a beneficial conversion feature accounted for under EITF 98-5 and EITF 00-27 for periods beginning after December 15, 2005. The adoption of EITF 05-8 did not have a material impact on the Company’s financial statements.

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections (“SFAS 154”)*, which replaces APB Opinion No. 20, *Accounting Changes* and SFAS No. 3, *Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements*. SFAS 154 retained accounting guidance related to changes in estimates, changes in a reporting entity and error corrections. However, changes in

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accounting principles must be accounted for retrospectively by modifying the financial statements of prior periods unless it is impracticable to do so. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. The adoption of SFAS 154 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment ("SFAS No. 123R"), which revises and replaces SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Payments and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees ("APB 25"). SFAS 123R requires the measurement of all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, using a fair-value based method and the recording of such expense in its consolidated statements of operations. The pro forma disclosures previously permitted under SFAS No. 123 will no longer be an alternative to financial statement recognition. The provisions for SFAS No. 123R are effective for the first interim or annual reporting period beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company has adopted SFAS No. 123R effective January 1, 2006.

SFAS 123R permits public companies to adopt its requirements using one of two methods. The first adoption method is a "modified prospective" method in which compensation cost is recognized beginning with the effective date (i) based on the requirements of SFAS 123R for all share-based payments granted after the effective date and (ii) based on the requirements of SFAS 123 for all awards granted to employees prior to the effective date of SFAS 123R that remain unvested on the effective date. The second adoption method is a "modified retrospective" method, which includes the requirements of the modified prospective method described above, but also permits entities to restate, based on the amounts previously recognized under SFAS 123 for purposes of pro forma disclosures, either (i) all prior periods presented or (ii) prior interim periods in the year of adoption.

The Company elected the modified prospective method and did not restate prior year amounts. The adoption of SFAS 123R's fair value method had a significant impact on the results of operations, although it had no impact on the Company's overall financial position. However, had the Company adopted SFAS 123R in prior years, the impact of that adoption would have approximated the impact of SFAS 123, as described in the disclosure of pro forma net earnings and pro forma earnings per share.

In November 2005, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) No. 123(R)-3, "Transition Election Related to Accounting for Tax Effects of Share-Based Payment Awards" (FSP 123(R)-3). The Company elected to adopt the alternative transition method provided in FSP 123(R)-3 for calculating the tax effects of stock-based compensation pursuant to SFAS 123-(R).

In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes — an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109" ("FIN 48"). FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes by prescribing a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, and disclosure. FIN 48 is effective January 1, 2007. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact that FIN 48 will have on its Consolidated Financial Statements. At this time the Company does not believe that adoption of FIN 48 will have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2006 the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157"), which provides guidance on how to measure assets and liabilities that use fair value. SFAS 157 will apply whenever another U.S. GAAP standard requires (or permits) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value but does not expand the use of fair value to any new circumstances. This standard will also require additional disclosures in both annual and quarterly reports. SFAS 157 will be effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The adoption of SFAS 157 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position.

In September 2006, the SEC issued SAB No. 108, "Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements." This Bulletin addresses quantifying the financial statement effects of misstatements, including how the effects of prior year uncorrected errors must be considered in quantifying misstatements in the current year financial statements. This Bulletin is effective for fiscal years ending after November 15, 2006 and allows for a one-time transitional cumulative effect adjustment to beginning retained earnings in the fiscal year adopted for errors that were not previously deemed material, but are material under the guidance in SAB No. 108. The adoption of this Bulletin did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

Note Q — Business Alliances

On April 21, 2004, the Company announced the signing of a memo of understanding with Strides Arcolab Limited (“Strides”), a pharmaceutical manufacturer based in India. As a result of negotiations following the execution of the memo of understanding, on September 22, 2004, the Company entered into agreements with Strides for the development, manufacturing and marketing of grandfathered products, patent-challenge products and ANDA products for the U.S. hospital and retail markets. The joint venture operates in the form of a Delaware limited liability company, Akorn-Strides, LLC (the “Joint Venture Company”). Strides will be responsible for developing, manufacturing and supplying products under an OEM Agreement between it and the Joint Venture Company. The Company will be responsible for sales and marketing of the products under an exclusive Sales and Marketing Agreement with the Joint Venture Company. Strides and Akorn each own 50% of the Joint Venture Company with equal management representation. Each contributed \$1,250,000 in capital, to be used to finance the preparation of ANDAs by Strides. As of December 31, 2004, the Company had funded its \$1,250,000 capital contribution to the Joint Venture Company. In February 2005, the Company loaned an additional \$1,250,000 to the Joint Venture Company that was advanced to Strides to finance its capital contribution. Strides repaid this loan to the Company in December 2005. Under the OEM Agreement, the respective contributions were advanced to Strides to finance the preparation, development and filing with the FDA of ANDAs for generic drugs based on a mutually agreed development schedule. The Joint Venture Company will have exclusive rights to FDA approved generic drugs within the United States hospital, medical clinic, physician group and other wholesale drug markets. If both managers agree, Strides and Akorn may make additional equivalent capital contributions to finance subsequent ANDA preparation costs under a similar arrangement to its initial capital contributions, including an additional loan by the Company to the Joint Venture Company to finance Strides’ capital contribution. In 2005, Strides and the Company each contributed \$250,000 for additional ANDA development work. Pursuant to the requirements of FIN 46(R), because the Company funded Strides’ capital contribution (even though that funding was supported by a letter of credit ultimately in the Company’s favor), the Company was required to consolidate the Joint Venture Company until such time as its loan was collected. Accordingly, in the Company’s consolidated financial statements, its 2004 contribution to the Joint Venture Company was eliminated. The advance of the initial \$1,250,000 from the Joint Venture Company to Strides was reflected as an other current asset and was amortized over the mutually agreed upon development schedule period in 2004 and 2005. Because of this, the Company had recorded 100% of the Joint Venture Company losses in its 2004 results of operations and the amortization expense for 2004 was \$375,000. In December 2005, the Company recorded a \$1,250,000 reduction in its research and development expense to recognize the change to a 50/50 loss sharing arrangement in line with the Strides capital contribution in cash at risk in the Joint Venture Company. The total research and development expense recorded by the Company related to the Joint Venture Company was \$1,125,000 for 2005. Going forward, the Company will account for the Joint Venture Company earnings/losses on the equity method of accounting in accordance with its 50% ownership interest.

On October 15, 2004, the Company entered into an agreement with Serum Institute of India, Ltd. (“Serum”), in an exclusive drug development and distribution agreement for oncology and other injectable drug products for the United States and Canada. Under the terms of the five-year agreement Serum will develop and manufacture certain drug products and the Company will be responsible for all regulatory submissions, will own the ANDAs and will buy the products from Serum under a negotiated transfer price arrangement, which guarantees minimum annual purchases of \$1,000,000 per product in order to maintain exclusivity. Additionally, the Company will market and sell the products in the United States and Canada under the Company’s label.

On November 16, 2004, the Company entered into an agreement with Hameln Pharmaceuticals (“Hameln”), a private German pharmaceuticals company, to license and supply to the Company two Orphan Drug NDA’s: Calcium-DTPA and Zinc-DTPA. The two drugs were approved on August 11, 2004 by the FDA, and are indicated as antidotes for the treatment of radioactive poisoning. Sales for the two drugs commenced in the fourth quarter of 2004. Under the agreement, Hameln provided the Company an exclusive license for an initial term of five years with automatic successive two-year extensions. The Company has paid a one-time 1,550,000 Euro (\$2,095,000) license fee, which is reflected as an intangible asset being amortized over a seven year period. The Company is responsible for marketing and distributing both drugs in the U.S. and Canada. The Company will pay Hameln the greater of 50% of its gross revenues or a minimum transfer price for the product. Hameln will be responsible for the manufacturing of both drugs for the Company. The Company will be responsible for the payment of any annual FDA establishment fees and for the cost of any post approval studies.

On March 7, 2006 the Company entered into an exclusive drug manufacturing and supply agreement for an oral anti-infective ANDA drug product with Cipla, Ltd., (“Cipla”) a leading Indian pharmaceutical company located in Mumbai, India, Under the terms of the ten-year agreement, Cipla will be responsible for the manufacturing and supply of the drug using the Company’s formulation, and the Company will be responsible for the ANDA regulatory submission and clinical development, and for funding the purchase of specialized manufacturing equipment. The Company will pay Cipla milestone fees for Cipla’s assistance with ANDA development

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and submission. Pursuant to the agreement, the Company will purchase the product from Cipla and Cipla will supply the product to the Company on an exclusive basis in the United States. The Company will own the ANDA in the United States.

Note R — Customer and Supplier Concentration

In 2006 the Company sold \$25,464,000 of its radiation DTPA antidote products to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (“HHS”) which represented 36% of its sales in 2006. There were no sales to HHS in 2005. In addition, a small number of large wholesale drug distributors account for a large portion of the Company’s gross sales, revenues and accounts receivable. AmerisourceBergen Health Corporation (“Amerisource”), Cardinal Health, Inc. (“Cardinal”) and McKesson Drug Company (“McKesson”) are all distributors of the Company’s products, as well as suppliers of a broad range of health care products. The percentage impact that these customers had on the Company’s business as of and for the years ended as indicated is as follows:

	2006			2005			2004		
	Gross Sales	Net Revenue	Gross Accts Receivable	Gross Sales	Net Revenue	Gross Accts. Receivable	Gross Sales	Net Revenue	Gross Accts Receivable
Amerisource	13%	9%	12%	24%	16%	28%	14%	10%	17%
Cardinal	19%	13%	24%	28%	19%	29%	25%	20%	51%
McKesson	18%	11%	17%	17%	11%	19%	18%	16%	6%

No other customers accounted for more than 10% of gross sales, net revenues or gross trade receivables for the indicated dates and periods.

If sales to Amerisource, Cardinal or McKesson were to diminish or cease, the Company believes that the end users of its products would find little difficulty obtaining the Company’s products either directly from the Company or from another distributor.

In 2006, purchases from Hameln Pharmaceuticals represented approximately 13% of the Company’s purchases and in both 2005 and 2004, purchases from Cardinal Health PTS, LLC accounted for approximately 17% of its purchases. The Company requires a supply of quality raw materials and components to manufacture and package pharmaceutical products for its own use and for third parties with which it has contracted. The principal components of the Company’s products are active and inactive pharmaceutical ingredients and certain packaging materials. Many of these components are available from only a single source and, in the case of many of the Company’s ANDAs and NDAs, only one supplier of raw materials has been identified. Because FDA approval of drugs requires manufacturers to specify their proposed suppliers of active ingredients and certain packaging materials in their applications, FDA approval of any new supplier would be required if active ingredients or such packaging materials were no longer available from the specified supplier. The qualification of a new supplier could delay the Company’s development and marketing efforts. If for any reason the Company is unable to obtain sufficient quantities of any of the raw materials or components required to produce and package its products, it may not be able to manufacture its products as planned, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company’s business, financial condition and results of operations.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation was performed, under the supervision and with the participation of Company management, including the Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) and Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”), of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Act”). There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including cost limitations, judgments used in decision making, assumptions regarding the likelihood of future events, soundness of internal controls, fraud, the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance of achieving their control objectives. Based on that evaluation, management, including the CEO and CFO, has concluded that, as of December 31, 2006, the Company’s disclosure

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controls and procedures were effective in all material respects at the reasonable assurance level to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports that the Company files or submits under the Act is recorded, processed, summarized and timely reported in accordance with the rules and forms of the SEC.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Company management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting; as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Act. Under the supervision and with the participation of Company management, including the CEO and CFO, an evaluation was performed of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The evaluation was based on the framework in "Internal Control — Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective internal controls over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control may vary over time. Based on the evaluation under the framework in "Internal Control — Integrated Framework" issued by COSO, Company management concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective at the reasonable assurance level as of December 31, 2006.

Attestation Report of the Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Company's management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006 has been audited by BDO Seidman, LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in its report which appears above.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In the fourth fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2006, there had been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

PART III

Item 10. *Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.*

Incorporated by reference to the sections entitled “I – Proposals – Proposal 1 – Elections of Directors”, “II – Corporate Governance and Related Matters” and “IV – Executive Compensation and Other Information” in the definitive proxy statement for the 2007 annual meeting.

Item 11. *Executive Compensation.*

Incorporated by reference to the sections entitled “II – Corporate Governance and Related Matters – Director Compensation” and “IV – Executive Compensation and Other Information” in the definitive proxy statement for the 2007 annual meeting.

Item 12. *Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.*

Incorporated by reference to the section entitled “III – Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” in the definitive proxy statement for the 2007 annual meeting.

Item 13. *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence.*

Incorporated by reference to the section entitled “II – Corporate Governance and Related Matters – Certain Relationships and Related Transactions” in the definitive proxy statement for the 2007 annual meeting.

