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ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED AGAINST DENNIS HELLIWELL

Commission The instituted public administrative proceedings, pursuant to Sections 15(b) and 19(h) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act), against Dennis Lindsay Helliwell. Helliwell, age 37, is president and 50% owner of The Helliwell Group Limited. The Commission's order instituting proceedings alleges Helliwell was enjoined from violating Section 17(a) Securities Act of 1933 and Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder in connection with his sale of notes in a nonexistent investment program. Helliwell sold the notes to at least investors, raised approximately \$2.58 million, misappropriated most of the money. A hearing will be scheduled to determine whether the allegations against Helliwell are true and, if so, what sanctions, if any, are appropriate and in the public interest. (Rel. 34-38088)

COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST RICHARD SIMONSON

The Commission announced that on December 26 it filed a civil complaint for permanent injunctive and other equitable relief in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against Richard M. Simonson (Simonson). The complaint seeks to permanently enjoin Simonson from violating the antifraud provisions of the federal securities laws. In addition the complaint seeks civil penalties.

The complaint alleges that, from approximately June 1995 through October 1995, Simonson violated Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 (Securities Act), and was about to violate Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) and Rule 10b-5 thereunder by fraudulently offering to sell fictitious securities, known as "prime bank" instruments, to members of the public.

The complaint alleges that, in connection with the offer of these securities, Simonson made numerous misrepresentations and omissions of material fact, including, among other things, the use of investors' funds, the risks associated with the investments, the

ability to pay the promised interest rates, and the existence of the "prime bank" instruments.

The complaint seeks an Order which permanently enjoins Simonson against future violations of the antifraud provisions of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and which orders the payment of civil penalties, as well as other equitable relief. [SEC v. Richard M. Simonson, USDC, SDNY, 96 Civ. 9695] (LR-15199)

U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA UPHOLDS MISAPPROPRIATION THEORY OF INSIDER TRADING

On December 23, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania denied defendant Marguerite Lenfest's Motion for Summary Judgment upheld the misappropriation theory of insider trading in an enforcement action brought by the Commission. Mrs. Lenfest challenged the misappropriation theory, relying on decisions of the Fourth and Eighth Circuit Courts of Appeals. (One of those decisions, United States v. O'Hagan, 92 F.3d 612 (8th Cir. 1996), is currently being challenged by the Department of Justice before the Supreme Court, where a petition for certiorari is pending.) In denying the motion for summary judgment, United States Court Judge J. Curtis Joyner noted misappropriation theory has been adopted by a number of federal Courts of Appeals and has been applied in various circumstances. The Court adopted the theory, as articulated in <u>Securities and Exchange Commission v. Clark</u>, 915 F.2d 439 (9th Cir. 1990), and found that the misappropriation theory could support holding Mrs. Lenfest liable for insider trading. The Commission expects this case to proceed to trial in early 1997. [SEC v. Harold Fitzgerald Lenfest and Marguerite Lenfest, Civil Action No. 95-CV-759, JCJ, E.D. Pa.] (LR-15200)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

MEDALLION FINANCIAL CORP.

An order has been issued on an application filed by Medallion Financial Corp. under Section 61(a)(3)(B) of the Investment Company Act approving applicant's stock option plan for non-employee directors and the grant of certain stock options thereunder. (Rel. IC-22417 - December 23)

CIGNA FUNDS GROUP, ET AL.

An order has been issued on an application filed by CIGNA Funds Group, et al. under Section 17(d) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 17d-1 thereunder. The order permits the series of certain investment companies and certain private accounts to deposit their uninvested cash balances in one or more joint accounts to be used to enter into short-term investments. (Rel. IC-22418 - December 24)

THE CHUBB SERIES TRUST, ET AL.

