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ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS IN THE MATTER OF SEATTLE-FIRST NATIONAL BANK

The Commission and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) today announced that Seattle-First National Bank (Seafirst) has consented to the entry of a joint order requiring it to cease and desist from violating Section 17(f)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) and Exchange Act Rule 17f-1 thereunder, without admitting or denying the findings set forth in the order. The order also requires Seafirst to pay a civil penalty of \$75,000.

The order indicates that Seafirst, acting as an agent for its customers, shipped by overnight delivery various municipal and corporate bonds and coupons to a national bank in New York (New York Bank) for collection. The Order finds that Seafirst violated Section 17(f)(1) of the Exchange Act and Rule 17f-1 by failing to contact the New York Bank to confirm non-receipt of the securities despite the fact that payment for them was more than ten business days overdue. The order also finds that Seafirst violated Exchange Act Rule 17f-1(c)(6) by failing to timely report required information when it discovered that the securities had been stolen and that deficiencies in Seafirst's record keeping practices significantly contributed to such violations. (Rel. 34-34293)

FORMER FIRST ALLIANCE FINOP ENJOINED

The Commission announced that in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, a Final Judgment was entered on June 16 against Robert A. Hartnagel (Hartnagel). Hartnagel was formerly associated with First Alliance Securities, Inc. (First Alliance), a now defunct penny stock broker-dealer headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. Hartnagel was permanently enjoined from future violations of the antifraud provisions of the federal securities laws, and ordered to disgorge \$27,826, plus prejudgment interest thereon, provided, however, that payment of such amount was waived based on his demonstrated financial inability to pay. The Commission's complaint, filed on June 2, 1994, alleged that Hartnagel served as the unregistered financial and operations principal (FINOP) and compliance officer of First Alliance. First Alliance was a classic penny stock boiler room, selling to unsophisticated investors through high pressure sales tactics, misrepresentations and omissions. First Alliance also deceived investors as to the price and value of securities sold, charging undisclosed, excessive markups ranging from 11% to 620%. The complaint alleged that in carrying out his duties, Hartnagel served as the indispensable administrator of the fraud.

The Commission's complaint further alleged that Hartnagel defrauded First Alliance investors in connection with a minimum/maximum initial public offering (IPO) by failing to deposit the IPO monies with the escrow agent as required by the prospectus, diverting the monies instead to the customers' accounts at the firm's clearing broker and allowing them to be used to purchase other First Alliance penny stocks, often without prior notice to the investor. [SEC V. Robert A. Hartnagel, Civil Action No. 1:94-CV-1450-RLV, ND GA] (LR-14141)

PERMANENT INJUNCTIONS ENTERED AGAINST NORMAN BROOKS, FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC., (d.b.a. AMERICAN FINANCIAL ADVISORS), AMERICAN CAPITAL FUNDING, INC., AND FW ADVISORS, INC. IN BOILER-ROOM FRAUD

The Commission announced today that the Honorable Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr., Chief Judge of the U.S, District Court for the District of New Hampshire permanently enjoined Norman L. Brooks, Financial Advisors, Inc. (d.b.a. American Financial Advisors), American Capital Funding, Inc., and FW Advisors, Inc., from violating Sections 5(a) and (c) and 17(a) of the Securities Act and Sections 10(b) and 15(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. The Court issued the injunctions on the basis of a default judgment also entered against those defendants. At the Commission's request, the Court did not decide the appropriate amounts of disgorgement and penalties and granted the Commission leave to present additional evidence on those issues.

The Commission alleged that the defendants raised at least \$3.5 million from a fraudulent offering of unregistered securities which resulted in sales to more than 100 investors in 25 states. The Commission also alleged that, although the defendants told investors that the proceeds of their investments would be used to fund consumer automobile loans, most of the money raised was diverted and used for the defendants' personal benefit.

