# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION May 27, 2008

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-13045

In the Matter of

e.Spire Communications, Inc., Empire of Carolina, Inc., Genfinity Corp. NVID International, Inc., and USCI, Inc.,

Respondents.

ORDER INSTITUTING
PROCEEDINGS AND NOTICE OF
HEARING PURSUANT TO
SECTION 12(j) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF
1934

I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") deems it necessary and appropriate for the protection of investors that public administrative proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") against Respondents e.Spire Communications, Inc., Empire of Carolina, Inc., Genfinity Corp., NVID International, Inc., and USCI, Inc.

II.

After an investigation, the Division of Enforcement alleges that:

#### A. RESPONDENTS

1. e.Spire Communications, Inc. ("ESPIQ") (CIK No. 932140) is a void Delaware corporation located in Herndon, Virginia with a class of equity securities registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). ESPIQ is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2001, which reported a net loss of \$198,345,000 for the prior nine months. On March 22, 2001, ESPIQ filed a Chapter 11 petition in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The proceeding was converted to a Chapter 7 proceeding on May 16, 2006, and was still pending as of May 14, 2008. As of May 14, 2008, the common stock of ESPIQ was quoted on the Pink Sheets, had eight market makers, and was eligible for the piggyback exemption of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3). The common stock of ESPIQ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The short form of each issuer's name is also its stock symbol.

had an average daily trading volume of 12,140 shares for the six months ended March 7, 2008. The debt securities of ESPIQ are traded on the over-the-counter markets.

- 2. Empire of Carolina, Inc. ("EMPIQ") (CIK No. 312840) is a void Delaware corporation located in Delray Beach, Florida with common stock, series A preferred stock, and warrants registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). EMPIQ is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2000, which reported a net loss of \$6,340,000 for the prior nine months. On November 17, 2000, EMPIQ filed a Chapter 11 petition in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida. The proceeding was terminated on December 29, 2004. On June 29, 2001, the company and two of its subsidiaries consummated the sale of substantially all of the company's toy operations. As of May 14, 2008, the common stock of EMPIQ was quoted on the Pink Sheets, had six market makers, and was eligible for the piggyback exemption of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3). The common stock of EMPIQ had an average daily trading volume of 18,436 shares for the six months ended March 7, 2008.
- 3. Genfinity Corp. ("GFIN") (CIK No. 934330) is a void Delaware corporation located in Chapel Hill, North Carolina with common stock and class A warrants registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). GFIN is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-QSB for the period ended December 31, 2000, which reported a net loss of \$5,481,074 for the prior nine months. On April 2, 2007, GFIN was the subject of an involuntary Chapter 11 petition in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York, which was dismissed on September 18, 2007. As of May 14, 2008, the common stock of GFIN was quoted on the Pink Sheets, had six market makers, and was eligible for the piggyback exemption of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3). The common stock of GFIN had an average daily trading volume of 724 shares for the six months ended January 4, 2008.
- 4. NVID International, Inc. ("NVID") (CIK No. 1104192) is a forfeited Delaware corporation located in Clearwater, Florida with a class of equity securities registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). NVID is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-QSB for the period ended June 30, 2001, which reported a net loss of \$486,738 for the prior six months. The auditor's report accompanying the Form 10-KSB for the period ended December 31, 2000 included a "going concern" paragraph based on the company's significant operating losses. As of May 14, 2008, the common stock of NVID was quoted on the Pink Sheets, had seven market makers, and was eligible for the piggyback exemption of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3). The common stock of NVID had an average daily trading volume of 24,065 shares for the six months ended March 7, 2008.
- 5. USCI, Inc. ("USCM") (CIK No. 907069) is a Delaware corporation located in Norcross, Georgia with a class of equity securities registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). USCM is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-QSB for the period ended June 30, 2001. The auditor's report accompanying USCM's Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2000 contained a "going

concern" paragraph based on the company's recurring operating losses, accumulated deficit, and negative working capital, among other factors. As of May 14, 2008, the common stock of USCM was quoted on the Pink Sheets, had ten market makers, and was eligible for the piggyback exemption of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3). The common stock of USCM had an average daily trading volume of 24,396 shares for the six months ended March 7, 2008.

