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### **COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR CHRIS ULLMAN DEPARTS COMMISSION FOR OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Securities and Exchange Commission Office of Public Affairs Director Chris Ullman announced today that he has left the Commission to serve as Associate Director for Communications at the U S Office of Management and Budget No successor has been named

Mr Ullman said, "It has been a great honor and privilege to serve Chairman Arthur Levitt, the Commission, and America's investors these past four years. This is a unique institution filled with wonderfully talented and dedicated people and I will miss it greatly I particularly thank the Office of Public Affairs staff for their years of support and commitment to excellence"

During his tenure at the Commission, Mr Ullman advised the Chairman and senior officials on communications matters, modernized and expanded the Commission's media outreach activities, and promoted the use of plain English in all written media materials

Prior to coming to the Commission in April 1997, Mr Ullman served in a variety of public and private sector communications positions, including press secretary for the House Budget Committee and public affairs manager at Citizens for a Sound Economy

Mr Ullman, 37, received his BA in political science from the State University of New York at Binghamton (Press Rel 2001-19)

### **COMMISSION MEETINGS**

## CLOSED MEETING - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2001 - 11:00 A.M.

The subject matter of the closed meeting will be Institution and settlement of injunctive actions, and Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact. The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

# UNDERSTANDING REGARDING AN APPLICATION OF EUROCLEAR BANK FOR AN EXEMPTION UNDER U.S. FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS

The U.S. Securities and Exhange Commission (SEC), and the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission entered into an Understanding Regarding an Application of Euroclear Bank for an exemption under U.S. Federal Securities Laws The Understanding establishes a framework to facilitate the provision of information by Euroclear Bank to the SEC in connection with the SEC's granting to Euroclear Bank an exemption from registration as a clearing agency under Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (International Series Rel 1247)

#### ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

#### SEC SETTLES FRAUD CHARGES AGAINST SEATTLE SOFTWARE FIRM

On February 5, the Commission settled cease and desist proceedings previously instituted against Secure Sign, Inc, of Mountlake Terrace, Washington (Secure Sign or the Company)

The Commission instituted proceedings against Secure Sign in September 2000, alleging that the Company – then known as YourBankOnline com, and previously as Consolidated Data, Inc – fraudulently inflated the value of its assets in public statements and Commission filings – According to the staff, the Company issued a press release in March 1999 claiming to have purchased the rights to an Internet banking software program for \$10 million in cash and stock – This press release, which was followed by additional Company statements touting the software program, caused YourBankOnline's stock price to jump from less than \$1 to \$32 over a two-week period

As alleged in the Order, the March 1999 press release greatly overstated the value of the software and misrepresented YourBankOnline's financial strength. The Company (which had less than \$200 in cash at the time) had no ability to make any substantial cash payments to acquire the software. In addition, the staff alleges, the Company stock exchanged for the software was worth far less than \$10 million. Moreover, the \$10 million value was unreasonable in light of the fact that the same software had been purchased for approximately \$400,000 in a separate transaction just a few months earlier.

The staff further alleges that the Company also fraudulently inflated the value of the software in financial statements filed with the Commission in August 1999

In the Order announced today, the Commission found that Secure Sign violated Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder, and ordered the Company to cease and desist from committing or causing violations of those provisions. The Commission accepted an offer of settlement submitted by Secure Sign in which the Company, without admitting or denying the Commission's findings, agreed to the entry of the Order.

The proceedings previously instituted by the Commission against the Company's former president, Pakie Plastino, and outside auditor, William L Butcher, remain pending (Rel 34-43923, AAE Rel 1366, File No 3-10313)

# INJUNCTIVE ACTION FILED AGAINST THREE FORMER OFFICERS OF TRANSCRYPT INTERNATIONAL, INC.

On February 5, the Commission filed an injunctive action against Jeffrey L. Fuller, Rebecca L. Schultz, and C. Eric Baumann, all of whom are former officers of Transcrypt International, Inc. (Transcrypt), a company headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska, for their involvement in Transcrypt's dissemination of false financial information in press releases and Commission filings in 1996 and 1997. As a part of this financial fraud, it alleges that Fuller (Transcrypt's former CEO and president) and Schultz (Transcrypt's former treasurer) wrongfully approved recognition of revenue on various transactions and disregarded "red flags" signaling Transcrypt's improper accounting. The Commission also claims that Fuller, Schultz, and Baumann (Transcrypt's former vice president of sales) misrepresented or omitted important information in their communications with Transcrypt's auditors or internal accountants.

