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COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLLINS RADIO CORPORATION TRADING SUSPENDED. The SEC has today announced the suspension of exchange and over-the-counter trading in the securities of Collins Radio Corp., of Dallas, Tex. for the ten-day period August 16 through August 25, 1973.

The suspension was initiated at the request of the company to allow the company to make an announcement and to allow time for dissemination of information contained in the announcement. The company has also requested the New York Stock Exchange to halt trading. (Rel. 34-10344)

DECISIONS IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING

SAUNDERS, STIVER & CO. AND PRESIDENT SUSPENDED. The SEC has announced the issuance of an order suspending for 60 days the broker-dealer registration of Saunders, Stiver & Co., Cleveland, Ohio, and suspending its president, John O. Doerge, from association with any broker-dealer or investment adviser for 15 business days. The suspensions are to commence August 27, 1973. At the conclusion of its suspension the firm has agreed to apply for withdrawal of its registration.

The Commission's order was based on findings that registrant during January-May 1970 violated the antifraud provisions of the Securities Exchange Act in an offering of the common stock of Comcorp, Inc. by quoting such stock at arbitrarily determined prices, engaging in transactions intended to reduce the supply of such stock, and effecting transactions under a guarantee against loss given by a director of the issuer. The order also said that the registrant and Doerge failed to supervise to prevent such violations and violations of the anti-manipulative provisions of the Exchange Act in purchases of Comcorp stock by the firm's vice-president and its over-the-counter trading manager while participating in the distribution of the stock.

The findings were made under an offer of settlement in which respondents, without admitting or denying the charges, consented to the findings and the indicated sanctions. (Rel. 34-10341)

COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

OPINION HOLDS SCOTCH WHISKEY WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS ARE SECURITIES. The SEC Washington Regional Office announced that the Federal court in Alexandria, Virginia, issued a "Memorandum Opinion" finding violations of the securities registration and antifraud provisions of the Federal securities laws in the offer and sale of Scotch whiskey warehouse receipts by defendants Häffenden-Rimar International, Inc.; Rimar Scotch Whisky Trading Co.; Rimar Corporation; Carlos J. Ricketson; Richard W. Parrott; Stanley G. Price; and Frank T. Henshaw.

The court found that the offer and sale of the unregistered warehouse receipts by the defendants constituted the offer and sale of securities in the form of investment contracts in violation of the registration provisions of the Federal securities laws. The court found that "most, if not all, of the investors relied solely on the advice of the defendants in selecting, buying, storing, trading, and selling the Scotch ... their participation was limited to providing capital with the hope of favorable return."

The court also found willful violations of the antifraud provisions by the defendants arising from such statements, among others, that if held for approximately four years, an investment in warehouse receipts will provide an annual profit of twenty to twenty-five percent and that the investment was safe when they (the defendants) knew that it was highly speculative.

In issuing the "Memorandum Opinion", the court instructed counsel for the Securities and Exchange Commission to prepare an order to follow, permanently enjoining the defendants from further violations of the aforementioned registration and antifraud provisions of the Federal securities laws. (LR-6022)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES COMPANY. The SEC has issued an order authorizing West Texas Utilities Company, Abilene, Texas subsidiary of Central and South West Corporation, to issue and sell \$23 million of first mortgage bonds, due 2003, at competitive bidding. Net proceeds will be used to retire \$15,840,000 of Series A bonds, due August 1, 1973, for construction and other corporate purposes. (Rel. 35-18030)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

CONVERTIBLE TECHNIQUE FUND. The SEC has issued an order on an application of Convertible Technique Fund, of Abington, Pennsylvania, declaring that the Fund has ceased to be an investment company. (Rel. IC-7945)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS FILED

(Note: "Per share maximum" prices referred to in the following summaries of registration statements are prices estimated for the purpose of computing the registration fee and are not necessarily prices at which the securities will be sold.)

