



BioDelivery Sciences Announces Notice of Allowance of Patent Strengthening Patent Protection on BELBUCA® to 2032

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RALEIGH, N.C., Dec. 18, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- BioDelivery Sciences International, Inc. (NASDAQ:BDSI) announced that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has issued a Notice of Allowance of BDSI's patent application, that once formally granted, will be Orange Book listed and will extend the exclusivity of BELBUCA® (buprenorphine) buccal film from July 2027 to December 2032. The patent (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 13/724,959) covers the method of using BioErodible MucoAdhesive (BEMA®) for the treatment of chronic pain.

"We are pleased the Patent Office has allowed this important patent covering BELBUCA," said Dr. Mark A. Sirgo, Vice Chairman, President and CEO of BDSI. "Beyond the significant growth we have seen with BELBUCA in 2017, this patent provides a substantial length of time for BELBUCA to continue to grow and become well established in the market."

About BioDelivery Sciences International

BioDelivery Sciences International, Inc. (NASDAQ:BDSI) is a specialty pharmaceutical company with a focus in the areas of pain management and addiction medicine. BDSI is utilizing its novel and proprietary BioErodible MucoAdhesive (BEMA®) technology and other drug delivery technologies to develop and commercialize, either on its own or in partnership with third parties, new applications of proven therapies aimed at addressing important unmet medical needs.

BDSI's marketed products and those in development address serious and debilitating conditions such as breakthrough cancer pain, chronic pain and opioid dependence. BDSI's headquarters is in Raleigh, North Carolina.

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