Fuller and Schultz consented to the entry of a permanent injunction prohibiting them from future violations of various antifraud and recordkeeping provisions of the securities laws. Each of the defendants consented to a permanent injunction prohibiting them from future violations of Rule 13b2-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Fuller and Schultz also agreed to pay disgorgement of \$100,000 and \$49, 120, respectively, based on their sales of stock in Transcrypt's October 1997 second offering and bonuses related to Transcrypt's performance. The Commission waived collection of additional amounts because of their financial inability to pay. Baumann consented to pay a civil penalty of \$25,000 for his unlawful acts. Transcrypt previously consented to a cease and desist order prohibiting it from future violations of various antifraud and recordkeeping provisions of the securities laws which the Commission claimed it violated [SEC v. Jeffrey L. Fuller, Rebecca L. Schultz, and C. Eric Baumann, No. 4.01CV3021, D. Neb.] (LR-16887, AAE Rel. 1367)

### **SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS**

#### ACCELERATED APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

The Commission granted accelerated approval to a proposed rule change submitted by the <u>Philadelphia Stock Exchange</u> (SR-Phlx-00-107) regarding the listing and trading of options on Exchange-Traded Fund Shares. Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5 (Rel 34-43921)

#### PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

The <u>International Securities Exchange</u> filed a proposed rule change (SR-ISE-00-22) amending its rules regarding the financial requirements for market makers. Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5. (Rel. 34-43922)

The <u>National Association of Securities Dealers</u> filed a proposed rule change (SR-NASD-00-77) relating to registration requirements for financial and operations principals. Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5. (Rel. 34-43928)

#### IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVENESS OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

A proposed rule change filed by the <u>Chicago Stock Exchange</u> relating to membership dues and fees (SR-CHX-01-04) has become effective under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5 (Rel 34-43924)

A proposed rule change filed by the <u>Boston Stock Exchange</u> regarding the listing and trading of an Exchange-Traded Fund based on the S&P Global 100 Index (SR-BSE-00-21) has become effective under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5 (Rel 34-43926)

A proposed rule change filed by the <u>Philadelphia Stock Exchange</u> relating to an interpretation of Phlx Rule 237 governing the eVWAP Morning Session (SR-Phlx-01-07) has become effective under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Publication of the proposal is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of February 5 (Rel. 34-43927)

#### SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

The following registration statements have been filed with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933. The reported information appears as follows: Form, Name, Address and Phone Number (if available) of the issuer of the security, Title and the number and/or face amount of the securities being offered, Name of the managing underwriter or depositor (if

applicable), File number and date filed, Assigned Branch, and a designation if the statement is a New Issue.

- F-3 GLOBAL LIGHT TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC, 1033 999 WEST HASTINGS ST, VANCOUVER BC CANADA, A1 5,900,020 (\$33,187,612.50) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK.
  - (FILE 333-13098 JAN. 24) (BR. 7)
- 5-8 ROYAL BANK OF CANADA \, P O BOX 1, ROYAL BANK PLAZA, TORONTO, A6
- (416) 974-5151 4,521,587 (\$155,000,002.36) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK.

(FILE 333-13112 - JAN. 26) (BR. 7)

