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### **ACQUISITION OF ZDRAVNIK PHARMACY CHAIN**

JUNE 27, 2007, MOSCOW – Pharmacy Chain 36.6 [MICEX: RU14APTK1007; RTS: APTK] announces the completion of acquisition of Zdravnik pharmacy chain in the city of Yekaterinburg.

Zdravnik pharmacy chain is the largest in the Sverdlovsk region. The revenues of Zdravnik totaled USD 23.4 million in 2006. The chain includes 48 pharmacies, with 37 situated in the city of Yekaterinburg. The average floor space of the pharmacies is 105 square meters and the trading footprint is 60 square meters.

Zdravnik pharmacy chain is currently undergoing the internal audit and the integration program. Following completion of the audit a decision will be made regarding re-branding and reformatting of the acquired pharmacies.

Financial details of the acquisition are not disclosed.

*Sergey Krivosheev, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Pharmacy Chain 36.6:*

“The development strategy for Pharmacy Chain 36.6 includes acquisition of regional players and increasing the Company’s market share on the Russian retail pharmacy market. Today we have already substantially solidified our position in the Middle Urals region – one of the most attractive and dynamically developing regions of the country. Now modern pharmacy technology, new products and high service standards will become available to an even larger number of consumers.”

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*Notes to the Editor:*

*Pharmacy Chain 36.6 is the first public national health and beauty retailer listed in the "B"-list on RTS (ticker: APTK) and off-list on MICEX (ticker: RU14APTK1007). Market capitalisation as of 26.06.07 was USD 716 million based on RTS share prices.*

*As of April 1, 2007 Company operates 854 stores in 26 regions and 80 cities in Russia.*

*OAO Veropharm, the Company's generics subsidiary, is one of Russia's top five manufacturers (according to Pharmexpert research). Veropharm's shares are traded in the "B"-list on RTS (ticker: VRPH) and off-list on MICEX (ticker: VRFM). Market capitalisation as of 26.06.07 was USD 426 million based on RTS share prices.*

*ZAO Apteki 36.6 is one of the founding members of the Russian Association of Pharmacy Chains (RAPC).*

*Pharmacy Chain 36.6 is a participating member of the international retailers' organizations – NRF and NACDS.*

*Pharmacy Chain 36.6 employs over 11.000 people.*

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