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Rotech Healthcare Announces Appointment of Chief Development Officer

ORLANDO, FLA. – November 8, 2004 – Rotech Healthcare Inc. today announced the appointment of Jeff Freedman as Chief Development Officer. Jeff will be responsible for business acquisitions as well as establishing new branches for Rotech Healthcare.

Prior to joining Rotech, Jeff was Vice President of Acquisitions for Apria Healthcare, where he contributed significantly to their acquisition program over a two and a half year period.

Jeff also worked for Lincare for three years as part of their acquisition group.

Philip L. Carter, President and Chief Executive Officer commented, “as Rotech emerges from the operational turnaround, revenue growth is a key strategic priority for 2005 and beyond.”

Jeff’s knowledge and reputation in the acquisition market is well known and is expected to provide a meaningful contribution to future growth.

About Rotech Healthcare

Rotech Healthcare Inc. is a leading provider of home respiratory care and durable medical equipment and services to patients with breathing disorders such as chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD). The Company provides its equipment and services in 48 states through over 500 operating centers, located principally in non-urban markets. Rotech’s local operating centers ensure that patients receive individualized care, while its nationwide coverage allows the Company to benefit from significant operating efficiencies.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this press release may contain forward-looking statements as contemplated by the 1995 Private Securities Litigation Reform Act that are based on management’s current expectations, estimates and projections. Words such as “expects,”

“anticipates,” “intends,” “plans,” “believes,” “estimates,” variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to known, and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected or implied in the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, include but are not limited to, the risks, uncertainties and assumptions associated with: changes in reimbursement policies and other legislative initiatives aimed at reducing healthcare costs associated with Medicare and Medicaid; the collectibility of the Company’s accounts receivable; changes in government regulation generally; compliance with various settlement agreements and corporate compliance programs established by the Company; the Company’s emergence from bankruptcy and its spin-off from its former parent company; compliance with confidentiality requirements with respect to patient information; and other factors. Rotech Healthcare Inc. does not undertake any obligation to publicly release any revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.