GENERAL PLYWOOD CORPORATION, 3355 Lenox Rd., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. 30326 - 1,043,604 shares of common stock. It is proposed to offer these shares to Beaver Creek Industries, Inc. in exchange for the outstanding capital stock of Interstate Credit Corporation (held by Beaver), at the rate of .74 Plywood shares for each Interstate share and assumption by Plywood of a \$675,000 note from Beaver Creed to Interstate. Plywood manufactures and sells interior pre-finished hardwood plywood wall paneling; it is also engaged in the ownership, development, sale and leasing of real estate. Interstate primarily owns, develops, leases and sells real estate and real estate contracts of sale, mortgages and notes and and services real estate. (File 2-48517 - June 29)

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO., 8100 Florissant Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 63136 - 5,000 shares of common stock which may be offered for sale by certain shareholders (at \$82.75 per share maximum). (File 2-48518 - June 29)

AMERICAN HOSPITAL SUPPLY CORPORATION, 1740 Ridge Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60204 - 22,138 shares of common stock, which may be offered for sale by certain shareholders at prices prevailing at the time of sale (\$36.75 per share maximum). (File 2-48520 - July 2)

KAY CORPORATION, 320 King St., Alexandria, Va. 22314 - \$3,807,500 of subordinated notes, and 17,000 shares of common stock. The notes are to be issued in exchange for all the outstanding shares of Series B preferred stock of Mercantile Industries, Inc. The shares may be offered pursuant to warrants or for other purposes. (File 2-48521 - July 2)

MARLENNAN CORPORATION, 222 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Ill. 60606 - 3,125 shares of common stock, issuable pursuant to stock options issued or to be issued under Stock Option Plans of Putnam Financial Services, Inc., a subsidiary. (File 2-48523 - July 2)

UNITED BANK CORPORATION OF NEW YORK, 75 State St., Albany, N.Y. 12207 - 22,500 shares of common stock. It is proposed to offer these shares in exchange for the outstanding capital stock of First National Bank in Montgomery; at the rate of 4.5 United shares for each Montgomery share. United is a bank holding company, which has three banking subsidiaries. (File 2-48524 - July 2)

STOCK PLANS FILED. The following have filed Form S-8 registration statements with the SEC seeking registration of securities to be offered pursuant to employee stock and related plans:

Maremont Corporation, Chicago, Illinois (File 2-48516) - 153,000 shares
 McDonald's Corporation, Oak Brook, Illinois (File 2-48519) - 386,514 shares
 Placer Development Limited, British Columbia, Canada (File 2-48522) - 200,000 shares
 Alexander & Baldwin, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii (File 2-48525) - 180,000 shares

MISCELLANEOUS

RECENT FORM 8-K FILINGS

Form 8K is a report which must be filed with the SEC by the 10th of the month after any of the following important events or changes in control of the registrant; acquisition or disposition of assets, legal proceedings, changes in securities (i.e., collateral for registered securities), defaults upon senior securities, increase or decrease in the amount of securities outstanding, options to purchase securities; revaluation of assets; submission of matters to a vote of security holders.

The companies listed below have filed Form 8-K reports for the month indicated, responding to the item of the form specified. Photocopies may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Section (in ordering, please give month and year of report). An index of the captions of the items of the form was included in Monday's News Digest.

COMPANY	ITEM NO.	MONTH
FAMILIAN CORP	7,13,14	07/73
FARRINGTON MANUFACTURING CO	13	07/73
FEDERAL MUGUL CORP	13	07/73
FINANCIAL RESOURCES GROUP	13	07/73
FIRST SURETY CORP	13	07/73
FLINTKOTE CO	3,14	07/73
GANNETT CO INC	10	07/73
GENERAL FOODS CORP	11,13,14	07/73
GENERAL HOUSEWARES CORP	14	07/73
GRANT W T CO	13,14	07/73
HARVEY GROUP INC	8,13,14	07/73
HEILEMAN B BREWING CO INC	13	06/73
HUTTON E F & CO INC	7,14	07/73
HYDROPHILICS INTERNATIONAL INC	13,14	07/73
INEXCO NORTHERN EXPLORATION CO	13,14	07/73
INFORMATICS INC	11	07/73
IOWA ILLINOIS GAS & ELECTRIC CO	3	07/73
IOWA POWER & LIGHT CO	7	07/73
IVY CORP	4,7,8,11,14	07/73
JK INDUSTRIES INC	11	07/73
KAISER CEMENT & GYPSUM CORP	3,8	07/73
KEEBLER CO	13	07/73
KEY PHARMACEUTICALS INC	3,13,14	07/73
LANCHART INDUSTRIES INC	8,14	07/73
LAWYERS FINANCIAL CORP	2,3,11,13	07/73
LORTCOGS INC	7,14	07/73
MAINE SUGAR INDUSTRIES INC	3,6,14	07/73
MAPCO INC	7	04/73
MASCANITE CORP	7	07/73
MEDENCO INC	7,14	06/73
MIDLAND MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST	13,14	07/73
MIDWEST CORP	2,4,7,14	04/73
MILLER OIL CO	13	07/73
NATIONWIDE NURSING CENTERS INC	7,14	06/73
NURLIN INDUSTRIES INC	7	07/73
NORTHROP CORP	4,14	07/73
NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE CO	4,7,14	07/73
ORIGINAL CONEY ISLAND INC	3	07/73
PACIFIC ASBESTOS CORP	6	07/73
PARKER OIL INC	13,14	07/73
PAYSAVER CATALOG SHOWROOMS INC	12	05/73
PEERLESS CHAIN CO	11,14	07/73
PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP	2,3,14	07/73
PENNSYLVANIA POWER & LIGHT CO	7,14	07/73
PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS CO	7	07/73
RED RUPE INDUSTRIES INC	13	10/72
REVERE RACING ASSOCIATION INC	3,7,11	07/73
RICHMOND CORP	13	07/73
RISK GEORGE INDUSTRIES INC	13	06/73
RUSS AVIATION INC	3	07/73
SERVICE CORP INTERNATIONAL	3	07/73
SHIRE NATIONAL CORP	12	07/73
SHOWBOAT INC	13	07/73
SIGMA INTERNATIONAL LTD	3,11	07/73