Brooks and his son have been charged with securities fraud in a federal indictment and Brooks is presently a fugitive from justice. [SEC v. Norman L. Brooks, et al., USDC for the District of New Hampshire C.A. No. 94-167-JD] (LR-14142)

TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER IN PRIME BANK INSTRUMENT SCAM

The Commission announced that on June 21 a temporary restraining order was entered against John Lauer, Clifton Capital Investors L.P., Konex Holding Corporation, Lyle Neal, Copol Investments Limited and Joseph Polichemi, restraining and enjoining them from future violations of the antifraud provisions of the federal securities laws. The restraining order also freezes their assets and orders an accounting. The Commission's complaint alleged that Konex raised at least \$14 million from at least one investor, Chicago Housing Authority's (CHA) Defined Benefit Plan, in the offer and sale of investments in the Konex Roll Program, a program which purportedly was to pool investor funds to purchase and trade "Prime Bank Instruments." In fact, Konex's operation was nothing more than a scam to defraud investors. Thus, the complaint alleges that Neal and Polichemi, through their companies, Konex and Copol, made false and misleading statements concerning the use of proceeds and the returns and risk associated with the investment. The Commission's complaint also alleges that Lauer, CHA's Director of Benefits, misappropriated investor funds, failed to disclose the role of his company, his receipt of compensation and his resulting conflict of interest. Lauer also made false and misleading statements to prospective investors in endorsing the Roll Program. [SEC v. John D. Lauer, Clifton Capital Investors, L.P., Konex Holding Corporation, Lyle E. Neal, Copol Investments Limited and Joseph Polichemi, Civil Action No. 94C-3770, USDC, ND Ill.] (LR-14143)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, ET AL.

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until July 25 to request a hearing on an application filed by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, et al. for an order under Sections 6(c) and 17(d) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 17d-1 thereunder. Applicants seek an order amending previous orders that allow them to co-invest in securities acquired in private placements. The amended order would let applicants co-invest with an additional entity. The order also would modify the previous orders to let applicants sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of securities and exercise warrants, conversion privileges and other rights, and make follow-on investments at different times and in differing amounts, subject to the approval of a committee comprised of all of the trustees of each participating registered investment company who are not "interested persons" (as defined in Section 2(a)(19)) of the investment company or its investment adviser. (Rel. IC-20381 - June 30)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY, ET AL.

A supplemental order has been issued releasing jurisdiction over the financing by Utility Constructors, Inc. (UCI), a nonutility subsidiary company of National Fuel Gas Company (NFG), a registered holding company. UCI requests the authorization to borrow an aggregate amount of up to \$13 million, through December 31, 1994, through the NFG intrasystem money pool. (Rel. 35-26076)

SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

The Commission approved a proposed rule change (SR-NASD-93-10) filed by the <u>National Association of Securities Dealers</u> that requires third market makers registered as CQS market makers to register and participate in the Computer Assisted Execution System and the Intermarket Trading System/Computer Assisted Execution System. Publication of the order in the <u>Federal Register</u> is expected during the week of July 4. (Rel. 34-34280)

The Commission approved a proposed rule change filed by the <u>Boston Stock</u> <u>Exchange</u> (SR-BSE-93-19) to adopt a Rule relating to the establishment, maintenance and enforcement of procedures designed to prevent the misuse material, non-public information. (Rel. 34-34284)

The Commission approved a proposed rule change (SR-CBOE-93-56) filed by the <u>Chicago Board Options Exchange</u> amending CBOE Rule 9.3, "Registration and Termination of Representatives," to require members to file with the CBOE's Department of Compliance a termination notice for any discharge or termination of employment of a registered person, and the reason therefore, within 30 days of the termination. In addition, the proposal will allow members to fulfill CBOE Rule 9.3's filing requirements by submitting their filings to the North American Securities Administrators Association/National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Central Registration Depository within the time period allowed under CBOE Rule 9.3. Publication of the approval order is expected in the <u>Federal Register</u> during the week of July 4. (Rel. 34-34289) The Commission approved a proposed rule change filed by the <u>Philadelphia</u> <u>Stock Exchange</u> (SR-Phlx-93-49) to prohibit the unbundling of PACE orders. (Rel. 34-34290)

The Commission approved a proposed rule change filed by the <u>American</u> <u>Stock Exchange</u> (SR-Amex-94-11) relating to the Floor Official zone system. (Rel. 34-34291)

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.

