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Thursday, July 20, 2006

**NOTICE OF CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST
SECOND QUARTER 2006 FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR ANGIOTECH PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

VANCOUVER, BC, July 20, 2006 – Angiotech Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: ANPI, TSX: ANP), a global specialty pharmaceutical and medical device company, will host a conference call discussing its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2006.

Thursday, August 3, 2006 at 11:00 AM (EDT)
(8:00 AM Pacific, 9:00 AM Mountain, 10:00 AM Central)

Dial information is as follows:

North America (toll-free): 1-866-314-4483
International: 1-617-213-8049
Enter passcode: 78153412

A live webcast will be available to all interested parties through Angiotech's website at www.angiotech.com under the Investor Relations section.

A press release announcing Angiotech's financial results will be issued prior to the conference call at approximately 8:00 AM EDT (5:00 AM Pacific, 6:00 AM Mountain, 7:00 AM Central).

A replay archive of the conference call will be available until August 10, 2006.

Replay archive information is as follows:

North America: 1-888-286-8010
International: 1-617-801-6888
Enter passcode: 57578072

About Angiotech Pharmaceuticals

Angiotech Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a global specialty pharmaceutical and medical device company with 14 facilities in 6 countries and over 1,500 dedicated employees. Angiotech discovers, develops and markets innovative treatment solutions for diseases or complications associated with medical device implants, surgical interventions and acute injury. To find out more about Angiotech Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: ANPI, TSX: ANP), please visit our website at www.angiotech.com.

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