### B. DELINQUENT PERIODIC FILINGS

- 6. All of the respondents are delinquent in their periodic filings with the Commission (*see* Chart of Delinquent Filings, attached hereto as Appendix 1), have repeatedly failed to meet their obligations to file timely periodic reports, and failed to heed delinquency letters sent to them by the Division of Corporation Finance requesting compliance with their periodic filing obligations or, through their failure to maintain a valid address on file with the Commission as required by Commission rules, did not receive such letters.
- 7. Exchange Act Section 13(a) and the rules promulgated thereunder require issuers of securities registered pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12 to file with the Commission current and accurate information in periodic reports, even if the registration is voluntary under Section 12(g). Specifically, Rule 13a-1 requires issuers to file annual reports (Forms 10-K or 10-KSB), and Rule 13a-13 requires issuers to file quarterly reports (Forms 10-Q or 10-QSB).
- 8. As a result of the foregoing, Respondents failed to comply with Exchange Act Section 13(a) and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder.

#### III.

In view of the allegations made by the Division of Enforcement, the Commission deems it necessary and appropriate for the protection of investors that public administrative proceedings be instituted to determine:

- A. Whether the allegations contained in Section II are true and, in connection therewith, to afford the Respondents an opportunity to establish any defenses to such allegations; and,
- B. Whether it is necessary and appropriate for the protection of investors to suspend for a period not exceeding twelve months, or revoke, the registration of each class of securities of the Respondents identified in Section II registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act.

#### IV.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a public hearing for the purpose of taking evidence on the questions set forth in Section III hereof shall be convened at a time and place to be fixed, and before an Administrative Law Judge to be designated by further order as provided by Rule 110 of the Commission's Rules of Practice [17 C.F.R. § 201.110].

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents shall file an Answer to the allegations contained in this Order within ten (10) days after service of this Order, as provided by Rule 220(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice [17 C.F.R. § 201.220(b)].

If Respondents fail to file the directed Answers, or fail to appear at a hearing after being duly notified, the Respondents may be deemed in default and the proceedings may be determined against them upon consideration of this Order, the allegations of which may be deemed to be true as provided by Rules 155(a), 220(f), 221(f), and 310 of the Commission's Rules of Practice [17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a), 201.220(f), 201.221(f), and 201.310].

This Order shall be served forthwith upon Respondents personally or by certified, registered, or Express Mail, or by other means of verifiable delivery.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge shall issue an initial decision no later than 120 days from the date of service of this Order, pursuant to Rule 360(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice [17 C.F.R. § 201.360(a)(2)].

In the absence of an appropriate waiver, no officer or employee of the Commission engaged in the performance of investigative or prosecuting functions in this or any factually related proceeding will be permitted to participate or advise in the decision of this matter, except as witness or counsel in proceedings held pursuant to notice. Since this proceeding is not "rule making" within the meaning of Section 551 of the Administrative Procedure Act, it is not deemed subject to the provisions of Section 553 delaying the effective date of any final Commission action.

By the Commission.

Florence Harmon Acting Secretary

Attachment

## Appendix 1

Chart of Delinquent Filings
In the Matter of e.Spire Communications, Inc., et al.