- N-1A AMERICAN HIGH INCOME MUNICIPAL BOND FUND INC, 333 SOUTH HOPE ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071 - INDEFINITE SHARES. (FILE 33-80630 - JUN. 23) (BR. 16)
- S-1 ZEIGLER COAL HOLDING CO, 50 JEROME LANE, FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL 62208 (618) 394-2400 - 12,177,312 (\$207,014,304) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80646 -JUN. 23) (BR. 3 - NEW ISSUE)
- SB-2 CINENA RIDE INC, 12001 VENTURA PL, STE 600, STUDIO CITY, CA 91604 (818) 761-1002 - 2,089,835 (\$10,449,175) COMMON STOCK. 5,370,000 (\$19,759,750) WARRANTS, OPTIONS OR RIGHTS. (FILE 33-80672 - JUN. 24) (BR. 11 - NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 INTEGRATED MICRO PRODUCTS PLC, NUMBER ONE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,
 MEDOMSLEY RD, CONSETT, COUNTY DURHAM, DH8 6TJ, X0 (020) 750-3481 490,340 (\$1,398,808.80) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80674 JUN. 23) (BR. 9)
- SB-2 HUNGARIAN TELEPHONE & CABLE CORP, 90 W ST, NEW YORK, NY 10006 (212) 571-7400 - 1,143,789 (\$18,300,624) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80676 -JUN. 24) (BR. 8)
- S-8 USB HOLDING CO INC, 100 DUTCH HILL RD, ORANGEBURG, NY 10962 (914) 365-4600 - 200,000 (\$4,600,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80678 -JUN. 24) (BR. 1)
- S-8 ICOS CORP / DE, 22021-20TH AVENUE S.E., BOTHELL, WA 98021
 (206) 485-1900 300,000 (\$1,293,750) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80680 JUN. 24) (BR. 4)
- S-3 ATRIX INTERNATIONAL INC, 14301 EVING AVE S, BURNSVILLE, NN 55337 (612) 894-6154 - 32,500 (\$28,600) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80682 - JUN. 24) (BR. 10)

- S-3 GEN RX INC, 1413 DUFF DR, FT COLLINS, CO 80524 (303) 484-6100 1,532,000 (\$3,155,920) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80684 JUN. 24) (BR. 4)
- S-8 BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC, 100 QUANNAPOWITT PKWY, WAKEFIELD, NA 01880 (617) 246-9000 - 1,500,000 (\$13,593,750) CONNON STOCK. (FILE 33-80720 -JUN. 24) (BR. 7)
- S-1 BANC ONE STUDENT LOAN FUNDING CORP, 100 EAST BROAD ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43271 (614) 248-5700 - 1,000,000 (\$1,000,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. 1,000,000 (\$1,000,000) EQUIPMENT TRUST CERTIFICATES. (FILE 33-80722 - JUN. 24) (BR. 11 - NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 IDEXX LABORATORIES INC /DE, ONE IDEXX DR, WESTBROOK, NE 04092 (207) 856-0300 - 150,000 (\$4,425,000) CONMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80724 -JUN. 24) (BR. 4)
- S-8 HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC, 13 CENTENNIAL DR, CENTENNIAL INDUSTRIAL PK, PEABODY, NA 01961 (508) 532-9000 - 562,630 (\$2,813,150) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80726 - JUN. 24) (BR. 5)
- S-3 OVERSEAS PARTNERS LTD, CRAIG APPIN HOUSE, WESLEY ST, HAMILTON 5 BERNUDA, D0 (809) 295-0788 - 5,000,000 (\$44,000,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80728 -JUN. 24) (BR. 9)
- SOUTHFIRST BANCSHARES INC, 126 NORTH NORTON AVE, SYLACAUGA, AL 35150 (205) 245-4365 1,454,750 (\$14,547,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80730 JUN. 24) (BR. 2 NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC, 100 QUANNAPOWITT PKWY, WAKEFIELD, MA 01880 (617) 246-9000 - 15,000 (\$135,937.50) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80734 -JUN. 24) (BR. 7)
- S-1 STERILE CONCEPTS HOLDINGS INC, 5100 COMMERCE RD, RICHMOND, VA 23234 (804) 275-0200 - 6,259,450 (\$118,929,550) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80736 -JUN. 24) (BR. 10 - NEW ISSUE)
- S-3 GREENWICH CAPITAL ACCEPTANCE INC, 600 STEAMBOAT RD, GREENWICH, CT 06830 (203) 625-2700 - 2,000,000,000 (\$2,000,000) PASS-THROUGH MORTGAGE-BACKED CERTIFICATE. (FILE 33-80740 - JUN. 24) (BR. 12)
- F-1 SHANDONG HUANENG POWER DEVELOPMENT CO LTD, 2 MAANSHAD RD, BUILDING 6 JIAN, SHANDONG 25001 CHINA, F5 (531) 295-3931 - 1,344,005,000 (\$456,961,700) FOREIGN COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80748 - JUN. 27) (BR. 7 - NEW ISSUE)
- S-8 VISION SCIENCES INC /DE/, 6 STRATHWORE ROAD, NATICK, WA 01760 (508) 650-9971 - 1,500,000 (\$8,535,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80762 -JUN. 27) (BR. 10)
- S-8 VISION SCIENCES INC /DE/, 6 STRATHMORE ROAD, NATICK, NA 01760 (508) 650-9971 200,000 (\$1,138,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-80764 JUN. 27) (BR. 10)

