

PHARMION CORP  
Form S-8  
September 14, 2007

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As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 14, 2007

Registration No. 333-\_\_\_\_\_

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933  
PHARMION CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**84-1521333**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

2525 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Boulder, Colorado 80301  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**Pharmion Corporation 2000 Stock Incentive Plan  
Pharmion Corporation 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan  
(Full title of the plans)**

Patrick J. Mahaffy  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Pharmion Corporation  
2525 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Boulder, Colorado 80301  
(720) 564-9100  
(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

*Copies to*  
Peter H. Jakes, Esq.  
Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP  
787 Seventh Avenue  
New York, NY 10019  
(212) 728-8000

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered (1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price (2)	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	1,100,000	\$ 40.94	\$ 45,034,000	\$ 1,382.54

- (1) This Registration Statement covers 1,000,000 shares of the common stock of Pharmion Corporation, \$0.001 par value per share (the Common Stock ), issuable pursuant to the Pharmion Corporation 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and 100,000 shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to the Pharmion Corporation 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan (collectively, the Plans ). In addition, this Registration Statement covers an indeterminable number of additional shares of Common Stock as may hereafter be offered or issued pursuant to the Plans, to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions effected without

receipt of  
consideration  
and pursuant to  
Rule 416(c)  
under the  
Securities Act  
of 1933, as  
amended (the  
Securities Act ).

- (2) Estimated solely  
for the purpose  
of calculating  
the registration  
fee pursuant to  
Rule 457(h)  
under the  
Securities Act  
based on the  
average of the  
high and low  
reported sales  
price per share  
of our common  
stock on  
September 11,  
2007, as  
reported on the  
Nasdaq Global  
Market.
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**Explanatory Note**

This Registration Statement on Form S-8, which incorporates by reference the Registrant's previous Registration Statements on Form S-8 (File No. 333-130200, File No. 333-122474 and File No. 333-111158), is being filed by the Registrant solely to register additional securities issuable pursuant to its 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan. Accordingly, this Registration Statement consists only of those items required by General Instruction E to Form S-8.

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PART II  
INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference

The following documents, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) by Pharmion Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Company), are incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement:

(a) The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, filed pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act);

(b) The Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2007 and June 30, 2007, filed pursuant to the Exchange Act;

(c) The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed on February 9, 2007, May 16, 2007, May 31, 2007, June 4, 2007 and August 21, 2007, respectively, pursuant to the Exchange Act;

(d) The Company's Registration Statements on Form S-8, Registration No. 333-130200 filed on December 8, 2005, Registration No. 333-122474 filed on February 2, 2005 and Registration No. 333-11158 filed on December 12, 2003, pursuant to the Exchange Act; and

(e) The description of the Common Stock, which is incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A12G, filed on October 30, 2003, pursuant to the Exchange Act, and contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, under the caption DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK, Registration No. 333-142567, filed on May 2, 2007, pursuant to the Securities Act.

In addition, all documents filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all the securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents with the Commission. Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes hereof to the extent that a statement contained herein (or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated by reference herein) modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed to constitute a part hereof except as so modified or superseded.

Item 8. Exhibits

Exhibit No.

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| 5.1  | Opinion of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP with respect to the legality of the securities to be issued pursuant to the Plans. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.  |
| 23.2 | Consent of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).  |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney (reference is made to the signature page hereto).  |
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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Company certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Boulder, Colorado, on the 14th day of September, 2007.

Pharmion Corporation

By: /s/ Patrick J. Mahaffy  
 Patrick J. Mahaffy  
 President and Chief Executive Officer

Each of the undersigned officers and directors of Pharmion Corporation hereby severally constitutes and appoints Patrick J. Mahaffy and Erle T. Mast, and each of them, as the attorneys-in-fact for the undersigned, in any and all capacities, with full power of substitution, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments, exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Patrick Mahaffy	President and Chief Executive Officer; Director (Principal Executive Officer)	September 14, 2007
Patrick J. Mahaffy		
/s/ Erle T. Mast	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	September 14, 2007
Erle T. Mast		
/s/ Brian Atwood	Director	September 14, 2007
Brian Atwood		
/s/ James Blair	Director	September 14, 2007
James Blair		



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Signature	Title	Date
/s/ James Barrett	Director	September 14, 2007
James Barrett /s/ Cam L. Garner	Director	September 14, 2007
Cam L. Garner /s/ Edward J. McKinley	Director	September 14, 2007
Edward J. McKinley /s/ John C. Reed	Director	September 14, 2007
John C. Reed /s/ Thorlef Spickschen	Director	September 14, 2007
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