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FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended
December 31, 2003

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1-6686

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

13-1024020
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10020
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 399-8000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock	New York Stock Exchange
Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No .

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (Section 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2). Yes No

The aggregate market value of the registrant's voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$5,234,424,213 as of June 30, 2003.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock outstanding at February 27, 2004: 418,107,956 shares.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following sections of the Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 18, 2004 are incorporated by reference in Parts I and III: "Election of Directors," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance," "Compensation of Executive Officers," "Report of the Compensation Committee of the Board," "Outstanding Shares," "Transactions with Interpublic" and "Appointment of Independent Accountants".

STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING DISCLOSURE

This Annual Report on Form 10-K, including "Business," "Business-Risk Factors," and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", contains forward-looking statements. Interpublic's representatives may also make forward-looking statements orally from time to time. Statements in this Annual Report that are not historical facts, including statements about Interpublic's beliefs and expectations, particularly regarding recent business and economic trends, the impact of litigation, the SEC investigation, dispositions, impairment charges, the integration of acquisitions and restructuring costs, constitute forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current plans, estimates and projections, and are subject to change based on a number of factors, including those described in this Annual Report on Form 10-K under "Risk Factors". Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and Interpublic undertakes no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events.

Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Such risk factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

* risks associated with the effects of global, national and regional economic and political conditions;

- * the Company's ability to attract new clients and retain existing clients;
- * the financial success of the Company's clients;
- * the Company's ability to retain and attract key employees;
- * developments from changes in the regulatory and legal environment for advertising and marketing and communications services companies around the world;
- * potential adverse effects if the Company is required to recognize additional impairment charges or other adverse accounting related developments;
- * potential adverse developments in connection with the SEC investigation;
- * risks associated with the Company's remaining motorsports commitments;
- * potential downgrades in the credit ratings of Interpublic's securities; and
- * the successful completion and integration of acquisitions which complement and expand the Company's business capabilities.

Investors should carefully consider these factors and the additional risk factors outlined in more detail under the heading "Business-Risk Factors" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

Information regarding the Company's annual report on Forms 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q or 10-Q/A, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to these reports, will be made available, free of charge, at the Company's website at <http://www.interpublic.com>, as soon as reasonably practicable after the Company electronically files such reports with or furnishes them to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any document that the Company files with the SEC may also be read and copied at the SEC's public reference room located at Room 1024, Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. The Company's filings are also available to the public from the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov/>, and at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange. For further information on obtaining copies of the Company's public filings at the New York Stock Exchange, please call (212) 656-5060.

The Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Conduct and each of the charters for the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and the Corporate Governance Committee are available free of charge on the Company's website at <http://www.interpublic.com>, or by writing to The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020, Attention: Secretary.

PART I

Item 1. Business

The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. was incorporated in Delaware in September 1930 under the name of McCann-Erickson Incorporated as the successor to the advertising agency businesses founded in 1902 by A.W. Erickson and in 1911 by Harrison K. McCann. It has operated under the Interpublic name since January 1961. As used in this Annual Report, the "Registrant" or "Interpublic" refers to The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. while the "Company" refers to Interpublic and its subsidiaries.

The Company is a group of advertising and specialized marketing and communication services companies that together represent one of the largest resources of advertising and marketing expertise in the world. With offices and other affiliations in more than 100 countries, the Company had revenues of approximately \$5.863 billion and a net loss of approximately \$451.7 million in 2003.

Advertising and Specialized Marketing and Communications Services Businesses

In the last five years, the Company has grown to become one of the world's largest groups of global marketing services companies, providing its clients with communications and marketing expertise in three broad areas:

- * Advertising, which includes advertising and media management;
- * Marketing Communications, which includes direct marketing, database and customer relationship management, public relations, sales promotion, event marketing, on-line marketing, corporate and brand identity, brand consultancy and healthcare marketing; and
- * Marketing Services, which includes sports and entertainment marketing, corporate meetings and events, retail marketing and other marketing and business services.

The Company seeks to be the best in quality and a leading competitor in all of these areas.

The Company is currently organized into four global operating groups. Three of these groups, McCann Erickson WorldGroup ("McCann"), The FCB Group and The Partnership, provide a comprehensive array of global communications and marketing services. Each offers a distinctive range of solutions for the Company's clients. The fourth global operating group, The Interpublic Sports & Entertainment Group ("SEG"), focuses on sports marketing and event planning activities. In addition to these groups, the Company also includes a group of leading stand-alone companies that provide their clients with a full range of advertising and/or marketing communications services. See "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - Note 15: Segment Information" for further discussion.

The Company believes this organizational structure allows it to provide comprehensive solutions to clients, enables stronger organic growth among all its operating companies and

allows it to bring improved operating efficiencies to its organization.

McCann Erickson WorldGroup was founded on the global strength and quality of McCann, one of the world's leading advertising agencies. It includes companies spanning advertising, media, customer relationship management, events, sales promotion, public relations, on-line marketing communications and healthcare communications. Launched in late 1997, McCann has expanded rapidly to become one of the world's leading networked marketing communications groups, now working with more than 25 key worldwide clients in three or more disciplines and with more than 40 US clients in two or more disciplines. McCann Erickson WorldGroup includes the following companies:

- * McCann Erickson Worldwide (advertising),
- * Universal McCann Worldwide (media planning and buying),
- * MRM Partners Worldwide (direct/customer relationship management; on-line marketing communications through Zentropy),
- * Momentum Worldwide (event marketing/sponsorship/sales promotion), and
- * Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare WorldWide (healthcare advertising and marketing).

The FCB Group is a single global integrated network centered on Foote, Cone & Belding Worldwide and its advertising, direct marketing and sales promotion capabilities. This group also includes the following specialized services:

- * FCBi (direct and digital marketing),
- * Marketing Drive Worldwide (integrated promotional marketing),
- * R/GA (web design and development),
- * FCB HealthCare (healthcare marketing), and
- * The Hacker Group (customer acquisition direct marketing).

The Partnership, a global, client-driven creative leader, is anchored on the quality advertising reputation of Lowe & Partners Worldwide. The Partnership provides collaboration across a global group of independently managed networks with creative and executional capabilities across all disciplines. The partners seek to preserve their uniqueness while creating the ability to interconnect seamlessly to better service clients. Partner companies include:

- * Lowe & Partners Worldwide (advertising),
- * Lowe Healthcare Worldwide (healthcare marketing),
- * Draft (direct and promotional marketing),
- * Zipatoni (promotional marketing),
- * Mullen (advertising), and
- * Dailey & Associates (advertising).

The Interpublic Sports & Entertainment Group focuses on sports marketing and event planning activities. SEG was formed during the second quarter of 2002 through a carve-out from the Company's other operating groups of related operations. It includes:

- * Octagon (sports marketing),
- * Motorsports, and
- * Entertainment PR (Bragman Nyman Cafarelli and PMK/HBH).

Through March 1, 2004 Jack Morton Worldwide was included as a component of SEG.

The Company is currently evaluating the manner in which SEG and its component parts are managed and reported. In January 2004, Interpublic sold the four motorsports circuits owned by its Brands Hatch Circuits unit to MotorSport Vision Limited for approximately \$26 million. As a result of the sale, Interpublic's remaining interest in Motorsports consists of its obligations related to the Formula One British Grand Prix and the lease of the Silverstone track.

Independent Agencies

Interpublic also includes a group of leading stand-alone companies that provide their clients with a full range of advertising and/or marketing communications services and partner with the Company's global operating groups as needed. These include:

- * Campbell Ewald,
- * Deutsch,
- * Hill Holliday,
- * The Martin Agency,
- * Carmichael-Lynch,
- * Gotham,
- * MAGNA Global (advertising media negotiations and television program development),

- * Weber Shandwick Worldwide, Golin/Harris International and DeVries Public Relations (public relations),
- * FutureBrand,
- * Initiative Media (media planning and buying), and
- * Jack Morton Worldwide (prior to March 1, 2004, a component of SEG).

In addition to its domestic operations, the Company provides services for clients whose businesses are international in scope, as well as for clients whose businesses are restricted to a single country or a small number of countries. The Company has offices in Canada, as well as in one or more cities in each of the following countries and territories:

EUROPE, AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Austria	Hungary	Namibia	Slovenia
Azerbaijan	Israel	Netherlands	South Africa
Bahrain	Ireland	Nigeria	Spain
Belgium	Italy	Norway	Sweden
Bulgaria	Ivory Coast	Oman	Switzerland
Croatia	Jordan	Pakistan	Tunisia
Czech Republic	Kazakhstan	Poland	Turkey
Denmark	Kenya	Portugal	Ukraine
Egypt	Kuwait	Qatar	United Arab Emirates
Estonia	Latvia	Romania	United Kingdom
Finland	Lebanon	Russia	Uzbekistan
France	Malawi	Saudi Arabia	Zambia
Germany	Mauritius	Senegal	Zimbabwe
Greece	Morocco	Slovakia	

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Argentina	Colombia	Guatemala	Peru
Barbados	Costa Rica	Honduras	Puerto Rico
Bermuda	Dominican Republic	Jamaica	Trinidad
Brazil	Ecuador	Mexico	Uruguay
Chile	El Salvador	Panama	Venezuela

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Australia	Japan	Paraguay	South Korea
Cambodia	Malaysia	Philippines	Taiwan
Hong Kong	Nepal	Singapore	Thailand
India	New Zealand	Sri Lanka	Vietnam
Indonesia	People's Republic of China		

Operations in the foregoing countries are carried out by one or more operating companies, at least one of which is either wholly owned by Interpublic or a direct or indirect subsidiary or is a company in which Interpublic or a direct or indirect subsidiary owns a 50% interest or more, except in Bahrain, Cambodia, Egypt, Kuwait, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Nepal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Trinidad and United Arab Emirates where Interpublic or a direct or indirect subsidiary holds a minority interest.

The Company also offers services in Albania, Aruba, the Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Gabon, Ghana, Grand Cayman, Guadeloupe, Guam, Guyana, Haiti, Ivory Coast, Malawi, Martinique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Paraguay, Sri Lanka, Surinam, Uganda, Zaire and Zambia through association arrangements with local agencies operating in those countries or territories.

For information concerning revenues and long-lived assets on a geographical basis for each of the last three years, see "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - Note 15: Segment Information" included in this Annual Report under Item 8.

Recent Developments

Financing Activities

On December 16, 2003, Interpublic issued 25.8 million common shares at a price of \$13.50 under its existing shelf registration statement. This offering was closed concurrently with an offering of approximately 7.5 million shares of its Preferred Stock. As a result of the transaction, Interpublic raised net proceeds of approximately \$693 million. Approximately \$246 million of the net proceeds from this offering were used to redeem Interpublic's 1.80% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004. The remaining proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

Sale of Modem Media Common Stock

In December 2003, Interpublic sold approximately 11 million shares of Modem Media common stock in an underwritten public offering, for aggregate net proceeds of approximately \$57 million. Following Interpublic's sale of Modem shares in the offering, Interpublic owned approximately 148,000 shares of Modem Media's common stock.

Sale of Taylor Nelson Stock

On December 1, 2003, Interpublic disposed of all of the approximately 11.7 million shares of Taylor Nelson Sofres plc ("TNS") stock that Interpublic had received as partial consideration for the sale in June 2003 of NFO WorldGroup, Inc. to TNS. Interpublic received approximately \$42 million in exchange for the sale of the shares of TNS stock. Interpublic no longer holds any shares of TNS stock.

Settlement of Securities Class Actions and Derivative Actions

On December 2, 2003, Interpublic reached an agreement in principal to settle the consolidated class action shareholder suits currently pending in federal district court in New York. The settlement is subject to the execution of a definitive settlement agreement and to approval by the court. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, Interpublic will pay \$115 million, of which \$20 million will be paid in cash and \$95 million in shares of Interpublic's common stock at a value of \$14.50 per share. Interpublic also agreed that, should the price of its common stock fall below \$8.70 per share before final approval of the settlement, Interpublic will either, at its sole discretion, issue additional shares of common stock or pay cash so that the consideration for the stock portion of the settlement will have a total value of \$57 million.

The shareholder derivative suits in federal district court in New York will be settled pending the settlement of the class action shareholder suits disclosed above. Plaintiffs in state securities actions voluntarily dismissed their appeal of a stay of these actions. See "Item 3. Legal Proceedings" and "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements - Note 16 Commitments and Contingencies" for further discussion.

Sale of Motorsports Circuits

In January 2004, Interpublic sold a business comprising the four motorsports circuits owned by its Brands Hatch Circuits unit to MotorSport Vision Limited for approximately \$26 million. The sale included the Brands Hatch, Oulton Park, Cadwell Park and Snetterton racing tracks. As a result of the sale, Interpublic's remaining interest in Motorsports consists of its obligations related to the Formula One British Grand Prix and the lease of the Silverstone track. Brands Hatch Circuits has therefore been re-named Silverstone Motorsport Limited. The sale of the four tracks does not affect Interpublic's interests and commitments in relation to Silverstone, including the remaining obligations under an executory contract and an operating lease. See "Note 5: Long-Lived Asset Impairment and Other Charges" for further discussion.

Revenue

Sources of Revenue

The Company generates revenue from planning, creating and placing advertising in various media and from planning and executing other communications or marketing programs. Historically, the commission customary in the industry was 15% of the gross charge ("billings") for advertising space or time; more recently, lower commissions have been negotiated, but often with additional incentives paid for better performance. For example, an incentive component is frequently included in arrangements with clients based on improvements in an advertised brand's awareness or image, or increases in a client's sales or market share of the products or services being advertised. Under commission arrangements, the media bill the Company at their gross rates. The Company bills these amounts to its clients, remits the net charges to the media and retains the balance as the Company's commission. Many clients, however, prefer to compensate the Company on a fee basis, under which the Company bills its client for the net charges billed by the media plus an agreed-upon fee. These fees usually are calculated to reflect the Company's hourly rates and out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of clients, plus proportional overhead and a profit mark-up.

Like other agencies, the Company is primarily responsible for paying the media with respect to firm contracts for advertising time or space placed on behalf of its clients. The Company's practice generally is to pay media charges only once the Company has received funds from clients, and in some instances the Company agrees with the media that the Company will be solely liable to pay the media only after the client has paid the Company for the media charges. The Company makes serious efforts to reduce the risk from a client's nonpayment, including by generally carrying out credit clearances and requiring in some cases payment by the media in advance.

The Company also receives commissions from clients for planning and supervising work done by outside contractors in connection with the physical preparation of finished print advertisements and the production of television and radio commercials and other forms of advertising. This commission is customarily 17.65% of the outside contractor's net charge, which is the same as 15% of the outside contractor's total charges including commission. With the increasing use of negotiated fees, the terms on which outstanding contractors' charges are billed are subject to wide variations and even include, in some instances, the replacement of commissions with negotiated flat fees.

The Company also derives revenue from other activities, including the planning and placement with the media of advertising produced by unrelated advertising agencies; the maintenance of specialized media placement facilities; the creation and publication of brochures, billboards, point of sale materials and direct marketing pieces for clients; the management of public relations campaigns; the creation and management of special events, meetings and shows at which clients' products are featured; and the design and implementation of interactive programs for special marketing needs.

Clients

The five clients that made the largest revenue contribution in 2003 accounted individually for approximately 1.8% to 8.3% of the Company's revenue and in the aggregate accounted for approximately 17.4% of the Company's revenue. The Company's twenty largest clients accounted for approximately 29.8% of its revenue in 2003. Based on revenue, as of December 31, 2003, the Company's largest clients included General Motors Corporation, Johnson & Johnson, Microsoft, Nestle and Unilever. While the loss of the entire business of any one of the Company's largest clients might have a material adverse effect upon its business, the Company believes that it is unlikely that the entire business of any of these clients would be lost at the same time, because the Company represents several different brands or divisions of each of these clients in a number of geographical markets, in each case through more than one of the Company's agency systems.

Representation of a client rarely means that the Company handles advertising for all brands or product lines of the client in all geographical locations. Any client may transfer its business from an agency within the Company to a competing agency, and a client may reduce its marketing budget at any time.

The Company's agencies have written contracts with many of their clients. As is customary in the industry, these contracts provide for termination by either party on relatively short notice, usually 90 days but sometimes shorter or longer. In 2003, however, 25% of revenue was derived from clients that had been associated with one or more of the Company's agencies or their predecessors for 20 or more years.

Personnel

As of January 1, 2004, the Company employed approximately 43,400 persons, of whom 17,900 were employed in the United States. Because of the personal service character of the marketing communications business, the quality of personnel is of crucial importance to the Company's continuing success. There is keen competition for qualified employees. Interpublic considers its employee relations to be satisfactory overall.

The Company has several active programs for training personnel. These programs include meetings and seminars throughout the world.

Risk Factors

The following factors could adversely affect the Company's revenues, results of operations or financial condition. See also "Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Disclosure."

- * ***The Company's revenues have declined and are susceptible to further declines as a result of adverse economic and political developments.***

In the first part of 2003, unfavorable economic conditions and an uncertain global political environment has resulted in continued softness in demand for the Company's services. In 2003, the Company's revenues increased by 2.2% as compared with 2002, as the benefit of higher foreign exchange rates masked a revenue decline of 2.4% on a constant currency basis. Although the Company has experienced improved revenue performance during the latter part of 2003 coinciding with signs of an economic recovery, there can be no assurance that economic conditions will continue to show signs of improvement. If the economy does not continue to improve, or weakens, or in the event of adverse political or economic developments, including in connection with hostilities in the Middle East or elsewhere or terrorist attacks, the results of operations of the Company are likely to be adversely affected.

* ***The Company may be required to recognize additional impairment charges and changes in valuation allowances.***

The Company periodically evaluates the realizability of all of its long-lived assets (including goodwill and fixed assets), investments and deferred tax assets. As of December 31, 2003 the Company had approximately \$3.352 billion of intangibles on its balance sheet, approximately \$249 million in investments and approximately \$546 million of deferred tax assets. Future events, including the Company's financial performance and the strategic decisions it makes, could cause the Company to conclude that impairment indicators exist and that the asset values associated with these asset categories may have become impaired. Any resulting impairment loss would have an adverse impact on the Company's reported earnings in the period in which the charge is recognized.

