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NUCO2 AND MR. GATTI'S PIZZA ENTER INTO MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT

STUART, FLORIDA, May 11, 2006 – NuCO2 Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCO), the largest supplier in the U.S. of bulk CO2 systems and services for carbonating fountain beverages, announced the signing of a master service agreement with Austin, Texas headquartered Mr. Gatti's Pizza Inc., a chain of about 140 restaurants in nine states operating as Mr. Gatti's, GattiTown and GattiLand. All but 28 stores are franchised.

“With the steady growth we are achieving, we're very pleased to enter into this master service agreement with NuCO2,” said Mr. Gatti's Don Satchwell, vice president supply chain and logistics. “It will provide our restaurants with quality beverage grade CO2 and assure us of prompt service. We have designated NuCO2, which already services all our company-owned units, as the preferred supplier to our franchisees.”

“We are pleased to have earned this designation with the Mr. Gatti's chain of restaurants. Just as Mr. Gatti's works to provide great value and service to its customers every day, we work hard to deliver our performance promise of the highest quality beverage grade CO2 and superior customer service to Mr. Gatti's and all the great foodservice customers we serve,” said Jack Wilson, Chief Customer Officer of NuCO2.

About Mr. Gatti's

Purchased by Blue Sage Capital in 2004, the Austin-based company ranks among the top 25 U.S. pizza chains by sales, according to Pizza Marketing Quarterly's 2005 report. Mr. Gatti's, LP is committed to offering its drive-in, pickup and delivery customers the freshest, best-tasting food at each of its 140 Gatti's Pizza or GattiTown locations. The Gatti's Pizza dining concept serves up wholesome food and entertainment in a fun, family-friendly environment. For more information on Gatti's Pizza, visit www.mrgattis.com.

About NuCO2

NuCO2 Inc. is the leading and only national provider of bulk CO2 products and services to the U.S. fountain beverage industry. With service locations within reach of virtually all of the fountain beverage users in the Continental U.S., NuCO2's experienced professionals comprise the largest network of sales and support specialists in the industry serving national restaurant chains, convenience stores, theme parks and sports and entertainment complexes, among others. NuCO2's revenues are largely derived from the installation, maintenance and rental of bulk CO2 systems and delivery of beverage grade CO2, which are increasingly replacing high pressure CO2, until now the traditional method for carbonating fountain beverages. The technology offers consistent quality, greater ease of operation, and heightened efficiency and safety utilizing permanently installed on-site cryogenic storage tanks. NuCO2 provides systems and services that allow its customers to spend more time serving their customers. Visit the Company's website at www.nuco2.com.

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