- S-8 AVENTIS, 25 QUAI PAUL DOUMER, 92408 COURBEVOIE CEDEX, FRANCE, IO (331) 476-8123 4,500,000 (\$330,750,000) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-13118 JAN. 29) (BR. 2)
- S-8 RESONATE INC, 385 MOFFET PARK DR, STE 205, SUNNYVALE, CA 94089 (408) 548-5500 1,408,500 (\$7,614,704) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54572
  - JAN. 30) (BR. 3)
- S-8 RESONATE INC, 385 MOFFET PARK DR, STE 205, SUNNYVALE, CA 94089 (408) 548-5500 2,055,157 (\$11,110,692.54) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54574
- JAN. 30) (BR. 3)
- S-8 GLOBAL TELEMEDIA INTERNATIONAL INC, 4675 MACARTHUR CT, STE 420, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 (949) 253-7588 75,000 (\$30,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54578 JAN. 30) (BR. 7)
- S-8 METEOR INDUSTRIES INC, 216 16TH ST STE 730, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 572-1135 428,034 (\$1,829,845) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54582 JAN. 30) (BR. 2)
- S-8 METEOR INDUSTRIES INC, 216 16TH ST STE 730, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 572-1135 - 2,394,134 (\$8,276,521) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54584 JAN. 30) (BR. 2)
- S-3 ONEOK INC /NEW/, 100 WEST 5TH ST, TULSA, OK 74103 (918) 588-7000 3,000,000 (\$138,180,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54586 JAN. 30) (BR. 2)
  - S-8 INNOVATIVE MEDICAL SERVICES, 1725 GILLESPIE WAY, STE H, EL CAJON, CA 92020 (619) 596-8600 1,000,000 (\$3,875,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54588 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)

- S-8 1 800 FLOWERS COM INC, 1600 STEWART AVE, WESTBURY, NY 11590 (516) 237-6000 5,077,787 (\$27,927,828) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54590 JAN. 30) (BR. 2)
- S-8 INNOVATIVE MEDICAL SERVICES, 1725 GILLESPIE WAY, STE H, EL CAJON, CA 92020 (619) 596-8600 - 500,000 (\$1,937,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54594 - JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
  - SB-2 NET ACQUISITIONS INC, 2101 RIDGE PLAZA DRIVE, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104 (303) 525-5607 50,000 (\$250,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54596 JAN. 30) (BR. 9 NEW ISSUE)
  - S-8 INNOVATIVE MEDICAL SERVICES, 1725 GILLESPIE WAY, STE H, EL CAJON, CA 92020 (619) 596-8600 1,000,000 (\$3,875,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54598 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
- S-8 OXIS INTERNATIONAL INC, 6040 N CUTTER CIRCLE STE 317, PORTLAND, OR 97217

  (503) 283-3911 885,000 (\$525,468.75) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54600 JAN. 30) (BR. 1)
  - S-8 RAVEN MOON INTERNATIONAL INC, 120 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 220, HEATHROW, FL 32746 125,000 (\$125,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54602 JAN. 30) (BR. 9)
  - S-8 RAVEN MOON INTERNATIONAL INC, 120 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 220, HEATHROW, FL 32746 90,000 (\$90,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54604 JAN. 30) (BR. 9)
- S-8 RAVEN MOON INTERNATIONAL INC, 120 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 220, HEATHROW, FL 32746 3,000,000 (\$3,000,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54606 JAN. 30) (BR. 9)
  - S-8 SATX INC, 4710 EISENHOWER BLVD, SUITE B-2, TAMPA, FL 33634 (813) 886-6452 375,000 (\$112,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54608 JAN. 30) (BR. 9)
  - S-3 INTUIT INC, 2535 GARCIA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043 (415) 944-6000 (FILE 333-54610 JAN. 30) (BR. 3)
  - S-8 HOLLY CORP, 100 CRESCENT COURT, STE 1600, DALLAS, TX 75201 (214) 871-3555 750,000 (\$13,008,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54612 JAN. 30) (BR. 4)
- S-8 INFORMATICA CORP, 3350 W BAYSHORE RD, PALO ALTO, CA 94303 (650) 687-6200
  - 91,200 (\$2,861,400) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54614 JAN. 30) (BR. 3)
- S-3 KINDER MORGAN ENERGY PARTNERS L P, 500 DALLAS ST SUITE 1000, HOUSTON, TX
  77002 (713) 844-9500 (FILE 333-54616 JAN. 30) (BR. 4)

