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**Home Diagnostics, Inc. introduces SIDEKICK™,
The World's Smallest Diabetes Testing System**

June 6th, 2005 – Fort Lauderdale, FL – Home Diagnostics, Inc., a leading U.S. manufacturer and marketer of blood glucose monitoring systems, today announced the *launch of the Sidekick™, an all-in-one blood glucose testing system that combines a vial of 50 test strips with the world's smallest blood glucose monitor built right on top.

"Sidekick™ exemplifies Home Diagnostics' ability to lead through innovation, and demonstrates our unique capacity for progressive thinking which provides our customers with long-term solutions for managing their diabetes while reducing the costs of healthcare," stated J. Richard Damron, President and Chief Executive Officer of Home Diagnostics, Inc.

Sidekick™ signifies an evolution of the integrated systems testing segment which combines blood glucose monitors and test strips into one device. Key Product Features include:

- No Coding
- 1 Microliter Blood Sample
- Test results in Less than 10 seconds
- Option of Forearm or Fingertip testing

"The Sidekick™ System reverses the traditional design approach of today's manufacturers of integrated systems says Lance Perkins, Vice President of Marketing for Home Diagnostics, Inc. Whereas all other manufacturers developed integrated systems based upon a concept of fitting test strips into a blood glucose monitor, we've developed a diabetes testing system that executes a much simpler design approach by attaching the world's smallest blood glucose monitor to the top of a vial of test strips," added Perkins.

"Healthcare professionals often recommend meters based on performance, affordability and ease-of-use." said Teri Sasse, RN, MS, Director of Professional Marketing for Home Diagnostics, Inc. Sidekick's™ no-coding feature will help ensure that patients conduct error-free, accurate testing and it will be available for a fraction of the price of what it would cost to purchase most meters and strips sold separately," added Sasse.

Testing with the Sidekick™ is done in two easy steps. Simply remove a test strip from the vial, insert it into the meter on top, and test. After the final test, simply dispose of the whole unit.

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“Sidekick™ offers retailers an opportunity to bolster their diabetes category, build their own store brand and provide their customers with some of the most progressive technology available in blood glucose testing, stated Gregg Johnson, Vice President of Consumer Healthcare for Home Diagnostics, Inc. The product will ship this summer and we will make every effort to fill the pipeline of new orders as quickly as possible.”

About Home Diagnostics, Inc.

Home Diagnostics, Inc. of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. is a diagnostics company dedicated to developing self-testing equipment to improve diabetes management at the best value to consumers while taking costs out of the healthcare system.

* The Sidekick™ Testing System is currently awaiting FDA approval.