Item 14. *Principal Accounting Fees and Services.*

Incorporated by reference to the section entitled “I – Proposals – Proposal 3. Ratification of Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm” in the definitive proxy statement for the 2007 annual meeting.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

- (a) (1) *Financial Statements*. The consolidated financial statements listed on the index to Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K are filed as a part of this Annual Report.
- (2) *Financial Statement Schedules*. All financial statement schedules have been omitted since the information is either not applicable or required or is included in the financial statements or notes thereof.
- (3) *Exhibits*. Those exhibits marked with a (*) refer to exhibits filed herewith. The other exhibits are incorporated herein by reference, as indicated in the following list. Those exhibits marked with a (†) refer to management contracts or compensatory plans or arrangements. Portions of the exhibits marked with a (Ω) are the subject of a Confidential Treatment Request Under 17 C.F.R. §§ 200.80(b)(4), 200.83 and 240.24b-2.

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation of Akom, Inc. dated September 16, 2004, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws of Akom, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on June 14, 2005.
3.3	Amendment to Bylaws of Akom, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on March 31, 2006.
3.4	Amendment to Bylaws of Akom, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on December 14, 2006.
4.1	First Amendment dated October 7, 2003 to Registration Rights Agreement dated July 12, 2001 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.2	Form of Warrant Certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.3	Form of Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and certain investors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.4	Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.5	Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and Arjun C. Waney, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.6	Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.6 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.7	Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and Arjun C. Waney, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.7 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.8	Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and Argent Fund Management Ltd., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.8 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
4.9	Registration Rights Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc. and certain investors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
4.10	Form of Subscription Agreement between Akom, Inc. and certain investors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 24, 2004.
4.11	Form of Common Stock Purchase Warrant between Akom, Inc. and certain investors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 24, 2004.
4.12	Warrant Purchase and Registration Agreement dated June 18, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and AEG Partners LLC, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 27, 2004.
4.13	Stock Registration Rights Agreement dated November 15, 1990 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.12 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
4.14	Stock Purchase Agreement dated November 15, 1990 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.13 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
4.15	Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated March 1, 2006, between Akom, Inc. and certain investors incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on March 7, 2006.
4.16	Form of Warrant issued in connection with the Securities Purchase Agreement dated March 1, 2006 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 7, 2006. (All warrants are dated March 8, 2006. Please see Exhibit 99.1 of Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 14, 2006, which is hereby incorporated by reference, for a schedule setting forth the other material details for each of the warrants.)
4.17	Securities Purchase Agreement dated September 13, 2006, between Akom, Inc. and Serum Institute of India, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed September 14, 2006.
10.1†	Amended and Restated Akom, Inc. 1988 Incentive Compensation Program, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.2†	1991 Akom, Inc. Stock Option Plan for Directors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.3	Letter of Commitment to Akom, Inc. from John. N. Kapoor dated April 17, 2001, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on April 25, 2001 (Commission file No. 000-13976).
10.4	Convertible Bridge Loan and Warrant Agreement dated as of July 12, 2001, by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on July 26, 2001 (Commission file No. 000-13976).
10.5	The Tranche A Common Stock Purchase Warrant, dated July 12, 2001, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on July 26, 2001 (Commission file No. 000-13976).
10.6	The Tranche B Common Stock Purchase Warrant, dated July 12, 2001, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on July 26, 2001 (Commission file No. 000-13976).

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.7	Registration Rights Agreement dated July 12, 2001, by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on July 26, 2001 (Commission file No. 000-13976).
10.8	Allonge to Revolving Note (\$2 million) dated December 20, 2001 by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.9	Allonge to Revolving Note (\$3 million) dated December 20, 2001 by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.10	First Amendment to Convertible Bridge Loan and Warrant Agreement dated December 20, 2001 by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.11	Supply Agreement dated January 4, 2002, by and between Akom, Inc. and Novadaq Technologies, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 filed on April 16, 2002.
10.12	Mutual Termination and Settlement Agreements by and between Akom, Inc. and The Johns Hopkins University/Applied Physics Laboratory dated July 3, 2002, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 filed on October 7, 2002.
10.13	Second Amendment to Convertible Bridge Loan and Warrant Agreement dated August 31, 2002 by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.14	Amendment to Engagement Letter by and among Akom, Inc. and AEG Partners LLC dated as of November 21, 2002 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.40 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, filed on May 21, 2003.
10.15	Third Amendment to Convertible Bridge Loan and Warrant Agreement dated December 31, 2002 by and between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.16†	Offer Letter dated January 22, 2003 from Akom, Inc. to Arthur S. Przybyl, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.41 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed on May 21, 2003.
10.17	Indemnification Agreement dated May 15, 2003 by and between Akom, Inc. and Arthur S. Przybyl, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.42 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, filed on May 21, 2003.
10.18	Credit Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom New Jersey, Inc., the lenders party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003.
10.19	Form of Indemnity Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and each of its directors, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.20	Form of Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom (New Jersey), Inc., LaSalle Bank and NeoPharm, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.21	Form of Fourth Amendment to Convertible Bridge Loan and Warrant Agreement dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.22	Limited Waiver Letter dated October 7, 2003 from The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.34 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on September 21, 2004.
10.23	Form of Acknowledgment of Subordination dated October 7, 2003 between Akom, Inc. and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.24	Form of Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom (New Jersey), Inc., LaSalle Bank and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.25	Form of Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom (New Jersey), Inc., LaSalle Bank and The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.26	Form of Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom (New Jersey), Inc., LaSalle Bank and Arjun C. Waney, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.27	Form of Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement dated October 7, 2003 among Akom, Inc., Akom (New Jersey), Inc., LaSalle Bank and Argent Fund Management Ltd, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q for quarter ended September 30, 2003, filed on November 19, 2003.
10.28†	Akom, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.35 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed on March 30, 2004.
10.29†	Form of Akom, Inc. Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.36 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed on March 30, 2004.
10.30†	Form of Akom, Inc. Incentive Stock Option Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.37 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed on March 30, 2004.
10.31†	Offer letter dated June 1, 2004 from Akom, Inc. to Jeffrey A. Whitnell, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.42 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, filed March 30, 2005.
10.32	Engagement Letter dated August 5, 2004 between Leerink Swann & Company and Akom, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 24, 2004.
10.33	Waiver and Consent dated August 23, 2004, among LaSalle Bank National Association, the financial institutions party thereto, Akom, Inc. and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 24, 2004.
10.34	Consent and Agreement of Holders of Series A 6.0% Participating Convertible Preferred Stock of Akom, Inc. dated as of August 17, 2004, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 24, 2004.
10.35	The AEG Stock Purchase Warrant, dated August 31, 2004, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 9, 2004.
10.36	Limited Liability Company Agreement dated September 22, 2004 between Akom, Inc. and Strides Arcolab Limited, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2004.
10.37	OEM Agreement dated September 22, 2004 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2004.
10.38	Sales and Marketing Agreement dated September 22, 2004 between Akom, Inc. and Akom-Strides, LLC, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2004.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.39	Promissory Note dated September 22, 2004 executed by Akorn-Strides, LLC for the benefit of Akorn, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Akorn, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2004.
10.40	Capital Contribution Agreement dated September 22, 2004 executed by Strides Arcolab Limited for the benefit of Akorn-Strides, LLC, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Akorn, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2004.
10.41	Waiver Letter dated September 28, 2004 from The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/89, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akorn, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on September 30, 2004.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.42	First Amendment to Credit Agreement dated August 13, 2004 among Akom, Inc., Akom New Jersey, Inc., Dr. John N. Kapoor, The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/90, the lenders party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2004, filed on August 13, 2004.
10.43	Second Amendment to Credit Agreement dated August 26, 2004 among Akom, Inc., Akom New Jersey, Inc., Dr. John N. Kapoor, The John N. Kapoor Trust dated 9/20/90, the lenders party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on August 31, 2004.
10.44	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement dated October 8, 2004 among Akom, Inc., Akom New Jersey, Inc., the lenders party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.53 to Akom, Inc.'s Pre-effective Amendment to Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed October 13, 2004.
10.45	Waiver and Consent dated October 8, 2004, among LaSalle Bank National Association, the financial institutions party thereto, Akom, Inc. and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.54 to Akom, Inc.'s Pre-effective Amendment to Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed October 13, 2004
10.46	License and Supply Agreement November, 11 2004, between Hameln Pharmaceuticals Gmbh and Akom, Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on November 17, 2004.
10.47†	Offer letter dated November 15, 2004, from Akom, Inc. to Jeffrey A. Whitnell, for position of Senior Vice President incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.58 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K filed on March 30, 2005.
10.48†	Amended and Restated Akom, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.59 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-K filed on March 30, 2005.
10.49†	Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.58 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed May 10, 2005.
10.50	Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement dated May 13, 2005 between Akom, LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's report on Form 8-K filed on May 19, 2005.
10.51	Note Repayment Agreement dated May 16, 2005, by and between NeoPharm, Inc. and Akom, Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.63 to Akom, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on June 14, 2005.
10.52	Fourth Amendment to the Credit Agreement among Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 5, 2005.
10.53	Master Letter of Credit Agreement among Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed on October 5, 2005.
10.54	Solicitation/Contract/Order for Commercial Items issued by the HHS to Akom, Inc. on December 30, 2005.
10.55†	Executive Bonus Agreement by and between Akom, Inc. and Arthur S. Przybyl dated December 27, 2005 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's report on Form 8-K filed January 3, 2006.
10.56†	Executive Bonus Agreement by and between Akom, Inc. and Jeffrey A. Whitnell dated December 27, 2005 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Company's report on Form 8-K filed January 3, 2006.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.57	Amendment, Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement dated March 1, 2006, among LaSalle Bank, the Lenders, Akom, Inc. and Akom (New Jersey) incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 7, 2006.
10.58	Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement dated March 20, 2006 among Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 24, 2006.
10.59	Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement dated March 31, 2006 among Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 31, 2006.
10.60†	Executive Employment Agreement dated April 24, 2006 between Akom, Inc., and Arthur S. Przybyl incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed April 28, 2006.
10.61†Ω	Executive Bonus Agreement dated April 27, 2006 between Akom, Inc., and Arthur S. Przybyl incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed April 28, 2006.
10.62†Ω	Executive Bonus Agreement dated April 27, 2006 between Akom, Inc., and Jeffrey A. Whitnell incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed April 28, 2006.
10.63	Waiver and Consent to Credit Agreement dated September 13, 2006, among LaSalle Bank National Association, the financial institutions party thereto, Akom, Inc. and Akom (New Jersey), Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed September 14, 2006.
10.64	Akom, Inc. Director Compensation Agreement dated October 26, 2006, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom, Inc.'s report on Form 10-Q filed November 9, 2006.
10.65Ω	Development and Exclusive Distribution Agreement dated November 7, 2006 between Akom, Inc. and Serum Institute of India, Ltd. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed November 14, 2006.
10.66Ω	Development Funding Agreement dated November 7, 2006 between Akom, Inc. and Serum Institute of India, Ltd. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed November 14, 2006.
10.67	First Amendment to OEM Agreement dated December 8, 2004 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides Arcolab Limited incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 12, 2006.
10.68	Second Amendment to OEM Agreement dated December 31, 2004 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides Arcolab Limited incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 12, 2006.
10.69Ω	Third Amendment to OEM Agreement dated October 26, 2005 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides Arcolab Limited incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 12, 2006.
10.70	Fourth Amendment to OEM Agreement dated February 1, 2006 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides Arcolab Limited incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 12, 2006.
10.71Ω	Fifth Amendment to OEM Agreement dated November 28, 2006 between Akom-Strides, LLC and Strides Arcolab Limited incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 12, 2006.
10.72	Office Lease dated December 21, 2006, between Akom, Inc. and Duke Realty Limited Partnership incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed December 28, 2006.

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.73	Amendment to Credit Agreement dated March 5, 2007 between Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the financial institutions party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc. incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Akom Inc.'s report on Form 8-K filed March 6, 2006.
10.74*	Addendum 1 to License and Supply Agreement dated November, 11 2004, between Hameln Pharmaceuticals Gmbh and Akom, Inc.
10.75*	Guaranty and Collateral Agreement dated October 7, 2003, between Akom, Inc., LaSalle Bank, the grantors party thereto and Akom (New Jersey), Inc.
21.1	Subsidiaries of Akom, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 21.1 to Akom, Inc.'s Pre-effective Amendment to Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed October 13, 2004.
23.1*	Consent of Registered Public Accountant
31.1*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 USC Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
(b)	See (a)3 above.
(c)	See (a)1 above.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

AKORN, INC.

By: /s/ ARTHUR S. PRZYBYL

Arthur S. Przybyl
Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 14, 2007

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant, and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ ARTHUR S. PRZYBYL</u> Arthur S. Przybyl	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 14, 2007
<u>/s/ JEFFREY A. WHITNELL</u> Jeffrey A. Whitnell	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	March 14, 2007
<u>/s/ DR. JOHN KAPOOR</u> Dr. John Kapoor	Director, Board Chairman	March 14, 2007
<u>/s/ JERRY N. ELLIS</u> Jerry N. Ellis	Director	March 14, 2007
<u>/s/ JERRY TREPPEL</u> Jerry Treppel	Director	March 14, 2007
<u>/s/ RONALD M. JOHNSON</u> Ronald M. Johnson	Director	March 14, 2007

Addendum 1
to
LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT

The LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT on the DTPA products was made between AKORN, INC., a company organized and existing under the laws of Louisiana with its principal office at 2500 Millbrook Drive, Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089-4694, United States of America ("LICENSEE") and hameln Pharmaceuticals gmbh, Langes Feld 13, Hameln, Germany with effect of 11th November 2004. On 1st January 2005, along with a company restructure, HAMELN PHARMA PLUS GMBH, a company organized and existing under the laws of Germany with its principal office at Langes Feld 13, D-31789 Hameln, Germany ("HAMELN") took over the valid LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT from hameln Pharmaceuticals gmbh. The contract remains valid and unaffected until today and in the future.