Company Name	Form Type	Period Ended	Due Date	Date Received	Months Delinquent (rounded up)
e.Spire Communications, Inc.					
,	10-K	12/31/01	04/01/02	Not filed	73
	10-Q	03/31/02	05/15/02	Not filed	72
	10-Q	06/30/02	08/14/02	Not filed	69
	10-Q	09/30/02	11/14/02	Not filed	66
	10-K	12/31/02	03/31/03	Not filed	62
	10-Q	03/31/03	05/15/03	Not filed	60
	10-Q	06/30/03	08/14/03	Not filed	57
	10-Q	09/30/03	11/14/03	Not filed	54
	10-K	12/31/03	03/30/04	Not filed	50
	10-Q	03/31/04	05/17/04	Not filed	48
	10-Q	06/30/04	08/16/04	Not filed	45
	10-Q	09/30/04	11/15/04	Not filed	42
	10-K	12/31/04	03/31/05	Not filed	38
	10-Q	03/31/05	05/16/05	Not filed	36
	10-Q	06/30/05	08/15/05	Not filed	33
	10-Q	09/30/05	11/14/05	Not filed	30
	10-K	12/31/05	03/31/06	Not filed	26
	10-Q	03/31/06	05/15/06	Not filed	24
	10-Q	06/30/06	08/14/06	Not filed	21
	10-Q	09/30/06	11/14/06	Not filed	18
	10-K	12/31/06	04/02/07	Not filed	13
	10-Q	03/31/07	05/15/07	Not filed	12
	10-Q	06/30/07	08/14/07	Not filed	9
	10-Q	09/30/07	11/14/07	Not filed	6
	10-K	12/31/07	03/31/08	Not filed	2
	10-Q	03/31/08	05/15/08	Not filed	0
Total Filings Delinquent	26				
Empire of Carolina, Inc.					
	10-K	12/31/00	04/02/01	Not filed	85
	10-Q	03/31/01	05/15/01	Not filed	84
	10-Q	06/30/01	08/14/01	Not filed	81
	10-Q	09/30/01	11/14/01	Not filed	78
	10-K	12/31/01	04/01/02	Not filed	73
	10-Q	03/31/02	05/15/02	Not filed	72
	10-Q	06/30/02	08/14/02	Not filed	69
	10-Q	09/30/02	11/14/02	Not filed	66
	10-K	12/31/02	03/31/03	Not filed	62
	10-Q	03/31/03	05/15/03	Not filed	60
	10-Q	06/30/03	08/14/03	Not filed	57
	10-Q	09/30/03	11/14/03	Not filed	54
	10-K	12/31/03	03/30/04	Not filed	50
	10-Q	03/31/04	05/17/04	Not filed	48
	10-Q	06/30/04	08/16/04	Not filed	45

		<b>5</b>		Data	Months
		Period		Date	Delinquent
Company Name	Form Type	Ended	Due Date	Received	(rounded up)
	10-Q	09/30/04	11/15/04	Not filed	42
Empire of Carolina, Inc.	10-K	12/31/04	03/31/05	Not filed	38
(continued)	10-Q	03/31/05	05/16/05	Not filed	36
, ,	10-Q	06/30/05	08/15/05	Not filed	33
	10-Q	09/30/05	11/14/05	Not filed	30
	10-K	12/31/05	03/31/06	Not filed	26
	10-Q	03/31/06	05/15/06	Not filed	24
	10-Q	06/30/06	08/14/06	Not filed	21
	10-Q	09/30/06	11/14/06	Not filed	18
	10-K	12/31/06	04/02/07	Not filed	13
	10-Q	03/31/07	05/15/07	Not filed	12
	10-Q	06/30/07	08/14/07	Not filed	9
	10-Q	09/30/07	11/14/07	Not filed	6
	10-K	12/31/07	03/31/08	Not filed	2
	10-Q	03/31/08	05/15/08	Not filed	0
Total Filings Delinquent	30				
Genfinity Corp.					
•	10-KSB	03/31/01	06/29/01	Not filed	83
	10-QSB	06/30/01	08/14/01	Not filed	81
	10-QSB	09/30/01	11/14/01	Not filed	78
	10-QSB	12/31/01	02/14/02	Not filed	75
	10-KSB	03/31/02	07/01/02	Not filed	70
	10-QSB	06/30/02	08/14/02	Not filed	69
	10-QSB	09/30/02	11/14/02	Not filed	66
	10-QSB	12/31/02	02/14/03	Not filed	63
	10-KSB	03/31/03	06/30/03	Not filed	59
	10-QSB	06/30/03	08/14/03	Not filed	57
	10-QSB	09/30/03	11/14/03	Not filed	54
	10-QSB	12/31/03	02/17/04	Not filed	51
	10-KSB	03/31/04	06/29/04	Not filed	47
	10-QSB	06/30/04	08/16/04	Not filed	45
	10-QSB	09/30/04	11/15/04	Not filed	42
	10-QSB	12/31/04	02/14/05	Not filed	39
	10-KSB	03/31/05	06/29/05	Not filed	35
	10-QSB	06/30/05	08/15/05	Not filed	33
	10-QSB	09/30/05	11/14/05	Not filed	30
	10-QSB	12/31/05	02/14/06	Not filed	27
	10-KSB	03/31/06	06/29/06	Not filed	23
	10-QSB	06/30/06	08/14/06	Not filed	21
	10-QSB	09/30/06	11/14/06	Not filed	18
	10-QSB	12/31/06	02/14/07	Not filed	15
	10-KSB	03/31/07	06/29/07	Not filed	11
	10-QSB	06/30/07	08/14/07	Not filed	9
	10-QSB	09/30/07	11/14/07	Not filed	6
	10-QSB	12/31/07	02/14/08	Not filed	3

