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**VentriPoint Diagnostics Ltd. Secures \$1 Million
Bridge Loan to Support Beta Trials**

SEATTLE, Oct. 20, 2008 – VentriPoint Diagnostics Ltd. (TSX Venture: VPT) announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary, VentriPoint, Inc., has secured a \$1,000,000 (USD) one-year term loan from Joseph Ashley, VentriPoint president and CEO.

Proceeds from the loan will be used in part to support the beta trials of the VentriPoint Diagnostic System, which commenced this past week. Funds will provide the Company with working capital to finance the expansion of the beta trials into three other key sites, two in the U.S. and one in Europe, and to prepare for commercialization.

“We are optimistic that we will receive the necessary regulatory clearance to proceed with commercialization of the VentriPoint Diagnostic System in Canada and Europe in January 2009,” said Ashley. “We look forward to the months ahead as we advance toward the introduction of this break through technology that will generate accurate heart measurements in a rapid, cost effective manner that is not currently available.”

Interest on the loan will accrue at eight percent per annum, deferred to loan maturity on October 20, 2009. Optional conversion into subsequent offerings, contingent early retirement provisions and general terms and conditions are subject to requisite TSX Venture Exchange approval.

“This loan from Mr. Ashley represents a significant vote of confidence in VentriPoint’s position. We are pleased with the reasonable and competitive terms of the loan given the current market conditions,” said Ed Garth, chief financial officer. “This working capital will allow us to expand our beta trials in preparation of the planned January 2009 launch of the VentriPoint Diagnostic System.”

About VentriPoint Diagnostics

VentriPoint creates diagnostic tools to monitor patients with heart disease – the number one cause of death in developed countries. By using images produced from existing medical imaging systems, the VentriPoint Diagnostic System generates accurate heart measurements in a rapid

and inexpensive manner not currently available. This breakthrough diagnostic tool is based upon patented technology received by VentriPoint through its exclusive technology license with the University of Washington. The VentriPoint Diagnostic System, together with its associated online service, is being developed for a variety of heart related disease states, including congenital heart disease.

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