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#### ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

INJUNCTIONS ENTERED AGAINST OMNI INTERNATIONAL TRADING, INC., DANIEL KOEHLER, MICHAEL WILCOX, BRIAN FARLEY AND JOHN HETHERINGTON

An Order of Permanent Injunction and other Equitable Relief by Default (Order by Default) was entered against Omni International Trading, Inc. (Omni), Daniel L. Koehler (Koehler) and Michael A. Wilcox (Wilcox) based on the Commission's complaint. In addition, Brian E. Farley (Farley) and John C. Hetherington (Hetherington) each consented to the entry of an Order of Permanent Injunction and other Equitable Relief (Order) without admitting or denying the allegations of the Commission's complaint. The complaint alleged that from January 1991 through February 1995, Omni, Koehler, Wilcox, Farley, Hetherington and the other defendants defrauded public investors through the offer and sale of over \$4 million in Omni These securities were not registered with the Commission. The complaint also alleged that Omni, Koehler, Wilcox, Farley, Hetherington and the other defendants made numerous misrepresentations and omitted to state material facts regarding, among other things, Omni's future revenues, the use of proceeds, the listing of Omni securities for trading on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations system, a purported tender offer, the expected profit to be made on the tender offer and the commissions to be earned. In addition, the complaint alleged that Koehler, Farley and others acted as an unregistered broker or dealer.

Omni was enjoined from future violations of Sections 5(a), 5(c) and 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 (Securities Act), Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. Koehler and Farley were enjoined from future violations of Sections 5(a), 5(c) and 17(a) of the Securities Act, Sections 10(b), 15(a)(1) and 15(c) of the Exchange Act and Rules 10b-5 and 15c1-2 thereunder. In addition, Wilcox and Hetherington were enjoined from future violations of Section 17(a) of the Securities Act, Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder.

The Order by Default ordered that Omni, Koehler and Wilcox pay disgorgement of ill-gotten gains in the amounts of \$1,598,342, plus prejudgment interest of \$884,862, \$222,632, plus prejudgment interest of \$126,062, and \$286,516, plus prejudgment interest of \$130,044, respectively. The Order by Default further ordered that

Koehler and Wilcox each pay a civil penalty of \$100,000. The Order found that Farley and Hetherington should each pay disgorgement in the amounts of \$510,584 and \$154,250 respectively, plus prejudgment interest, however, payment was waived based on Farley's and Hetherington's demonstrated inability to pay. [SEC v. Omni International Trading, Inc., et al., D.Minn., Civil Action No. 97-2116] (LR-16085)

SEC OBTAINS JUDGMENTS OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST MICROWEST INDUSTRIES, INC., CIC RADIOLOGY, INC., AS ITS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST, MICROWEST INCOME FUND, AND THOMAS PERKINS

The Commission announced that on March 4 the Court entered judgments of permanent injunction and ordered the payment of substantial disgorgement against perpetrators of a Ponzi scheme. Judge Christina A. Snyder of the United States District Court for the Central District of California issued Final Judgments of Permanent Injunction against Defendants MicroWest Industries, Inc., and CIC Radiology, Inc. as its successor in interest, MicroWest Income Fund and Thomas J. Perkins. The complaint filed by the Commission alleged that the defendants made false claims regarding the companies' alleged ability to assemble and repair computers and an alleged unique teleradiology process. The defendants raised over \$4.2 million from 191 investors nationwide.

The Final Judgments enjoin MicroWest Industries, CIC Radiology as its successor in interest, and MicroWest Income Fund from violations of Sections 5(a), 5(c) and 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. The Final Judgment as to Perkins enjoins him from violations of Sections 5(a) and 5(c) of the Securities Act and Section 15(a)(1) of the Exchange Act. In addition the Final Judgments order: (1) MicroWest Industries and CIC Radiology as its successor in interest and MicroWest Income Fund to disgorge \$2,800,000, plus prejudgment interest of \$222,125.03, and (2) Perkins to pay a \$5,500 civil money penalty.

The complaint, which was filed on September 17, 1997, named thirteen individuals and entity Defendants. A Judgment of Default was previously entered against MicroWest MicroSystems, Inc. The case remains pending against the other defendants. [SEC v. MicroWest Industries, Inc., MicroWest Income Fund, Thomas J. Perkins, et al., Civil Action No. 97-9150, CAS, CTx, C.D. Cal.] (LR-16086)

PERMANENT INJUNCTIONS ENTERED AGAINST CIHACO INTERNATIONAL, INC., HARTMUT HAUSSECKER, BARTLEY CARSON HEALY, AND TANYA LLANES-TARVER

On March 2, the Honorable Dale A. Kimball, U.S. District Judge for the District of Utah, entered a final judgment of permanent injunction by consent against Bartley Carson Healy (Healy). Healy was enjoined from future violations of the registration and antifraud provisions of the federal securities laws and ordered to disgorge \$730,000, with payment of all but \$100,000 waived based on Healy's demonstrated inability to pay.