Any future impairment charge or changes in valuation allowances could also adversely affect the financial condition of the Company and result in a violation of the financial covenants of its revolving credit facilities, which could trigger a default under those facilities and adversely affect the Company's liquidity.

* ***The Company will be incurring significant costs in the near term in connection with its planned restructuring program. The timing and ultimate amount of charges, and the savings the Company ultimately realizes, may differ from what it currently expects.***

The Company is executing a restructuring program to reduce costs permanently through further headcount reductions and real estate consolidation. The Company currently expects to incur approximately \$275 million of charges, including amounts classified in office and general expenses, in connection with the restructuring program. Some of these charges will be incurred in periods ending after December 31, 2003. There is no guarantee that the timing and ultimate amount of charges the Company records, and the savings it ultimately realizes, will not differ from what the Company currently expects. As of December 31, 2003, the Company recorded \$175.6 million of restructuring charges and \$16.5 million in charges related to the acceleration of amortization of leasehold improvements on premises included in the 2003 program. The restructuring and related costs could adversely affect the Company's financial condition and result in a violation of the financial covenants of the Company's revolving credit facilities, which could trigger a default under those facilities and adversely affect the Company's liquidity.

* ***The Company is exploring various options with respect to its motorsports commitments, some of which may involve a significant cash payment.***

The Company continues to have commitments under certain leasing and motorsports event contractual arrangements at the Silverstone racing circuit. As of December 31, 2003, the Company was committed to remaining payments under these arrangements of approximately \$460 million. (This amount related to undiscounted payments through 2015 principally under an executory contract and an operating lease and assumes payments over the maximum remaining term of the relevant agreements. This obligation has not been reduced by any future revenues to be generated from the arrangements.) The Company is continuing to explore various options with respect to these commitments, at least one of which may involve a cash payment in the order of \$200 million. The amount of any such cash payment would adversely impact the Company's earnings in the period when incurred. The Company has obtained amendments of certain definitions contained in its revolving credit facilities to give the Company the flexibility to discharge these commitments. Any cash payments in excess of those permitted by these amendments would adversely affect the Company's compliance with the financial covenants of its revolving credit facilities. The Company can give you no assurance that its efforts with regard to its remaining motorsports commitments will result in a successful transaction.

* ***Downgrades of the Company's ratings could adversely affect the Company.***

The Company's current long-term debt credit ratings are BB+ with negative outlook, BB+ with negative outlook and Baa3 with stable outlook, as reported by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, Fitch Ratings and Moody's Investors Service, Inc., respectively. Although a ratings downgrade by any of the rating agencies will not trigger an acceleration of any of the Company's indebtedness, these events may adversely affect its ability to access capital and would likely result in an increase in the interest rates payable under the Company's two revolving credit facilities and future indebtedness.

* ***The loss of uncommitted lines of credit could adversely affect the Company's liquidity.***

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had approximately \$38.1 million outstanding under \$744.8 million in uncommitted lines of credit. These borrowings are repayable upon demand. The Company uses amounts available under the lines of credit, together with cash flow from operations, proceeds from its 2003 debt and equity offerings, and proceeds from the sale of NFO and cash on hand, to fund its working capital needs. If the Company loses all or a substantial portion of these lines of credit, it will be required to seek other sources of liquidity. If the Company is unable to replace these sources of liquidity, for example through access to the capital markets, the Company's ability to fund its working capital needs will be adversely affected.

* ***The Company is still implementing its plan to improve its internal controls.***

The Company was first informed in the third quarter of 2002 by its independent auditors that they had identified a "material weakness" (as defined under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) relating to the processing and monitoring of inter-company transactions, and the Company's senior management determined that this material weakness, together with other deficiencies associated with a lack of balance sheet monitoring, if unaddressed, could result in accounting errors in the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements. Furthermore, the Company's management believes that a material weakness persists with respect to the matters discussed below under "Controls and Procedures," notwithstanding the remedial action undertaken with respect to inter-company transactions. The Company has further identified various other changes to its accounting and internal control structure that the Company believes are necessary to help ensure that accounting errors do not arise in the future. Although the Company has implemented many changes, and the Company's management has concluded that, taking into account these changes to date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives, some of the measures are still in the

process of being implemented. If, notwithstanding this reasonable assurance, further restatements were to occur or other accounting-related problems emerge, the Company could face additional litigation exposure and greater scrutiny from the SEC in connection with the SEC investigation currently taking place. Any future restatements or other accounting-related problems may adversely affect the financial condition of the Company.

The Company is also undertaking a thorough review of its internal controls as part of the Company's preparation for compliance with the requirements under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company will be able to assert that its internal control over financial reporting is effective pursuant to the rules adopted by the Commission under Section 404, when those rules take effect.

* ***Pending litigation could have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company.***

Thirteen federal securities purported class actions were filed against Interpublic and certain of its present and former directors and officers by a purported class of purchasers of Interpublic stock shortly after the Company's August 13, 2002 announcement regarding the restatement of its previously reported earnings for the periods January 1, 1997 through March 31, 2002. The consolidated amended complaint alleges that such false and misleading statements constitute violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. The consolidated amended complaint also alleges violations of Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") in connection with Interpublic's acquisition of True North Communications, Inc. ("True North") on behalf of a purported class of True North shareholders who acquired Interpublic stock. No amount of damages is specified in the consolidated amended complaint. The Company is also subject to pending state securities class actions and derivative actions. The Company has reached agreements in principle for the settlement of the federal securities purported class actions and derivative actions and believes that the settlement outlined in these agreements in principle will be sufficient to cover all the pending claims in the federal, state and derivative suits. To effect this settlement, confirmatory discovery will need to be taken and the terms of the settlement will have to be approved by the court. The Company cannot give any assurances that the proposed settlement will receive the approval of the court. In the event that a final settlement is not agreed and approved by the court, these proceedings will continue and, as with all litigations, contain elements of uncertainty, and the final resolution of these actions could have a material impact on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations. However, management currently believes that the amounts accrued in its Consolidated Balance Sheet are adequate to cover the amounts the Company expects to pay.

* ***An ongoing SEC investigation regarding the Company's accounting restatements could adversely affect the Company.***

Following the Company's announcement in August 2002 of the restatement of its financial results for the periods from 1997 to June 2002, the Company was informed by the SEC that it was conducting an informal inquiry into the matters surrounding the restatement. In January 2003 the Company was informed by the SEC that it had issued a formal order of investigation with respect to these matters. While the Company is cooperating fully with the investigation, adverse developments in connection with the investigation, including any expansion of the scope of the investigation, could negatively impact the Company and could divert the efforts and attention of its management team from the Company's ordinary business operations.

* ***The Company's revolving credit facilities with syndicates of banks restrict its ability to take some corporate actions, including making dividend payments.***

The current terms of the Company's two revolving credit facilities with syndicates of banks restrict the Company's ability to (1) make cash acquisitions or investments in excess of \$100 million annually, (2) declare or pay dividends on the Company's capital stock in excess of \$70 million annually (\$25 million of which the Company may use to declare or pay dividends on the Company's common stock or repurchase shares) and (3) make capital expenditures in excess of \$175 million annually. They also limit the ability of the Company's domestic subsidiaries to incur additional debt. The Company's future earnings performance will determine the permitted levels of share buybacks and dividend payments. All limitations on dividend payments and share buybacks expire when earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), as defined in the credit facilities, exceed \$1.3 billion for four consecutive quarters. No dividend was paid in 2003. The Company's future dividend policy will be determined on a quarter-by-quarter basis, will depend on earnings, financial condition, capital requirements and other factors and will be subject to the restrictions under the amended revolving credit facilities.

On February 24, 2004, the Company's Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.642 per share on its outstanding Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable in cash on March 15, 2004 to any stockholder of record at the close of business on March 1, 2004. This will result in total dividend payments of approximately \$5 million.

* ***The Company may not realize all the benefits the Company expects from acquisitions it has made.***

The success of acquisitions depends on the effective integration of newly-acquired businesses into the Company's current operations. Important factors for integration include realization of anticipated synergies and cost savings and the ability to retain and attract personnel and clients. There can be no assurance that the Company will realize all the benefits it expects from recent or future acquisitions.

* ***The Company competes for clients in a highly competitive industry.***

The advertising agency and other marketing communications and marketing services businesses are highly competitive. The Company's agencies and media services must compete with other agencies and with other providers of creative or media services which are not themselves advertising agencies, in order to maintain existing client relationships and to obtain new clients. The client's perception of the quality of an agency's "creative product," the Company's reputation and the agency's reputation are, to a large extent, factors in determining the competitive position of the Company in the advertising agency business. An agency's ability to serve clients, particularly large international clients, on a broad geographic basis is also an important competitive consideration. On the other hand, because an agency's principal asset is its people, freedom of entry into the business is almost unlimited, and quite small agencies are, on occasion, able to take all or some portion of a client's account from a much larger competitor.

Size may limit an agency's potential for securing new business, because many clients prefer not to be represented by an agency that represents a competitor. Also, clients frequently wish to have different products represented by different agencies. The Company's ability to attract new clients and to retain existing clients may, in some cases, be limited by clients' policies on or perceptions of conflicts of interest. These policies can, in some cases, prevent one agency and, in limited circumstances, different agencies within the same holding company, from performing similar services for competing products or companies. In addition, these perceived conflicts, following an acquisition by the Company of an agency or company, can result in clients terminating their relationship with the Company or reducing the number or scope of projects for which they retain those agencies.

If the Company fails to maintain existing clients or attract new clients, the Company may be adversely impacted.

* ***The Company's business could be adversely affected if it loses or fails to attract key employees.***

Employees, including creative, research, media, account and practice group specialists, and their skills and relationships with clients, are among the Company's most important assets. An important aspect of the Company's competitiveness is its ability to retain key employee and management personnel. Compensation for these key employees is an essential factor in attracting and retaining them, and there can be no assurances that the Company will offer a level of compensation sufficient to attract and retain these key employees. If the Company fails to hire and retain a sufficient number of these key employees, the Company may not be able to compete effectively.

* ***The Company is subject to regulations that could restrict its activities or negatively impact its revenues.***

Advertising and marketing communications businesses are subject to government regulation, both domestic and foreign. There has been an increasing tendency in the United States on the part of advertisers to resort to the courts and industry and self-regulatory bodies to challenge comparative advertising on the grounds that the advertising is false and deceptive. Through the years, there has been a continuing expansion of specific rules, prohibitions, media restrictions, labeling disclosures and warning requirements with respect to advertising for certain products. Representatives within government bodies, both domestic and foreign, continue to initiate proposals to ban the advertising of specific products and to impose taxes on or deny deductions for advertising which, if successful, may have an adverse effect on advertising expenditures and consequently the Company's revenues.

* ***International business risks could adversely affect the Company's operations.***

International revenues represented 44% of the Company's total revenues in 2003. The Company's international operations are exposed to risks, which affect foreign operations of all kinds, including, for example, local legislation, monetary devaluation, exchange control restrictions and unstable political conditions. These restrictions may limit the Company's ability to grow its business and effectively manage its operations in those countries.

Item 2. Properties

Most of the operations of the Company are conducted in leased premises, and its physical property consists primarily of leasehold improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment. These facilities are located in various cities in which the Company does business throughout the world. However, subsidiaries of Interpublic own office buildings in Blair, Nebraska; Warren, Michigan; England (in London, Manchester, Birmingham and Stoke-on-Trent); Frankfurt, Germany; Sao Paulo, Brazil; Lima, Peru; Mexico City, Mexico; and Santiago, Chile and own office condominiums in Buenos Aires, Argentina; Bogota, Colombia; and Manila, the Philippines. Facilities owned or occupied by the Company are believed to be adequate for the purposes for which they are currently used and are well maintained.

In connection with the restructuring plan announced in 2001, the Company incurred charges related to downsizing or vacating approximately 180 offices worldwide. In connection with the restructuring program announced in 2003, the Company incurred charges related to vacating 55 offices worldwide. In addition, a charge of \$16.5 million was also recorded in office and general expenses related to the amortization of leasehold improvements on properties to be vacated as part of the 2003 restructuring program.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company has terminated or subleased a majority of the relevant leases and is continuing its efforts to terminate or sublease the remaining leases. Approximately half of these lease terminations and subleases relate to operations in the United States, one-third relate to operations in Europe (principally in the UK, France and Germany), and the remainder relate to operations in Latin America and the Asia Pacific region. The cash portion of the restructuring charge will be paid out over a period of several years. Lease termination and related costs include write-offs related to the abandonment of leasehold improvements as part of the office vacancies. The Company believes that its remaining facilities are adequate to meet the needs of the Company.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

Federal Securities Class Actions

Thirteen federal securities purported class actions were filed against Interpublic and certain of its present and former directors and officers by a purported class of purchasers of Interpublic stock shortly after Interpublic's August 13, 2002 announcement regarding the restatement of its previously reported earnings for the periods January 1, 1997 through March 31, 2002. These actions, which were all filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, were consolidated by the court and lead counsel was appointed for all plaintiffs on November 8, 2002. A consolidated amended complaint was filed on January 10, 2003. The purported class consists of Interpublic shareholders who purchased Interpublic stock in the period from October 1997 to October 2002. Specifically, the consolidated amended complaint alleges that Interpublic and certain of its present and former directors and officers allegedly made misleading statements to its shareholders between October 1997 and October 2002, including the alleged failure to disclose the existence of additional charges that would need to be expensed and the lack of adequate internal financial controls, which allegedly resulted in an overstatement of Interpublic's financial results during those periods. The consolidated amended complaint alleges that such false and misleading statements constitute violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. The consolidated amended complaint also alleges violations of Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, in connection with Interpublic's acquisition of True North on behalf of a purported class of True North shareholders who acquired Interpublic stock. No amount of damages is specified in the consolidated amended complaint. On February 6, 2003, defendants filed a motion to dismiss the consolidated amended complaint in its entirety. On February 28, 2003, plaintiffs filed their opposition to defendants' motion and, on March 14, 2003, defendants filed their reply to plaintiff's opposition to defendants' motion. On May 29, 2003, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York denied the motion to dismiss as to Interpublic and granted the motion, in part, as to the present and former directors and officers named in the consolidated amended complaint. On June 30, 2003, defendants filed an answer to the consolidated amended complaint. On November 6, 2003, the Court granted plaintiffs' motion to certify a class consisting of persons who purchased Interpublic stock between October 28, 1997 and October 16, 2002 and a class consisting of persons who acquired shares of Interpublic stock in exchange for shares of True North stock. On December 2, 2003, Interpublic reached an agreement in principal to settle the consolidated class action shareholder suits currently pending in federal district court in New York. The settlement is subject to the execution of a final settlement agreement and to approval by the court. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, Interpublic will pay \$115 million, of which \$20 million will be paid in cash and \$95 million in shares of its common stock at a value of \$14.50 per share. Interpublic also agreed that, should the price of its common stock fall below \$8.70 per share before final approval of the settlement, Interpublic will either, at its sole discretion, issue additional shares of common stock or pay cash so that the consideration for the stock portion of the settlement will have a total

value of \$57 million.

State Securities Class Actions

Two state securities purported class actions were filed against Interpublic and certain of its present and former directors and officers by a purported class of purchasers of Interpublic stock shortly after Interpublic's November 13, 2002 announcement regarding the restatement of its previously reported earnings for the periods January 1, 1997 through March 31, 2002. The purported classes consist of Interpublic shareholders who acquired Interpublic stock on or about June 25, 2001 in connection with Interpublic's acquisition of True North. These lawsuits allege that Interpublic and certain of its present and former directors and officers allegedly made misleading statements in connection with the filing of a registration statement on May 9, 2001 in which Interpublic issued 67,644,272 shares of its common stock for the purpose of acquiring True North, including the alleged failure to disclose the existence of additional charges that would need to be expensed and the lack of adequate internal financial controls, which allegedly resulted in an overstatement of Interpublic's financial results at that time. The suits allege that such misleading statements constitute violations of Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933. No amount of damages is specified in the complaints. These actions were filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois. On December 18, 2002, defendants removed these actions from Illinois state court to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Thereafter, on January 10, 2003, defendants moved to transfer these two actions to the Southern District of New York. Plaintiffs moved to remand these actions. On April 15, 2003, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois granted plaintiffs' motions to remand these actions to Illinois state court and denied defendants' motion to transfer. On June 18, 2003, Interpublic moved to dismiss and/or stay these actions. In June 2003, plaintiffs withdrew the complaint for one of these actions. On September 10, 2003, the Illinois state court stayed the remaining action and on September 24, 2003, plaintiffs filed a notice that they will appeal the stay. On February 10, 2004, plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed their appeal.

Derivative Actions

On September 4, 2002, a shareholder derivative suit was filed in New York Supreme Court, New York County, by a single shareholder acting on behalf of Interpublic against the Board of Directors and against Interpublic's auditors. This suit alleged a breach of fiduciary duties to Interpublic's shareholders. On November 26, 2002, another shareholder derivative suit, alleging the same breaches of fiduciary duties, was filed in New York Supreme Court, New York County. The plaintiffs from these two shareholder derivative suits filed an Amended Derivative Complaint on January 31, 2003. On March 18, 2003, plaintiffs filed a motion to dismiss the Amended Derivative Complaint without prejudice. On April 16, 2003, the Amended Derivative Complaint was dismissed without prejudice. On February 24, 2003, plaintiffs also filed a Shareholders' Derivative Complaint in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. On May 2, 2003, plaintiffs filed an Amended Derivative Complaint. This action alleges the same breach of fiduciary duties claim as the state court actions, and adds a claim for contribution and forfeiture against two of the individual defendants pursuant to Section 21D of the Exchange Act and Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. On July 11, 2003, plaintiffs filed a Second Amended Derivative Complaint, asserting the same claims. The complaint does not state a specific amount of damages. On August 12, 2003, defendants moved to dismiss this action. On January 26, 2004, Interpublic reached an agreement in principal to settle this derivative action pending completion of the settlement of the class action shareholder suits currently pending in federal district court in New York. The settlement is subject to the execution of a definitive settlement agreement and to approval from the federal district court judge.