This ADDENDUM 1 to the LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT of 11th November 2004 is made and entered into this 1st day of October 2006, by and between HAMELN and LICENSEE.

WHEREAS, HAMELN and LICENSEE have agreed to alter the original paragraph **8.2. Final Product Price** and **8.3. Payment** of the LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT of 11th November 2004 in such a way as to allow in future to carry out all monetary transactions between the parties solely in US Dollars. Therefore the following new wording has been agreed.

8. Prices and Terms

8.2. Final Product Prices

HAMELN shall supply the Products to LICENSEE in each calendar quarter hereunder at prices which correspond to fifty percent (50%) of the Total Gross Sales Price actually achieved in the market in such calendar quarter ("Final Product Price"), but in no event shall the price of the Product be less than the then applicable Initial Transfer Product Price as specified in Appendix B-2.

LICENSEE shall provide HAMELN with summary documentation of all sales transactions of the Products in the previous calendar quarter no later than the 15th calendar day following the close of each such quarter.

On delivery of each ordered batch, LICENSEE shall be invoiced with the Initial Transfer Price as listed in the then applicable Appendix B-2.

LICENSEE will at any time within 5 days of receiving money from its customers for single sales transactions in excess of US Dollar 250,000.00 (two hundred fifty thousand US Dollars) perform all necessary calculations according to the formula:

Total Gross Sales of the single transaction
divided by two
less the number of Products invoiced from HAMELN to LICENSEE during such transaction
times the then applicable Initial Transfer Price.



The sum calculated shall be paid by LICENSEE to HAMELN within the next 5 working days (For reference purposes a sample calculation is attached hereto as Appendix D).

At the end of every calendar quarter LICENSEE shall perform all necessary calculations according to the following formula to determine the total number of Products invoiced in that quarter and to determine the respective total share for HAMELN:

Final Product Price of all transactions in the given quarter
divided by two
less the number of Products invoiced from HAMELN to LICENSEE during such quarter
times the then applicable Initial Transfer Price
minus all sums calculated and already transferred for single transactions in excess of US Dollar 250.000,00.

(For reference purposes sample calculations are attached hereto as Appendix D). The sum calculated shall be paid by LICENSEE to HAMELN no later than thirty (30) calendar days after each calendar quarter (i.e., the end of each January, April, July and October during the term of this Agreement).

8.3. Payment

All payments to be made pursuant to this Agreement shall be in US Dollars. All invoices will be issued in US Dollars.

The terms of payment for Initial Transfer Price shall be within thirty (30) days after date of invoice; which shall never be earlier than the date of shipment of the corresponding Product.

Payment shall be affected by bank transfer to an account designated in writing by HAMELN to LICENSEE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF HAMELN and LICENSEE have caused this Addendum 1 to the Agreement of 11th November 2004 to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on the day and year first set forth above.

HAMELN PHARMA PLUS GMBH

By: /s/ Stefan Gliwitzki

Name: STEFAN GLIWITZKI

Title: Managing Director

By: /s/ Jens Borner

Name: JENS BORNER

Title: Marketing Manager

AKORN, INC

By: /s/ Arthur S. Przybyl

Name: ARTHUR S. PRZYBYL

Title: Pres + CEO

By: /s/ ABU ALAM

Name: ABU ALAM

Title: svp business development

**ADDENDUM 1 to the LICENSE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT of 11th November 2004
between HAMELN PHARMACEUTICALS GMBH and AKORN INC.**

Appendix D

Example for calculation of Final Product Price

Valid as of October 1st 2006

A given Quarter

1. Delivery to AKORN in Quarter

Units delivered	5.000
Initial Transfer Price per unit	\$ 50,00
Invoice to AKORN	\$250.000,00

2. Single large by AKORN to the market in given Quarter

Number of units invoiced	4.000
Total Gross Sales Price	\$2.000.000,00

3. Aggregate sales by AKORN to the market in given Quarter

Number of units invoiced	4.200
Total Gross Sales Price	\$2.100.000,00

4. Formula for calculating Final Product Price for single large sales transactions in excess of \$250.000,00

Total Gross Sales Price of single transaction divided by two	$(\$2.000.000,00 / 2) =$	\$ 1.000.000,00
less		
the number of Products invoiced from HAMELN to AKORN for this transaction	$(4.000 * \$50,00) =$	\$ 200.000,00
times the then applicable Initial Transfer Price		
Equals		\$ 800.000,00

\$800.000,00 are to be paid by AKORN to HAMELN within 5 days of receiving payments from customers

4. Formula for calculating Final Product Price for aggregate sales in Quarter

Total Gross Sales Price in quarter divided by two	$(\$2.100.000,00 / 2) =$	\$ 1.050.000,00
less		
the number of Products invoiced from HAMELN to AKORN for sales transactions to market in quarter times the then applicable Initial Transfer Price	$(4.200 * \$50,00) =$	\$ 210.000,00
Equals		\$ 840.000,00
minus sum transferred for single transactions in excess of \$250,000.00 in this quarter		\$ 800.000,00
Equals Total		\$ 40.000,00

\$40.000,00 are to be paid by AKORN to HAMELN within 30 days after close of the quarter

5. Total payments from AKORN to HAMELN in Quarter	\$ 800.000,00	for large single transactions in excess of \$250,000.00
	\$ 40.000,00	for remaining sales activities in Quarter
	\$ 840.000,00	Grandtotal

HAMELN PHARMA PLUS GMBH

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**Appendix B-2
Product List**

Valid as of October 1st 2006

Product /Strength	Presentation	Shelf Life (years)	one Unit	Initial Transfer Price (US Dollar) per Unit
Ca-DTPA 200mg/ml 10x5ml	Ampoule	10	10 ampoules per pack	\$50 per pack
Zn-DTPA 200mg/ml 10x5ml	Ampoule	10	10 ampoules per pack	\$50 perpack

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GUARANTY AND COLLATERAL AGREEMENT

THIS GUARANTY AND COLLATERAL AGREEMENT dated as of October 7, 2003 (this "Agreement") is entered into among AKORN, INC., a Louisiana corporation, ("Akorn"), AKORN (NEW JERSEY), INC., an Illinois corporation ("Akorn New Jersey") and together with Akorn, the "Companies", each being a "Company", and each other Person signatory hereto as a Grantor (together with any other Person that becomes a party hereto as provided herein, the "Grantors") in favor of LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as the Administrative Agent for all the Lenders party to the Credit Agreement (as hereafter defined).

The Lenders have severally agreed to extend credit to each Company pursuant to the Credit Agreement. Each Company is affiliated with each other Grantor. The proceeds of credit extended under the Credit Agreement will be used in part to enable the Companies to make valuable transfers to the Grantors in connection with the operation of their respective businesses. The Companies and the other Grantors are engaged in interrelated businesses, and each Grantor will derive substantial direct and indirect benefit from extensions of credit under the Credit Agreement. It is a condition precedent to each Lender's obligation to extend credit under the Credit Agreement that the Grantors shall have executed and delivered this Agreement to the Administrative Agent for the ratable benefit of all the Lenders.

In consideration of the premises and to induce the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to enter into the Credit Agreement and to induce the Lenders to extend credit thereunder, each Grantor hereby agrees with the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders, as follows:

SECTION 1 DEFINITIONS.

1.1 Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement, and the following terms are used herein as defined in the UCC: Accounts, Certificated Security, Commercial Tort Claims, Deposit Accounts, Documents, Electronic Chattel Paper, Equipment, Farm Products, Goods, Health Care Insurance Receivables, Instruments, Inventory, Leases, Letter-of-Credit Rights, Money, Payment Intangibles, Supporting Obligations, Tangible Chattel Paper.

1.2 When used herein the following terms shall have the following meanings:

Assigned Agreements means Related Agreements.

Agreement has the meaning set forth in the preamble hereto.

Chattel Paper means all "chattel paper" as such term is defined in Section 9-102(a)(1) of the UCC and, in any event, including with respect to any Grantor, all Electronic Chattel Paper and Tangible Chattel Paper.

Collateral means (a) all of the personal property now owned or at any time hereafter acquired by any Grantor or in which any Grantor now has or at any time in the future may

acquire any right, title or interest, including all of each Grantor's Accounts, Chattel Paper, Commercial Tort Claims, Deposit Accounts, Documents, Equipment, Fixtures, General Intangibles, Health Care Insurance Receivables, Farm Products, Goods, Instruments, Intellectual Property, Inventory, Investment Property, Leases, Letter-of-Credit Rights, Money, Supporting Obligations and Identified Claims, (b) all books and records pertaining to any of the foregoing, (c) all Proceeds and products of any of the foregoing, and (d) all collateral security and guaranties given by any Person with respect to any of the foregoing. Where the context requires, terms relating to the Collateral or any part thereof, when used in relation to a Grantor, shall refer to such Grantor's Collateral or the relevant part thereof.

Company Obligations means all Obligations of the Companies.

Contract Rights means all of the Grantors' rights and remedies with respect to the Assigned Agreements.

Copyrights means all copyrights arising under the laws of the United States, any other country or any political subdivision thereof, whether registered or unregistered and whether published or unpublished, including those listed on Schedule 5, all registrations and recordings thereof, and all applications in connection therewith, including all registrations, recordings and applications in the United States Copyright Office, and the right to obtain all renewals of any of the foregoing.

Copyright Licenses means all written agreements naming any Grantor as licensor or licensee, including those listed on Schedule 5, granting any right under any Copyright, including the grant of rights to manufacture, distribute, exploit and sell materials derived from any Copyright.

Credit Agreement means the Credit Agreement of even date herewith among the Companies, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, as amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

Fixtures means all of the following, whether now owned or hereafter acquired by a Grantor: plant fixtures; business fixtures; other fixtures and storage facilities, wherever located; and all additions and accessories thereto and replacements therefor.

General Intangibles means all "general intangibles" as such term is defined in Section 9-102(a)(42) of the UCC and, in any event, including with respect to any Grantor, all Payment Intangibles, all contracts and Contract Rights (including all Assigned Agreements and Seller Undertakings), agreements, instruments and indentures in any form, and portions thereof, to which such Grantor is a party or under which such Grantor has any right, title or interest or to which such Grantor or any property of such Grantor is subject, as the same from time to time may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified, including all rights of such Grantor to receive moneys due and to become due to it thereunder or in connection therewith, (b) all rights of such Grantor to damages arising thereunder and (c) all rights of such Grantor to perform and to exercise all remedies thereunder; provided, that the foregoing limitation shall not affect, limit, restrict or impair the grant by such Grantor of a security interest pursuant to this Agreement in

any Receivable or any money or other amounts due or to become due under any such Payment Intangible, contract, agreement, instrument or indenture.

Guarantor Obligations means, collectively, with respect to each Guarantor, all Obligations of such Guarantor.

Guarantors means the collective reference to each Grantor including each Company with respect to the Obligations of the other Company, if any.

Identified Claims means the Commercial Tort Claims described on Schedule 7 as such schedule shall be supplemented from time to time.

Intellectual Property means the collective reference to all rights, priorities and privileges relating to intellectual property, whether arising under United States, multinational or foreign laws or otherwise, including the Copyrights, the Copyright Licenses, the Patents, the Patent Licenses, the Trademarks and the Trademark Licenses, and all rights to sue at law or in equity for any infringement or other impairment thereof, including the right to receive all proceeds and damages therefrom.

Intercompany Note means any promissory note evidencing loans made by any Grantor to any other Grantor.

Investment Property means the collective reference to (a) all “investment property” as such term is defined in Section 9-102(a)(49) of the UCC (other than the equity interest of any foreign Subsidiary excluded from the definition of Pledged Equity), (b) all “financial assets” as such term is defined in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC, and (b) whether or not constituting “investment property” as so defined, all Pledged Notes and all Pledged Equity.

Issuers means the collective reference to each issuer of any Investment Property.

Paid in Full means (a) the payment in full in cash and performance of all Secured Obligations, (b) the termination of all Commitments and (c) either (i) the cancellation and return to the Administrative Agent of all Letters of Credit or (ii) the cash collateralization of all Letters of Credit in accordance with the Credit Agreement.

Patents means (a) all letters patent of the United States, any other country or any political subdivision thereof, all reissues and extensions thereof and all goodwill associated therewith, including any of the foregoing referred to in Schedule 5, (b) all applications for letters patent of the United States or any other country and all divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof, including any of the foregoing referred to in Schedule 5, and (c) all rights to obtain any reissues or extensions of the foregoing.

Patent Licenses means all agreements, whether written or oral, providing for the grant by or to any Grantor of any right to manufacture, use or sell any invention covered in whole or in part by a Patent, including any of the foregoing referred to in Schedule 5.