ACQUISITIONS OF SECURITIES

Companies and individuals must report to the Commission within ten days on Schedule 13D if after the acquisition of equity securities of a public company their beneficial interest therein exceeds five percent. Persons eligible to use the short form (Schedule 13G) may in lieu of filing a Schedule 13D file a Schedule 13G within 45 days after the end of the calendar year in which the person became subject to Section 13(d)(1). Companies and individuals making a tender offer must have on file at the time the tender offer commences a Schedule 14D-1.

Below is a list of recent filings of Schedules 13D and 14D, which includes the following information: Column 1 - the company purchased (top), and the name of the purchaser; Column 2 - the type of security purchased; Column - 3 - the type of form filed; Column 4 - the date the transaction occurred; Column 5 - the current number of shares (in 000's) owned (top) and the current percent owned; Column 6 - the CUSIP number (top) and the percent owned; and Column 7 - the status of the filing, i.e., new, update or revision.

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CALTON INC NEW	COM	NEV		5,317	13138020	
APOLLO HOMES PARTNERS LP		13D	6/17/94	•	21.1	
CINERGI PICTURES ENTERTAINME	COM				17247010	
WALT DISNEY CO		13D	6/24/94	6.3	0.0	NEW
CORRECTIONS CORP AMER	COM			2 588	22025610	1
SODEXHO SA		130	6/23/94	-		NEW
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DYNATRONICS CORP	COM			1,488	26815710)
MORGAN GENE FINL ET AL		13D	5/31/94	19.2	17.5	UPDATE
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	COM	13D	6/22/94			MEW
SARNOFF TRUST ET AL		1.50	0/22/94	10.2	0.0	
FRESENTUS USA INC	COM			18,673	35803110)
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INDIANA ENERGY INC	COM			•	45470710	
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JACKSONVILLE SVGS & LN ASSN	COM			100	46969110	0
SIEGLER GARY ET AL		13D	6/10/94	5.4	0.0	NEW

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KATY INDS INC	CON			-	48602610	
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KETENA INC	COM			923	49265310	
AMER SECURITIES CORP, CLIER		130	6/28/94	26.5		UPDATE
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LAZ FINL CORP	COM			•	50173810	
AMERICAN TELETRONICS LONG	DIST	130	7/ 1/94	90.0	90.0	UPDATE
LONGHORN STEAKS INC	CON			282	54305710	
FIDELITY INTL LTD		130	7/ 1/94	4.3		UPDATE
LONGHORN STEAKS INC	COM				54305710	
FMR CORP		1 3 0	7/ 1/94	4.3	8.5	UPDATE
PACE AMERN GROUP INC	COM			1.604	69371910	
NELSON EARL C ETAL		130	6/21/94	37.8		UPDATE
PIONEER FED SVGS BANK	CON			50	72499310	
HIGGINS FRED M		1 3 0	6/ 8/94	1.8	0.0	NEW
PRENDOR INC	CON			2 638	74099010	
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PRESLEY CO DEL	SER A			4,547	74103010	
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RAMSAY HEALTH CARE INC	COM NET			404	75158220	
SCHWARTZ MARVIN C		13D	8/16/93	5.2	0.0	NEW
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SAUL CTRS INC	CON			1,382	80439510	
TIGER NGNT CORP ET AL		130	6/21/94	11.6	18.1	UPDATE
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UNIVERSAL HEALTH SVCS INC	CL R			648	91390310	
SCHHARTZ MARVIN C		130	8/16/93	4.4	0.0	NEV