8K REPORTS CONT.

SIGNLCE CORP	10,13	07/73
SIMPSON INDUSTRIES INC	2	07/73
SOLA EAST INDUSTRIES INC	11	07/73
SLUNDESIGN CORP	3	07/73
SOUTHLAND RACING CORP	13	07/73
SOUTHWESTERN INVESTMENT CO	1,8,13	07/73
SPACE & LEISURE TIME LTD	11,13	07/73
STANDARD OIL CO OF CALIFORNIA	3	07/73
STASSAL INDUSTRIES INC	2,14	07/73
STATE EXPLORATION CO	13	07/73
STRATIFLEX INC	11	07/73
TEN BA BRAND FROZEN FOODS INC	12	07/73
TRU LABORATORIES INC	1,2,7,8,9,14	07/73
TWIN FAIR INC	13	07/73
UB FINANCIAL CORP	3	07/73
UNITED ILLUMINATING CO	7,14	07/73
UNITED STATES FINANCIAL INC	3,14	07/73
VULCAN INC	4,7,8,14	07/73
WHITING CORP	11	07/73
WIEMANN L F INC	1	07/73

DELISTINGS GRANTED. The SEC has issued orders upon application of the New York Stock Exchange to strike from listing and registration the specified securities of the following companies, effective at the opening of business on August 13, 1973 because of the small amount of the securities in each instance which remain issued and outstanding: Continental Can Company, Inc. - \$4.25 cumulative preferred stock; Erie Lackawanna Railway Company, Warren Railroad Company - 3-1/2% gold bonds, due August 1, 2000; GAC Corporation - \$1 convertible voting preference stock; Greek Government - 40 year, 6% secured sinking fund gold bond, due Feb. 1, 1968, and refugee loan of 1924, 40 year, 7% secured sinking fund, gold bonds, due Nov. 1, 1964; Long Island Lighting Company - 4.25% Series D preferred stock (\$100 par); Midland-Ross Corporation - \$4.75 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Series A; New York and Harlem Railroad Company - 4% Series A mortgage bonds, due July 1, 2043; Penn Central Transportation Co., New Jersey Junction Railroad Co. - guaranteed first mortgage 4% bonds, due Jan. 30, 1986; Pittsburgh Youngstown & Ashtabula Ry. Co. - 7% non-cumulative preferred stock (\$100 par); St. Lawrence & Adirondack Railway Company - 5% first mortgage gold bonds, due July 1, 1966, and 6% second mortgage gold bonds, due October 1, 1966. (Rel. 34-10343)

UNLISTED TRADING SOUGHT. The SEC has issued a notice giving interested persons until August 29 to request a hearing upon an application of the Boston Stock Exchange for unlisted trading privileges in the common stock of PSA, Inc. and The Clorox Company and upon an application of the PBW Stock Exchange, Inc. for unlisted trading privileges in the common stock of The Clorox Company. (Rel. 34-10343)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective August 15: Adobe Building Centers, Inc., 2-48670; Amerace Corporation 1973 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, 2-48611; Brock Exploration Corp., 2-48383; Electronic Data Systems Corp., 2-48790; Grubb and Ellis Resorts, Inc., 2-48095; International Systems & Controls Corp., 2-48056; Midwestern Fidelity Corp., 2-48186; Nuclear Services Corp., 2-46432; Treadway Companies, Inc., 2-48635; USM Corp., 2-48530.

Effective August 16: Allen Communications, Inc., 2-46929.

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