The settlement of the actions discussed above are still pending and is expected to take several months. To effect this settlement, confirmatory discovery will need to be taken, and the terms of the settlements will have to be approved by the court. The Company cannot give any assurances that the proposed settlement will receive the approval of the court or as to the amount or type of consideration that Interpublic might agree to pay in connection with any settlement. In the event that a final settlement is not agreed and approved by the court, these proceedings will continue and, as with all litigations, contain elements of uncertainty and the final resolution of these actions could have a material impact on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations. However, management currently believes that the amounts accrued in its Consolidated Balance Sheet are adequate to cover the amounts the Company expects to pay.

For a discussion of the litigation charge recorded principally in connection with the potential settlement, see Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

SEC Investigation

Interpublic was informed in January 2003 by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") staff that the Commission has issued a formal order of investigation related to the Company's restatements of earnings for periods dating back to 1997. The matters had previously been the subject of an informal inquiry. Interpublic is cooperating fully with the investigation.

Other Legal Matters

The Company is involved in other legal and administrative proceedings of various types. While any litigation contains an element of uncertainty, the Company has no reason to believe that the outcome of such proceedings or claims will have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Not applicable.

Executive Officers of Interpublic

Below follows the information disclosed in accordance with Item 401 of Regulation S-K of the Commission as required by Item 10 of Form 10-K with respect to Interpublic's executive officers.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Office</u>
David A. Bell (1)	60	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer
Christopher J. Coughlin (1)	51	Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer
Nicholas J. Camera	57	Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
Albert S. Conte	53	Senior Vice President - Financial Services
Thomas A. Dowling	52	Senior Vice President, Chief Risk Officer
Philippe Krakowsky	41	Senior Vice President, Director of Corporate Communications
Robert G. Thompson	51	Senior Vice President - Finance

(1) Also a Director

There is no family relationship among any of the executive officers.

The employment histories for the past five years of Messrs. Bell and Coughlin are incorporated by reference to the "Election of Directors" section of the Proxy Statement for Interpublic's Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 18, 2004 (the "Proxy Statement").

Mr. Camera joined Interpublic in May 1993. He was elected Vice President, Assistant General Counsel and Assistant Secretary in June 1994, Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary in December 1995, and Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary in February 2000.

Mr. Conte joined Interpublic in March 2000 as Vice President - Taxes & General Tax Counsel. He was elected Senior Vice President - Financial Services in May 2003. Prior to joining Interpublic, Mr. Conte served as Vice President - Senior Tax Counsel for Revlon Consumer Products Corporation from September 1987 to February 2000.

Mr. Dowling joined Interpublic in January 2000 as Vice President and General Auditor. He was elected Senior Vice President - Financial Administration of Interpublic in February 2001, and Senior Vice President-Chief Risk Officer in November 2002. Prior to joining Interpublic, Mr. Dowling served as Vice President and General Auditor for Avon Products, Inc. from April 1992 to December 1999.

Mr. Krakowsky joined Interpublic in January 2002 as Senior Vice President, Director of Corporate Communications. Prior to joining Interpublic, he served as Senior Vice President - Communications Director for Young & Rubicam from August 1996 to December 2000. During 2001, Mr. Krakowsky was complying with the terms of a non-competition agreement entered into with Young and Rubicam.

Mr. Thompson joined Interpublic in October 2003 as Senior Vice President-Finance. Prior to joining Interpublic, he served as Senior Vice President for Pharmacia from October 1997 to April 2003.

Code of Conduct

The Company has adopted a code of ethics, known as the Code of Conduct, which applies to all employees of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. The Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that members of the Board of Directors and officers (which would include the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Controller and other persons performing similar functions) must comply with the Code of Conduct. In addition, the Corporate Governance Guidelines state that the Board will not waive any provision of the Code of Conduct for any Director or executive officer. The Code of Conduct, including future amendments, is available free of charge on Interpublic's website at <http://www.interpublic.com> or by writing to The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020, Attention: Secretary.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

Price Range of Common Stock

Our common stock is listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol "IPG." The following table provides, for the calendar quarters indicated, the high and low closing sales prices per share on the NYSE for the periods shown below as reported on the NYSE and dividends per share paid during those periods. At February 27, 2004, there were 17,674 registered holders of Interpublic common stock.

NYSE Sale Price

<u>Period</u>	<u>NYSE Sale Price</u>		<u>Dividends</u>
	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>On</u> <u>Common</u> <u>Stock</u>
2002:			
First Quarter	34.56	27.20	.095
Second Quarter	34.89	23.51	.095
Third Quarter	24.67	13.40	.095
Fourth Quarter	17.05	11.25	.095 (1)
2003:			
First Quarter	15.38	8.01	___(1)
Second Quarter	14.55	9.30	___(1)
Third Quarter	15.44	12.94	___(1)
Fourth Quarter	16.41	13.55	___(1)

(1) Dividend declared on November 1, 2002 in respect of third quarter results. No dividend in respect of fourth quarter results was declared. No dividend has subsequently been declared.

Dividend Policy

No dividend was paid during 2003. The Company's future dividend policy will be determined on a quarter-by-quarter basis and will depend on earnings, financial condition, capital requirements and other factors. It will also be subject to the restrictions under the amended revolving credit facilities with syndicates of banks, which limit the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends. Under these facilities, the Company's future earnings performance will determine the permitted levels of dividend payments (currently the permitted level of annual dividend payments is \$70 million for the Company's capital stock, of which \$25 million may be used for dividend payments on the Company's common stock and share buybacks), and all limitations on dividend payments expire when earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), as defined in the credit facilities, exceed

\$1.3 billion for four consecutive quarters. In addition, under the terms of the Company's mandatory convertible preferred stock, the Company is restricted from paying any cash dividends on its common stock if the Company is not current in its dividend payments with respect to the Company's mandatory convertible preferred stock. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Liquidity and Capital Resources - Financing Activities" below.

Transfer Agent and Registrar for Common Stock

The transfer agent and registrar for the Company's common stock is:

Mellon Investor Services, Inc.
44 Wall Street, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10005
Tel: (877) 363-6398

Sales of Unregistered Securities

The Company has made the following acquisitions in the fourth quarter of 2003 involving the issuance of Interpublic Stock:

(i) On December 12, 2003, the Registrant issued 68,842 shares of Interpublic common stock and paid \$1,000,000 to two former stockholders of a company that was acquired in the fourth quarter of 1999. This represented a deferred payment of the purchase price. The 68,842 shares of Interpublic common stock had a market value of approximately \$1,000,000 as of the date of issuance. The 68,842 shares of Interpublic common stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in reliance on Section 4(2) under the Securities Act, based on the sophistication of the acquired Company's former stockholders. The former stockholders had access to all the documents filed by the Registrant with the SEC, including the Registrant's (i) Annual Report and Form 10-K for the year ended 2002, (ii) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2003, (iii) Reports on Form 8-K for 2003, and (iv) Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on May 20, 2003.

(ii) On November 26, 2003, the Registrant paid \$2,475,000 and issued 40,409 shares of Interpublic common stock to a former shareholder of a company which was acquired on June 30, 2000. This represented a deferred payment of the purchase price. The 40,409 shares of Interpublic common stock were valued at \$574,495 on the date of issuance. The 40,409 shares of Interpublic Stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in an "offshore transaction" and solely to "non-US persons" in reliance on Rule 903(b)(3) of Regulation S under the Securities Act.

(iii) On October 27, 2003, the Registrant paid \$346,009 and issued 25,706 shares of Interpublic common stock to four former shareholders of a company which was acquired on September 8, 2000. This represented a deferred payment of the purchase price. The 25,706 shares of Interpublic common stock were valued at \$346,009 on the date of issuance. The 25,706 shares of Interpublic Stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in an "offshore transaction" and solely to "non-US persons" in reliance on Rule 903(b)(3) of Regulation S under the Securities Act.

(iv) On October 24, 2003, the Registrant issued 16,116 shares of Interpublic common stock to five former shareholders of a company that was acquired by the Registrant in the third quarter of 2000. This represented a deferred payment of the purchase price. The 16,116 shares of Interpublic common stock had a market value of \$215,906 as of the date of issuance. The 16,116 shares of Interpublic common stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in an "offshore transaction" and solely to "non-US persons" in reliance on Rule 903(b)(3) of Regulation S under the Securities Act. The former shareholders had access to all the documents filed by the Registrant with the SEC, including the Company's (i) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, (ii) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for 2003 for the period ended June 30, 2003, (iii) Current Reports on Form 8-K for 2003, and (iv) Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on May 20, 2003.

(v) On October 22, 2003, the Registrant paid \$5,065,037 and issued 120,509 shares of Interpublic common stock to the shareholder of a company for the remaining forty percent interest. Sixty percent of the stock of this company was acquired by Registrant on September 30, 1999. This represented a payment of the purchase price for the remaining forty percent. The 120,509 shares of Interpublic common stock were valued at \$1,688,331 on the date of issuance. The 120,509 shares of Interpublic Stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in an "offshore transaction" and solely to "non-US persons" in reliance on Rule 903(b)(3) of Regulation S under the Securities Act.

(vi) On October 21, 2003, the Registrant issued 94,409 shares of Interpublic common stock and paid \$5,352,967 to two former stockholders of a company that was acquired in the second quarter of 2002. This represented a deferred payment of the purchase price. The 94,409 shares of Interpublic common stock had a market value of approximately \$1,338,242 as of the date of issuance. The 94,409 shares of Interpublic common stock were issued by the Registrant without registration in reliance on Section 4(2) under the Securities Act, based on the sophistication of the acquired Company's former stockholders. The former stockholders had access to all the documents filed by the Registrant with the SEC, including the Registrant's (i) Annual Report and Form 10-K for the year ended 2002, (ii) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003, (iii) Reports on Form 8-K for 2003, and (iv) Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on May 20, 2003.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following tables set forth selected financial data concerning the Company for each of the last five years. The following selected financial data should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("the MD&A") included elsewhere herein.

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA FOR FIVE YEARS (UNAUDITED)

(Amounts in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts and Number of Employees)

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
OPERATING DATA					
Revenue	\$ 5,863.4	\$ 5,737.5	\$ 6,352.7	\$ 6,728.5	\$ 5,960.0
Salaries and related expenses	3,451.8	3,350.0	3,620.9	3,845.7	3,447.5
Office and general expenses	1,885.6	1,880.4	1,896.1	1,782.6	1,640.9
Amortization of intangible assets	11.3	8.9	164.6	136.0	103.5
Restructuring and other merger-related costs	175.6	12.1	634.5	159.1	159.5
Long-lived asset impairment and other charges	286.9	127.1	303.1	--	--
Investment impairments	84.9	39.7	210.8	--	--
Litigation charges	127.6	--	--	--	--
Interest expense	172.8	145.6	164.6	126.3	99.5
Provision for (benefit of) income taxes	254.0	117.9	(66.1)	332.1	269.0
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(552.9)	68.0	(550.1)	386.4	332.2
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	101.2	31.5	15.6	6.4	4.4

Net income (loss)	\$ (451.7)	\$ 99.5	\$ (534.5)	\$ 392.8	\$ 336.6
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DATA PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK

Basic

Continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)	\$ 1.07	\$ 0.95
Discontinued operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>	<u>0.02</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Total	\$ <u>(1.17)</u>	\$ <u>0.26</u>	\$ <u>(1.45)</u>	\$ <u>1.09</u>	\$ <u>0.96</u>
Weighted-average shares	385.5	376.1	369.0	359.6	352.0

Diluted

Continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.92
Discontinued operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>	<u>0.02</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Total	\$ <u>(1.17)</u>	\$ <u>0.26</u>	\$ <u>(1.45)</u>	\$ <u>1.06</u>	\$ <u>0.92</u> *

*Does not foot due to rounding.

Weighted-average shares	385.5	381.3	369.0	370.6	364.6
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FINANCIAL POSITION

Working capital	\$ 725.2	\$ (767.5)	\$ (78.3)	\$ (421.7)	\$ (82.6)
Total assets	\$12,234.5	\$11,793.7	\$11,375.3	\$12,253.6	\$11,148.9
Total long-term debt	\$ 2,191.7	\$ 1,817.7	\$ 2,480.6	\$ 1,531.8	\$ 1,085.2
Book value per share of common stock	\$ 6.23	\$ 5.44	\$ 4.86	\$ 6.38	\$ 5.63

OTHER DATA

Cash dividends on common stock	\$ --	\$ 145.6	\$ 129.2	\$ 109.1	\$ 90.4
Cash dividends per share of common stock	\$ --	\$.38	\$.38	\$.37	\$.33
Number of employees	43,400	46,900	50,400	58,500	51,500

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

When comparing performance between years, the Company discusses non-GAAP financial measures such as organic revenue growth. The nature of such amounts is described more fully in "Results of Operations" below.

OVERVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

During 2003, the Company continued to experience difficult economic conditions as evidenced by the fact that, on an organic basis, revenue declined by 3.6%. In response to the declines in revenues, the Company implemented a major restructuring program designed to bring expenses more in line with revenue. This plan, which commenced in the second quarter of 2003, is expected to result in additional charges in 2004. In addition to the restructuring plan, the Company has continued to focus on improving its balance sheet and, during 2003, raised significant amounts of cash from equity issuances, refinancing of debt, and sales of certain non-strategic assets.

Significant events during 2003 included:

* **Economic Conditions**

On an organic basis, revenue declined by 3.6% from 2002 to 2003, reflecting the continued softness in demand for the Company's advertising and marketing communications services. This reduced demand affected all of the Company's service offerings and, in particular, public relations and the Company's project-based businesses. The Company has, however, experienced improved revenue performance during the latter part of 2003 coinciding with signs of economic recovery. Specifically, the organic revenue decline for the Company was 3.1% in the third quarter of 2003 and was 1.1% in the fourth quarter of 2003.

* **Restructuring**

In 2003, the Company began to implement a major restructuring program in response to declines in revenue. In 2003, restructuring charges of \$175.6 were recorded related to severance for approximately 2,900 terminated employees and for costs associated with vacating 55 offices worldwide. In addition, a charge of \$16.5 was recorded in office and general expenses related to the amortization of leasehold improvements on properties included in the 2003 restructuring program. Approximately \$85 in additional charges is expected to be incurred in the first half of 2004.

The Company anticipates that this program will continue through the first half of 2004 and, including amounts classified in office and general expenses, will approximate \$275. The amount of salary and occupancy costs eliminated as a result of the restructuring charges recorded in 2003 is estimated to be approximately \$175, a portion of which has begun to be realized during 2003.

* **Divestitures**

The Company sold certain non-strategic assets, including the following:

- ◇ In July 2003, the Company completed the sale of its NFO WorldGroup ("NFO") research unit for \$415.6 and approximately 11.7 million shares of Taylor Nelson Sofres PLC ("TNS"). Net of expenses and cash sold the proceeds were approximately \$377. A pre-tax gain of approximately \$99 was recorded.

In December 2003, the Company sold the TNS shares for approximately \$42. A gain of approximately \$13 was recorded.

- ◇ In December 2003, the Company sold approximately 11 million of the shares it owned in Modem Media, Inc. for net proceeds of approximately \$57. A pre-tax gain of approximately \$30 was recorded.

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- ◇ In January 2004, the Company sold the four motorsports circuits owned by its Motorsports division for approximately \$26 in cash. The Company recorded a long-lived asset impairment charge of \$38.0 in 2003 to appropriately reflect the assets held for sale at fair market value at December 31, 2003.

*** Financing Activities**

During 2003, the Company accomplished the following:

- ◇ In March 2003, the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$800 aggregate principal amount of 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2023. In April 2003, the Company used approximately \$581 of the net proceeds of this offering to repurchase the Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021 (the "Zero Coupon Notes") tendered in its concurrent tender offer and is using the remaining proceeds for the repayment of other indebtedness, general corporate purposes and working capital.
- ◇ In the third quarter of 2003, the Company repaid \$142.5 of principal amount of outstanding borrowings under its various note purchase agreements with the Prudential Insurance Company of America (the "Prudential Agreements") bearing interest rates ranging from 8% to 10%, the highest cost debt in the Company's portfolio. A prepayment penalty of \$24.8 was incurred in connection with this retirement.
- ◇ During the third quarter of 2003, the company filed a universal shelf registration in the amount of \$1,800, \$721.4 of which was used in connection with the concurrent offerings discussed below.
- ◇ On December 16, 2003, the Company issued 25.8 million common shares at a price of \$13.50 under its existing shelf registration statement. This offering was closed concurrently with an offering of approximately 7.5 million shares of its Preferred Stock. As a result of the transaction, the Company raised approximately \$693. Approximately \$246 of the net proceeds from this offering were used to redeem the Company's 1.80% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 in January 2004. The remaining proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.
- ◇ Reduced debt levels from approximately \$2,600 at December 31, 2002 to approximately \$2,500 at December 31, 2003 and increased cash from approximately \$900 at December 31, 2002 to approximately \$2,000 at December 31, 2003.

*** Goodwill Impairment**

During 2003, the Company recorded a goodwill impairment charge of \$221.0 related to its Octagon WorldWide ("OWW") unit. The impairment charge was caused by OWW's lower than expected performance in 2003 and revised future projections indicating that the factors behind the 2003 performance were likely to persist.

*** Management Changes**

In the first quarter of 2003, the Company made significant changes in the top management of the Company and its largest agency, McCann-Erickson WorldGroup ("McCann"). The Company's former chairman and CEO, John J. Dooner, Jr. has resumed an active operating role as Chairman and CEO of McCann, replacing James R. Heekin, who has left the Company. David A. Bell, Vice Chairman and former CEO of True North Communications, Inc., assumed the role of Chairman and CEO of the Company.

In June 2003, the Company hired Christopher J. Coughlin, as its Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Coughlin assumed the additional responsibilities and title of Chief Financial Officer upon the departure of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Sean F. Orr, in August of 2003.