An order has been issued pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act exempting The Chubb Series Trust (Trust), Chubb Investment Advisory Corporation (Chubb Investment Advisory), and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York (Morgan) from the provisions of Sections 9(a), 13(a), 15(a) and 15(b) of the Act and Rules 6e-2(b)(15) and 6e-3(T)(b)(15) thereunder. The order permits the shares of any current or future series of the Trust, and shares of any other investment company that is designed to fund variable insurance products and for which Chubb Investment Advisory or Morgan or any of their affiliates may serve as investment adviser, administrator, manager, principal underwriter or sponsor, to be sold to and held by variable annuity and variable life insurance separate accounts of both affiliated and unaffiliated insurance companies; and qualified pension and retirement plans outside of the separate account context. (Rel. IC-22419 - December 24)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

GPU INTERNATIONAL, INC.

A supplemental order has been issued, correcting an order issued by the Commission on December 17 (HCAR No. 26631), authorizing GPU International, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of GPU, Inc., a registered holding company, to invest in an enterprise to develop, manufacture and market stationary fuel cell power systems. (Rel. 35-26635)

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until January 21 to request a hearing on a proposal by National Fuel Gas Company (NFG), a registered holding company, to adopt, subject to shareholder approval, the NFG 1997 Award and Option Plan (Plan) providing for the issuance of shares up to 1.9 million shares of NFG common stock, through December 31, 2006, to key employees of NFG or any of its 80% or more owned subsidiary companies. An order has been issued authorizing NFG's solicitation of proxies to approve the Plan. (Rel. 35-26636)

SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

The Chicago Board Options Exchange filed a proposed rule change (SR-CBOE-96-70) relating to the reporting requirements for securities accounts and orders of market-makers, and joint account provisions. Publication of the proposed rule change is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of December 30. (Rel. 34-38085)

DELISTING GRANTED

An order has been issued granting the application of the <u>Boston Stock Exchange</u> to strike from listing and registration Individual Investor Group, Inc., Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value. (Rel. 34-38090)

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-8 STARTECH ENERGY INC, 2600 140 4TH AVE SW, CALGARY, ALBERTA CANADA, A0 (403) 269-2291 389,405 (\$2,841,497) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-6184 DEC. 18) (BR. 4 NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 ROYAL OAK MINES INC, 5501 LAKEVIEW DR, KIRKLAND, WA 98033 (604) 682-8320 1,515,000 (\$5,491,875) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-6186 DEC. 18) (BR. 4)
- S-3 COCA COLA ENTERPRISES INC, 2500 WINDY RIDGE PKWY, ATLANTA, GA 30339 (770) 989-3000 2,500,000,000 (\$2,500,000,000) WARRANTS, OPTIONS OR RIGHTS. (FILE 333-18569 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)
- S-8 BUCKEYE CELLULOSE CORP, 1001 TILLMAN ST, PO BOX 8407, MEMPHIS, TN 38108 (901) 320-8100 1,650,000 (\$42,388,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18573 DEC. 23) (BR. 4)
- S-4 CHILDRENS BROADCASTING CORP, 724 1ST ST N, 4TH FLOOR, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401 (612) 338-3300 5,000,000 (\$20,625,000) COMMON STOCK. 5,000,000 (\$5,000,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. (FILE 333-18575 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-8 CYRIX CORP, 2703 N CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY, RICHARDSON, TX 75080 (214) 994-8387 1,000,000 (\$19,750,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18579 DEC. 23) (BR. 6)
- S-8 CONSECO INC ET AL, 11825 N PENNSYLVANIA ST, CARMEL, IN 46032 (317) 573-6100 322,000 (\$9,595,213.60) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18581 DEC. 23) (BR. 1)
- S-1 OVERLAND DATA INC, 8975 BALBOA AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92123 (619) 571-5555 3,105,000 (\$31,050,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18583 DEC. 23)
- S-3 REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO, 115 S LUDLOW ST, DAYTON, OH 45402 (513) 443-2000 44,220 (\$1,135,923.36) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18585 DEC. 23) (BR. 5)
- S-8 PAGING NETWORK INC, 4965 PRESTON PARK BLVD STE 600, PLANO, TX 75093 (214) 985-4100 2,000,000 (\$32,880,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18587 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-8 SAKS HOLDINGS INC, 12 EAST 49TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10017 (212) 940-4048 \$15,000,000 COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18589 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)
- S-8 SEARS ROEBUCK & CO, 3333 BEVERLY RD B-5 317A, HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60179 (708) 286-2500 \$7,200,000 OTHER SECURITIES INCLUDING VOTING TRUST. (FILE 333-18591 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)

