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Kurve Technology Secures Development Partnership with Medel

Nasal drug delivery firm partners with largest nebulizer manufacturer

BOTHELL, Wash. – September 22, 2003 – Kurve Technology, Inc. today announced the formation of a development partnership with Medel S.p.A. (Parma, Italy). Medel is the world leader in the manufacturing of aerosol therapy devices – medical devices used to deliver liquid-based drugs. The terms of the deal call for Medel to provide design services and prototype production.

Once relegated to treating topical medical conditions such as allergic rhinitis and sinusitis, nasal drug delivery is now gaining global attention for treating a wide range of topical and systemic medical conditions from migraine headaches to cardiovascular disease. Nasal drug delivery offers the advantages of painless delivery, rapid drug absorption, and potentially fewer side effects than traditional drug delivery methods.

“We are very excited about the agreement with Kurve Technology to develop this unique technology, and we are confident that this will be a great success,” stated Emilio Attolini, CEO of Medel.

Kurve’s device is the only known nasal drug delivery device that has consistently penetrated the paranasal sinuses. Preliminary clinical results indicate that Kurve’s controlled particle dispersion technology can apply liquid-based pharmaceuticals far deeper into the nasal cavity than traditional nasal drug delivery devices. Coverage of the nasal mucosa and depth of drug penetration are two important elements of effective and efficient intranasal pharmaceutical treatments.

“This is the most significant milestone for Kurve to date,” stated Marc Giroux, CEO of Kurve Technology. “Medel was our first choice in manufacturing partners and we are delighted to be working with an acknowledged leader in the design and manufacturing of aerosol drug delivery devices. “

About Medel, S.p.A.

Located near Parma, Italy, Medel has 37 years of design, development, manufacturing, and worldwide distribution experience in aerosol devices. Medel has grown to become a leader,

not only in the design and manufacture of innovative aerosol therapy devices, but in the development of a complete range of health-care products. For more information, please visit www.medel.it.

About Kurve Technology, Inc.

Founded in 2001, Kurve Technology, Inc. designs and develops nasal drug delivery devices. Poised to be a leader in the growing nasal drug delivery market, Kurve offers pharmaceutical companies a palm-sized device and a cost-effective way to deliver drugs for both topical and systemic applications. Kurve's device is the only known nasal drug delivery device that has consistently penetrated the paranasal sinuses. Preliminary clinical results indicate that Kurve's controlled particle dispersion technology can apply liquid-based pharmaceuticals far deeper into the nasal cavity than traditional nasal drug delivery devices. Clinical trials are underway at Oregon Health Sciences University (Portland, OR) and other leading medical institutions. For more information, please visit www.kurve.com.

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