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*** Litigation and SEC Investigation**

As discussed in Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company is involved in legal matters which include certain class action suits brought against the Company as a result of filing restated financial statements in 2002. Subject to federal court approval, a tentative agreement was reached with the parties to the consolidated class action suits in the federal district of New York under which the Company agreed to pay \$115, of which \$20 will be

paid in cash and \$95 in common stock. The Company recorded a charge in the third quarter of 2003 primarily representing the current estimate of amounts payable in regard to the settlement.

The Company is also under a formal investigation with the SEC related to the above restatements of its earnings. The Company is cooperating fully with the investigation.

OUTLOOK

The Company's results of operations are dependent upon: a) maintaining and growing its revenue, b) the ability to retain and gain new clients, c) the continuous alignment of its costs to its revenue and d) retaining and attracting key personnel. Revenue is also highly dependent on overall economic and political conditions. For a discussion of these and other factors that could affect the Company's results of operations and financial conditions, see "Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Disclosure" and "Business - Risk Factors".

As discussed above, 2003 was a difficult year for the Company, reflecting continued softness in worldwide demand for advertising and marketing communications services. The decline in organic revenue versus the prior year was a decline of 3.6% for the full year. However, the Company noted a positive trend in its revenues during the latter part of 2003, particularly internationally. There was sequential improvement throughout the year as the organic revenue decline was 3.1% in the third quarter and 1.1% in the fourth quarter of 2003, in each case versus the prior year. While management expects continued progress overall in the Company's organic revenue trends, it does not expect that the progression will be linear, in particular given the cyclical nature of the Company's business.

Industry forecasters expect that there will continue to be signs of improving economic activity, on a worldwide basis, in 2004. Specifically, worldwide advertising and marketing services spending is expected to rise by 3-4%. Such a forecast confirms that, while there is no certainty as to what will ultimately occur, economic conditions in 2004 should continue to be better than 2003 for the industry as a whole.

The Company's performance in the recent past has lagged, somewhat, that of the industry and may continue to do so. Management has responded to its recent performance issues, however, by implementing a turnaround program. The program was begun in mid 2003 and is targeted to be complete by mid 2006. The first stage of the program has focused on implementing the restructuring initiatives discussed below and improving the Company's capital structure. Going forward the turnaround program will focus on achieving certain defined performance objectives based on the Company's perceived peer competitor performance levels. The objectives include those relating to:

- * achieving organic revenue growth comparable to the Company's peer competitors, by building on the collaboration and supplemental incentive plan and changing the Company's culture;
- * improving the Company's operating margin, by reducing staff costs and office and general costs, including further property consolidation; and
- * continuing to manage the Company's debt to capital ratio, building on actions taken to date, and improving its debt-to-profitability and its interest coverage ratio.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The Company reports its financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). When comparing performance between years, however, the Company also discusses non-GAAP financial measures such as the impact that foreign currency rate changes, acquisitions/dispositions and organic growth have on reported results.

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The Company derives organic revenue by adjusting reported revenue in respect of any given period by:

- * excluding the impact of foreign currency effects over the course of the period to provide revenues on a constant currency basis; and
- * excluding the impact on reported revenue resulting from acquisitions and dispositions that were consummated after the first day of the year prior to the given period.

Additionally, organic revenue calculations for the year ended, and each quarter of, 2003 have been adjusted to make 2003 organic revenue principally arising from public relations and sporting event arrangements more directly comparable to organic revenue arising from public relations and sporting event arrangements in periods preceding January 1, 2003, and for the impact of the deconsolidation of certain international entities. If these adjustments had been made to revenue for prior periods, there would have been neither a material effect on results in prior periods nor any effect whatsoever on operating or net income. These adjustments principally relate to "grossing up" revenues and expenses by the same amount in connection with the reimbursement of certain out of pocket expenses relating to public relations and sporting event arrangements.

Management believes that discussing organic revenue, giving effect to the above factors, provides a better understanding of the Company's revenue performance and trends than reported revenue because it allows for more meaningful comparisons of current-period revenue to that of prior periods. Management also believes that organic revenue determined on a generally comparable basis is a common measure of performance in the businesses in which it operates.

When the Company discusses amounts on a constant currency basis, the prior period results are adjusted to remove the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates during the current period that is being compared to the prior period. The impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates on prior period results is removed by converting the prior period results into US dollars at the average exchange rate for the current period. Management believes that discussing results on a constant currency basis allows for a more meaningful comparison of current-period results to such prior-period results.

The Company has also highlighted the impact of the loss of the Chrysler account in the fourth quarter of 2000 (revenue and operating expenses related to which continued through 2001). Chrysler was a major client of True North Communications, Inc. ("True North"), which the Company acquired in a transaction accounted for as a pooling of interests in June 2001. As a result of the acquisition of True North, the Company lost accounts of Pepsi-owned brands due to client conflicts within the combined company. Management believes that adjusting for the impact of these significant client losses is relevant when comparing organic revenue performance between 2002 and 2001.

As discussed in Note 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company is comprised of two reportable segments: the Interpublic Sports and Entertainment Group ("SEG") and Interpublic excluding SEG. SEG was formed during the second quarter of 2002 through a carve-out from the Company's other operating groups and is primarily comprised of the operations of OWW, for the Company's sports marketing business, Motorsports, for the Company's motorsports business, and Jack Morton Worldwide, for specialized marketing services including corporate events, meeting and training/learning.

SEG revenue is not material to the Company as a whole. However, due to the recording of long-lived asset impairment charges, operating difficulties and resulting higher costs

principally from its Motorsports business, SEG has incurred significant operating losses. Based on certain substantial contractual obligations and revised projections for OWW, the Company does not expect that margins of SEG will converge with those of the rest of the Company and, accordingly, reports SEG as a separate reportable segment. Other than the impairment charges which are discussed below and the commitments discussed in "Other Matters", the operating results of SEG are not material to those of the Company, and therefore are not discussed in detail below.

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Discontinued Operations

As discussed below and in Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, on July 10, 2003, the Company completed the sale of its NFO research unit to TNS. The results of NFO are classified as a discontinued operation in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, and, accordingly, the results of operations and cash flows of NFO have been removed from the Company's results of continuing operations and cash flow for all periods presented in this document.

Continuing Operations

The following table shows the Company's net income (loss) and earnings per share for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001.

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Continuing Operations	\$(552.9)	\$68.0	\$(550.1)
Discontinued Operations	<u>101.2</u>	<u>31.5</u>	<u>15.6</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$(451.7)</u>	<u>\$99.5</u>	<u>\$(534.5)</u>
Diluted EPS from Continuing Operations	\$ (1.43)	\$0.18	\$ (1.49)
Diluted EPS from Discontinued Operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>
Total Diluted EPS	<u>\$ (1.17)</u>	<u>\$0.26</u>	<u>\$ (1.45)</u>

The following summarizes certain financial information by the two reportable segments for purposes of management's discussion and analysis:

	<u>2003</u>			<u>2002</u>			<u>2001</u>		
	<u>IPG (excl. SEG)</u>	<u>SEG</u>	<u>Total IPG</u>	<u>IPG (excl. SEG)</u>	<u>SEG</u>	<u>Total IPG</u>	<u>IPG (excl. SEG)</u>	<u>SEG</u>	<u>Total IPG</u>
Revenue	\$5,435.3	\$ 428.1	\$5,863.4	\$5,357.9	\$ 379.6	\$5,737.5	\$5,918.1	\$ 434.6	\$6,352.7
Salaries and related	3,259.4	192.4	3,451.8	3,166.6	183.4	3,350.0	3,420.8	200.1	3,620.9
Office and general	1,629.9	255.7	1,885.6	1,645.8	234.6	1,880.4	1,717.9	178.2	1,896.1
Amortization of intangibles	9.8	1.5	11.3	6.2	2.7	8.9	152.5	12.1	164.6
Restructuring and other merger-related	172.8	2.8	175.6	6.4	5.7	12.1	617.7	16.8	634.5
Long-lived asset impairment and other charges	<u>1.7</u>	<u>285.2</u>	<u>286.9</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>127.1</u>	<u>127.1</u>	<u>297.5</u>	<u>5.6</u>	<u>303.1</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$ 361.7</u>	<u>\$ (309.5)</u>	<u>\$ 52.2</u>	<u>\$ 532.9</u>	<u>\$ (173.9)</u>	<u>\$ 359.0</u>	<u>\$ (288.3)</u>	<u>\$ 21.8</u>	<u>\$ (266.5)</u>

Some of the key factors driving the financial results in 2003:

Operating Income (Loss)

- * Higher foreign exchange rates for 2003, primarily the Euro and Pound, versus the US Dollar that resulted in higher US Dollar revenue and expense in comparison to 2002;
- * Organic revenue declines as a result of the continued softness in demand for the Company's advertising and marketing communications services by current clients, particularly in public relations and in other project-based businesses in international markets;
- * Restructuring charges of \$175.6 were recorded in 2003. In connection with the Company's restructuring program, a charge of \$16.5 was also recorded in office and general expenses related to the amortization of leasehold improvements;
- * A long-lived asset impairment charge of \$221.0 was recorded related to the goodwill of OWW, the Company's sports marketing business; and

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- * A long-lived asset impairment charge of \$38.0 was recorded related to the Company's motorsports operations.

Other Income (Expense)

- * Investment impairment charges of \$84.9 were recorded primarily related to unconsolidated, principally international, affiliates;
- * Litigation charges of \$127.6, anticipated to be funded principally with Company stock, was recorded relating primarily to the shareholder suits;
- * A debt prepayment penalty of \$24.8 was recorded as a result of retiring all of the Company's outstanding borrowings under the Prudential Agreements; and
- * A pre-tax gain on the sale of approximately 11 million shares of Modem Media, Inc. of approximately \$30.

Income taxes

- * A total charge of \$84.4 was recorded to increase the Company's valuation allowance for deferred income tax assets primarily relating to foreign net operating and US capital loss carryforwards.

Discontinued operations

- * A pre-tax gain on the sale of NFO of \$99.1 (\$89.1 after tax) was recorded to reflect the closing of the sale in the third quarter.

REVENUE

The Company is a worldwide global marketing services company, providing clients with communications expertise in three broad areas: a) advertising and media management, b) marketing communications, which includes direct marketing and customer relationship management, public relations, sales promotion, event marketing, on-line marketing, corporate and brand identity and healthcare marketing and c) specialized marketing services, which includes sports and entertainment marketing and corporate meetings and events.

The following analysis provides further detail on revenue:

2003 vs. 2002

	2003		2002		Increase/(Decrease)		Excluding	
	2003	% of	2002	% of	Reported		Currency Effect	
		Total		Total	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
Domestic Revenue	\$3,284.2	56%	\$3,313.6	58%	\$ (29.4)	(0.9)%	\$ (29.4)	(0.9)%
International Revenue	<u>2,579.2</u>	<u>44%</u>	<u>2,423.9</u>	<u>42%</u>	<u>155.3</u>	<u>6.4%</u>	<u>(114.0)</u>	<u>(4.2)%</u>
Worldwide Revenue	<u>\$5,863.4</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$5,737.5</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$125.9</u>	<u>2.2%</u>	<u>\$(143.4)</u>	<u>(2.4)%</u>

The components of the total revenue change in 2003 were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$269.3	4.6%
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(13.9)	(0.2)%
Reclassifications	80.7	1.4%
Organic revenue	<u>(210.2)</u>	<u>(3.6)%</u>
Total revenue increase	<u>\$125.9</u>	<u>2.2%</u>

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The decrease in organic revenue of 3.6% for the year was due to continued softness in the demand for advertising and marketing services by current clients, particularly in international markets and in the Company's public relations services and other project related business. Organic revenue for SEG declined 1.8% for the year in comparison to the prior year. Coincident with the signs of an economic recovery, the Company's revenue trend improved sequentially toward the latter part of 2003. Organic revenue was a decline of 3.1% in the third quarter and 1.1% in the fourth quarter of 2003 in comparison to 2002. During the first part of the year, revenue was impacted by the uncertainty in the geopolitical environment resulting from the uncertainty associated with the war in Iraq, and, to a lesser extent, from the outbreak of the SARS virus. During the latter part of the year, the Company has seen improving revenue trends, particularly internationally, coincident with the signs of an economic recovery.

2002 vs. 2001

	2002		2001		Increase/(Decrease)		Excluding	
	2002	% of	2001	% of	Reported		Currency Effect	
		Total		Total	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
Domestic Revenue	\$3,313.6	58%	\$3,708.0	58%	\$(394.4)	(10.6)%	\$(394.4)	(10.6)%
International Revenue	<u>2,423.9</u>	<u>42%</u>	<u>2,644.7</u>	<u>42%</u>	<u>(220.8)</u>	<u>(8.3)%</u>	<u>(232.2)</u>	<u>(8.7)%</u>
Worldwide Revenue	<u>\$5,737.5</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$6,352.7</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$(615.2)</u>	<u>(9.7)%</u>	<u>\$(626.6)</u>	<u>(9.8)%</u>

The components of the total revenue change in 2002 were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$ 11.4	0.1 %
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(53.6)	(0.5)%
Loss of the Chrysler and Pepsi accounts	(52.8)	(0.8)%
Organic revenue	<u>(520.2)</u>	<u>(8.5)%</u>
Total revenue decrease	<u>\$(615.2)</u>	<u>(9.7)%</u>

The decrease in organic revenue was primarily the result of the overall softness in the demand for advertising and marketing services by current clients due to the weak economy, both domestically and internationally.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Salaries and Related Expenses

In 2003, the Company's expenses related to employee compensation and various employee incentive and benefit programs amounted to approximately 59% of revenue. The employee incentive programs are based primarily upon operating results. Salaries and related expenses in all periods were also impacted by salary progression.

2003 vs. 2002

Salaries and related expenses were \$3,451.8 for 2003 and \$3,350.0 in 2002, an increase of \$101.8 or 3.0%. The increase reflects the effect of higher foreign exchange rates, primarily the Euro and Pound, versus the US Dollar. Offsetting this increase is a decrease in salaries as a result of lower headcount. Total headcount dropped by 7.5% to 43,400 at December 31, 2003 from 46,900 at December 31, 2002. The reduction accelerated towards the end of the year as the Company implemented its new restructuring program.

The components of the total change in 2003 were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$154.9	4.5 %
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(2.3)	-- %
Reclassifications	(9.7)	(0.3)%
Reductions in salaries and related expense from existing operations	<u>(41.1)</u>	<u>(1.2)%</u>
Total change	<u>\$101.8</u>	<u>3.0 %</u>

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2002 vs. 2001

Salaries and related expenses were \$3,350.0 for 2002 and \$3,620.9 in 2001, a decrease of \$270.9 or 7.5%. The decrease is a result of lower headcount, which was reduced by 6.9% to 46,900 at December 31, 2002 from 50,400 at December 31, 2001. This was partially offset by a benefit of \$50.0 recorded in 2001 resulting from a reduction in severance reserves related to significant headcount reductions.

The components of the total change were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$ 11.6	0.3 %
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(44.7)	(1.0)%
Loss of the Chrysler and Pepsi accounts	(20.1)	(0.6)%
Reductions in salaries and related expenses from existing operations	<u>(217.7)</u>	<u>(6.2)%</u>
Total change	<u>\$(270.9)</u>	<u>(7.5)%</u>

Office and General Expenses

2003 vs. 2002

Office and general expenses were \$1,885.6 in 2003 and \$1,880.4 in 2002, an increase of \$5.2 or 0.3%. The increase reflects the effect of higher foreign exchange rates, primarily the Euro and Pound, versus the US Dollar, and the reclassification related to grossing-up expenses as previously discussed.

The reduction in office and general expenses from existing operations was due to a decrease in occupancy and overhead costs as a result of the 2003 restructuring program and a decrease in bad debt expense from improved collection activity, primarily toward the latter part of the year. Offsetting these reductions are higher professional fees resulting from the securities litigation and SEC investigation, higher audit costs and costs associated with preparation for compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The components of the total change in 2003 were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$102.9	5.2 %
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(15.2)	(0.7)%
Reclassifications	90.9	5.1 %
Reduction in office and general expenses from existing operations	<u>(173.4)</u>	<u>(9.3)%</u>
Total change	<u>\$ 5.2</u>	<u>0.3 %</u>

2002 vs. 2001

Office and general expenses were \$1,880.4 in 2002 and \$1,896.1 in 2001, a decrease of \$15.7 or 0.8%. The net decrease in operating expenses of \$15.7 was due to various factors including the cost reduction initiatives from the 2001 restructuring plan that accounted for year-on-year reductions in occupancy costs of approximately \$32. These reductions

represent savings in 2002, the year in which substantially all of the savings from the 2001 restructuring program began to be realized. Travel and entertainment costs and office related and supplies costs also decreased. These decreases were offset by an increase in professional fees resulting from the restatements and the related securities litigation and the SEC investigation previously described, an increase in bad debt expense and higher costs related to the Company's motorsports business within SEG.

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The components of the total change in 2002 were:

	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
Foreign currency changes	\$ (3.6)	(0.2)%
Net acquisitions/divestitures	(3.5)	(0.1)%
Loss of the Chrysler and Pepsi accounts	(14.2)	(0.8)%
Increases in office and general expenses from existing operations	<u>5.6</u>	<u>0.3%</u>
Total change	<u>\$(15.7)</u>	<u>-(0.8)%</u>

Amortization of Intangible Assets

Amortization of intangible assets was \$11.3 in 2003, \$8.9 in 2002 and \$164.6 in 2001. The decrease from 2001 is primarily a result of the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* ("SFAS 142").

Restructuring and Other Merger-related Costs

During 2003, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$175.6 in connection with the 2003 and 2001 restructuring programs as discussed below. The Company expects that the restructuring charges recorded to date will result in cash payments of \$39.3 to be paid in 2004, \$15.5 in 2005 and \$6.1 in 2006 and thereafter. Approximately \$85 in additional restructuring charges is expected to be incurred in the first half of 2004. The total amount of pre-tax charges the Company expects to incur, through the first half of 2004, including amounts classified in office and general expenses, will approximate \$275.

