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**NUCO2 ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF BULK CO2 BUSINESS  
FROM COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES FOR APPROXIMATELY \$5 MILLION**

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**Purchase Adds Almost 3,100 Accounts in 18 States to Existing Infrastructure**

STUART, FLORIDA, June 29, 2006 -- NuCO2 Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCO), the largest supplier in the U.S. of bulk CO2 systems and services for carbonating fountain beverages, today announced, effective June 30, 2006, the acquisition of approximately 3,100 bulk CO2 customers and related bulk CO2 assets in 18 States in the Southwest and Midwest, as well as parts of the Southeast, from Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CCE) for approximately \$5 million. The transaction with Coca-Cola Enterprises represents substantially all of the balance of Coca-Cola Enterprises' bulk CO2 beverage carbonation business in the 48 contiguous States.

NuCO2 said that the new accounts will be served through existing depots, and that the new customers are expected to integrate easily into existing route structures.

“This acquisition represents an exceptionally neat fit for our Company, requiring minimal added costs to fully and efficiently integrate the new accounts into our existing infrastructure,” said Michael E. DeDomenico, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of NuCO2. “It is in line with our Company’s growth model, which calls for expanding market share both organically and via strategic purchases of existing fountain beverage CO2 businesses, and will provide our Company a stronger growth position in what remains a far from fully developed market for bulk CO2 beverage carbonation.”

NuCO2 said it anticipates that the acquisition, which is expected to generate sales of approximately \$3.1 million annually, will be accretive to gross margin and net income. Funding was from internal sources and an existing bank credit facility.

“This is an important, strategic acquisition that strengthens our existing sales, marketing, and operations activities in markets where we see considerable opportunity for growth,” said Jack Wilson, Chief Customer Officer of NuCO2. “In addition, it will contribute to improved customer density, even greater customer service levels, and increased operating efficiency in these markets.”

## 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 NuCO2's website at [www.nuco2.com](http://www.nuco2.com).

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