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COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

TRADING SUSPENDED IN HEALTH EVALUATION SYSTEMS. The SEC today ordered the ten-day suspension of over-the-counter trading in securities of Health Evaluation Systems, Inc. (HES), of West Covina, Calif., commencing June 25. The suspension, which will terminate at the close of business July 4, was ordered because of the inadequacy of available information about the issuer and because of a recent, rapid rise in the price of the common stock of HES which, according to management, is not justified by any developments in the business or by any improved prospects for the corporation. HES, which purports to be engaged in providing health examinations through the use of instruments, technicians and nurses rather than medical doctors, reports that it has little revenue and is currently operating at a loss. In addition, it has come to the attention of the Commission that a single purchaser, a Bahamian mutual fund, during the past six weeks has purchased in the public market approximately one-half of all HES shares available to the public. For further details, see Release 34-8913.

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASE

TRANSOK PIPE LINE SEEKS ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Holding Company Act (Release 35-16765) giving interested persons until July 13 to request a hearing upon an application of Transok Pipe Line Company ("Transok"), a subsidiary of Public Service Company of Oklahoma ("Public Service"), Tulsa subsidiary of Central and South West Corporation, to issue and sell from time to time up to \$12,000,000 of unsecured promissory notes to Public Service. Transok will use the proceeds to pay a portion of the cost of construction of certain gas facilities, primarily the construction of a 20-inch pipeline extending from the Southwest Ames Area gas field in Major County, northwest Oklahoma, to the Northeastern generating station of Public Service in Rogers County, Okla., a distance of about 144 miles, and related gas gathering facilities.

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

AFORWARD FUND RECEIVES ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6087) declaring that Aforward Fund, Incorporated, Lima, Pa. mutual fund has ceased to be an investment company.

STANDARD HOLDING SEEKS ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6088) giving interested persons until July 16 to request a hearing upon an application of Standard Holding Corporation, New York closed-end non-diversified management investment company, for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Counsel for the company represents that it is doing no business, its corporate existence has been terminated, and that it was dissolved effective October 1, 1968, and all assets were distributed on a pro rata basis on or before that date.

INDIVIDUAL ASSURED ESTATES (1933) SEEKS ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6089) giving interested persons until July 17 to request a hearing upon an application of Individual Assured Estates of 1933 (the Trust), San Francisco unit investment trust, for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. The Trust has no assets and no liabilities; it has one shareholder of common stock, but the stock has no value.

MINNESOTA VARIABLE FUND RECEIVES ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6090) exempting Minnesota Mutual Variable Fund D, St. Paul, from the provisions of Section 22(d) of the Act so as to permit fixed annuities to be converted to variable annuities without the imposition of any additional sales charge.

MIDNITE MINES SEEKS ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6091) giving interested persons until July 15 to request a hearing upon an application of Midnite Mines, Inc., Spokane, Wash., for an order declaring that it is not an investment company. At April 30, 1969, Midnite had total assets of \$567,240 valued at cost. Among those assets is a 49% interest in the voting securities of Dawn Mining Co. ("Dawn") carried at a cost of \$389,804. On April 30, 1969 Midnite's assets were composed of cash and receivables (4%), fixed assets (20%), securities of Dawn (69%) and other investment securities (7%).

INDEPENDENCE HALL FUND RECEIVES ORDER. The SEC has issued an order under the Investment Company Act (Release IC-6092) declaring that Independence Hall Exchange and Growth Fund, Inc., Little Rock, Ark., has ceased to be an investment company.

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SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

SCOTT-CORD LABORATORIES TO SELL STOCK. Scott-Cord Laboratories, Inc., 23 Englewood Ave., Englewood, N.J. 07631, filed a registration statement (File 2-37721) with the SEC on June 23 seeking registration of 100,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at \$5 per share. The offering is to be made on a "best efforts, 60,000 shares or none" basis by Lancaster Stevens & Co., Inc., 11 West 42nd St., New York 10036, which will receive a 50¢ per share selling commission plus up to \$15,000 for expenses. The company has agreed to sell the underwriter, at 1¢ per warrant, five-year warrants to purchase up to 10,000 shares, exercisable after one year at \$5.50 per share and to sell to Richard Rubin, the finder, 5,000 shares at 10¢ per share.

Organized in June 1969, the company is principally engaged in the distribution and sale, under its own label and brand name, of a comprehensive line of ethical pharmaceuticals. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$150,000 will be used to increase the company's marketing program by hiring approximately 10 new salesmen, \$100,000 for an increase of present inventory and \$50,000 for advertising and public relations; the balance will be added to the company's working capital and used for general corporate purposes. The company has outstanding 225,000 common shares (with a \$.276 per share net tangible book value), of which Seymour Slotnick, president, and Robert Chapman, secretary, own 33.3% each. Purchasers of the shares being registered will sustain an immediate dilution of \$3.61 in per share book value from the offering price.