Pledged Equity means the equity interests listed on Schedule 1, together with any other equity interests, certificates, options or rights of any nature whatsoever in respect of the equity

interests of any Person that may be issued or granted to, or held by, any Grantor while this Agreement is in effect; provided that in no event shall more than 65% of the total outstanding equity interests of any foreign Subsidiary be required to be pledged hereunder.

Pledged Notes means all promissory notes listed on Schedule 1, all Intercompany Notes at any time issued to any Grantor and all other promissory notes issued to or held by any Grantor (other than promissory notes issued in connection with extensions of trade credit by any Grantor in the ordinary course of business).

Proceeds means all "proceeds" as such term is defined in Section 9-102(a)(64) of the UCC and, in any event, shall include all dividends or other income from the Investment Property, collections thereon or distributions or payments with respect thereto.

Receivable means any right to payment for goods sold or leased or for services rendered, whether or not such right is evidenced by an Instrument or Chattel Paper and whether or not it has been earned by performance (including any Accounts).

Secured Obligations means, collectively, the Company Obligations and Guarantor Obligations.

Securities Act means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Seller Undertakings means, collectively, all representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in favor of any Grantor, and all indemnifications for the benefit of any Grantor relating thereto, pursuant to the Assigned Agreements.

Trademarks means (a) all trademarks, trade names, corporate names, the Company names, business names, fictitious business names, trade styles, service marks, logos and other source or business identifiers, and all goodwill associated therewith, now existing or hereafter adopted or acquired, all registrations and recordings thereof, and all applications in connection therewith, whether in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any State thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof, or otherwise, and all common-law rights related thereto, including any of the foregoing referred to in Schedule 5, and (b) the right to obtain all renewals thereof.

Trademark Licenses means, collectively, each agreement, whether written or oral, providing for the grant by or to any Grantor of any right to use any Trademark, including any of the foregoing referred to in Schedule 5.

UCC means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect on the date hereof and from time to time in the State of Illinois, provided that if by reason of mandatory provisions of law, the perfection or the effect of perfection or non-perfection of the security interests in any Collateral or the availability of any remedy hereunder is governed by the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect on or after the date hereof in any other jurisdiction, "UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in such other jurisdiction for purposes of the provisions hereof relating to such perfection or effect of perfection or non-perfection or availability of such remedy.

SECTION 2 GUARANTY.

2.1 Guaranty. (a) Each of the Guarantors hereby, jointly and severally, unconditionally and irrevocably, as a primary obligor and not only a surety, guaranties to the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders and their respective successors, indorsees, transferees and assigns, the prompt and complete payment and performance by the Companies when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Company Obligations.

(b) Anything herein or in any other Loan Document to the contrary notwithstanding, the maximum liability of each Guarantor hereunder and under the other Loan Documents shall in no event exceed the amount which can be guaranteed by such Guarantor under applicable federal and state laws relating to the insolvency of debtors (after giving effect to the right of contribution established in Section 2.2).

(c) Each Guarantor agrees that the Secured Obligations may at any time and from time to time exceed the amount of the liability of such Guarantor hereunder without impairing the guaranty contained in this Section 2 or affecting the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent or any Lender hereunder.

(d) The guaranty contained in this Section 2 shall remain in full force and effect until all of the Secured Obligations shall have been Paid in Full.

(e) No payment made by either Company, any of the Guarantors, any other guarantor or any other Person or received or collected by the Administrative Agent or any Lender from either Company, any of the Guarantors, any other guarantor or any other Person by virtue of any action or proceeding or any set-off or appropriation or application at any time or from time to time in reduction of or in payment of the Secured Obligations shall be deemed to modify, reduce, release or otherwise affect the liability of any Guarantor hereunder which shall, notwithstanding any such payment (other than any payment made by such Guarantor in respect of the Secured Obligations or any payment received or collected from such Guarantor in respect of the Secured Obligations), remain liable for the Secured Obligations up to the maximum liability of such Guarantor hereunder until the Secured Obligations are Paid in Full.

2.2 Right of Contribution. Each Guarantor hereby agrees that to the extent that a Guarantor shall have paid more than its proportionate share of any payment made hereunder, such Guarantor shall be entitled to seek and receive contribution from and against any other Guarantor hereunder which has not paid its proportionate share of such payment. Each Guarantor's right of contribution shall be subject to the terms and conditions of Section 2.3. The provisions of this Section 2.2 shall in no respect limit the obligations and liabilities of any Guarantor to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and each Guarantor shall remain liable to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders for the full amount guaranteed by such Guarantor hereunder.

2.3 No Subrogation. Notwithstanding any payment made by any Guarantor hereunder or any set-off or application of funds of any Guarantor by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, no Guarantor shall be entitled to be subrogated to any of the rights of the

Administrative Agent or any Lender against either Company or any other Guarantor or any collateral security or guaranty or right of offset held by the Administrative Agent or any Lender for the payment of the Secured Obligations, nor shall any Guarantor seek or be entitled to seek any contribution or reimbursement from either Company or any other Guarantor in respect of payments made by such Guarantor hereunder, until all of the Secured Obligations are Paid in Full, no Letter of Credit shall be outstanding and the Commitments are terminated. If any amount shall be paid to any Guarantor on account of such subrogation rights at any time when all of the Secured Obligations shall not have been Paid in Full, such amount shall be held by such Guarantor in trust for the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, segregated from other funds of such Guarantor, and shall, forthwith upon receipt by such Guarantor, be turned over to the Administrative Agent in the exact form received by such Guarantor (duly indorsed by such Guarantor to the Administrative Agent, if required), to be applied against the Secured Obligations, whether matured or unmatured, in such order as the Administrative Agent may determine.

2.4 Amendments, etc. with respect to the Secured Obligations. Each Guarantor shall remain obligated hereunder notwithstanding that, without any reservation of rights against any Guarantor and without notice to or further assent by any Guarantor, any demand for payment of any of the Secured Obligations made by the Administrative Agent or any Lender may be rescinded by the Administrative Agent or such Lender and any of the Secured Obligations continued, and the Secured Obligations, or the liability of any other Person upon or for any part thereof, or any collateral security or guaranty therefor or right of offset with respect thereto, may, from time to time, in whole or in part, be renewed, extended, amended, modified, accelerated, compromised, waived, surrendered or released by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, and the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents and any other documents executed and delivered in connection therewith may be amended, modified, supplemented or terminated, in whole or in part, as the Administrative Agent (or the Required Lenders or all the Lenders, as the case may be) may deem advisable from time to time. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall have any obligation to protect, secure, perfect or insure any Lien at any time held by it as security for the Secured Obligations or for the guaranty contained in this Section 2 or any property subject thereto.

The Administrative Agent or any Lender may, from time to time, at its sole discretion and without notice to any Guarantor (or any of them), take any or all of the following actions: (a) retain or obtain a security interest in any property to secure any of the Secured Obligations or any obligation hereunder, (b) retain or obtain the primary or secondary obligation of any obligor or obligors, in addition to the undersigned, with respect to any of the Secured Obligations, (c) extend or renew any of the Secured Obligations for one or more periods (whether or not longer than the original period), alter or exchange any of the Secured Obligations, or release or compromise any obligation of any of the undersigned hereunder or any obligation of any nature of any other obligor with respect to any of the Secured Obligations, (d) release any guaranty or right of offset or its security interest in, or surrender, release or permit any substitution or exchange for, all or any part of any property securing any of the Secured Obligations or any obligation hereunder, or extend or renew for one or more periods (whether or not longer than the original period) or release, compromise, alter or exchange any obligations of any nature of any obligor with respect to any such property, and (e) resort to the undersigned (or

any of them) for payment of any of the Secured Obligations when due, whether or not the Administrative Agent or such Lender shall have resorted to any property securing any of the Secured Obligations or any obligation hereunder or shall have proceeded against any other of the undersigned or any other obligor primarily or secondarily obligated with respect to any of the Secured Obligations.

2.5 Waivers. Each Guarantor waives any and all notice of the creation, renewal, extension or accrual of any of the Secured Obligations and notice of or proof of reliance by the Administrative Agent or any Lender upon the guaranty contained in this Section 2 or acceptance of the guaranty contained in this Section 2; the Secured Obligations, and any of them, shall conclusively be deemed to have been created, contracted or incurred, or renewed, extended, amended or waived, in reliance upon the guaranty contained in this Section 2, and all dealings between either Company and any of the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, on the other hand, likewise shall be conclusively presumed to have been had or consummated in reliance upon the guaranty contained in this Section 2. Each Guarantor waives (a) diligence, presentment, protest, demand for payment and notice of default, dishonor or nonpayment and all other notices whatsoever to or upon either Company or any of the Guarantors with respect to the Secured Obligations, (b) notice of the existence or creation or non-payment of all or any of the Secured Obligations and (c) all diligence in collection or protection of or realization upon any Secured Obligations or any security for or guaranty of any Secured Obligations.

2.6 Payments. Each Guarantor hereby guaranties that payments hereunder will be paid to the Administrative Agent without set-off or counterclaim in Dollars at the office of the Administrative Agent specified in the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 3 GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST.

3.1 Grant. Each Grantor hereby assigns and transfers to the Administrative Agent, and hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders and (to the extent provided herein) their Affiliates, a continuing security interest in all of its Collateral, as collateral security for the prompt and complete payment and performance when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Borrower Obligations or the Guarantor Obligations, as the case may be.

3.2 Collateral Assignment of Rights under the Assigned Agreements. Each Grantor hereby irrevocably authorizes and empowers the Administrative Agent or its agents, in their sole discretion, to assert, either directly or on behalf of any Grantor, at any time that an Event of Default is in existence, any claims any Grantor may from time to time have against Seller or any of its affiliates with respect to any and all of the Contract Rights or with respect to any and all payments or other obligations due from Seller or any of its affiliates to either Company under or pursuant to the Assigned Agreements ("Payments"), and to receive and collect any damages, awards and other monies resulting therefrom and to apply the same on account of the Secured Obligations. After the occurrence of any Event of Default, the Administrative Agent may provide notice to the seller or any of its affiliates under any Assigned

Agreement that all Payments shall be made to or at the direction of the Administrative Agent for so long as such Event of Default shall be continuing. Following the delivery of any such notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the seller under the Assigned Agreement upon the termination or waiver of any such Event of Default. Each Grantor hereby irrevocably makes, constitutes and appoints the Administrative Agent (and all officers, employees, or agents designated by the Administrative Agent) as such Grantor's true and lawful attorney (and agent-in-fact) for the purpose of enabling the Administrative Agent or its agents to assert and collect such claims and to apply such monies in the manner set forth hereinabove.

SECTION 4 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

To induce the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to enter into the Credit Agreement and to induce the Lenders to make their respective extensions of credit to the Companies thereunder, each Grantor jointly and severally hereby represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and each Lender that:

4.1 Title: No Other Liens. Except for Permitted Liens, the Grantors own each item of the Collateral free and clear of any and all Liens or claims of others. No financing statement or other public notice with respect to all or any part of the Collateral is on file or of record in any public office, except filings evidencing Permitted Liens and filings for which termination statements have been delivered to the Administrative Agent.

4.2 Perfected First Priority Liens. The security interests granted pursuant to this Agreement (a) upon completion of the filings and other actions specified on Schedule 2 (which, in the case of all filings and other documents referred to on Schedule 2, have been delivered to the Administrative Agent in completed and duly executed form) will constitute valid perfected security interests in all of the Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders, as collateral security for each Grantor's Obligations, enforceable in accordance with the terms hereof against all creditors of each Grantor and any Persons purporting to purchase any Collateral from each Grantor and (b) are prior to all other Liens on the Collateral in existence on the date hereof except for Permitted Liens for which priority is accorded under applicable law. The filings and other actions specified on Schedule 2 constitute all of the filings and other actions necessary to perfect all security interests granted hereunder.

4.3 Grantor Information. On the date hereof, Schedule 3 sets forth (a) each Grantor's jurisdiction of organization, (b) the location of each Grantor's chief executive office, (c) each Grantor's exact legal name as it appears on its organizational documents and (d) each Grantor's organizational identification number (to the extent a Grantor is organized in a state which assigns such numbers).

4.4 Collateral Locations. On the date hereof, Schedule 4 sets forth (a) each place of business of each Grantor (including its chief executive office), (b) all locations where all Inventory and the Equipment owned by each Grantor is kept, except with respect to Inventory with a fair market value of less than (i) \$100,000 in the case of "I-Sense" Inventory held on consignment by CVS Corporation, and (ii) \$400,000 in the case of "1C Green" raw material Inventory located at the SP Pharmaceutical facility in Albuquerque, New Mexico (the "Permitted Offsite Inventory") (in the aggregate for all Grantors) which may be located at other locations

and (c) whether each such Collateral location and place of business (including each Grantor's chief executive office) is owned or leased (and if leased, specifies the complete name and notice address of each lessor). No Collateral is located outside the United States or in the possession of any lessor, bailee, warehouseman or consignee, except as indicated on Schedule 4.

4.5 Certain Property. None of the Collateral constitutes, or is the Proceeds of, (a) Farm Products or (b) vessels, aircraft or any other property subject to any certificate of title or other registration statute of the United States, any State or other jurisdiction, except for personal vehicles owned by the Grantors and used by employees of the Grantors in the ordinary course of business with an aggregate fair market value of less than \$50,000 (in the aggregate for all Grantors).