- S-3 MEDICAL RESOURCES INC /DE/, 155 STATE STREET, HACKENSACK, NJ 07601 (813) 281-0202 533,175 (\$5,931,571.88) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18593 DEC. 23) (BR. 1)
- S-3 GRAND TOYS INTERNATIONAL INC, 1710 RTE TRANSCANADIENNE, DORVAL QUEBEC CANADA, A8 (914) 666-3200 186,486 (\$206,421.75) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18595 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)
- S-3 HEMACARE CORP /CA/, 4954 VAN NUYS BLVD 2ND FLR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403 (818) 986-3883 1,700,000 (\$4,675,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18599 DEC. 23) (BR. 1)
- S-8 HEMACARE CORP /CA/, 4954 VAN NUYS BLVD 2ND FLR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403 (818) 986-3883 750,000 (\$2,062,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18601 DEC. 23) (BR. 1)
- S-8 MANOR CARE INC/NEW, 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE, SILVER SPRING, MD 20901 (301) 681-9400 - 25,000 (\$640,625) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18607 - DEC. 23) (BR. 1)
- S-8 NORTH AMERICAN RESORTS INC, 315 EAST ROBINSON ST, ORLANDO, FL 32801 (407) 841-1917 4,800,000 (\$96,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18609 DEC. 23) (BR. 5)
- S-4 SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC, 1130 BERKSHIRE BLVD, WYOMISSING, PA 19610 (610) 320-8400 4,300,055 (\$65,038,331.88) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18611 DEC. 23) (BR. 7)
- S-3 RSI SYSTEMS INC/MN, 7400 METRO BOULEVARD, SUITE 475, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55439 (612) 896-3020 1,500,000 (\$2,625,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18613 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-8 DANKA BUSINESS SYSTEMS PLC, 11201 DANKA CIRCLE N, ST PETERSBURG, FL 33716 (813) 576-6003 19,500,000 (\$185,083,031.25) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18615 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)
- S-8 ECOLAB INC, ECOLAB CTR, 370 N WABASHA ST, ST PAUL, MN 55102 (612) 293-2233 - 3,000,000 (\$113,250,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18617 - DEC. 23) (BR. 4)
- S-8 OLIN CORP, 501 MERRITT 7, P O BOX 4500, NORWALK, CT 06856 (203) 356-2000 75,000 (\$2,906,250) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18619 DEC. 23) (BR. 4)
- S-8 NEVADA ENERGY COMPANY INC, 401 EAST FOURTH STREET, RENO, NV 89512 (702) 786-7979 2,500,000 (\$625,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18621 DEC. 23) (BR. 4)
- S-4 AMERICAN RESIDENTIAL SERVICES INC, 5850 SAN FELIPE, SUITE 500, HOUSTON, TX 77057 (713) 706-6177 5,000,000 (\$114,375,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18623 DEC. 23) (BR. 6)
- S-8 ECOLAB INC, ECOLAB CTR, 370 N WABASHA ST, ST PAUL, MN 55102 (612) 293-2233 500,000 (\$18,875,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18627 DEC. 23) (BR. 4)
- S-3 BOWNE & CO INC, 345 HUDSON ST, NEW YORK, NY 10014 (212) 924-5500 261,438 (\$6,143,793) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18629 DEC. 23) (BR. 5)
- S-8 T SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP, 2407 E SKELLY DR, TULSA, OK 74105 (918) 747-2600 - 470,814 (\$5,725,098.24) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18631 - DEC. 23) (BR. 5)
- S-8 RISER FOODS INC /DE/, 5300 RICHMOND RD, BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146 (216) 292-7000 52,100 (\$1,231,123) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18633 DEC. 23) (BR. 2)
- S-8 RAM-Z ENTERPRISES INC, 5444 WESTHEIMER STE, HOUSTON, TX 77056 (212) 679-4559 - 154,812 (\$387,030) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18635 -DEC. 23) (BR. 9)
- S-8 RENTAL SERVICE CORP, 14505 N HAYDEN ROAD, SUITE 322, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260 (602) 905-3300 - 289,710 (\$3,251,577) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18637 - DEC. 23) (BR. 7)