The case was filed on August 27, 1997, against Cihaco International, Inc., Hartmut Haussecker, Healy, and Tanya Llanes-Tarver, alleging the defendants sold unregistered securities and lied to investors about how the money was to be spent. The securities involved were putative interests in investment pools to be managed by Haussecker, who was to invest in stocks, currencies, and other financial instruments, with projected returns of 17 percent to 60 percent per month. Instead of investing the funds, Haussecker spent most of the money to support his lavish lifestyle and to purchase items such as automobiles and jewelry for persons who were named as relief defendants in the complaint. The complaint alleged that the defendants raised at least \$18 million through the fraudulent sale of unregistered securities to more than 500 investors.

Cihaco and Haussecker were permanently enjoined by default on May 18, 1998, and ordered to pay \$18,740,617 in disgorgement, plus prejudgment and postjudgment interest. Approximately \$350,000 was realized by auctioning Haussecker's personal property and an unfinished home located near Branson, Missouri.

Llanes-Tarver was permanently enjoined by consent on May 20, 1998. Disgorgement was waived and a penalty not imposed based on Llanes-Tarver's demonstrated inability to pay. [SEC v. Cihaco International, Inc., Hartmut Haussecker, Bartley Carson Healy, and Tanya Llanes-Tarver, Civil Action No. 2:97CV-0659K, USDC UT] (LR-16087)

## BETTING, INC. CONSENTS TO INJUNCTION

On March 12, the Commission filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia against Betting, Inc. (Betting), an issuer whose securities are quoted in the pinks sheets and is traded on the OTC Bulletin Board. The complaint alleges that Betting failed to make available to the investing public current and accurate information about its financial condition and results of operation through the filing of periodic reports with the Commission as required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act). Specifically, the complaint alleges that Betting has not filed its Annual Reports on Form 10-K for the fiscal years ended August 31, 1997 and 1998, its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended November 30, 1997 and February 28, May 31 and November 30, 1998 and six Notifications of Late Filing with respect to its delinquent reports. The Commission seeks to compel Betting to file its delinquent periodic reports and enjoin Betting from further violations of Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934 and Rules 12b-25, 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder. Simultaneously with the filing of the Commission's complaint, Betting consented to the entry of a Final Judgment granting the relief sought by the Commission and admitted that it had not filed the periodic reports as described [SEC v. Betting, Inc. Civil No. 99-CV-00621, D.D.C.] (LR-16088)

#### INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

# MARKET STREET FUNDS, INC. AND PROVIDENTMUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until April 6, 1999, to request a hearing on an application filed by Market Street Funds, Inc. and Providentmutual Investment Company for an order under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act exempting applicants from Section 15(a) of the Act and Rule 18f-2 under the Act. The order would permit applicants to enter into and materially amend investment management agreements with subadvisers without shareholder approval. (Rel. IC-23738 - March 12)

# HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

#### EASTERN EDISON CO.

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until April 5, 1999, to request a hearing on a proposal by Eastern Edison Company (EEC), an electric public utility subsidiary company of Eastern Utilities Associates, a registered holding company. EEC proposes to guarantee certain obligations incurred by Montaup Electric Company (MEC), an electric public utility subsidiary company of EEC, in connection with MEC's qualified sale of certain power purchase pagreements. (Rel. 35-26990)

#### SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

# WITHDRAWAL GRANTED

An order has been issued granting the application of The Turner Corporation to withdraw its Common Stock, \$1 Par Value, and its Preferred Stock Purchase Rights from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange. (Rel. 34-41169)

### WITHDRAWAL SOUGHT

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until April 5, 1999, to comment on the application of Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. to withdraw its Units, consisting of 1 share of Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value, and 1 Redeemable Class A Warrant, from listing and registration the <u>Pacific Exchange</u>. (Rel. 34-41172)

#### 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.

Registration statements may be obtained in person or by writing to the Commission's Public Reference Branch at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 or at the following e-mail box address: <public info @ sec>. In most cases, this information is also available on the Commission's website: <www.sec.gov>.

- S-8 GILAT SATELLITE NETWORKS LTD, GILAT HOUSE YEGIA KAPAYIM STREET,
  DANIV PARK, KIRYAT ARYE PETAH TIKVA 49130, L3 (703) 734-9401 2,450,000
  (\$143,325,000) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK (FILE 333-10092 MAR 04) (BR 7)
- S-8 KESTREL ENERGY INC, 999 18TH ST #2490, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 295-1939 - 200,000 (\$187,500) COMMON STOCK (FILE 333-74101 - MAR 09) (BR 4)
- S-8 COMPLETE WELLNESS CENTERS INC, 666 11TH ST N W SUITE 200, WASHINGTON, DC 20001 (202) 639-9700 475,000 (\$950,000) COMMON STOCK (FILE 333-74137 MAR 09) (BR 9)