4.6 Investment Property. (a) The Pledged Equity pledged by each Grantor hereunder constitute all the issued and outstanding equity interests of each Issuer owned by such Grantor or, in the case of any foreign Subsidiary, 65% of all issued and outstanding equity interests of such foreign Subsidiary.

(b) All of the Pledged Equity has been duly and validly issued and is fully paid and nonassessable.

(c) Each of the Pledged Notes constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the obligor with respect thereto, enforceable in accordance with its terms (subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing).

(d) Schedule 1 lists all Investment Property owned by each Grantor. Each Grantor is the record and beneficial owner of, and has good and marketable title to, the Investment Property pledged by it hereunder, free of any and all Liens or options in favor of, or claims of, any other Person, except Permitted Liens.

4.7 Receivables. (a) No material amount payable to such Grantor under or in connection with any Receivable is evidenced by any Instrument or Chattel Paper which has not been delivered to the Administrative Agent.

(b) No obligor on any Receivable is a Governmental Authority.

(c) The amounts represented by such Grantor to the Lenders from time to time as owing to such Grantor in respect of the Receivables (to the extent such representations are required by any of the Loan Documents) will at all such times be accurate.

4.8 Intellectual Property. (a) Schedule 5 lists all Intellectual Property owned by such Grantor in its own name on the date hereof.

(b) On the date hereof, all material Intellectual Property owned by any Guarantor is valid, subsisting, unexpired and enforceable, has not been abandoned.

(c) Except as set forth in Schedule 5, none of the material Intellectual Property is the subject of any licensing or franchise agreement pursuant to which such Grantor is the licensor or franchisor.

(d) Each Grantor owns and possesses or has a license or other right to use all Intellectual Property as is necessary for the conduct of the businesses of such Grantor, without any infringement upon rights of others which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

4.9 Depository and Other Accounts. All depository and other accounts maintained by each Grantor are described on Schedule 6 hereto, which description includes for each such account the name of the Grantor maintaining such account, the name, address, telephone and fax numbers of the financial institution at which such account is maintained, the account number and the account officer, if any, of such account.

SECTION 5 COVENANTS.

Each Grantor covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that, from and after the date of this Agreement until the Secured Obligations shall have been Paid in Full:

5.1 Delivery of Instruments, Certificated Securities and Chattel Paper. If any amount payable under or in connection with any of the Collateral in excess of \$10,000 (in the aggregate for all Grantors) shall be or become evidenced by any Instrument, Certificated Security or Chattel Paper, such Instrument, Certificated Security or Chattel Paper shall be immediately delivered to the Administrative Agent, duly indorsed in a manner satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, to be held as Collateral pursuant to this Agreement. In the event that an Unmatured Event of Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, upon the request of the Administrative Agent, any Instrument, Certificated Security or Chattel Paper not theretofore delivered to the Administrative Agent and at such time being held by any Grantor shall be immediately delivered to the Administrative Agent, duly indorsed in a manner satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, to be held as Collateral pursuant to this Agreement.

5.2 Maintenance of Perfected Security Interest; Further Documentation. (a) Such Grantor shall maintain the security interest created by this Agreement as a perfected security interest having at least the priority described in Section 4.2 and shall defend such security interest against the claims and demands of all Persons whomsoever.

(b) Such Grantor will furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders from time to time statements and schedules further identifying and describing the assets and property of such Grantor and such other reports in connection therewith as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, all in reasonable detail.

(c) At any time and from time to time, upon the written request of the Administrative Agent, and at the sole expense of such Grantor, such Grantor will promptly and duly execute and deliver, and have recorded, such further instruments and documents and take such further actions as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request for the purpose of

obtaining or preserving the full benefits of this Agreement and of the rights and powers herein granted, including (i) filing any financing or continuation statements under the UCC (or other similar laws) in effect in any jurisdiction with respect to the security interests created hereby and (ii) in the case of Investment Property and any other relevant Collateral, taking any actions necessary to enable the Administrative Agent to obtain "control" (within the meaning of the applicable UCC) with respect thereto.

5.3 Changes in Locations, Name, etc. Such Grantor shall not, except upon 30 days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent and delivery to the Administrative Agent of (a) all additional financing statements and other documents reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent as to the validity, perfection and priority of the security interests provided for herein and (b) if applicable, a written supplement to Schedule 4 showing any additional location at which Inventory or Equipment shall be kept:

(i) permit any of the Inventory or Equipment to be kept at a location other than those listed on Schedule 4 (except with respect to Permitted Offsite Inventory).

(ii) change its jurisdiction of organization or the location of its chief executive office from that specified on Schedule 3 or in any subsequent notice delivered pursuant to this Section 5.3; or

(iii) change its name, identity or corporate structure.

5.4 Notices. Such Grantor will advise the Administrative Agent and the Lenders promptly, in reasonable detail, of:

(a) any Lien (other than Permitted Liens) on any of the Collateral which would adversely affect the ability of the Administrative Agent to exercise any of its remedies hereunder; and

(b) the occurrence of any other event which could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the aggregate value of the Collateral or on the Liens created hereby.

5.5 Investment Property. (a) If such Grantor shall become entitled to receive or shall receive any certificate, option or rights in respect of the equity interests of any Issuer, whether in addition to, in substitution of, as a conversion of, or in exchange for, any of the Pledged Equity, or otherwise in respect thereof, such Grantor shall accept the same as the agent of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, hold the same in trust for the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and deliver the same forthwith to the Administrative Agent in the exact form received, duly indorsed by such Grantor to the Administrative Agent, if required, together with an undated instrument of transfer covering such certificate duly executed in blank by such Grantor and with, if the Administrative Agent so requests, signature guaranteed, to be held by the Administrative Agent, subject to the terms hereof, as additional Collateral for the Secured Obligations. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, (i) any sums paid upon or in respect of the Investment Property upon the liquidation or dissolution of any Issuer shall be paid over to the Administrative Agent to be held by it hereunder as additional

Collateral for the Secured Obligations, and (ii) in case any distribution of capital shall be made on or in respect of the Investment Property or any property shall be distributed upon or with respect to the Investment Property pursuant to the recapitalization or reclassification of the capital of any Issuer or pursuant to the reorganization thereof, the property so distributed shall, unless otherwise subject to a perfected Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, be delivered to the Administrative Agent to be held by it hereunder as additional Collateral for the Secured Obligations. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, if any sums of money or property so paid or distributed in respect of the Investment Property shall be received by such Grantor, such Grantor shall, until such money or property is paid or delivered to the Administrative Agent, hold such money or property in trust for the Lenders, segregated from other funds of such Grantor, as additional Collateral for the Secured Obligations.

(b) Without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, such Grantor will not (i) vote to enable, or take any other action to permit, any Issuer to issue any equity interests of any nature or to issue any other securities or interests convertible into or granting the right to purchase or exchange for any equity interests of any nature of any Issuer, (ii) sell, assign, transfer, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, or grant any option with respect to, the Investment Property or Proceeds thereof (except pursuant to a transaction expressly permitted by the Credit Agreement) other than, with respect to Investment Property not constituting Pledged Stock or Pledged Notes, any such action which is not prohibited by the Credit Agreement, (iii) create, incur or permit to exist any Lien or option in favor of, or any claim of any Person with respect to, any of the Investment Property or Proceeds thereof, or any interest therein, except for Permitted Liens, or (iv) enter into any agreement or undertaking restricting the right or ability of such Grantor or the Administrative Agent to sell, assign or transfer any of the Investment Property or Proceeds thereof, except, with respect to such Investment Property, shareholders' agreements entered into by such Grantor with respect to Persons in which such Grantor maintains an ownership interest of 50% or less.

(c) In the case of each Grantor which is an Issuer, such Issuer agrees that (i) it will be bound by the terms of this Agreement relating to the Investment Property issued by it and will comply with such terms insofar as such terms are applicable to it, (ii) it will notify the Administrative Agent promptly in writing of the occurrence of any of the events described in Section 5.5(a) with respect to the Investment Property issued by it and (iii) the terms of Sections 6.3(c) and 6.7 shall apply to such Grantor with respect to all actions that may be required of it pursuant to Section 6.3(c) or 6.7 regarding the Investment Property issued by it.

5.6 Receivables. (a) Other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with its past practice and in amounts which are not material to such Grantor, such Grantor will not (i) grant any extension of the time of payment of any Receivable, (ii) compromise or settle any Receivable for less than the full amount thereof, (iii) release, wholly or partially, any Person liable for the payment of any Receivable, (iv) allow any credit or discount whatsoever on any Receivable or (v) amend, supplement or modify any Receivable in any manner that could adversely affect the value thereof.

(b) Such Grantor will deliver the Administrative Agent a copy of each material demand, notice or document received by it that questions or calls into doubt the validity

or enforceability of more than 5% of the aggregate amount of the then outstanding Receivables for all Grantors.

5.7 Intellectual Property. (a) Such Grantor (either itself or through licensees) will (i) continue to use each Trademark material to its business in order to maintain such Trademark in full force free from any claim of abandonment for non-use, (ii) maintain as in the past the quality of products and services offered under such Trademark, (iii) use such Trademark with the appropriate notice of registration and all other notices and legends required by applicable law, (iv) not adopt or use any mark which is confusingly similar or a colorable imitation of such Trademark unless the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders, shall obtain a perfected security interest in such mark pursuant to this Agreement, and (v) not (and not permit any licensee or sublicensee thereof to) do any act or knowingly omit to do any act whereby such Trademark may become invalidated or impaired in any way.

(b) Such Grantor (either itself or through licensees) will not do any act, or omit to do any act, whereby any Patent material to its business may become forfeited, abandoned or dedicated to the public.

(c) Such Grantor (either itself or through licensees) (i) will employ each Copyright material to its business and (ii) will not (and will not permit any licensee or sublicensee thereof to) do any act or knowingly omit to do any act whereby any material portion of such Copyrights may become invalidated or otherwise impaired. Such Grantor will not (either itself or through licensees) do any act whereby any material portion of such Copyrights may fall into the public domain.

(d) Such Grantor (either itself or through licensees) will not do any act that knowingly uses any Intellectual Property material to its business to infringe the intellectual property rights of any other Person.

(e) Such Grantor will notify the Administrative Agent and the Lenders immediately if it knows, or has reason to know, that any application or registration relating to any material Intellectual Property may become forfeited, abandoned or dedicated to the public, or of any adverse determination or development (including the institution of, or any such determination or development in, any proceeding in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the United States Copyright Office or any court or tribunal in any country) regarding, such Grantor's ownership of, or the validity of, any material Intellectual Property or such Grantor's right to register the same or to own and maintain the same.

(f) Whenever such Grantor, either by itself or through any agent, employee, licensee or designee, shall file an application for the registration of any Intellectual Property with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the United States Copyright Office or any similar office or agency in any other country or any political subdivision thereof, such Grantor shall report such filing to the Administrative Agent concurrently with the next delivery of financial statements of the Companies pursuant to Section 10.1 of the Credit Agreement. Upon the request of the Administrative Agent, such Grantor shall execute and deliver, and have recorded, any and all agreements, instruments, documents, and papers as the Administrative Agent may request to evidence the Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' security interest in any

Copyright, Patent or Trademark and the goodwill and general intangibles of such Grantor relating thereto or represented thereby.

(g) Such Grantor will take all reasonable and necessary steps to maintain and pursue each application (and to obtain the relevant registration) and to maintain each registration of all material Intellectual Property owned by it.

(h) In the event that any material Intellectual Property is infringed upon or misappropriated or diluted by a third party, such Grantor shall (i) take such actions as such Grantor shall reasonably deem appropriate under the circumstances to protect such Intellectual Property and (ii) if such Intellectual Property is of material economic value, promptly notify the Administrative Agent after it learns thereof and, to the extent, in its reasonable judgment, such Grantor determines it appropriate under the circumstances, sue for infringement, misappropriation or dilution, to seek injunctive relief where appropriate and to recover any and all damages for such infringement, misappropriation or dilution.

5.8 Seller Undertakings.

(a) Each Grantor shall keep the Administrative Agent informed of all circumstances bearing upon any potential claim under or with respect to the Assigned Agreements and the Seller Undertakings and such Grantor shall not, without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, (i) waive any of its rights or remedies under any Assigned Agreement with respect to any of the Seller Undertakings, (ii) settle, compromise or offset any amount payable by the sellers to such Grantor under any Assigned Agreement or (iii) amend or otherwise modify any Assigned Agreement in any manner which is adverse to the interests of the Administrative Agent or any Lender.

(b) Each Grantor shall perform and observe all the terms and conditions of each Assigned Agreement to be performed by it, maintain each Assigned Agreement in full force and effect, enforce each Assigned Agreement in accordance with its terms and take all such action to such end as may from time to time be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.

(c) Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, (i) each applicable Grantor shall remain liable under each Assigned Agreement to the extent set forth therein to perform all of its duties and obligations thereunder to the same extent as if this Agreement had not been executed, (ii) the exercise by the Administrative Agent of any of its rights hereunder shall not release any Grantor from any of its duties or obligations under any Assigned Agreement and (iii) neither the Administrative Agent nor any other Lender shall have any obligation or liability under any Assigned Agreement by reason of this Agreement, nor shall the Administrative Agent or any other Lender be obligated to perform any of the obligations or duties of any Grantor thereunder or to take any action to collect or enforce any claim for payment assigned hereunder.