The amount of salary and occupancy costs eliminated as a result of the restructuring charges recorded in 2003 is estimated to be approximately \$175, a portion of which has begun to be realized during 2003 (as discussed in "Operating Expenses" above).

2003 Program

During the second quarter of 2003, the Company announced that it would undertake restructuring initiatives in response to softness in demand for advertising and marketing services. The restructuring initiatives include severance and lease terminations.

During 2003, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring charges of \$175.6, of which \$163.2 related to the 2003 program. The pre-tax restructuring charge for the 2003 program was composed of severance costs of \$126.2 and lease terminations costs of \$37.0. Included in the \$37.0 of lease termination costs was \$4.8 related to the write-off of leasehold improvements on vacated properties. The charges related to leases terminated as part of the 2003 program are recorded at net present value and are net of estimated sublease income amounts. The discount relating to lease terminations will be amortized over future periods. In addition, a charge of \$16.5 has been incurred in 2003 related to acceleration of amortization of leasehold improvements on premises included in the 2003 program. The charge related to such amortization is included in office and general expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

A summary of the liability for restructuring charges related to the 2003 restructuring plan is as follows:

	<u>2003</u> <u>Charges</u>	<u>Non-cash</u> <u>Charges</u>	<u>2003 Cash</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Foreign</u> <u>Currency</u> <u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Liability at</u> <u>December 31, 2003</u>
TOTAL BY TYPE					
Severance and termination costs	\$126.2	\$1.4	\$88.3	\$1.2	\$37.7
Lease terminations and other exit costs	<u>37.0</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>8.5</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>24.1</u>
Total	<u>\$163.2</u>	<u>\$6.2</u>	<u>\$96.8</u>	<u>\$1.6</u>	<u>\$61.8</u>

The severance and termination costs recorded to date relate to a reduction in workforce of approximately 2,900 employees worldwide. The employee groups affected include all levels and functions across the Company: executive, regional and account management and administrative, creative and media production personnel. Approximately 30% of the charge relates to severance in the US, 15% to severance in the UK, 10% to severance in France with the remainder largely relating to the rest of Europe, Asia and Latin America.

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Lease termination costs, net of estimated sublease income, relate to the offices that have been or will be vacated as part of the restructuring. Fifty-five locations have already been vacated and an additional 25 are to be vacated, with substantially all actions to be completed by June 30, 2004; however, given the remaining lease terms involved, the cash portion of the charge will be paid out over a period of several years. The majority of the offices to be vacated are located in the US, with approximately one third in overseas markets, principally in Europe.

2001 Program

Following the completion of the True North acquisition in June 2001, the Company executed a wide-ranging restructuring plan that included severance, lease terminations and other actions. The total amount of the charges incurred in 2001 in connection with the plan was \$634.5.

In the third quarter of 2002, the Company recorded an additional \$12.1 in charges related to the 2001 restructuring plan. The additional charge was necessitated largely by increases in estimates of lease losses due to lower than anticipated sublease income in key markets, including San Francisco, Chicago, Paris and London.

During 2003, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$175.6, of which \$12.4 related to additional losses on properties vacated as part of the 2001 program.

A summary of the remaining liability for restructuring and other merger related costs related to the 2001 restructuring plan is as follows:

	<u>Liability at</u> <u>December 31, 2002</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>Charge</u>	<u>2003 Cash</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Liability at</u> <u>December 31, 2003</u>
TOTAL BY TYPE				

Severance and termination costs	\$ 15.9	\$ --	\$10.9	\$ 5.0
Lease terminations and other exit costs	<u>94.6</u>	<u>12.4</u>	<u>33.1</u>	<u>73.9</u>
Total	<u>\$110.5</u>	<u>\$12.4</u>	<u>\$44.0</u>	<u>\$78.9</u>

The Company terminated approximately 7,000 employees in connection with the 2001 restructuring program. The Company downsized or vacated approximately 180 locations. Given the remaining lease terms involved, the remaining liabilities will be paid out over a period of several years. Lease termination and related costs included write-offs related to the abandonment of leasehold improvements as part of the office vacancies.

Other exit costs related principally to the impairment loss on sale or closing of certain business units in the US and Europe. In the aggregate, the businesses sold or closed represented an immaterial portion of the revenue and operating profit of the Company. The write-off amount was computed based upon the difference between the estimated sales proceeds (if any) and the carrying value of the related assets. The sales and closures had been completed by September 30, 2002.

Long-Lived Asset Impairment and Other Charges

The following table summarizes the long-lived asset impairment and other charges for 2003, 2002, and 2001:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Goodwill impairment	\$221.0	\$ 82.1	\$303.1
Fixed asset impairment	49.7	24.7	--
Current capital expenditure impairment	16.2	8.3	--
Record fair value of put option	<u>--</u>	<u>12.0</u>	<u>--</u>
Total	<u>\$286.9</u>	<u>\$127.1</u>	<u>\$303.1</u>

2003 Impairments

During 2003, the Company recorded total charges of \$286.9 related to the impairment of long-lived assets. This amount includes \$221.0 related to goodwill at OWW and \$63.8 related to the Company's Motorsports businesses.

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OWW

During the third quarter of 2003, the Company performed its annual impairment review for goodwill and other intangible assets and recorded a non-cash charge of \$221.0. The charge was required to reduce the carrying value of goodwill at the Company's OWW reporting unit. OWW is separate from Motorsports and offers a variety of sports marketing services including athlete representation, TV rights distribution and other marketing and consulting services.

The OWW charges reflect the reporting unit's lower than expected performance in 2003 and revised future projections indicating that the factors behind the poor 2003 performance are likely to persist. Specifically, during 2003 it became apparent that there was significant pricing pressure in both overseas and domestic TV rights distribution. Further, declining athlete pay scales are expected to result in significantly lower fees from athlete representation, and proceeds from events (including ticket revenue and sponsorship) to which the Company is committed will be lower than amounts that had been anticipated when the event rights were acquired. Various factors, including the operating loss incurred at OWW in 2003, have indicated that lower revised growth projections are required, reflecting lower projected gross margins than OWW has earned historically.

Motorsports

The Company's Motorsports unit owned and leased certain racing circuit facilities that were used for automobile, motorcycle and go-cart racing, primarily in the UK. On January 12, 2004, the Company completed the sale of a business comprising the four motorsports circuits (including Brands Hatch, Oulton Park, Cadwell Park and Snetterton) (the "four owned circuits"), owned by its Brands Hatch subsidiaries, to MotorSport Vision Limited. The consideration for the sale was approximately 15 million Pounds, (approximately \$26) before expenses. An additional contingent amount of up to 2 million Pounds, (approximately \$4) may be paid to the Company depending upon the future financial results of the operations being sold. The Company and its Brands Hatch subsidiaries retain their interests and contractual commitments relating to the Silverstone circuit. The Company recognized an impairment loss related to the four owned circuits of \$38.0 in the fourth quarter of 2003 and has classified the relevant assets and liabilities as held for sale in the Consolidated Balance Sheet of the Company as of December 31, 2003. See Note 16 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of the Company's remaining contingent obligations related to motorsports.

In addition to the Brands Hatch impairment charge, \$25.8 in charges was incurred related to the impairment of other assets, including \$16.2 of current capital expenditure outlays that the Company is contractually required to spend to upgrade and maintain certain of its remaining Motorsports racing facilities, as well as an impairment of assets at other Motorsports entities. At December 31, 2003, there were additional capital expenditures commitments of approximately \$25, which are expected to be impaired as incurred based on the cash flow analysis for the relevant asset groupings.

2002 Impairments

Beginning in the second quarter of 2002 and continuing in subsequent quarters, certain of the Motorsports businesses experienced significant operational difficulties, including significantly lower than anticipated attendance at the marquee British Grand Prix race in July 2002. These events and a change in management at Motorsports in the third quarter of 2002 led the Company to begin assessing its long-term strategy for Motorsports.

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 142, the Company prepared a discounted cash flow analysis which indicated that the book value of Motorsports significantly exceeded its estimated fair value and that a goodwill impairment had occurred. In addition, as a result of the goodwill analysis, the Company assessed whether there had been an impairment of the Company's long-lived assets in accordance with SFAS 144. The Company concluded that the book value of certain asset groupings at Motorsports was significantly higher than their expected future cash flows and that an impairment had occurred. Accordingly, the Company recognized a non-cash impairment loss and related charge of \$127.1 in 2002. The charges included \$82.1 of goodwill impairment, \$33.0 of fixed assets and capital expenditure write-offs, and \$12.0 to record the fair value of an associated put option.

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2001 Impairments

Following the completion of the True North acquisition in 2001 and the realignment of certain of the Company's businesses, the Company evaluated the realizability of various

assets. In connection with this review undiscounted cash flow projections were prepared for certain investments, and the Company determined that the goodwill attributable to certain business units was stated at an amount in excess of the future estimated cash flows. As a result, an impairment charge of \$303.1 was recorded in 2001. Of the total write-off, \$221.4 was recorded in the second quarter, with the remainder recorded in the third quarter. The largest components of the goodwill impairment and other charges were Capita Technologies, Inc. (approximately \$145) and Zentropy Partners (approximately \$16), both internet services businesses. The remaining amount primarily related to several other businesses, including internet services, healthcare consulting and certain advertising offices in Europe and Asia Pacific.

OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased by \$27.2 to \$172.8 in 2003 primarily as a result of the issuance of \$800 4.5% Notes on March 13, 2003. These proceeds were invested until early April, at which time the proceeds were used for the settlement of the tender offer for the Zero-Coupon Notes.

Interest expense decreased by \$19.0 to \$145.6 in 2002 due to lower debt levels, lower interest rates paid on short-term borrowings and the issuance and sale of the Zero-Coupon Notes in December 2001. The Company used the net proceeds of \$563.2 from the Zero-Coupon Notes to repay indebtedness under the Company's credit facilities.

Debt Prepayment Penalty

During the third quarter of 2003, the Company repaid all of its outstanding borrowings under the Prudential Agreements. This transaction required repaying \$142.5 principal amount of its outstanding debt. In connection with this transaction, a prepayment penalty of \$24.8 was recorded.

Interest Income

Interest income was \$38.9 in 2003, \$29.8 in 2002 and \$41.8 in 2001. The increase in 2003 is primarily due to higher cash balances resulting from the issuance of the 4.5% Notes in March, the proceeds from the sale of NFO in July and the proceeds from the equity offerings in December 2003. The decrease in 2002 is primarily due to lower interest rates.

Other Income

The following table sets forth the components of other income:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Gains (losses) on sales of businesses	\$ 0.2	\$(0.2)	\$12.3
Gain on sale of TNS shares	13.3	--	--
Gain on sale of Modem Media shares	30.4	--	--
Gains (losses) on sales of other available-for-sale securities	4.1	5.3	(2.5)
Miscellaneous investment income	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>3.9</u>
	<u>\$50.0</u>	<u>\$ 7.9</u>	<u>\$13.7</u>

See Investing Activities in "Liquidity and Capital Resources" below for a discussion of proceeds from sales of businesses.

Investment Impairments

During 2003, the Company recorded \$84.9 in investment impairment charges related to 21 investments. The charge related principally to investments in the Middle East, Latin America, and Japan with additional amounts in Canada, Europe, and the United States. The majority of the charge related to impairments arising from deteriorating economic conditions in the countries in which the entity operates.

During 2002, the Company recorded \$39.7 of investment impairment primarily related to certain investments of OWW, the Company's sports marketing business.

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During 2001, the Company recorded total investment impairment charges of \$210.8. The charge included \$160.1 related to the impairment of investments primarily in publicly traded internet-related companies, including marchFIRST, Inc. (an internet professional services firm), which had filed for relief under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in April 2001. The remaining charge included write-offs for investments in non-internet companies, certain venture funds and other investments. In addition, the Company recorded a charge of \$2.5 to record the fair value of a put option. The impairment charges adjusted the carrying value of investments to the estimated market value where an other than temporary impairment had occurred.

Litigation Charges

During 2003, the Company recorded litigation charges of \$127.6 for various legal matters, of which \$115 relates to a tentative settlement of the shareholder suits discussed in Note 16. The settlement is subject to the execution of a definitive settlement agreement and to approval from the federal district court judge. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, the Company will pay \$115, of which \$20 will be paid in cash and \$95 will be paid in shares of the Company's common stock at an estimated value of \$14.50 per share (which translates into 6,551,725 shares). In the event that the price of the Company's common stock falls below \$8.70 per share before final approval of the settlement, the Company will either, at its sole discretion, issue additional shares of common stock or pay cash so that the consideration for the stock portion of the settlement will have a total value of \$57. The ultimate amount of the litigation charge related to the settlement will depend upon the Company's stock price at the time a settlement is concluded. The Company believes that, if the settlement is concluded as expected, the amounts accrued would be adequate to cover all pending shareholder suits.

OTHER ITEMS

Effective Income Tax Rate

The Company's effective income tax rate was an expense of 94.4% in 2003, an expense of 55.8% in 2002 and a benefit of 11.3% in 2001. The Company's effective income tax rate for 2003, 2002 and 2001 was negatively impacted by the restructuring charges, non-deductible long-lived asset impairment charges and non-deductible investment impairment charges relating to unconsolidated affiliates. In addition, the tax rate in 2003 was negatively impacted by the establishment of valuation allowances on certain deferred tax assets as well as losses incurred in non-US jurisdictions with tax benefits at rates lower than the US statutory rates. The difference between the effective tax rate and the statutory federal rate of 35% is also due to state and local taxes and the effect of non-US operations. All of these factors contributed to the Company's recording of a tax provision of \$254.0 on a pre-tax loss of \$269.0 for 2003.

The increased tax rate in 2002 reflects a higher proportion of earnings derived from the US where it is taxed at higher rates, as well as losses incurred in non-US jurisdictions with tax benefits at rates lower than the US statutory rates.

The difference between the 2002 and 2001 effective tax rates is primarily attributable to the elimination of certain non-deductible accounting charges resulting from our adoption of SFAS 142 (see Note 1). The 2001 effective income tax rate reflects the impact of goodwill amortization.

Valuation Allowance

As required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes* ("SFAS 109"), the Company is required to evaluate on a quarterly basis the realizability of its deferred tax assets. SFAS 109 requires a valuation allowance be established when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of deferred tax assets will not be realized. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence, establishment of a valuation allowance must be considered. The Company believes that cumulative losses in

the most recent three-year period represent sufficient negative evidence under the provisions of SFAS 109 and, as a result, the Company determined that certain of its deferred tax assets required the establishment of a valuation allowance. The deferred tax assets for which an allowance was established relate primarily to foreign net operating and US capital loss carryforwards. During 2003, a valuation allowance of \$53.9 was established in continuing operations on existing deferred tax assets. In addition, \$26.8 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for current year losses incurred in jurisdictions where a benefit is not currently expected, and \$3.7 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for certain US capital and other loss carryforwards. The total valuation allowance as of December 31, 2003 was \$171.0.

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The realization of the remaining deferred tax assets is primarily dependent on forecasted future taxable income. Any reduction in estimated forecasted future taxable income, including but not limited to any future restructuring activities may require that we record additional valuation allowances against our deferred tax assets on which a valuation allowance has not previously been established. The valuation allowance that has been established will be maintained until there is sufficient positive evidence to conclude that it is more likely than not that such assets will be realized. An ongoing pattern of profitability will generally be considered as sufficient positive evidence. Our income tax expense recorded in the future will be reduced to the extent of offsetting decreases in our valuation allowance. The establishment or reversal of valuation allowances could have a significant negative or positive impact on future earnings.

Minority Interest

Income applicable to minority interests was virtually unchanged at \$30.9 in 2003, \$30.5 in 2002 and \$29.4 in 2001.

Unconsolidated Affiliates

Equity in net income (loss) of unconsolidated affiliates was income of \$1.0 in 2003, income of \$5.0 in 2002 and a loss of \$0.4 in 2001. The decrease in 2003 was primarily due to reduced earnings in unconsolidated affiliates in Europe and Brazil. The increase in 2002 was primarily due to increased earnings of unconsolidated affiliates in the US, partially offset by the sale of unconsolidated affiliates in Europe and the US.

DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES

The Company enters into interest rate swaps, hedges of net investments in foreign operations and forward contracts.

Interest Rate Swaps

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had no outstanding interest rate swap agreements.

During 2002, the Company had outstanding interest rate swap agreements covering \$400.0 of the \$500.0, 7.875% notes due October 2005. The swaps had the same term as the debt and effectively converted the fixed rate on the debt to a variable rate based on 6 month LIBOR. The swaps were accounted for as hedges of the fair value of the related debt and were recorded as an asset or liability as appropriate.

As of December 31, 2002, the Company had terminated all of the interest rate swap agreements covering the \$500.0, 7.875% notes due October 2005. In connection with the termination of the interest rate swap agreements transaction, the Company received \$45.7 in cash which will be recorded as an offset to interest expense over the remaining life of the related debt.

Hedges of Net Investments

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had no loans designated as hedges of net investments.

The Company has significant foreign operations and conducts business in various foreign currencies. In order to hedge the value of its investments in Japan, the Company had designated the Yen borrowings under its \$375.0 Revolving Credit Facility (in the amount of \$36.5) as a hedge of its net investment. The amount deferred in 2002 was not material.

On August 15, 2003, the Company repaid \$36.5 Yen borrowing under its \$375.0 Revolving Credit Facility that had been designated as a hedge of a net investment.

Forward Contracts

The Company has entered into foreign currency transactions in which foreign currencies (principally the Euro, Pounds and the Yen) are bought or sold forward. The contracts were entered into to meet currency requirements arising from specific transactions. The changes in value of these forward contracts were reflected in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2002 the Company had contracts covering approximately \$37 of notional amount of currency and the fair value of the forward contracts was a gain of \$5.1. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had contracts covering \$2.4 of notional amount of currency and the fair value of the forward contracts was negligible.