- S-2 THQ INC, 5016 N PKWY CALABASAS SUITE 100, CALABASAS, CA 91302 (818) 591-1310 1,725,000 (\$16,715,250) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18641 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-8 IDEX CORP /DE/, 630 DUNDEE RD STE 400, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062 (708) 498-7070 24,903,125 (\$24,903,125) OTHER SECURITIES INCLUDING VOTING TRUST. 1,400,000 (\$53,637,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18643 DEC. 23) (BR. 5)
- S-8 FIRST ALBANY COMPANIES INC, 41 STATE ST, ALBANY, NY 12207 (518) 447-8500 - 500,000 (\$4,815,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18645 - DEC. 23) (BR. 8)
- S-1 FIRST AVIATION SERVICES INC, ONE OMEGA DRIVE, BOX 4603, STAMFORD, CT 06907 (203) 359-7733 \$53,820,000 COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18647 DEC. 23) (NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 MOTORCAR PARTS & ACCESSORIES INC, 2727 MARICOPA ST, TORRANCE, CA 90503 (310) 212-7910 270,000 (\$3,830,625) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18651 DEC. 23) (BR. 6)
- S-3 IRWIN FINANCIAL CORPORATION, 500 WASHINGTON ST, PO BOX 929, COLUMBUS, IN 47201 (812) 376-1020 1,725,000 (\$43,125,000) PREFERRED STOCK. (FILE 333-18655 DEC. 23) (BR. 7)
- S-8 SYSTEMSOFT CORP, 2 VISION DRIVE, NATICK, MA 01760 (508) 651-0088 197,246 (\$238,418.89) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18657 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-4 D&E COMMUNICATIONS INC, BROSSMAN BUSINESS COMPLEX, 124 EAST MAIN ST, EPHRATA, PA 17522 (717) 733-4101 341,304 (\$174,820) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18659 DEC. 23) (BR. 3)
- S-8 CHEMFIRST INC, P O BOX 1249, JACKSON, MS 39215 (601) 948-0218 1,000,000 (\$21,817,700) COMMON STOCK. STRAIGHT BONDS. (FILE 333-18691 DEC. 24) (BR. 4)
- S-3 ACCUSTAFF INC, 6440 ATLANTIC BLVD, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32211 (904) 725-5574 86,250,000 (\$86,250,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. (FILE 333-18695 DEC. 24) (BR. 1)
- S-1 WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP, 727 N BANK LANE, LAKE FOREST, IL 60045 (847) 234-2882 \$18,000,000 COMMON STOCK. (FILE 333-18699 DEC. 24) (BR. 7)

RECENT 8K FILINGS

Form 8-K is used by companies to file current reports on the following events:

- Item 1. Changes in Control of Registrant.
- Item 2. Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.
- Item 3. Bankruptcy or Receivership.
- Item 4. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.
- Item 5. Other Materially Important Events.
- Item 6. Resignations of Registrant's Directors.
- Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
- Item 8. Change in Fiscal Year.

The following companies have filed 8-K reports for the date indicated and/or amendments to 8-K reports previously filed, responding to the item(s) of the form specified. Copies of the reports may be purchased from the Commission's Public Reference Room (when ordering, please give the date of the report). An invoice will be included with the requested material when mailed.

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BALCOR EQUITY PENSION INVESTORS II	IL		K	12/27/96
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BANK OF NEW ENGLAND CORP	MA	NO ITEMS	_	11/30/96
BUSSE BROADCASTING CORP CADIZ LAND CO INC	DE		K	12/27/96
CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL BANKSHARES	DE	Х		02/28/96
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL FUNDING CORP	CA		Κ	12/19/96
CELTIC INVESTMENT INC	NV		K	12/25/96
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SOUTHERN PACIFIC SECURED ASSETS CORP	CA		K	12/11/96
SYNAGRO TECHNOLOGIES INC	DE		K	12/23/96
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XYTRONYX INC	DE	X X	12/19/96	
ZIONS BANCORPORATION /UT/	UT	X	12/26/96	