5.9 Depository and Other Deposit Accounts. Each Grantor shall maintain all of its principal deposit accounts with the Administrative Agent, except to the extent permitted by the Credit Agreement. No Grantor shall open any depository or other deposit accounts, except in

accordance with the Credit Agreement and unless such Grantor shall have given the Administrative Agent 10 days' prior written notice of its intention to open any such new deposit accounts. The Grantors shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a revised version of Schedule 6 showing any changes thereto within 5 days of any such change. Each Grantor hereby authorizes the financial institutions at which such Grantor maintains a deposit account to provide the Administrative Agent with such information with respect to such deposit account as the Administrative Agent may from time to time reasonably request, and each Grantor hereby consents to such information being provided to the Administrative Agent. Each Grantor will cause each financial institution at which such Grantor maintains a depository or other deposit account to enter into a bank agency or other similar agreement with the Administrative Agent and such Grantor, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, in order to give the Administrative Agent "control" (as defined in the UCC) of such account. Subject to the terms of the Credit Agreement, each Grantor shall direct all Account Debtors to make all payments on the Accounts directly to a bank account or Lockbox maintained with the Administrative Agent (an "Agent Account"). If any Grantor or any director, officer, employee, agent of such Grantor, or any other Person acting for or in concert with such Grantor shall receive any monies, checks, notes, drafts or other payments relating to or as proceeds of Accounts or other Collateral, such Grantor and each such Person shall receive all such items in trust for, and as the sole and exclusive property of, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and, immediately upon receipt thereof, shall remit the same (or cause the same to be remitted) in kind to the Agent Account. The Grantors, jointly and severally, agree to pay all fees, costs and expenses which the Administrative Agent incurs in connection with opening and maintaining the Agent Account and depositing for collection by the Administrative Agent any check or other item of payment received by the Administrative Agent on account of the Obligations. All of such fees, costs and expenses shall constitute Secured Obligations hereunder and shall be payable to the Administrative Agent by the Grantors upon demand. All checks, drafts, instruments and other items of payment or proceeds of Collateral shall be endorsed by the applicable Grantor to the Administrative Agent, and, if that endorsement of any such item shall not be made for any reason, the Administrative Agent is hereby irrevocably authorized to endorse the same on such Grantor's behalf. For the purpose of this section, each Grantor irrevocably hereby makes, constitutes and appoints the Administrative Agent (and all Persons designated by the Administrative Agent for that purpose) as such Grantor's true and lawful attorney and agent-in-fact (a) to endorse such Grantor's name upon said items of payment and/or proceeds of Collateral and upon any Chattel Paper, document, Instrument, invoice or similar document or agreement relating to any Account of such Grantor or goods pertaining thereto; (b) to take control in any manner of any item of payment or proceeds thereof; and (c) to have access to any lock box or postal box into which any of such Grantor's mail is deposited, and open and process all mail addressed to such Grantor and deposited therein. All amounts received in an Agent Account shall be deemed received by the Administrative Agent in accordance with Section 7.1 of the Credit Agreement and applied to Revolving Outstandings. In no event shall any amount be applied unless and until such amount shall have been credited in immediately available funds to an Agent Account.

5.10 Other Matters.

(a) On the Closing Date, each of the Grantors shall cause to be delivered to the Administrative Agent a Collateral Access Agreement with respect to (a) each bailee with which such Grantor keeps Inventory or other assets as of the Closing Date with a fair market value in excess of \$10,000 and (b) each landlord which leases real property (and the accompanying facilities) to any of the Grantors as of the Closing Date. If any Grantor shall cause to be delivered Inventory or other property in excess of \$10,000 in fair market value to any bailee after the Closing Date, such Grantor shall use reasonable efforts to cause such bailee to sign a Collateral Access Agreement. Such requirement may be waived at the option of the Administrative Agent. If any Grantor shall lease any real property or facilities and the value of property of such Grantor located at such leased real property is in excess of \$10,000 in fair market value after the Closing Date, such Grantor shall use reasonable efforts to cause the landlord in respect of such leased property or facilities to sign a Collateral Access Agreement. Such requirement may be waived at the option of the Administrative Agent.

(b) Each Grantor authorizes the Administrative Agent to, at any time and from time to time, file financing statements, continuation statements, and amendments thereto that describe the Collateral as “all assets” of each Grantor, or words of similar effect, and which contain any other information required pursuant to the UCC for the sufficiency of filing office acceptance of any financing statement, continuation statement, or amendment, and each Grantor agrees to furnish any such information to the Administrative Agent promptly upon request. Any such financing statement, continuation statement, or amendment may be signed by the Administrative Agent on behalf of any Grantor and may be filed at any time in any jurisdiction.

(c) Each Grantor shall, at any time and from time to time, take such steps as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request for the Administrative Agent (i) to obtain an acknowledgement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, of any bailee having possession of any of the Collateral, stating that the bailee holds such Collateral for the Administrative Agent, (ii) to obtain “control” of any letter-of-credit rights, or electronic chattel paper (as such terms are defined by the UCC with corresponding provisions thereof defining what constitutes “control” for such items of Collateral), with any agreements establishing control to be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and (iii) otherwise to insure the continued perfection and priority of the Administrative Agent’s security interest in any of the Collateral and of the preservation of its rights therein. If any Grantor shall at any time, acquire a “commercial tort claim” (as such term is defined in the UCC) in excess of \$10,000, such Grantor shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent thereof in writing and supplement Schedule 7, therein providing a reasonable description and summary thereof, and upon delivery thereof to the Administrative Agent, such Grantor shall be deemed to thereby grant to the Administrative Agent (and such Grantor hereby grants to the Administrative Agent) a security interest and lien in and to such commercial tort claim and all proceeds thereof, all upon the terms of and governed by this Agreement.

(d) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if any Grantor at any time holds or acquires an interest in any electronic chattel paper or any “transferable record”, as that term is defined in Section 201 of the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, or in §16 of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act as in effect in any relevant jurisdiction, such Grantor shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent thereof and, at the

request of the Administrative Agent, shall take such action as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to vest in the Administrative Agent "control" under Section 9-105 of the UCC of such electronic chattel paper or control under Section 201 of the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act or, as the case may be, §16 of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, as so in effect in such jurisdiction, of such transferable record. The Administrative Agent agrees with the Grantors that the Administrative Agent will arrange, pursuant to procedures satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and so long as such procedures will not result in the Administrative Agent's loss of control, for the Grantors to make alterations to the electronic chattel paper or transferable record permitted under Section 9-105 of the UCC or, as the case may be, Section 201 of the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act or §16 of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act for a party in control to make without loss of control, unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would occur after taking into account any action by any Grantor with respect to such electronic chattel paper or transferable record.

SECTION 6 REMEDIAL PROVISIONS.

6.1 Certain Matters Relating to Receivables. (a) At any time and from time to time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent shall have the right to make test verifications of the Receivables in any manner and through any medium that it reasonably considers advisable, and each Grantor shall furnish all such assistance and information the Administrative Agent may require in connection with such test verifications. At any time and from time to time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, upon the Administrative Agent's request and at the expense of the relevant Grantor, such Grantor shall cause independent public accountants or others satisfactory to the Administrative Agent to furnish to the Administrative Agent reports showing reconciliations, agings and test verifications of, and trial balances for, the Receivables.

(b) The Administrative Agent hereby authorizes each Grantor to collect such Grantor's Receivables, and the Administrative Agent may curtail or terminate such authority at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default. If required by the Administrative Agent at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, any payments of Receivables, when collected by any Grantor, (i) shall be forthwith (and, in any event, within 2 Business Days) deposited by such Grantor in the exact form received, duly indorsed by such Grantor to the Administrative Agent if required, in a collateral account maintained under the sole dominion and control of the Administrative Agent, subject to withdrawal by the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders only as provided in Section 6.5, and (ii) until so turned over, shall be held by such Grantor in trust for the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, segregated from other funds of such Grantor. Each such deposit of Proceeds of Receivables shall be accompanied by a report identifying in reasonable detail the nature and source of the payments included in the deposit.

(c) At any time and from time to time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, at the Administrative Agent's request, each Grantor shall deliver to the Administrative Agent all original and other documents evidencing, and relating to, the agreements and transactions which gave rise to the Receivables, including all original orders, invoices and shipping receipts.

(d) Each Grantor hereby irrevocably authorizes and empowers the Administrative Agent, in the Administrative Agent's sole discretion, at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, to assert, either directly or on behalf of such Grantor, any claim such Grantor may from time to time have against the sellers under or with respect to the Assigned Agreements and to receive and collect any and all damages, awards and other monies resulting therefrom and to apply the same to the Obligations. Each Grantor hereby irrevocably makes, constitutes and appoints the Administrative Agent as its true and lawful attorney in fact for the purpose of enabling the Administrative Agent to assert and collect such claims and to apply such monies in the manner set forth above, which appointment, being coupled with an interest, is irrevocable.

6.2 Communications with Obligors; Grantors Remain Liable. (a) The Administrative Agent in its own name or in the name of others may at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default communicate with obligors under the Receivables to verify with them to the Administrative Agent's satisfaction the existence, amount and terms of any Receivables.

(b) Upon the request of the Administrative Agent at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, each Grantor shall notify obligors on the Receivables that the Receivables have been assigned to the Administrative Agent for the ratable benefit of the Lenders and that payments in respect thereof shall be made directly to the Administrative Agent.

(c) Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, each Grantor shall remain liable in respect of each of the Receivables to observe and perform all the conditions and obligations to be observed and performed by it thereunder, all in accordance with the terms of any agreement giving rise thereto. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall have any obligation or liability under any Receivable (or any agreement giving rise thereto) by reason of or arising out of this Agreement or the receipt by the Administrative Agent or any Lender of any payment relating thereto, nor shall the Administrative Agent or any Lender be obligated in any manner to perform any of the obligations of any Grantor under or pursuant to any Receivable (or any agreement giving rise thereto), to make any payment, to make any inquiry as to the nature or the sufficiency of any payment received by it or as to the sufficiency of any performance by any party thereunder, to present or file any claim, to take any action to enforce any performance or to collect the payment of any amounts which may have been assigned to it or to which it may be entitled at any time or times.

(d) For the purpose of enabling the Administrative Agent to exercise rights and remedies under this Agreement, each Grantor hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, an irrevocable, nonexclusive license (exercisable without payment of royalty or other compensation to such Grantor) to use, license or sublicense any Intellectual Property now owned or hereafter acquired by such Grantor, and wherever the same may be located, and including in such license access to all media in which any of the licensed items may be recorded or stored and to all computer software and programs used for the compilation or printout thereof.

6.3 Investment Property. (a) Unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Administrative Agent shall have given notice to the relevant Grantor of the Administrative Agent's intent to exercise its corresponding rights pursuant to Section 6.3(b), each Grantor shall be permitted to receive all cash dividends and distributions paid in respect of the Pledged Equity and all payments made in respect of the Pledged Notes, to the extent permitted in the Credit Agreement, and to exercise all voting and other rights with respect to the Investment Property; provided, that no vote shall be cast or other right exercised or action taken which could impair the Collateral or which would be inconsistent with or result in any violation of any provision of the Credit Agreement, this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

(b) If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing and the Administrative Agent shall give notice of its intent to exercise such rights to the relevant Grantor or Grantors, (i) the Administrative Agent shall have the right to receive any and all cash dividends and distributions, payments or other Proceeds paid in respect of the Investment Property and make application thereof to the Obligations in such order as the Administrative Agent may determine, and (ii) any or all of the Investment Property shall be registered in the name of the Administrative Agent or its nominee, and the Administrative Agent or its nominee may thereafter exercise (x) all voting and other rights pertaining to such Investment Property at any meeting of holders of the equity interests of the relevant Issuer or Issuers or otherwise and (y) any and all rights of conversion, exchange and subscription and any other rights, privileges or options pertaining to such Investment Property as if it were the absolute owner thereof (including the right to exchange at its discretion any and all of the Investment Property upon the merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization or other fundamental change in the corporate or other structure of any Issuer, or upon the exercise by any Grantor or the Administrative Agent of any right, privilege or option pertaining to such Investment Property, and in connection therewith, the right to deposit and deliver any and all of the Investment Property with any committee, depository, transfer agent, registrar or other designated agency upon such terms and conditions as the Administrative Agent may determine), all without liability except to account for property actually received by it, but the Administrative Agent shall have no duty to any Grantor to exercise any such right, privilege or option and shall not be responsible for any failure to do so or delay in so doing.

(c) Each Grantor hereby authorizes and instructs each Issuer of any Investment Property pledged by such Grantor hereunder to (i) comply with any instruction received by it from the Administrative Agent in writing that (x) states that an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and (y) is otherwise in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, without any other or further instructions from such Grantor, and each Grantor agrees that each Issuer shall be fully protected in so complying and (ii) unless otherwise expressly permitted hereby, pay any dividends, distributions or other payments with respect to the Investment Property directly to the Administrative Agent.