Total Filings Delinquent

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		Period		Date	Months Delinquent
Company Name	Form Type	Ended	<b>Due Date</b>	Received	(rounded up)
NV/ID International Inc					
NVID International, Inc.	10-QSB	09/30/01	11/14/01	Not filed	78
	10-QSB 10-KSB	12/31/01	04/01/02	Not filed	73
	10-QSB	03/31/02	05/15/02	Not filed	72
	10-QSB	06/30/02	08/14/02	Not filed	69
	10-QSB	09/30/02	11/14/02	Not filed	66
	10-KSB	12/31/02	03/31/03	Not filed	62
	10-QSB	03/31/03	05/15/03	Not filed	60
	10-QSB	06/30/03	08/14/03	Not filed	57
	10-QSB	09/30/03	11/14/03	Not filed	54
	10-KSB	12/31/03	03/30/04	Not filed	50
	10-QSB	03/31/04	05/17/04	Not filed	48
	10-QSB	06/30/04	08/16/04	Not filed	45
	10-QSB	09/30/04	11/15/04	Not filed	42
	10-KSB	12/31/04	03/31/05	Not filed	38
	10-QSB	03/31/05	05/16/05	Not filed	36
	10-QSB	06/30/05	08/15/05	Not filed	33
	10-QSB	09/30/05	11/14/05	Not filed	30
	10-KSB	12/31/05	03/31/06	Not filed	26
	10-QSB	03/31/06	05/15/06	Not filed	24
	10-QSB	06/30/06	08/14/06	Not filed	21
	10-QSB	09/30/06	11/14/06	Not filed	18
	10-KSB	12/31/06	04/02/07	Not filed	13
	10-QSB	03/31/07	05/15/07	Not filed	12
	10-QSB	06/30/07	08/14/07	Not filed	9
	10-QSB 10-KSB	09/30/07 12/31/07	11/14/07 03/31/08	Not filed Not filed	6 2
	10-KSB 10-QSB	03/31/08	05/31/08	Not filed	0
	10-QзБ	03/31/00	03/13/00	Not filed	O
<b>Total Filings Delinquent</b>	27				
USCI, Inc.					
	10-QSB	09/30/01	11/14/01	Not filed	78
	10-KSB	12/31/01	04/01/02	Not filed	73
	10-QSB	03/31/02	05/15/02	Not filed	72
	10-QSB	06/30/02	08/14/02	Not filed	69
	10-QSB	09/30/02	11/14/02	Not filed	66
	10-KSB	12/31/02	03/31/03	Not filed	62
	10-QSB	03/31/03	05/15/03	Not filed	60
	10-QSB	06/30/03	08/14/03	Not filed	57
	10-QSB	09/30/03	11/14/03	Not filed	54
	10-KSB	12/31/03	03/30/04	Not filed	50
	10-QSB	03/31/04	05/17/04	Not filed	48
	10-QSB	06/30/04	08/16/04	Not filed	45 42
	10-QSB	09/30/04 12/31/04	11/15/04 03/31/05	Not filed	42 38
	10-KSB 10-QSB	03/31/05	05/16/05	Not filed Not filed	36
	10-QSB 10-QSB	06/30/05	08/15/05	Not filed	33
	10-QSB 10-QSB	09/30/05	11/14/05	Not filed	30
	10-QSB 10-KSB	12/31/05	03/31/06	Not filed	26
	10-QSB	03/31/06	05/15/06	Not filed	24
	10-QSB	06/30/06	08/14/06	Not filed	21
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Company Name	Form Type	Period Ended	Due Date	Date Received	Months Delinquent (rounded up)
USCI, Inc.	10-QSB	09/30/06	11/14/06	Not filed	18
(continued)	10-KSB	12/31/06	04/02/07	Not filed	13
	10-QSB	03/31/07	05/15/07	Not filed	12
	10-QSB	06/30/07	08/14/07	Not filed	9
	10-QSB	09/30/07	11/14/07	Not filed	6
	10-KSB	12/31/07	03/31/08	Not filed	2
	10-QSB	03/31/08	05/15/08	Not filed	0
Total Filings Delinquent	26				