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**Vortek Surgical Announces Canadian Marketing Agreement
for Colonoscopy Draping Product**

Indianapolis, IN (April 21, 2008) – Vortek Surgical announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Valumed Professional Products, LTD (www.Valuemed.ca) to market and distribute the ENDODRAPE™ Colonoscopy Draping System in Canada. The announcement follows a recent similar agreement with New Zealand-based Endoventure, LTD. that will co-market and distribute the ENDODRAPE™ systems in New Zealand.

The ENDODRAPE™ is a practical, effective solution to the risks of environmental contamination and cross transmission during Colonoscopy procedures. The disposable product establishes a comprehensive Zone of Protection to guard patients, staff, and equipment from exposure to bacteria and contamination during colonoscopies. It also saves time and money by improving procedural efficiency, reducing procedure room turn times and decreasing the risk of contamination spread to patients and staff in the recovery area and throughout the facility.

Both parties look forward to making the ENDODRAPE™ available in the Canadian market. Valumed representative Candi Johnson, states, “Valumed is excited to bring this unique product to the Canadian marketplace. The ENDODRAPE™ is an excellent addition to our current offering, enhancing our focus of infection prevention and efficiency related products.” Phil Daniels, Vortek’s Marketing Director, shares her anticipation. “It’s an exciting time for the ENDODRAPE™ Brand team. We’re eager to work with international partners to strengthen the education and availability of our Colonoscopy Draping System. This partnership further helps healthcare facilities to take a proactive approach toward infection prevention.”

The partnership demonstrates the immediate and global demand for new products that address the current needs in infection control and patient care. In October of this year, Medicare will begin eliminating reimbursements to hospitals for infections acquired during the hospitalization. With many of these infections caused by bacteria originating from the GI tract, (E. coli, C. difficile, VRE, MRSA), this source of environmental contamination cannot be overlooked domestically and internationally.

About Vortek Surgical

Vortek Surgical (www.vorteksurgical.com) is a specialty medical company dedicated to the development and commercialization of innovative medical devices and surgical products. Based in Indianapolis, Vortek is committed to offering products and educational resources to advance the safe and efficient delivery of patient care in an ever-changing environment. Products include the ENDODRAPE™ Colonoscopy Draping System, which provides a cleaner, safer, and cost effective solution to infection control and time management concerns in endoscopy.

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