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Other

The Company has two embedded derivative instruments under the terms of the offering of Zero-Coupon Notes as discussed in Note 8. At December 31, 2002, the fair value of the two derivatives was negligible. As of April 2003, substantially all of the Zero-Coupon Notes were redeemed. In connection with the issuance and sale of the 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes in March 2003, two embedded derivatives were created. The fair value of the two derivatives on December 31, 2003 was negligible.

As discussed in "Payments for Prior Acquisitions" below, the Company has entered into various put and call options related to acquisitions. The exercise price of such options is generally based upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets and approximate fair value.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

At December 31, 2003, cash and cash equivalents were \$2,005.7, an increase of \$1,072.7 from December 31, 2002. Total debt at December 31, 2003 was \$2,474.3, a decrease of \$163.7 from December 31, 2002. The Company collects funds from clients on behalf of media outlets resulting in cash receipts and disbursements at levels substantially exceeding its revenue. Therefore, the working capital amounts reported on its balance sheet and cash flows from operating activities reflect the "pass-through" of these items.

The Company's cash and debt positions were positively impacted by its 2003 debt and equity offerings, as discussed below, the sale of NFO, and cash flow from operations.

During the third quarter of 2003, the Company filed a universal shelf registration in the amount of \$1,800, \$721.4 of which was used in concurrent common stock and mandatorily convertible preferred stock offerings in 2003.

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$502.0, \$855.9 and \$128.1 in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities in 2003 was primarily attributable to the lower earnings level in 2003 resulting from continued softness in client demand for advertising and marketing services and the Company's restructuring

program. The Company expects to continue to generate cash from operations in 2004. Offsetting the additional cash expected to be provided in 2004 are cash uses related to the Company's restructuring program, funding of pension liabilities and amounts required to exit the Company's remaining motorsports commitments.

The increase in cash provided in 2002 was the result of improved working capital management, particularly with regard to receivables, and the timing of international media payments at year end, and includes reduced payments of incentives in 2002.

Investing Activities

Historically the Company has pursued acquisitions to complement and enhance its service offerings. In addition, the Company has also sought to acquire businesses similar to those already owned to expand its geographic scope to better serve new and existing clients. Acquisitions have historically been funded using stock, cash or a combination of both. Currently, the Company has certain restrictions by the terms of its Revolving Credit Facilities from making acquisitions or investments that are funded with cash. The Company's permitted level of annual expenditures for new acquisitions funded with cash is \$100 in the aggregate. See "Financing Activities" for further discussion.

During 2003, 2002, and 2001, the Company paid \$224.6, \$276.8 and \$308.8, respectively, in cash for new acquisitions and earn out payments for previous acquisitions. The reduction in payments in 2002 and 2003 reflects the Company's reduced level of acquisition activity.

In 2003, the Company sold certain non-core assets. The Company completed the sale of NFO for \$415.6 in cash (\$376.7 net of cash sold and expenses) and approximately 11.7 million of shares of TNS stock which were sold in December for net proceeds of approximately \$42; sold approximately 11 million of the shares it owned as an equity investment in Modem Media, Inc. for net proceeds of approximately \$57 million; and, in January 2004, sold four of the motorsport circuits for approximately \$26 in cash.

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The Company's capital expenditures were \$159.6, \$171.4, and \$257.5 during 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively. The primary purposes of these expenditures were to upgrade computer and telecommunications systems and to modernize offices. Currently, the Company is restricted in making capital expenditures by the terms of its Revolving Credit Facilities. The Company's permitted level of annual capital expenditures is \$175.0. See "Financing Activities" for further discussion.

In 2004, the Company expects to continue to make certain selective new acquisitions, payments for earn outs due from previous acquisitions, and other capital expenditures. Given the restrictions on these expenditures, discussed above, the Company does not expect these payments to exceed approximately \$400 spent in 2003.

Financing Activities

Total cash on hand at December 31, 2003 was \$2,005.7, an increase of \$1,072.7 from December 31, 2002. Total debt at December 31, 2003 was \$2,474.3, a decrease of \$163.7 from December 31, 2002. The Company's cash and debt positions were positively impacted by its 2003 debt and equity offerings, as discussed below, the sale of NFO, cash flow from operations and international cash and debt pooling arrangements that were put in place to optimize the net debt balances in certain markets.

Revolving Credit Agreements

On June 27, 2000, the Company entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks providing for a term of five years and for borrowings of up to \$375.0 (the "Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility"). On May 16, 2002, the Company entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks providing for a term of 364 days and for borrowings of up to \$500.0 (the "Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility"). The Company replaced the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility with a new 364-day revolving credit facility, which it entered into with a syndicate of banks on May 15, 2003 (the "New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility" and, together with the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility, both as amended from time to time, the "Revolving Credit Facilities"). The New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility provides for borrowings of up to \$500.0, \$200.0 of which are available to the Company for the issuance of letters of credit. The New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility expires on May 13, 2004. However, the Company has the option to extend the maturity of amounts outstanding on the termination date under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for a period of one year, if EBITDA, as defined in the agreements, for the four fiscal quarters most recently ended was at least \$831.0 (for purposes of this EBITDA calculation, only \$125.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges may be added back to EBITDA). The Revolving Credit Facilities are used for general corporate purposes. As of December 31, 2003, \$160.1 was utilized under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for the issuance of letters of credit, \$0.0 was borrowed under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility and \$0.0 was borrowed under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility. As of March 12, 2004, \$136.0 was obligated under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for the issuance of letters of credit, \$0.0 was borrowed under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility and \$0.0 of the \$375.0 available was borrowed under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility.

The Revolving Credit Facilities bear interest at variable rates based on either LIBOR or a bank's base rate, at the Company's option. The interest rates on base rate loans and LIBOR loans under the Revolving Credit Facilities are affected by the facilities' utilization levels and the Company's credit ratings. In connection with the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, the Company agreed to new pricing under the Revolving Credit Facilities that increased the interest spread payable on loans under the Revolving Credit Facilities by 25 basis points. Based on the Company's current credit ratings, interest rates on loans under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility are currently calculated by adding 175 basis points to LIBOR or 25 basis points to the applicable bank base rate, and interest rates on loans under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility are currently calculated by adding 170 basis points to LIBOR or 25 basis points to the applicable bank base rate.

The Company's Revolving Credit Facilities include financial covenants that set (i) maximum levels of debt for borrowed money as a function of EBITDA, (ii) minimum levels of EBITDA as a function of interest expense and (iii) minimum levels of EBITDA (in each case, as defined in those agreements).

As of December 31, 2003, the Company was, and expects to continue to be, in compliance with all of the covenants (including the financial covenants, as amended) contained in the Revolving Credit Facilities.

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On February 10, 2003, certain defined terms relating to financial covenants contained in the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility were amended effective as of December 31, 2002 to include in the definition of debt for borrowed money the Company's 1.8% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 and 1.87% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2006. In addition, the definition of Interest Expense was also amended to include all interest with respect to these Subordinated Notes.

In connection with entering into the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, the definition of EBITDA in the Revolving Credit Facilities was amended to include (i) up to \$161.4 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002; (ii) up to \$200.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges (up to \$175.0 of which may be cash charges) taken in the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2003, June 30, 2003 and September 30, 2003; (iii) up to \$70.0 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business; and (iv) all impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures made on or after January 1, 2003 with respect to the Company's Motorsports business, and to exclude the gain realized by the Company upon the sale of NFO. The corresponding financial covenant ratio levels in the Revolving Credit Facilities were also amended.

As of September 29, 2003, these additions to the definition of EBITDA were replaced with the following items: (i) up to \$161.4 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002; (ii) up to \$275.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges (up to \$240.0 of which may be cash charges) taken in the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2003 and each of the fiscal periods ending June 30, 2003, September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004; (iii) up to \$70.0 of non-cash, non-recurring charges

taken with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business; (iv) all impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures made on or after January 1, 2003 with respect to the Company's Motorsports business; (v) up to \$300.0 of non-cash, non-recurring goodwill or investment impairment charges taken in the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003, March 31, 2004, June 30, 2004 and September 30, 2004; (vi) up to \$135.0 in payments made by the Company (up to \$40.0 of which may be in cash) with respect to the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, relating to the settlement of certain litigation matters; (vii) \$24.8 in respect of the early repayment by the Company of all amounts outstanding under the Prudential Agreements with respect to the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2003; and (viii) non-cash charges related to the adoption by the Company of the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148. The definition of EBITDA was also separately amended to give the Company flexibility to settle its commitments under certain leasing and Motorsports event contractual arrangements. The Company paid a fee of 10 basis points of the total commitments under each of the Revolving Credit Facilities in consideration for these amendments to the definition of EBITDA.

In determining the Company's compliance with the financial covenants as of December 31, 2003, the following charges were added back to the definition of EBITDA: (i) \$176.2 of restructuring charges (\$153.5 of which were cash charges), (ii) \$47.4 of non-cash charges with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business, (iii) \$16.2 of impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures of the Company's Motorsports businesses, (iv) \$293.9 of goodwill or investment impairment charges and (v) \$115.0 of charges (primarily non-cash) relating to certain litigation matters. Since these charges and payments were added back to the definition of EBITDA, they do not affect the ability of the Company to comply with its financial covenants. Any charges incurred by the Company as a result of its restructuring program after March 31, 2004 will not be added back to EBITDA in determining whether the Company is in compliance with its financial covenants.

The terms of the Revolving Credit Facilities restrict the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends, repurchase shares of common stock, make cash acquisitions or investments and make capital expenditures, as well as the ability of the Company's domestic subsidiaries to incur additional debt in excess of \$65.0. Certain of these limitations were modified upon the Company's issuance on March 13, 2003 of 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2023 (the "4.5% Notes") in an aggregate principal amount of \$800.0, from which the Company received net cash proceeds equal to approximately \$778. In addition, pursuant to a tender offer that expired on April 4, 2003, the Company purchased \$700.5 in aggregate principal amount at maturity of its Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021 (the "Zero-Coupon Notes"). As a result of these transactions, the Company's permitted level of annual new cash acquisition

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spending has increased to \$100.0 and the permitted level of annual share buybacks and dividend payments not related solely to preferred stock has increased to \$25.0. All limitations on dividend payments and share buybacks expire when EBITDA (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facilities) is at least \$1,300.0 for four consecutive quarters. The Company's permitted level of annual capital expenditures is \$175.0.

On November 18, 2003, the Revolving Credit Facilities were further amended to permit the Company to pay up to \$45.0 in annual cash dividends with respect to preferred stock that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following its issuance. This \$45.0 allowance is in addition to the Company's current \$25.0 permitted level of annual share buybacks and general dividend payments discussed above.

As a result of the issuance of the 4.5% Notes in the first quarter of 2003 and the settlement of the tender offer for the Zero-Coupon Notes in the second quarter of 2003, both the 4.5% Notes and the Zero-Coupon Notes were outstanding at March 31, 2003. Therefore, the Company amended the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, as of March 13, 2003, to exclude the Zero-Coupon Notes in calculating the ratio of debt for borrowed money to consolidated EBITDA for the period ended March 31, 2003 (this exclusion is also contained in the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility).

On February 26, 2003, the Company obtained waivers of certain defaults under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility relating to the restatement of the Company's historical Consolidated Financial Statements in the aggregate amount of \$118.7. The waivers covered certain financial reporting requirements related to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. No financial covenants were breached as a result of this restatement.

The Company does not anticipate that any waivers will be needed under the Revolving Credit Facilities prior to, or in connection with, the refinancing of the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility.

Other Committed and Uncommitted Facilities

In addition to the Revolving Credit Facilities, at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, the Company had \$0.8 and \$157.8 of committed lines of credit, all of which were provided by overseas banks that participate in the Revolving Credit Facilities. The decrease in the committed lines of credit was partially offset by the increase in the uncommitted lines of credit. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, \$0.0 and \$3.1 were outstanding under these lines of credit.

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, the Company also had \$744.8 and \$707.9 of uncommitted lines of credit, 68.0% and 66.8% of which were provided by banks that participate in the Revolving Credit Agreements. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, \$38.1 and \$213.2 were outstanding under these uncommitted lines of credit. The Company's uncommitted borrowings are repayable upon demand.

Prudential Agreements

On May 26, 1994, April 28, 1995, October 31, 1996, August 19, 1997 and January 21, 1999, the Company entered into five note purchase agreements, respectively, with The Prudential Insurance Company of America. The notes issued pursuant to the Prudential Agreements were repayable on May 2004, April 2005, October 2006, August 2007 and January 2009, respectively, and had interest rates of 10.01%, 9.95%, 9.41%, 9.09% and 8.05%, respectively.

Due to the high interest rates on the notes issued under the Prudential Agreements and the restrictive financial covenants contained in these agreements, the Company repaid the total principal amount and interest outstanding under the Prudential Agreements on August 8, 2003, including a prepayment penalty that resulted in a net charge of \$24.8.

UBS Facility

On February 10, 2003, the Company received from UBS AG a commitment for an interim credit facility providing for \$500.0 maturing no later than July 31, 2004 and available to the Company beginning May 15, 2003, subject to certain conditions. This commitment terminated in accordance with its terms when the Company received net cash proceeds in excess of \$400.0 from its sale of the 4.5% Notes. The fees associated with the commitment were not material to the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operation.

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Other Debt Instruments

- (i) Convertible Senior Notes - 4.5%

In March 2003 the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$800.0 aggregate principal amount of the 4.5% Notes. In April 2003, the Company used approximately \$581 of the net proceeds of this offering to repurchase the Zero-Coupon Notes tendered in its concurrent tender offer and is using the remaining proceeds for the repayment of other

indebtedness, general corporate purposes and working capital. The 4.5% Notes are unsecured, senior securities that may be converted into common shares if the price of the Company's common stock reaches a specified threshold, at an initial conversion rate of 80.5153 shares per one thousand dollars principal amount, equal to a conversion price of \$12.42 per share, subject to adjustment. This threshold will initially be 120% of the conversion price and will decline 1/2% each year until it reaches 110% at maturity in 2023.

The 4.5% Notes may also be converted, regardless of the price of the Company's common stock, if: (i) the credit ratings assigned to the 4.5% Notes by any two of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and Fitch Ratings are lower than Ba2, BB and BB, respectively, or the 4.5% Notes are no longer rated by at least two of these ratings services, (ii) the Company calls the 4.5% Notes for redemption, (iii) the Company makes specified distributions to shareholders or (iv) the Company becomes a party to a consolidation, merger or binding share exchange pursuant to which its common stock would be converted into cash or property (other than securities).

The Company, at the investor's option, may be required to redeem the 4.5% Notes for cash on March 15, 2008. The Company may also be required to redeem the 4.5% Notes at the investor's option on March 15, 2013 and March 15, 2018, for cash or common stock or a combination of both, at the Company's election. Additionally, investors may require the Company to redeem the 4.5% Notes in the event of certain change of control events that occur prior to May 15, 2008, for cash or common stock or a combination of both, at the Company's election. The Company at its option may redeem the 4.5% Notes on or after May 15, 2008 for cash. The redemption price in each of these instances will be 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. If at any time on or after March 13, 2003 the Company pays cash dividends on its common stock, the Company will pay contingent interest per 4.5% Note in an amount equal to 100% of the per share cash dividend paid on the common stock multiplied by the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of a 4.5% Note.

(ii) Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes

In December 2001, the Company completed the issuance and sale of approximately \$702 of aggregate principal amount of Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021. In April 2003, the Company used approximately \$581 of the proceeds received from the issuance and sale of the 4.5% Notes to repurchase \$700.5 in aggregate principal amount at maturity of its Zero-Coupon Notes. As of December 31, 2003, no Zero-Coupon Notes remained outstanding.

(iii) Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.25%

On August 22, 2001, the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$500.0 principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2011. The notes bear interest at a rate of 7.25% per annum. The Company used the net proceeds of approximately \$493 from the sale of the notes to repay outstanding indebtedness under its Revolving Credit Facilities.

(iv) Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.875%

On October 20, 2000, the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$500.0 principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2005. The notes bear an interest rate of 7.875% per annum. The Company used the net proceeds of approximately \$496 from the sale of the notes to repay outstanding indebtedness under its revolving credit facilities.

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(v) Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.87%

On June 1, 1999, the Company issued \$361.0 face amount of Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2006 with a cash coupon rate of 1.87% and a yield to maturity of 4.75%. The 2006 notes were issued at an original price of 83% of the face amount, generating proceeds of approximately \$300. The notes are convertible into 6.4 million shares of the Company's common stock at a conversion rate of 17.616 shares per one thousand dollars face amount. Since June 2002, the Company has had the option to redeem the notes for cash.

(vi) Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.80%

On September 16, 1997, the Company issued \$250.0 face amount of Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 ("2004 Notes") with a coupon rate of 1.80% and a yield to maturity of 5.25%. The 2004 Notes were issued at an original price of 80% of the face amount, generating proceeds of approximately \$200, and were convertible into 6.7 million shares of the Company's common stock at a conversion rate of 26.772 shares per one thousand dollars face amount. On January 20, 2004, the Company exercised its right to redeem all of the 2004 Notes with an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$250 at an aggregate price of approximately \$246 (96.6813% of the principal amount of the notes plus original issue discount accrued to the redemption date, or \$978.10 per \$1,000 principal amount of the notes, plus accrued interest to the redemption date). None of the 2004 Notes remain outstanding as of March 12, 2004.

Short-Term Debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002

The Company and its subsidiaries have short-term lines of credit with various banks that permit borrowings at variable interest rates. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, all borrowings under these facilities were by the Company's subsidiaries and totaled \$38.1 and \$216.3, respectively. Where required, the Company has guaranteed the repayment of borrowings by its subsidiaries.

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, 68% and 66.8% of these short-term facilities were provided by banks that participate in the Company's Revolving Credit Facilities. The weighted-average interest rates on outstanding balances under the committed and uncommitted short-term facilities at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were approximately 5% in each year.

The following table summarizes the Company's short-term debt as of December 31, 2003 and 2002.