- S-8 EXACT CORP, 63 GREAT RD, MAYNARD, MD 01754 (978) 897-2800 2,833,496 (\$25,977,778.52) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54618 JAN. 30) (BR. 1)
- S-8 TELEDYNE TECHNOLOGIES INC, 2049 CENTURY PARK E, LOS ANGELES, CA
  90067
  - (310) 277-3311 200,000 (\$3,238,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54620 JAN. 30) (BR. 6)
- S-8 GLOBECOMM SYSTEMS INC, 375 OSER AVENUE, HAUPPAUGE, NY 11788 (516) 231-9800 919,505 (\$7,806,597.45) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54622 JAN. 30) (BR. 7)
- S-8 MEDIA GENERAL INC, 333 E GRACE ST, RICHMOND, VA 23219 (804) 649-6000 1,500,000 (\$73,455,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54624 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
- S-4 VIACOM INC, 1515 BROADWAY, 51ST FL, NEW YORK, NY 10036 (212) 258-6000 1,650,000,000 (\$1,650,000,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. (FILE 333-54626 JAN. 30) (BR. 7)
- S-8 CHIPPAC INC, 3151 CORONADO DR, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 (408) 486-5900 8,191,236 (\$44,793,255) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54628 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
- S-8 MIND CTI LTD, INDUSTRIAL PARK BLDG 7 PO BOX 144, YOQNEAM ILIY 20692 I,
  L3 00000 (011) 972-4993 2,306,000 (\$12,830,698) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54632 JAN. 30) (BR. 3)
- S-8 METRON TECHNOLOGY N V, 1350 OLD BAYSHORE HWY, #360, BURLINGAME, CA 94010

  (650) 373-1133 1,000,000 (\$5,922,089) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54634 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
  - S-8 GREENLAND CORP, 1935 AVENIDA DEL ORO, SUITE D, OCEANSIDE, CA 92056 (619) 458-4226 461,897 (\$101,617.34) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54636 JAN. 30) (BR. 7)
- S-4 AURORA BIOSCIENCES CORP, 11010 TORREYANA ROAD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 (619) -40-4663 1,900,000 (\$2,512,987) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54638 JAN. 30) (BR. 1)
- S-3 ARGO BANCORP INC /DE/, 7600 W 63RD ST, SUMMIT, IL 60501 (708) 496-6010
   1,002,448 (\$10,149,786) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54644 JAN. 30)
  (BR. 7)
  - S-8 CONEXANT SYSTEMS INC, 4311 JAMBOREE RD, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 (949) 221-4600 37,465 (\$167,468.55) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54646 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)

- S-3 AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/, 116 HUNTINGTON AVE, BOSTON, MA 02116 (617) 375-7500 1,124,479 (\$39,778,444) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54648 JAN. 30) (BR. 7)
- S-4 NISOURCE INC/DE, 801 EAST 86TH AVE, MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410 (219) 647-5200 2,650,000,000 (\$2,650,000,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. FILE 333-54650 JAN. 30) (BR. 2)
- S-8 ACTEL CORP, 955 EAST ARQUES AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94086 (408) 739-1010 172,070 (\$4,280,241.26) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54652 JAN. 30) (BR. 5)
- S-8 MARCHFIRST INC, 311 SOUTH WACKER DR, STE 3500, CHICAGO, IL 60606 (312) 922-9200 9,000,000 (\$25,734,375) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54654 JAN. 30) (BR. 8)
- SB-2 HERITAGE COLLECTION INC, 3266 YONGE STREET, SUITE 1208, TORONTO ONTARIO,

  A6 00000 (604) 913-8355 2 500 000 (825 000) COMMON STOCK (FILE

A6 00000 (604) 913-8355 - 2,500,000 (\$25,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54656 - JAN. 30) (NEW ISSUE)

SB-2 SUPERIOR NETWORKS INC, 355 BURRARD ST SUITE 1000, VANCOUVER BRITISH COLUMBIA V6C 2G8, - 2,435,000 (\$243,500) COMMON STOCK.

(FILE 333-54658 - JAN. 30) (NEW ISSUE)

- S-3 FORD CREDIT AUTO RECEIVABLES TWO LLC, ONE AMERICAN ROAD, DEARBORN, MI

  48126 (313) 594-7765 1,000,000 (\$1,000,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-54664 JAN. 31) (NEW ISSUE)
- S-1 MOBILITY ELECTRONICS INC, 7955 E REDFIELD RD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 (480) 596-0061 5,724,266 (\$16,099,498.12) COMMON STACK. (FILE 333-54666

- JAN. 31) (BR. 4)