BACHE-GOODBODY-WALSTON FUND PROPOSES OFFERING. Municipal Investment Trust Fund, Series Z, filed a registration statement (File 2-37722) with the SEC on June 23 seeking registration of \$8,000,000 of units, to be offered for public sale in 8,000 units. The Fund is one of a series of similar investment companies created by a trust agreement under which Bache & Co. Incorporated, Goodbody & Co. and Walston & Co., Inc., act as sponsors, United States Trust Company of New York as trustee and Standard & Poor's Corporation as evaluator. The Fund consists of the diversified tax exempt bond portfolio of interest-bearing obligations issued by or on behalf of states, counties, territories or municipalities of the United States and authorities and political subdivisions thereof, the interest on which is, in the opinion of counsel, exempt from all Federal income tax under existing law.

FIRST OF MICHIGAN - GOODBODY PROPOSES OFFERING. Michigan Tax Exempt Bond Fund, Fourth Series, Buhl Bldg., Detroit, Mich. 48226, filed a registration statement (File 2-37723) with the SEC on June 23 seeking registration of \$4,000,000 of bonds, to be offered for public sale in 4,000 units. The Fund is one of a series of similar unit investment trusts; it was created by a Trust Agreement under which First of Michigan and Goodbody & Co. act as sponsors, United States Trust Company of New York as trustee and Standard & Poor's Corporation acts as evaluator. The objective of the Fund is to earn interest from a diversified tax exempt bond portfolio of interest-bearing obligations, rated "BBB" or better by Standard & Poor's Corporation or "Baa" by Moody's Investors Services, issued by or on behalf of the State of Michigan and counties and municipalities therein and authorities and political subdivisions thereof, including school districts, universities and community colleges, which interest is, in the opinion of counsel, exempt from certain Michigan taxes and all Federal income tax under existing law.

AMERICAN PET CARE INSTITUTE TO SELL STOCK. American Pet Care Institute, Inc., 361 Tate St., Holbrook, N. Y. 11740, filed a registration statement (File 2-37724) with the SEC on June 23 seeking registration of 100,000 shares of common stock, to be offered for public sale at \$5 per share. The offering is to be made by Dopler Securities Corp., 6 Maiden Lane, New York, which will receive a 50¢ per share commission plus \$12,500 for expenses. The company has agreed to sell the underwriter, for \$100, six-year warrants to purchase 10,000 shares, exercisable after one year at \$5.50 per share.

Organized in May 1969 as Alpine Brook Dog Training Academy, Inc., the company is engaged primarily in training dogs not owned by the company for housebreaking and obedience, home and commercial protection services and show performance. Of the net proceeds of its stock sale, \$100,000 will be used to expand pet training, breeding, boarding and selling activities, \$100,000 to expand its protection dog program, and \$100,000 to establish and develop pet medical centers and related facilities; the balance will be added to the company's working capital and used for general corporate purposes. The company has outstanding 400,000 common shares (with a 4¢ per share net tangible book value), of which Programmed Proprietary Systems, Inc. ("PPS"), owns 80% and management officials as a group 16%. Three directors of the company, who are also officers and directors of PPS, own 29% of the outstanding shares of PPS. Philip Renee is president. Purchasers of the shares being registered will sustain an immediate dilution of \$4.16 in per share book value from the offering price.

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS. Effective June 23: Seilon, Inc., 2-37111.
Effective June 24: Associated Dry Goods Corp., 2-37532; Baltimore Gas and Electric Co., 2-37468; Commonwealth Edison Co., 2-37596; The Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph Co., 2-36762 (90 days); Dayton-Hudson Corp., 2-37462 (40 days); Golden United Investment Co., 2-36804 (Aug 3); Ionics, Inc., 2-36039 (40 days); Middlesex WaterCo., 2-37483 (40 days); Monsanto Co., 2-37642; Philadelphia Suburban Water Co., 2-36916 (40 days); Piedmont Natural Gas Co., Inc., 2-37579 (40 days); Riker Maxson Corp., 2-34976 (40 days); Stop-N-Go Foods, Inc., 2-36103 (90 days); Viking Resources Corp. (1970 Oil and Gas Program), 2-36475 (90 days).

NOTE TO DEALERS. The period of time dealers are required to use the prospectus in trading transactions is shown above in parentheses after the name of the issuer.

*As estimated for purposes of computing the registration fee.