2003	Total Facility	Amount Outstanding at December 31, 2003	Total Available
<u>Committed</u>			
364-Day Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 500.0	\$ --	\$ 339.9*
Other Facilities (principally International)	<u>0.8</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>0.8</u>
	\$ 500.8	\$ --	\$ 340.7
<u>Uncommitted</u>			
Domestic	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
International	<u>744.8</u>	<u>38.1</u>	<u>706.7</u>
	\$ 744.8	\$ 38.1	\$ 706.7
Total	<u>\$1,245.6</u>	<u>\$ 38.1</u>	<u>\$1,047.4</u>

*Amount available is reduced by \$160.1 of Letters of Credit issued under the Revolving Credit Facility.

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2002	<u>Total Facility</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding at December 31, 2002</u>	<u>Total Available</u>
<u>Committed</u>			
364-day Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 500.0	\$ --	\$ 500.0
Other Facilities (principally International)	<u>157.8</u>	<u>3.1</u>	<u>154.7</u>
	<u>\$ 657.8</u>	<u>\$ 3.1</u>	<u>\$ 654.7</u>
<u>Uncommitted</u>			
Domestic	\$ 27.7	\$ 7.7	\$ 20.0
International	<u>680.2</u>	<u>205.5</u>	<u>474.7</u>
	<u>\$ 707.9</u>	<u>\$213.2</u>	<u>\$ 494.7</u>
Total	<u>\$1,365.7</u>	<u>\$216.3</u>	<u>\$1,149.4</u>

Other

In 2003, the Company filed a universal shelf registration statement providing for the potential issuance and sale of securities in an aggregate amount of up to \$1,800.0. On December 16, 2003, in a concurrent offering, the Company issued 25.8 million shares of common stock and issued 7.5 million shares of 3-year Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock") under this shelf registration. The total net proceeds received from these offerings was approximately \$693. The Preferred Stock carries a dividend yield of 5.375%. On maturity, each share of the Preferred Stock will convert, subject to adjustment, to between 3.0358 and 3.7037 shares of common stock, depending on the then-current market price of the Company's common stock, representing a conversion premium of approximately 22% over the common stock offering price of \$13.50 per share. Under certain circumstances, the Preferred Stock may be converted prior to maturity at the option of the holders or the Company.

In January 2004, the Company used approximately \$246 of the net proceeds from the offerings to redeem the 1.80% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004. The remaining proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes and to further strengthen the Company's balance sheet and financial condition.

The Company will pay annual dividends on each share of Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of \$2.6875. Dividends will be cumulative from the date of issuance and will be payable on each payment date to the extent that dividends are not restricted under the credit facilities and assets are legally available to pay dividends. The first dividend payment was declared on February 24, 2004 and will be made on March 15, 2004 (see below).

On March 7, 2003, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services downgraded the Company's senior unsecured credit rating to BB+ with negative outlook from BBB-. On May 14, 2003, Fitch Ratings downgraded the Company's senior unsecured credit rating to BB+ with negative outlook from BBB-. On May 9, 2003, Moody's Investor Services, Inc. ("Moody's") placed the Company's senior unsecured and subordinated credit ratings on review for possible downgrade from Baa3 and Ba1, respectively. As of March 12, 2004, the Company's credit ratings continued to be on review for a possible downgrade.

Since July 2001, the Company has not repurchased its common stock in the open market.

In October 2003, the Company received a federal tax refund of approximately \$90 as a result of its carryback of its 2002 loss for US federal income tax purposes and certain capital losses, to earlier periods.

Through December 2002, the Company had paid cash dividends quarterly with the most recent quarterly dividend paid in December 2002 at a rate of \$0.095 per share. On a quarterly basis, the Company's Board of Directors makes determinations regarding the payment of dividends. As previously discussed, the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends is currently restricted by the terms of its Revolving Credit Facilities. The Company did not declare or pay any dividends in 2003. However, in February 2004, the Company declared a cash dividend of \$0.642 per share on the Preferred Stock, which is expressly permitted by the Revolving Credit Facilities. The dividend is payable in cash on March 15, 2004 to any stockholder of record at the close of business on March 1, 2004. This will result in total dividend payments of approximately \$5.

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Liquidity Outlook

The Company believes that cash on hand and cash flow from operations, together with existing lines of credit, will be sufficient to fund the Company's working capital needs and other obligations through the next twelve months. In making this determination, the Company has taken into account uses of cash, including:

- its significant contractual obligations (see table below);
- expected cash payments for restructuring;
- possible payments in connection with a transaction to exit remaining contractual obligations related to UK Motorsports; and
- funding of certain underfunded retirement arrangements.

Further, the Company has assumed that capital expenditures in 2004 will not exceed \$175.0, that no dividends (other than dividends on its Preferred Stock) will be paid and that there will be no significant amount of payments related to new acquisitions or purchases of treasury stock.

The Company's Revolving Credit Facilities are an essential part of its liquidity profile. The New 364-day Revolving Credit Facility expires on May 13, 2004. If the lenders fail to extend their commitments by the renewal date, there could be an adverse affect on the Company's liquidity. Further, if the Company were to lose all or a substantial portion of its uncommitted lines of credit, it would be forced to seek other sources of liquidity.

In the event that additional funds are required or in the event that the Revolving Credit Facilities or uncommitted lines of credit are not extended, the Company believes it will have sufficient resources through cash on hand and its ability to access other debt markets, and through its ability to access the equity markets to meet such requirements. However, there can be no assurance that such additional funding will be available to the Company on terms it considers favorable, if at all. In addition, unanticipated decreases in operating results and the concomitant decrease in cash flows from operations as a result of decreased demand for the Company's services or from other developments might require the Company to seek modification of its current debt agreements and to seek other sources of liquidity (including the disposition of certain assets) and to modify its operating strategies.

A downgrade in ratings by any of the ratings agencies may trigger a right on the part of the holders of the 4.5% Notes to convert the 4.5% Notes into shares of the Company's common stock. In addition, such an event might adversely affect the Company's ability to access capital, would result in an increase in the interest rates payable under the Revolving Credit Facilities and would likely result in an increase in the interest rate payable under any future indebtedness.

The Company believes that it will be able to meet each of the financial covenants in its Revolving Credit Facilities during 2004.

Summary of Significant Contractual Obligations

The following summarizes the Company's estimated contractual obligations at December 31, 2003, and the effect such obligations are expected to have on its liquidity and cash flow in future periods.

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007 and thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Long-term debt	\$244.5	\$523.8	\$338.5	\$1,329.4	\$2,436.2
Non-cancelable operating lease obligations	\$317.0	\$279.9	\$244.3	\$1,466.4	\$2,307.6
Obligations under executory contract	\$ 10.0	\$ 11.3	\$ 12.8	\$ 251.1	\$ 285.2
Obligations for deferred payments, put options and other payments	\$154.2	\$ 64.0	\$ 17.4	\$ 16.6	\$ 252.2

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As discussed in Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company has a number of retirement plans. The deficit in the funded status of these plans has increased to \$198.2 at December 31, 2003. As discussed in Note 11, the Company funded its retirement arrangements with contributions of \$30.0 in February 2004. The Company considers that the long-term return on its pension trust assets and the funding available to the Company will be sufficient to finance these obligations.

Payments for Prior Acquisitions

Deferred Payments

During the three-year period ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments on acquisitions that had closed in prior years:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$141.1	\$192.3	\$188.5
Stock	<u>49.8</u>	<u>72.9</u>	<u>23.4</u>
Total	<u>\$190.9</u>	<u>\$265.2</u>	<u>\$211.9</u>

Deferred payments (or "earn-outs") generally tie the aggregate price ultimately paid for an acquisition to its performance and are recorded as an increase to goodwill and other intangibles. The amount of payment is contingent upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets. The table above excludes NFO, which is classified as a discontinued operation. NFO had deferred payments of \$0.1 in 2002 and \$4.0 in 2001.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company's estimated liability for deferred payments is as follows:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008 and thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$113.7	\$36.0	\$15.3	\$3.9	\$ --	\$168.9
Stock	<u>14.1</u>	<u>18.3</u>	<u>0.8</u>	<u>3.9</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>37.1</u>
Total	<u>\$127.8</u>	<u>\$54.3</u>	<u>\$16.1</u>	<u>\$7.8</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$206.0</u>

The amounts above are contingent upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets. The amounts are estimates based on the current projections as to the amount that will be paid and are subject to revisions as the earn-out periods progress.

Purchase of Additional Interests

During the three years ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments to purchase additional equity interests in certain consolidated subsidiaries:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$52.3	\$33.2	\$35.8
Stock	<u>6.3</u>	<u>10.3</u>	<u>19.4</u>
Total	<u>\$58.6</u>	<u>\$43.5</u>	<u>\$55.2</u>

Put Options

The Company has entered into agreements that may require the Company to purchase additional equity interests in certain consolidated subsidiaries (put options). The estimated amount that would be paid under put options, in the event of exercise at the earliest exercise date, is as follows:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008 and thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$31.7	\$24.8	\$2.1	\$1.4	\$11.3	\$71.3
Stock	<u>1.2</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>2.9</u>
Total	<u>\$32.9</u>	<u>\$26.4</u>	<u>\$2.2</u>	<u>\$1.4</u>	<u>\$11.3</u>	<u>\$74.2</u>

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The actual amount to be paid is generally contingent upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets and satisfying other conditions as specified in the relevant agreement.

Call Options

The Company also has call options to acquire additional equity interests in certain consolidated subsidiaries. The estimated amount that would be paid under such call options, in the event of exercise, is as follows:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008 and thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$5.7	\$6.3	\$6.6	\$1.2	\$14.8	\$34.6
Stock	<u>0.3</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1.3</u>
Total	<u>\$6.0</u>	<u>\$6.3</u>	<u>\$7.6</u>	<u>\$1.2</u>	<u>\$14.8</u>	<u>\$35.9</u>

The actual amount to be paid is contingent upon the Company's decision to exercise its option and the upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets and satisfying other conditions as specified in the relevant agreement.

Other Payments

During three years ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments principally related to loan notes and guaranteed deferred payments that had been previously recognized on the balance sheet:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$27.8	\$14.5	\$2.8
Stock	<u>0.1</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>3.2</u>
Total	<u>\$27.9</u>	<u>\$14.5</u>	<u>\$6.0</u>

As of December 31, 2003, the Company's estimated liability for other payments are cash amounts of \$8.8 and \$3.2 in 2004 and 2005, respectively, and stock amounts of \$0.5 in 2004.

Unconsolidated Affiliates

The Company has entered into put and call option agreements with respect to certain companies currently accounted for as unconsolidated affiliates. The estimated amount that would be paid primarily under put options, in the event of exercise at the earliest exercise date, is as follows:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008 and thereafter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$5.1	\$7.8	\$14.5	\$14.3	\$1.5	\$43.2
Stock	<u>0.5</u>	<u>0.8</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>0.7</u>	<u>0.9</u>	<u>3.3</u>
Total	<u>\$5.6</u>	<u>\$8.6</u>	<u>\$14.9</u>	<u>\$15.0</u>	<u>\$2.4</u>	<u>\$46.5</u>

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company's significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Of these policies, the Company believes the following accounting policies are critical because they are both important to the presentation of the Company's financial condition and results and they require management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to estimate the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on other factors that it considers reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

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The Company believes the following accounting policies are critical to the accuracy of the more significant judgements and estimates used in the preparation of its Consolidated Financial Statements:

- * revenue recognition;
- * allowance for doubtful accounts;
- * accounting for income taxes;
- * valuation of long-lived and intangible assets and investments; and
- * accounting for business combinations.

Revenue Recognition

The Company derives revenue from advertising services, including media buying, and from marketing and communication services, including market research, public relations, direct marketing, sales promotion and event marketing activities.

The Company's advertising services revenue is derived from commissions that are earned when the media is placed, from fees earned as advertising services are performed and from production services rendered. In addition, incentive amounts may be earned based on qualitative and/or quantitative criteria. In the case of commissions, revenue is recognized as the media placements appear. In the case of fee and production arrangements, the revenue is recognized as the services are performed which is generally ratably over the period of the client contract. The Company's marketing service revenues are generally earned on a fee basis, and in certain cases incentive amounts may also be earned. As with fee arrangements in advertising, such revenue is recognized as the work is performed. Incentive amounts for advertising and marketing services are recognized upon satisfaction of the

qualitative and/or quantitative criteria, as set out in the relevant client contract.

In many cases, the amount the Company bills to clients significantly exceeds the amount of revenues that is earned due to the existence of various "pass-through" charges such as the cost of media. In compliance with Emerging Issues Task Force pronouncement ("EITF") 99-19, *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent* and EITF 01-14, *Income Statement Characterization of Reimbursements Received for "Out-of-Pocket Expenses Incurred"*, the Company generally records revenue net of "pass-through" charges as it is not the primary obligor with respect to the cost of "pass-through" charges and generally acts as an agent on behalf of its clients with respect to such costs.

Expenditures billable to clients include costs incurred primarily in connection with production work by the Company on behalf of clients that have not yet been billed to clients. Commissions and fees on such production work are recorded as revenue when earned. As of December 31, 2003, the amount of expenditures billable to clients was \$280.6.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company assesses the required amount of allowance for doubtful accounts based on past experience and reviews of aging and analysis of specific accounts.

The aging of accounts receivable, reviews of client credit reports, industry trends and economic indicators, as well as analysis of recent payment history for selected customers, enables the Company to estimate the expected bad debt experience related to receivables at each period end. The estimate is based largely on a formula-driven calculation but is supplemented with economic indicators and specific knowledge of potential write-offs in client accounts.

In 2003, the Company recorded a lower amount of bad debt expense than in the prior year reflecting improved experience with collections and as compared to the prior year in which there were larger specific write-offs.

Accounting for Income Taxes

As part of the process of preparing its Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company is required to estimate income taxes payable in each of the jurisdictions in which it operates. This process involves estimating the actual current tax expense together with assessing temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items for tax and accounting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities, which are included within the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

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SFAS 109 requires a valuation allowance be established when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of deferred tax assets will not be realized. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence, establishment of a valuation allowance must be considered. The Company believes that cumulative losses in the most recent three year period represent sufficient negative evidence to consider a valuation allowance under the provisions of SFAS 109. As a result, the Company determined that certain of its deferred tax assets required the establishment of a valuation allowance. The deferred tax assets for which an allowance was established relate primarily to foreign net operating and US capital loss carryforwards. During 2003, a valuation allowance of \$53.9 was established in continuing operations on existing deferred tax assets. In addition, \$26.8 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for current year losses incurred in jurisdictions where a benefit is not currently expected, and \$3.7 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for certain US capital and other loss carryforwards.

The realization of the remaining deferred tax assets is primarily dependent on forecasted future taxable income. Any reduction in estimated forecasted future taxable income, including but not limited to any future restructuring activities may require that we record additional valuation allowances against our deferred tax assets on which a valuation allowance has not previously been established. The valuation allowance that has been established will be maintained until there is sufficient positive evidence to conclude that it is more likely than not that such assets will be realized. An ongoing pattern of profitability will generally be considered as sufficient positive evidence. Our income tax expense recorded in the future will be reduced to the extent of offsetting decreases in our valuation allowance. The establishment and reversal of valuation allowances could have a significant negative or positive impact on our future earnings.

Valuation of Long-Lived and Intangible Assets and Investments

The Company has a significant amount of long-lived assets, including fixed assets, investments, goodwill and other intangibles. The Company periodically evaluates the realizability of all of its long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicated that the carrying value of an asset might not be recoverable.

Goodwill

In the third quarter of each year (as of September 30) the Company formally evaluates the realizability of its goodwill and other intangibles, using discounted cash flow projections. The Company has used the September 30 date since the adoption of SFAS 142. Such projections require the use of estimates and assumptions as to matters such as future revenue growth, product margins, capital expenditures, assumed tax rates and discount rates. Such projections are prepared for each reporting unit as defined in SFAS 142. Management believes that the estimates and assumptions made are reasonable. To the extent that the Company has incorrectly estimated the revenue growth and/or product margin assumptions in the calculations, the goodwill related to certain reporting units may be determined to be unrealizable and an impairment charge may have to be recorded.

The Company believes that the accounting estimates relating to potential goodwill and other intangible impairments are a "critical accounting estimate" because (i) they are susceptible to change from period to period and (ii) they require the Company to make assumptions about future forecast growth rates.

In 2003 and 2002, as a result of the impairment analyses conducted above, total charges related to goodwill impairment of \$221.0 and \$82.1, respectively, were recorded in the income statement. This was due to the fact that expectations for future earnings from the OWW and Motorsports reporting units would not be sufficient to recover any of the goodwill of the reporting unit. See Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further information.

Investments

The Company regularly reviews its cost and equity investments, where market value has declined below cost, to determine whether there has been an "other than temporary" decline in market value. For investments accounted for using the cost or equity method of accounting, management evaluates information (e.g., budgets, business plans, financial statements, etc.) in addition to quoted market price, if any, in determining whether an other than temporary decline in value exists. Factors indicative of an other than temporary decline include recurring operating losses, credit defaults and subsequent rounds of financings at an amount below the cost basis of the investment. This list is not all inclusive and management weighs all known quantitative and qualitative factors in determining if an other than temporary decline in value of an investment has occurred.

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The Company recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$84.9, \$39.7 and \$210.8 in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The Company considers that future impairment charges may be necessary based on the factors above, but anticipates that these would not be as significant as in prior years.

Fixed Assets

For fixed assets, accounting standards require that if the sum of the future cash flows expected to result from a Company's asset grouping, undiscounted and without interest charges, is less than the reported value of the asset, an asset impairment must be recognized in the financial statements. The amount of the impairment recognized is calculated by subtracting the imputed fair value, as calculated above, from the reported value of the asset.

As discussed in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, there were significant long-lived assets held at Motorsports. The remaining assets as of December 31, 2003 were sold in a transaction that occurred in January 2004. An impairment charge of \$38.0 was recorded in 2003 to reduce the Company value of these assets to their realizable value.

