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**ANTITRUST APPROVAL RECEIVED FOR ACQUISITION OF ANIMAS CORPORATION BY
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West Chester, PA, January 24, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) Animas Corporation (Nasdaq: PUMP) announced today that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 has expired with respect to the previously-announced merger agreement between Animas, Johnson & Johnson and Emerald Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson. The expiration of the waiting period satisfies a closing condition of the proposed transaction. In addition, Animas Corporation filed its definitive proxy statement regarding the merger today.

The proposed transaction remains subject to other customary closing conditions, including approval of the transaction by Animas Corporation's stockholders and clearance by Austrian antitrust authorities. The proposed transaction is expected to close as promptly as possible after Animas Corporation's special meeting of stockholders, which is scheduled for February 17, 2006.

About Animas Corporation

Animas Corporation, a leading maker of insulin infusion pumps and related products, is dedicated to improving diabetes management and making insulin pump therapy easier for patients with insulin requiring diabetes and healthcare professionals through product innovation, exemplary customer support and superior customer education. For more information on Animas, visit www.animascorp.com or call Animas Corporation at 877-937-7867.

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Additional Information and Where to Find It:

This material is not a substitute for the proxy statement Animas Corporation has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is currently mailing to stockholders. You are urged to read the proxy statement, because it contains important information. The proxy statement and other documents filed by Animas with the SEC, are available free of charge at the SEC's website, www.sec.gov, or by visiting Animas' website at www.animascorp.com.

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