6.4 Proceeds to be Turned Over to Administrative Agent. In addition to the rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders specified in Section 6.1 with respect to payments of Receivables, if an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, all Proceeds received by any Grantor consisting of cash, checks and other cash equivalent items shall be held

by such Grantor in trust for the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, segregated from other funds of such Grantor, and shall, forthwith upon receipt by such Grantor, be turned over to the Administrative Agent in the exact form received by such Grantor (duly indorsed by such Grantor to the Administrative Agent, if required). All Proceeds received by the Administrative Agent hereunder shall be held by the Administrative Agent in a collateral account maintained under its sole dominion and control. All Proceeds, while held by the Administrative Agent in any collateral account (or by such Grantor in trust for the Administrative Agent and the Lenders) established pursuant hereto, shall continue to be held as collateral security for the Secured Obligations and shall not constitute payment thereof until applied as provided in Section 6.5.

6.5 Application of Proceeds. At such intervals as may be agreed upon by the Companies and the Administrative Agent, or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at any time at the Administrative Agent's election, the Administrative Agent may apply all or any part of Proceeds from the sale of, or other realization upon, all or any part of the Collateral in payment of the Secured Obligations in such order as the Administrative Agent shall determine in its discretion. Any part of such funds which the Administrative Agent elects not so to apply and deems not required as collateral security for the Secured Obligations shall be paid over from time to time by the Administrative Agent to the applicable Grantor or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same. Any balance of such Proceeds remaining after the Secured Obligations shall have been Paid in Full shall be paid over to the applicable Grantor or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same. In the absence of a specific determination by the Administrative Agent, the Proceeds from the sale of, or other realization upon, all or any part of the Collateral in payment of the Secured Obligations shall be applied in the following order:

FIRST, to the payment of all fees, costs, expenses and indemnities of the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as such), including Attorney Costs, and any other Secured Obligations owing to the Administrative Agent in respect of sums advanced by the Administrative Agent to preserve the Collateral or to preserve its security interest in the Collateral, until paid in full;

SECOND, to the payment of all fees, costs, expenses and indemnities of the Lenders, pro-rata, until paid in full;

THIRD, to the payment of all of the Secured Obligations (other than Bank Product Obligations and Hedging Obligations) consisting of accrued and unpaid interest owing to any Lender, pro-rata, until paid in full;

FOURTH, to the payment of all Secured Obligations (other than Bank Product Obligations and Hedging Obligations) consisting of principal owing to any Lender, pro-rata, until paid in full;

FIFTH, to the payment to the Administrative Agent of an amount equal to all Secured Obligations in respect of outstanding Letters of Credit to be held as cash collateral in respect of such obligations;

SIXTH, to the payment of all Bank Products Obligations and Hedging Obligations owing to any Lender or its Affiliates, pro-rata, until paid in full;

SEVENTH, to the payment of all other Secured Obligations owing to each Lender, pro-rata, until paid in full; and

EIGHTH, to the payment of any remaining Proceeds, if any, to whomever may be lawfully entitled to receive such amounts.

6.6 Code and Other Remedies. If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Lenders, may exercise, in addition to all other rights and remedies granted to them in this Agreement and in any other instrument or agreement securing, evidencing or relating to the Secured Obligations, all rights and remedies of a secured party under the UCC or any other applicable law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent, without demand of performance or other demand, presentment, protest, advertisement or notice of any kind (except any notice required by law referred to below) to or upon any Grantor or any other Person (all and each of which demands, defenses, advertisements and notices are hereby waived), may in such circumstances forthwith collect, receive, appropriate and realize upon the Collateral, or any part thereof, and/or may forthwith sell, lease, assign, give options to purchase, or otherwise dispose of and deliver the Collateral or any part thereof (or contract to do any of the foregoing), in one or more parcels at public or private sale or sales, at any exchange, broker's board or office of the Administrative Agent or any Lender or elsewhere upon such terms and conditions as it may deem advisable and at such prices as it may deem best, for cash or on credit or for future delivery with assumption of any credit risk. The Administrative Agent or any Lender shall have the right upon any such public sale or sales, and, to the extent permitted by law, upon any such private sale or sales, to purchase the whole or any part of the Collateral so sold, free of any right or equity of redemption in any Grantor, which right or equity is hereby waived and released. Each Grantor further agrees, at the Administrative Agent's request, to assemble the Collateral and make it available to the Administrative Agent at places which the Administrative Agent shall reasonably select, whether at such Grantor's premises or elsewhere. The Administrative Agent shall apply the net proceeds of any action taken by it pursuant to this Section 6.6, after deducting all reasonable costs and expenses of every kind incurred in connection therewith or incidental to the care or safekeeping of any of the Collateral or in any way relating to the Collateral or the rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders hereunder, including Attorney Costs to the payment in whole or in part of the Secured Obligations, in such order as the Administrative Agent may elect, and only after such application and after the payment by the Administrative Agent of any other amount required by any provision of law, need the Administrative Agent account for the surplus, if any, to any Grantor. To the extent permitted by applicable law, each Grantor waives all claims, damages and demands it may acquire against the Administrative Agent or any Lender arising out of the exercise by them of any rights hereunder. If any notice of a proposed sale or other disposition of Collateral shall be required by law, such notice shall be deemed reasonable and proper if given at least 10 days before such sale or other disposition.

6.7 Registration Rights. (a) If the Administrative Agent shall determine to exercise its right to sell any or all of the Pledged Equity pursuant to Section 6.6, and if in the opinion of the Administrative Agent it is necessary or advisable to have the Pledged Equity, or

that portion thereof to be sold, registered under the provisions of the Securities Act, the relevant Grantor will cause the Issuer thereof to (i) execute and deliver, and cause the directors and officers of such Issuer to execute and deliver, all such instruments and documents, and do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, necessary or advisable to register the Pledged Equity, or that portion thereof to be sold, under the provisions of the Securities Act, (ii) use its best efforts to cause the registration statement relating thereto to become effective and to remain effective for a period of one year from the date of the first public offering of the Pledged Equity, or that portion thereof to be sold, and (iii) make all amendments thereto and/or to the related prospectus which, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, are necessary or advisable, all in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable thereto. Each Grantor agrees to cause such Issuer to comply with the provisions of the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of any and all jurisdictions which the Administrative Agent shall designate and to make available to its security holders, as soon as practicable, an earnings statement (which need not be audited) which will satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act.

(b) Each Grantor recognizes that the Administrative Agent may be unable to effect a public sale of any or all the Pledged Equity, by reason of certain prohibitions contained in the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws or otherwise, and may be compelled to resort to one or more private sales thereof to a restricted group of purchasers which will be obliged to agree, among other things, to acquire such securities for their own account for investment and not with a view to the distribution or resale thereof. Each Grantor acknowledges and agrees that any such private sale may result in prices and other terms less favorable than if such sale were a public sale and, notwithstanding such circumstances, agrees that any such private sale shall be deemed to have been made in a commercially reasonable manner. The Administrative Agent shall be under no obligation to delay a sale of any of the Pledged Equity for the period of time necessary to permit the Issuer thereof to register such securities or other interests for public sale under the Securities Act, or under applicable state securities laws, even if such Issuer would agree to do so.

(c) Each Grantor agrees to use its best efforts to do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be necessary to make such sale or sales of all or any portion of the Pledged Equity pursuant to this Section 6.7 valid and binding and in compliance with applicable law. Each Grantor further agrees that a breach of any of the covenants contained in this Section 6.7 will cause irreparable injury to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, that the Administrative Agent and the Lenders have no adequate remedy at law in respect of such breach and, as a consequence, that each and every covenant contained in this Section 6.7 shall be specifically enforceable against such Grantor, and such Grantor hereby waives and agrees not to assert any defenses against an action for specific performance of such covenants except for a defense that no Event of Default has occurred under the Credit Agreement.

6.8 Waiver: Deficiency. Each Grantor waives and agrees not to assert any rights or privileges which it may acquire under Section 9-626 of the UCC. Each Grantor shall remain liable for any deficiency if the proceeds of any sale or other disposition of the Collateral are insufficient to pay the Secured Obligations in full and the fees and disbursements of any attorneys employed by the Administrative Agent or any Lender to collect such deficiency.

SECTION 7 THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT.

7.1 Administrative Agent's Appointment as Attorney-in-Fact, etc. (a) Each Grantor hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints the Administrative Agent and any officer or agent thereof, with full power of substitution, as its true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full irrevocable power and authority in the place and stead of such Grantor and in the name of such Grantor or in its own name, for the purpose of carrying out the terms of this Agreement, to take any and all appropriate action and to execute any and all documents and instruments which may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Agreement, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Grantor hereby gives the Administrative Agent the power and right, on behalf of and at the expense of such Grantor, without notice to or assent by such Grantor, to do any or all of the following:

(i) in the name of such Grantor or its own name, or otherwise, take possession of and indorse and collect any checks, drafts, notes, acceptances or other instruments for the payment of moneys due under any Receivable or with respect to any other Collateral and file any claim or take any other action or proceeding in any court of law or equity or otherwise deemed appropriate by the Administrative Agent for the purpose of collecting any and all such moneys due under any Receivable or with respect to any other Collateral whenever payable;

(ii) in the case of any Intellectual Property, execute and deliver, and have recorded, any and all agreements, instruments, documents and papers as the Administrative Agent may request to evidence the Administrative Agent's security interest in such Intellectual Property and the goodwill and general intangibles of such Grantor relating thereto or represented thereby;

(iii) discharge Liens levied or placed on or threatened against the Collateral, and effect any repairs or insurance called for by the terms of this Agreement and pay all or any part of the premiums therefor and the costs thereof;

(iv) execute, in connection with any sale provided for in Section 6.6 or 6.7, any indorsements, assignments or other instruments of conveyance or transfer with respect to the Collateral; and

(v) (1) direct any party liable for any payment under any of the Collateral to make payment of any and all moneys due or to become due thereunder directly to the Administrative Agent or as the Administrative Agent shall direct; (2) ask or demand for, collect, and receive payment of and receipt for, any and all moneys, claims and other amounts due or to become due at any time in respect of or arising out of any Collateral; (3) sign and indorse any invoices, freight or express bills, bills of lading, storage or warehouse receipts, drafts against debtors, assignments, verifications, notices and other documents in connection with any of the Collateral; (4) commence and prosecute any suits, actions or proceedings at law or in equity in any court of competent jurisdiction to collect the Collateral or any portion thereof and to enforce any other right in respect of any Collateral; (5) defend any suit, action or proceeding brought against such Grantor with respect to any Collateral; (6) settle, compromise or adjust any such suit, action or

proceeding and, in connection therewith, give such discharges or releases as the Administrative Agent may deem appropriate; (7) assign any Copyright, Patent or Trademark, throughout the world for such term or terms, on such conditions, and in such manner, as the Administrative Agent shall in its sole discretion determine; (8) vote any right or interest with respect to any Investment Property; (9) order good standing certificates and conduct lien searches in respect of such jurisdictions or offices as the Administrative Agent may deem appropriate; and (10) generally sell, transfer, pledge and make any agreement with respect to or otherwise deal with any of the Collateral as fully and completely as though the Administrative Agent were the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and do, at the Administrative Agent's option and such Grantor's expense, at any time, or from time to time, all acts and things which the Administrative Agent deems necessary to protect, preserve or realize upon the Collateral and the Administrative Agent's security interests therein and to effect the intent of this Agreement, all as fully and effectively as such Grantor might do.

Anything in this Section 7.1(a) to the contrary notwithstanding, the Administrative Agent agrees that it will not exercise any rights under the power of attorney provided for in this Section 7.1(a) unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

(b) If any Grantor fails to perform or comply with any of its agreements contained herein, the Administrative Agent, at its option, but without any obligation so to do, may perform or comply, or otherwise cause performance or compliance, with such agreement.

(c) Each Grantor hereby ratifies all that such attorneys shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. All powers, authorizations and agencies contained in this Agreement are coupled with an interest and are irrevocable until this Agreement is terminated and the security interests created hereby are released.

7.2 Duty of Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent's sole duty with respect to the custody, safekeeping and physical preservation of the Collateral in its possession shall be to deal with it in the same manner as the Administrative Agent deals with similar property for its own account. Neither the Administrative Agent or any Lender nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees or agents shall be liable for any failure to demand, collect or realize upon any of the Collateral or for any delay in doing so or shall be under any obligation to sell or otherwise dispose of any Collateral upon the request of any Grantor or any other Person or to take any other action whatsoever with regard to the Collateral or any part thereof. The powers conferred on the Administrative Agent and the Lenders hereunder are solely to protect the Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' interests in the Collateral and shall not impose any duty upon the Administrative Agent or any Lender to exercise any such powers. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall be accountable only for amounts that they actually receive as a result of the exercise of such powers, and neither they nor any of their officers, directors, employees or agents shall be responsible to any Grantor for any act or failure to act hereunder.

7.3 Authority of Administrative Agent. Each Grantor acknowledges that the rights and responsibilities of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement with respect to any action taken by the Administrative Agent or the exercise or non-exercise by the Administrative

Agent of any option, voting right, request, judgment or other right or remedy provided for herein or resulting or arising out of this Agreement shall, as between the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, be governed by the Credit Agreement and by such other agreements with respect thereto as may exist from time to time among them, but, as between the Administrative Agent and the Grantors, the Administrative Agent shall be conclusively presumed to be acting as agent for the Lenders with full and valid authority so to act or refrain from acting, and no Grantor shall be under any obligation, or entitlement, to make any inquiry respecting such authority.

SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS.

8.1 Amendments in Writing. None of the terms or provisions of this Agreement may be waived, amended, supplemented or otherwise modified except in accordance with Section 15.1 of the Credit Agreement.

8.2 Notices. All notices, requests and demands to or upon the Administrative Agent or any Grantor hereunder shall be addressed to the Companies and effected in the manner provided for in Section 15.3 of the Credit Agreement and each Grantor hereby appoints Akom as its agent to receive notices hereunder.

8.3 Indemnification by Grantors. **THE GRANTORS, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY, HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, EXONERATE AND HOLD EACH LENDER PARTY FREE AND HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES, INCURRED BY THE LENDER PARTIES OR ANY OF THEM AS A RESULT OF, OR ARISING OUT OF, OR RELATING TO (A) ANY TENDER OFFER, MERGER, PURCHASE OF EQUITY INTERESTS, PURCHASE OF ASSETS (INCLUDING THE RELATED TRANSACTIONS) OR OTHER SIMILAR TRANSACTION FINANCED OR PROPOSED TO BE FINANCED IN WHOLE OR IN PART, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF ANY OF THE LOANS, (B) THE USE, HANDLING, RELEASE, EMISSION, DISCHARGE, TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, TREATMENT OR DISPOSAL OF ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE AT ANY PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY ANY GRANTOR, (C) ANY VIOLATION OF ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS WITH RESPECT TO CONDITIONS AT ANY PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY ANY GRANTOR OR THE OPERATIONS CONDUCTED THEREON, (D) THE INVESTIGATION, CLEANUP OR REMEDIATION OF OFFSITE LOCATIONS AT WHICH ANY LOAN PARTY OR THEIR RESPECTIVE PREDECESSORS ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DISPOSED OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR (E) THE EXECUTION, DELIVERY, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT BY ANY OF THE LENDER PARTIES, EXCEPT FOR ANY SUCH INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES ARISING ON ACCOUNT OF THE APPLICABLE LENDER PARTY'S GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT AS DETERMINED BY A FINAL, NONAPPEALABLE JUDGMENT BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION. IF AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THE FOREGOING UNDERTAKING MAY BE UNENFORCEABLE FOR ANY REASON, EACH GRANTOR HEREBY AGREES TO MAKE THE MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION TO THE PAYMENT AND SATISFACTION OF EACH OF THE INDEMNIFIED**

LIABILITIES WHICH IS PERMISSIBLE UNDER APPLICABLE LAW. ALL OBLIGATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION 8.3 SHALL SURVIVE REPAYMENT OF (AND SHALL BE) ALL SECURED OBLIGATIONS (AND TERMINATION OF ALL COMMITMENTS UNDER THE CREDIT AGREEMENT), ANY FORECLOSURE UNDER, OR ANY MODIFICATION, RELEASE OR DISCHARGE OF, ANY OR ALL OF THE COLLATERAL DOCUMENTS AND TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

8.4 Enforcement Expenses. (a) Each Grantor agrees, on a joint and several basis, to pay or reimburse on demand each Lender and the Administrative Agent for all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including Attorney Costs) incurred in collecting against any Guarantor under the guaranty contained in Section 2 or otherwise enforcing or preserving any rights under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

(b) Each Grantor agrees to pay, and to save the Administrative Agent and the Lenders harmless from, any and all liabilities with respect to, or resulting from any delay in paying, any and all stamp, excise, sales or other taxes which may be payable or determined to be payable with respect to any of the Collateral or in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) The agreements in this Section 8.4 shall survive repayment of (and shall be) all Secured Obligations (and termination of all commitments under the Credit Agreement), any foreclosure under, or any modification, release or discharge of, any or all of the Collateral Documents and termination of this Agreement.

8.5 Captions. Section captions used in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Agreement.

8.6 Nature of Remedies. All Secured Obligations of each Grantor and rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders expressed herein or in any other Loan Document shall be in addition to and not in limitation of those provided by applicable law. No failure to exercise and no delay in exercising, on the part of the Administrative Agent or any Lender, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder, shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

8.7 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the different parties hereto on separate counterparts and each such counterpart shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same Agreement. Receipt by telecopy of any executed signature page to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall constitute effective delivery of such signature page.

8.8 Severability. The illegality or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement or any instrument or agreement required hereunder shall not in any way affect or impair the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement or any instrument or agreement required hereunder.

8.9 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with the other Loan Documents, embodies the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements and understandings of such Persons, verbal or written, relating to the subject matter hereof and thereof and any prior arrangements made with respect to the payment by any Grantor of (or any indemnification for) any fees, costs or expenses payable to or incurred (or to be incurred) by or on behalf of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders.

8.10 Successors: Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon Grantors, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent and their respective successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of Grantors, Lenders and the Administrative Agent and the successors and assigns of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent. No other Person shall be a direct or indirect legal beneficiary of, or have any direct or indirect cause of action or claim in connection with, this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents. No Grantor may assign or transfer any of its rights or Obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent.

8.11 Governing Law. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE A CONTRACT MADE UNDER AND GOVERNED BY THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES.

8.12 Forum Selection: Consent to Jurisdiction. ANY LITIGATION BASED HEREON, OR ARISING OUT OF, UNDER, OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE BROUGHT AND MAINTAINED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS OR IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS; PROVIDED THAT NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE DEEMED OR OPERATE TO PRECLUDE THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FROM BRINGING SUIT OR TAKING OTHER LEGAL ACTION IN ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. EACH GRANTOR HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION AS SET FORTH ABOVE. EACH GRANTOR FURTHER IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS BY REGISTERED MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, OR BY PERSONAL SERVICE WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE STATE OF ILLINOIS. EACH GRANTOR HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY OBJECTION WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT REFERRED TO ABOVE AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH LITIGATION HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.

8.13 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH GRANTOR, THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH LENDER HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING TO ENFORCE OR DEFEND ANY RIGHTS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENT, INSTRUMENT, DOCUMENT OR AGREEMENT DELIVERED OR WHICH MAY IN THE FUTURE BE DELIVERED IN

CONNECTION HEREWITH AND AGREES THAT ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE TRIED BEFORE A COURT AND NOT BEFORE A JURY.

8.14 Set-off. Each Grantor agrees that the Administrative Agent and each Lender have all rights of set-off and bankers' lien provided by applicable law, and in addition thereto, each Grantor agrees that at any time any Event of Default exists, the Administrative Agent and each Lender may apply to the payment of any Secured Obligations, whether or not then due, any and all balances, credits, deposits, accounts or moneys of such Grantor then or hereafter with the Administrative Agent or such Lender.

8.15 Acknowledgements. Each Grantor hereby acknowledges that:

(a) it has been advised by counsel in the negotiation, execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party;

(b) neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender has any fiduciary relationship with or duty to any Grantor arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, and the relationship between the Grantors, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, on the other hand, in connection herewith or therewith is solely that of debtor and creditor; and

(c) no joint venture is created hereby or by the other Loan Documents or otherwise exists by virtue of the transactions contemplated hereby among the Lenders or among the Grantors and the Lenders.

8.16 Additional Grantors. Each Loan Party that is required to become a party to this Agreement pursuant to Section 10.10 of the Credit Agreement shall become a Grantor for all purposes of this Agreement upon execution and delivery by such Subsidiary of a joinder agreement in the form of Annex I hereto.

8.17 Releases. (a) At such time as the Secured Obligations have been Paid in Full, the Collateral shall be released from the Liens created hereby, and this Agreement and all obligations (other than those expressly stated to survive such termination) of the Administrative Agent and each Grantor hereunder shall terminate, all without delivery of any instrument or performance of any act by any party, and all rights to the Collateral shall revert to the Grantors. At the request and sole expense of any Grantor following any such termination, the administrative Agent shall deliver to the Grantors any Collateral held by the Administrative Agent hereunder, and execute and deliver to the Grantors such documents as the Grantors shall reasonably request to evidence such termination.

(b) If any of the Collateral shall be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of by any Grantor in a transaction permitted by the Credit Agreement, then the Administrative Agent, at the request and sole expense of such Grantor, shall execute and deliver to such Grantor all releases or other documents reasonably necessary or desirable for the release of the Liens created hereby on such Collateral. At the request and sole expense of Akom, a Subsidiary Guarantor shall be released from its obligations hereunder in the event that all the equity interests of such Subsidiary Guarantor shall be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of in a transaction

permitted by the Credit Agreement; provided that Akorn shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent, with reasonable notice prior to the date of the proposed release, a written request for release identifying the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor and the terms of the sale or other disposition in reasonable detail, including the price thereof and any expenses in connection therewith, together with a certification by the Companies stating that such transaction is in compliance with the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

8.18 Obligations and Liens Absolute and Unconditional. Each Grantor understands and agrees that the obligations of each Grantor under this Agreement shall be construed as a continuing, absolute and unconditional without regard to (a) the validity or enforceability of any Loan Document, any of the Secured Obligations or any other collateral security therefor or guaranty or right of offset with respect thereto at any time or from time to time held by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, (b) any defense, set-off or counterclaim (other than a defense of payment or performance) which may at any time be available to or be asserted by any Grantor or any other Person against the Administrative Agent or any Lender, or (c) any other circumstance whatsoever (with or without notice to or knowledge of any Grantor) which constitutes, or might be construed to constitute, an equitable or legal discharge of any Grantor for the Secured Obligations, in bankruptcy or in any other instance. When making any demand hereunder or otherwise pursuing its rights and remedies hereunder against any Grantor, the Administrative Agent or any Lender may, but shall be under no obligation to, make a similar demand on or otherwise pursue such rights and remedies as it may have against any other Grantor or any other Person or against any collateral security or guaranty for the Secured Obligations or any right of offset with respect thereto, and any failure by the Administrative Agent or any Lender to make any such demand, to pursue such other rights or remedies or to collect any payments from any other Grantor or any other Person or to realize upon any such collateral security or guaranty or to exercise any such right of offset, or any release of any other Grantor or any other Person or any such collateral security, guaranty or right of offset, shall not relieve any Grantor of any obligation or liability hereunder, and shall not impair or affect the rights and remedies, whether express, implied or available as a matter of law, of the Administrative Agent or any Lender against any Grantor. For the purposes hereof “demand” shall include the commencement and continuance of any legal proceedings.

8.19 Reinstatement. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and continue to be effective should any petition be filed by or against Grantor or any Pledged Entity for liquidation or reorganization, should Grantor or any Pledged Entity become insolvent or make an assignment for the benefit of creditors or should a receiver or trustee be appointed for all or any significant part of Grantor’s or a Pledged Entity’s assets, and shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, or any part thereof, is, pursuant to applicable law, rescinded or reduced in amount, or must otherwise be restored or returned by any obligee of the Secured Obligations, whether as a “voidable preference”, “fraudulent conveyance”, or otherwise, all as though such payment or performance had not been made. In the event that any payment, or any part thereof, is rescinded, reduced, restored or returned, the Secured Obligations shall be reinstated and deemed reduced only by such amount paid and not so rescinded, reduced, restored or returned.

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Each of the undersigned has caused this Guaranty and Collateral Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

AKORN, INC., a Louisiana corporation

By: /s/ Bernard J. Pothast
Title: CFO

AKORN (NEW JERSEY), INC.,
an Illinois corporation

By: /s/ Bernard J. Pothast
Title: CFO

By: /s/ Arthur S. Przybyl
Title: CEO

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Patrick J. O'Toole
Title: VP

Signature Page to Guaranty and Collateral Agreement

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Akorn, Inc.
Buffalo Grove, IL

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 Nos. 333-127794 and 333-138681, the Registration Statement on Form S-1 No. 333-119168, and the Registration Statement on Form S-8 No. 333-124190 of our reports dated March 7, 2007, relating to the consolidated financial statements and the effectiveness of Akorn, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

/s/ BDO Seidman, LLP

Chicago, Illinois
March 14, 2007

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, Arthur S. Przybyl, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of Akorn, 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.

Date: March 14, 2007

/s/ ARTHUR S. PRZYBYL

Arthur S. Przybyl
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

I, Jeffrey A. Whitnell, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-K of Akom, 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.

Date: March 14, 2007

/s/ JEFFREY A. WHITNELL

Jeffrey A. Whitnell
Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. 1350

In connection with the Annual Report of Akorn, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2006, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and to which this Certification is an exhibit (the "Report"), the undersigned officer of Akorn, Inc. does hereby certify, pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. 1350):

(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.

Date: March 14, 2007

/s/ ARTHUR S. PRZYBYL

Arthur S. Przybyl

Chief Executive Officer

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18 U.S.C. 1350

In connection with the Annual Report of Akorn, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2006, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and to which this Certification is an exhibit (the "Report"), the undersigned officer of Akorn, Inc. does hereby certify, pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. 1350):

(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.

Date: March 14, 2007

/s/ JEFFREY A. WHITNELL

Jeffrey A. Whitnell

Chief Financial Officer