



FDA Accepts Nuvo's Resubmission For Pennsaid®
-Provides Nuvo with PDUFA date of August 5, 2009-

Mississauga, Ontario, Canada – February 19, 2009 - Nuvo Research Inc. (TSX: NRI), a Canadian drug development company focused on the research and development of drug products delivered to and through the skin using its topical and transdermal drug delivery technologies, today announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has accepted Nuvo's resubmission of its application for FDA approval to market Pennsaid in the U.S. as a complete response to the FDA's December 28, 2006 Approvable Letter. The FDA has indicated that it intends to advise Nuvo of its decision regarding Pennsaid approvability by August 5, 2009 (the "PDUFA Date") under the Prescription Drug User Fee Act.

Pennsaid, a topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID), is currently marketed in Canada and several European countries to treat the pain and symptoms associated with osteoarthritis.

"We are now less than six months away from the anticipated approval of Pennsaid in the U.S.," said Dr. Henrich Guntermann, President and CEO of Nuvo Research. "We are extremely optimistic about Pennsaid's potential for approval and are continuing discussions with potential U.S. licensing partners."

About Pennsaid

Pennsaid is a topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug used for the treatment of osteoarthritis. Pennsaid allows the active ingredient, diclofenac, to be delivered to a specific site via the surface of the skin and thus limits complications associated with systemic delivery. According to published clinical trials, Pennsaid is as effective as the maximum daily dose of comparable oral medication at relieving pain and stiffness associated with osteoarthritis of the knee, as well as improving overall well-being. There are more than 27 million Americans suffering from osteoarthritis, a very painful and debilitating condition, and the United States market for this condition is estimated at US\$4 billion annually.

About Nuvo Research Inc.

Nuvo is focused on the research and development of drug products delivered to and through the skin using its topical and transdermal drug delivery technologies. Nuvo's lead product is Pennsaid, a topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug used for the treatment of osteoarthritis. Nuvo intends to leverage its skin-penetrating technologies to create a portfolio of topical and transdermal products targeting a variety of indications.

Nuvo Research Inc. is a publicly traded, Canadian pharmaceutical company headquartered in Mississauga, Ontario, with manufacturing facilities in Varennes, Québec and Wanzleben, Germany and a research and development Center in San Diego, California. For more information, please visit www.nuvoresearch.com.

These forward-looking statements, by their nature, necessarily involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. The Company considers the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based to be reasonable at the time they were prepared, but caution that these assumptions regarding future events, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, may ultimately prove to be incorrect. Factors and risks, which could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations, are discussed in the annual report, as well as in the Company's Annual

Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2007. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether a result of new information or future events, except as required by law. For additional information on risks and uncertainties relating to these forward-looking statements, investors should consult the Company's ongoing quarterly filings, annual report and Annual Information Form and other filings found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

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