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Vycor Medical appoints Steven Girgenti to Board of Directors

Bohemia, NY- Dec 08, 2008 Vycor Medical, Inc. today announced that Steven Girgenti was appointed to Vycor Medical's Board of Directors. Steven is also Chairman of Ogilvy Healthworld, a major healthcare communications company and CEO, President and Co Founder of DermWorx.

“Steve brings us significant experience as a chief executive and marketing executive in the healthcare field and we look forward to benefiting from his insights and experience as a member of Vycor's board,” said Kenneth C. Coviello, Vycor's CEO. “Steve's track record of building major companies, experience in acquisitions, and his entrepreneurial spirit will help Vycor as it grows over the coming years. We look forward to working with him”

“What excites me and the reason why I am involved with Vycor is its novel products and expertise and how we can make a meaningful difference to the lives of so many patients needing neurosurgery”, Girgenti commented.

Steven Girgenti is President, CEO, Director and Co-Founder DermWorx, a specialty pharmaceutical company dedicated to solutions for dermatological conditions. Steve is also the Worldwide Chairman of Ogilvy Healthworld, a leading global healthcare communications network with 55 offices in 36 countries. The network has more than 1,000 brand assignments from nearly 200 clients worldwide, providing strategic marketing and communications services to many of the world's leading healthcare companies. Mr. Girgenti founded Healthworld in 1986 and, under his leadership, the company has made numerous acquisitions to expand and diversify the business. Healthworld went public in 1997. In 1998, and again in 1999, Business Week named Healthworld one of the Best Small Corporations in America. In 1999, Forbes listed Healthworld as one of the 200 Best Small Companies. In 2003, Healthworld was acquired for \$225 million. It is now owned by WPP, one of the largest communications firms in the world.

Mr. Girgenti was recognized as "Entrepreneur of the Year" by NASDAQ in 1999, and was named Med Ad News' first "Medical Advertising Man of the Year" in 2000. In addition to Vycor Medical, Mr. Girgenti has served as a director of Burren Pharmaceuticals and Pharmacon International, and is currently a director of AVTV Networks. He is also Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors for the Mt. Sinai Hospital Prostate Disease and Research Center in New York City, and is on the Board of Directors for Jack Martin Fund, a Mt. Sinai Hospital affiliated charitable organization devoted to pediatric oncology research.

He graduated from Columbia University and has worked in the pharmaceutical industry since 1968 for companies such as Bristol-Myers Squibb, Carter Wallace and DuPont, as well as advertising agencies that specialize in healthcare. During his career, Steve has held positions in marketing research, product management, new product planning and commercial development.

Vycor Medical is a medical device company specializing in products for brain and spinal surgery. Vycor first product line is the VBAS (ViewSite Brain Access System) which is a unique new approach to brain retraction which the company believes will offer major benefits to both surgeons and patients. Vycor Medical is an ISO certified manufacturer. (www.vycormedical.com)