Future events could cause the Company to conclude that impairment indicators exist and that the asset values associated with a given operation have become impaired. Any resulting impairment loss could have a material impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

Accounting for Business Combinations

The Company accounts for its business acquisitions under the purchase method of accounting. The total cost of acquisitions is allocated to the underlying net assets, based on their respective estimated fair market values. Goodwill is recorded as the difference between the cost of acquiring an entity and the estimated fair market values assigned to its tangible and identifiable intangible net assets at the date of acquisition. Determining the fair market value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed requires management's judgment and often involves the use of significant estimates and assumptions, including, among others, assumptions with respect to future cash inflows and outflows, discount rates, asset lives, and market multiples, among other items.

The Company has significant future deferred payments ("earn outs") that generally tie the aggregate price ultimately paid for an acquisition to its performance over a period of time. Such payments are recorded within the financial statements once the payment of such earn outs is probable and estimable, and when any contractual contingencies have been met. The Company has policies and procedures in place to determine if such payments relate to the acquisition, and should be allocated to the assets and liabilities acquired, or should be expensed as compensation payments. These policies include reviewing the acquisition agreements and employment terms of former owners of the acquired businesses. The total amount that is anticipated to be settled, in cash and stock, is estimated to be \$206.0, of which \$127.8 relates to payments due in 2004. The actual amounts to be paid are contingent upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets (generally over a three or four year period) and satisfying other conditions as specified in the relevant agreements.

Other Matters

SEC Investigation

The Company was informed in January 2003 by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff that the SEC has issued a formal order of investigation related to the Company's restatements of earnings for periods dating back to 1997. The matters had previously been the subject of an informal inquiry. The Company is cooperating fully with the investigation.

Other Contingencies

The Company continues to have commitments under certain leasing and motorsports event contractual arrangements at the Silverstone circuit. As of December 31, 2003, the Company is committed to remaining payments under these arrangements of approximately \$460. This amount relates to undiscounted payments through 2015 principally under an executory contract and an operating lease and assumes payments over the maximum remaining term of the relevant agreements. This estimated amount has not been reduced by any future revenues to be generated from the arrangements. The Company is continuing to explore various options with respect to these commitments, at least one of which may involve a cash disbursement in the order of \$200. The Company has obtained amendments of

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certain definitions contained in its Revolving Credit Agreements (as discussed in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) to reduce the impact of such cash disbursement and the resulting accounting charge on its financial covenant calculations.

RECENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In December 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132, *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* ("SFAS 132"), was revised ("SFAS 132-R"). This Statement revises employers' disclosures about pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans but does not alter any recognition or measurement issues promulgated under other standards. This statement retains the disclosure requirements contained in SFAS 132, which it replaces, and requires additional disclosures concerning the assets, obligations, cash flows, and net periodic benefit costs of both defined benefit pension plans and defined benefit postretirement plans. SFAS 132-R requires information to be provided separately for pension plans and for other postretirement benefit plans. With the exception of certain requirements related to foreign plans and ten-year expected payout provisions, disclosures not required for 2003, the Company adopted SFAS 132-R in 2003 (see Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

In June 2001, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations* ("SFAS 143"), was issued. SFAS 143 addresses financial accounting and reporting for legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated retirement costs that result from the acquisition, construction, or development and normal operation of a long-lived asset. Upon initial recognition of a liability for an asset retirement obligation, SFAS 143 requires an increase in the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. The asset retirement cost is subsequently allocated to expense using a systematic and rational method over the asset's useful life. The adoption of this statement in 2003 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 2002, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 146, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities* ("SFAS 146"), was issued. SFAS 146 changes the measurement and timing of recognition for exit costs, including restructuring charges, and is effective for any such activities initiated after December 31, 2003. It has no effect on charges recorded for exit activities begun prior to this date. The adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company.

In December 2002, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure* ("SFAS 148"), an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123 ("SFAS 123") was issued. The Company is choosing to continue with its current practice of applying the recognition and measurement principles of APB 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*. The Company has adopted the disclosure requirements of SFAS 148.

In April 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 149, *Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("SFAS 149"), was issued. SFAS 149 amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities under FASB Statement No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("SFAS 133"). This statement is effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003. The adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

During 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity* ("SFAS 150"), was issued. SFAS 150 establishes standards for classification and measurement of certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in certain cases). The provisions of SFAS 150 are effective for instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003 and pre-existing instruments as of July 1, 2003. On October 29, 2003, the FASB voted to indefinitely defer the effective date of SFAS 150 for mandatorily redeemable instruments as they relate to minority interests in consolidated finite-lived entities through the issuance of FASB Staff Position 150-3. The standard was adopted effective the third quarter of 2003, as modified by FSP 150-3, and did not have a material impact on its Consolidated Results of Operations or Financial Position.

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In November 2002, FASB Interpretation 45, *Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others*, was issued. This interpretation elaborates on the disclosures to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also clarifies (for guarantees issued after January 1, 2003) that a guarantor is required to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, a liability for the fair value of the obligations undertaken in issuing the guarantee. Disclosures concerning guarantees are found in Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51* ("FIN 46"), which addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities ("VIEs") either: (1) that do not have sufficient equity investment at risk to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, or (2) in which the equity investors lack an essential characteristic of a controlling financial interest. In December 2003, the FASB completed deliberations of proposed modifications to FIN 46 ("Revised Interpretations") (FIN 46-R) resulting in multiple effective dates based on the nature as well as the creation date of the VIE. VIEs created after January 31, 2003, but prior to January 1, 2004, may be accounted for either based on the original interpretation or the Revised Interpretations. However, the Revised Interpretations must be applied no later than the Company's quarter ended March 31, 2004. VIEs created after January 1, 2004 must be accounted for under the Revised Interpretations. Special Purpose Entities ("SPEs") created prior to February 1, 2003 may be accounted for under the original or revised interpretation's provisions no later than the Company's quarter ended March 31, 2004. Non-SPEs created prior to February 1, 2003, should be accounted for under the revised interpretation's provisions no later than the Company's second quarter of fiscal 2004. The Company has not entered into any material arrangements with VIEs created after January 31, 2003 and has determined that the adoption of FIN 46-R will not have a material impact on its results of operations and financial condition.

In January 2004, FASB Staff Position ("FSP") No. 106-1, *Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003* ("FSP 106-1"), was issued which permits a sponsor of a postretirement health care plan that provides a prescription drug benefit to make a one-time election to defer accounting for the effects of the new legislation. The Company has elected to defer the accounting until further guidance is issued by the FASB. The measurements of the Company's postretirement accumulated benefit plan obligation and net periodic benefit cost disclosed in Note 11 do not reflect the effects of the new legislation. The guidance, when issued, could require the Company to change previously reported information.

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Item 7A: Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company is exposed to market risk related to interest rates and foreign currencies.

Interest Rates

At December 31, 2003, a significant portion of the Company's debt obligations were at fixed interest rates. Accordingly, assuming the fixed rate debt is not refinanced, there would be no impact on interest expense or cash flow from either a 10% increase or decrease in market rates of interest. The fair market value of the debt obligations would decrease by \$18.9 if market rates were to increase by 10% and would increase by \$19.2 if market rates were to decrease by 10%. For that portion of the debt that is maintained at variable rates, based on amounts and rates outstanding at December 31, 2003, the change in interest expense and cash flow from a 10% change in rates would be negligible.

Foreign Currencies

The Company faces two risks related to foreign currency exchange: translation risk and transaction risk. Amounts invested in the Company's foreign operations are translated into US Dollars at the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. The resulting translation adjustments are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the stockholders' equity section of the balance sheet. The Company's foreign subsidiaries generally collect revenues and pay expenses in currencies other than the US Dollar. Since the functional currency of the Company's foreign operations is generally the local currency, foreign currency translation of the balance sheet is reflected as a component of stockholders' equity and does not impact operating results. Revenues and expenses in foreign currencies translate into varying amounts of US Dollars depending upon whether the US Dollar weakens or strengthens against other currencies. Therefore, changes in exchange rates may negatively affect the Company's consolidated revenues and expenses (as expressed in US Dollars) from foreign operations. Currency transaction gains or losses arising from transactions in currencies other than the functional currency are included in results of operations and were not significant in 2001, 2002 and 2003. The Company has not entered into a material amount of foreign currency forward exchange contracts or other derivative financial instruments to hedge the effects of adverse fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

Item 8: Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of operations, of cash flows, and of stockholders' equity and comprehensive income present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") at December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2003 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As disclosed in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies note, effective January 1, 2002, the Company changed the manner in which it accounts for goodwill and other intangible assets upon adoption of the accounting guidance of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
New York, New York

March 12, 2004

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
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	<u>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
REVENUE	<u>\$5,863.4</u>	<u>\$5,737.5</u>	<u>\$6,352.7</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Salaries and related expenses	3,451.8	3,350.0	3,620.9
Office and general expenses	1,885.6	1,880.4	1,896.1
Amortization of intangible assets	11.3	8.9	164.6
Restructuring and other merger-related costs	175.6	12.1	634.5
Long-lived asset impairment and other charges	<u>286.9</u>	<u>127.1</u>	<u>303.1</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>5,811.2</u>	<u>5,378.5</u>	<u>6,619.2</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>52.2</u>	<u>359.0</u>	<u>(266.5)</u>
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):			
Interest expense	(172.8)	(145.6)	(164.6)
Debt prepayment penalty	(24.8)	--	--
Interest income	38.9	29.8	41.8
Other income	50.0	7.9	13.7
Investment impairments	(84.9)	(39.7)	(210.8)
Litigation charges	<u>(127.6)</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
Total other income (expense)	<u>(321.2)</u>	<u>(147.6)</u>	<u>(319.9)</u>
Income (loss) before provision for (benefit of) income taxes	(269.0)	211.4	(586.4)
Provision for (benefit of) income taxes	<u>254.0</u>	<u>117.9</u>	<u>(66.1)</u>
Income (loss) of consolidated companies	(523.0)	93.5	(520.3)
Income applicable to minority interests	(30.9)	(30.5)	(29.4)
Equity in net income (loss) of unconsolidated affiliates	<u>1.0</u>	<u>5.0</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	(552.9)	68.0	(550.1)
INCOME FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (NET OF TAX)	<u>101.2</u>	<u>31.5</u>	<u>15.6</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS)	<u>\$ (451.7)</u>	<u>\$ 99.5</u>	<u>\$ (534.5)</u>

Earnings (loss) per share of common stock:

Basic:

Continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)
Discontinuing operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>
Total	<u>\$ (1.17)</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$ (1.45)</u>

Diluted:

Continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)
Discontinuing operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>
Total	<u>\$ (1.17)</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$ (1.45)</u>

Weighted average shares:

Basic	385.5	376.1	369.0
Diluted	385.5	381.3	369.0

Cash dividends per share	\$ --	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.38
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
(Amounts in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

	<u>DECEMBER 31,</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,005.7	\$ 933.0
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for doubtful accounts: 2003-\$133.4; 2002-\$139.8)	4,593.9	4,584.9
Expenditures billable to clients	280.6	340.3
Deferred income taxes	201.7	37.0
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	<u>267.8</u>	<u>427.1</u>
Total current assets	<u>7,349.7</u>	<u>6,322.3</u>
FIXED ASSETS, AT COST:		
Land and buildings	108.1	168.2
Furniture and equipment	1,024.9	1,125.1
Leasehold improvements	<u>516.0</u>	<u>487.8</u>
	1,649.0	1,781.1
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(991.9)</u>	<u>(955.4)</u>
Total fixed assets	<u>657.1</u>	<u>825.7</u>
OTHER ASSETS:		
Investments	248.6	357.3
Deferred income taxes	344.5	509.9
Other assets	282.0	319.8
Goodwill	3,310.6	3,377.1
Other intangible assets (net of accumulated amortization: 2003-\$27.2; 2002-\$40.9)	<u>42.0</u>	<u>81.6</u>
Total other assets	<u>4,227.7</u>	<u>4,645.7</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$12,234.5</u>	<u>\$11,793.7</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

DECEMBER 31

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 5,240.4	\$ 5,125.5
Accrued expenses	1,094.6	1,110.8
Accrued income taxes	6.9	33.2
Loans payable	38.1	216.3
Convertible subordinated notes	244.1	--
Zero-coupon convertible senior notes	--	581.0
Current portion of long-term debt	<u>0.4</u>	<u>23.0</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>6,624.5</u>	<u>7,089.8</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Long-term debt	1,054.2	1,253.1
Convertible subordinated notes	337.5	564.6
Convertible senior notes	800.0	--
Deferred compensation	488.3	470.5
Accrued postretirement benefits	51.5	55.6
Other non-current liabilities	202.6	189.7
Minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	<u>70.0</u>	<u>70.4</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>3,004.1</u>	<u>2,603.9</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 16)		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred stock, no par value, shares authorized: 20.0, shares issued: 2003 - 7.5; 2002 - none	373.7	--
Common stock, \$0.10 par value, shares authorized: 800.0, shares issued: 2003 - 418.4; 2002 - 389.3	41.8	38.9
Additional paid-in capital	2,075.1	1,797.0
Retained earnings	406.3	858.0
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	<u>(215.1)</u>	<u>(373.6)</u>
	2,681.8	2,320.3
Less:		
Treasury stock, at cost: 2003 - 0.3 shares; 2002 - 3.1 shares	(11.3)	(119.2)
Unamortized deferred compensation	<u>(64.6)</u>	<u>(101.1)</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>2,605.9</u>	<u>2,100.0</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	<u>\$12,234.5</u>	<u>\$11,793.7</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(Amounts in Millions)

	<u>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS:			
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (552.9)	\$ 68.0	\$ (550.1)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) from continuing operations to cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets	192.8	190.8	198.1
Amortization of intangible assets	11.3	8.9	164.6
Amortization of restricted stock awards and bond discounts	73.8	83.0	68.4
Provision for (benefit of) deferred income taxes	71.5	45.6	(187.4)
Undistributed equity earnings	(1.0)	(5.0)	0.4
Income applicable to minority interests	30.9	30.5	29.4
Restructuring charges - non-cash	6.2	--	103.7
Long-lived asset impairments	286.9	127.1	275.6
Investment impairments	84.9	39.7	210.8
Litigation charges	127.6	--	--
Gain on sale of Modem Media and TNS	(43.7)	--	--
Other	(6.2)	0.7	(5.4)
Change in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:			

Accounts receivable	264.1	343.7	810.4
Expenditures billable to clients	38.4	(11.9)	98.7
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	89.5	(46.8)	(116.8)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(228.8)	(11.3)	(990.2)
Other non-current assets and liabilities	<u>56.7</u>	<u>(7.1)</u>	<u>17.9</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations	<u>502.0</u>	<u>855.9</u>	<u>128.1</u>

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING

OPERATIONS:			
Acquisitions, including deferred payments, net of cash acquired	(224.6)	(276.8)	(308.8)
Capital expenditures	(159.6)	(171.4)	(257.5)
Proceeds from the sale of discontinued operations, net of cash sold	376.7	--	--
Proceeds from sales of businesses and fixed assets	26.8	14.0	20.2
Proceeds from sales of investments	128.8	51.3	36.8
Purchases of investments	(65.8)	(112.6)	(108.5)
Maturities of short-term marketable securities	51.9	50.5	85.3
Purchases of short-term marketable securities	<u>(49.7)</u>	<u>(21.9)</u>	<u>(109.1)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities from continuing operations	<u>84.5</u>	<u>(466.9)</u>	<u>(641.6)</u>

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING

OPERATIONS:			
Decrease in short-term bank borrowings	(226.8)	(212.5)	(669.5)
Repurchase of zero-coupon convertible notes	(581.0)	--	--
Proceeds from long-term debt	1.2	4.3	1,804.1
Proceeds from termination of interest rate swaps	--	50.0	--
Proceeds from 4.5% convertible senior notes	800.0	--	--
Payments of long-term debt	(164.6)	(175.4)	(281.1)
Debt issuance costs	(27.0)	(1.3)	(26.3)
Issuance of preferred stock	373.7	--	--
Preferred stock issuance costs	(12.1)	--	--
Treasury stock acquired	--	--	(87.2)
Treasury stock transactions	--	(7.9)	(30.8)
Issuance of common stock	351.8	58.6	85.6
Common stock issuance costs	(16.5)	--	--
Distributions to minority interests	(26.4)	(32.7)	(24.3)
Dividends from unconsolidated affiliates	8.8	3.1	6.9
Cash dividends - Interpublic	--	(145.6)	(129.2)
Cash dividends - pooled companies	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(15.2)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities from continuing operations	<u>481.1</u>	<u>(459.4)</u>	<u>633.0</u>

Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	18.5	59.1	(36.3)
Net cash (used in) provided by discontinued operations	<u>(13.4)</u>	<u>9.1</u>	<u>7.4</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,072.7	(2.2)	90.6
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>933.0</u>	<u>935.2</u>	<u>844.6</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$2,005.7</u>	<u>\$ 933.0</u>	<u>\$ 935.2</u>

SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Cash paid for interest	\$ 155.6	\$ 116.0	\$ 122.5
Cash paid for income taxes, net of \$132.5 of refunds in 2003	\$ 122.7	\$ 51.3	\$ 217.3

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE THREE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
(Amounts in Millions)

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Treasury Stock	Unamortized Expense of Restricted Stock Grants	Total
		Number of Shares	Amount (par value \$.10)						
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2000	--	377.3	\$37.7	\$1,514.7	\$1,554.0	\$(410.2)	\$(194.8)	\$(131.1)	\$2,370.3
Comprehensive income:									
Net loss					\$ (534.5)				\$ (534.5)
Adjustment for minimum pension liability						(5.4)			(5.4)
Change in market value of securities available for sale (net of reclassifications)									

available-for-sale (net of reclassifications)				55.1				55.1	
Foreign currency translation adjustment				(87.3)				(87.3)	
Total comprehensive loss								(572.1)	
Dividends				(151.0)				(151.0)	
Awards of stock under Company plans:									
Restricted stock, net of forfeitures and amortization	0.8	0.1	37.4		(0.9)	17.1		53.7	
Employee stock purchases	1.0	0.1	19.6					19.7	
Exercise of stock options, including tax benefit	3.8	0.4	129.4					129.8	
Purchase of Company's own stock					(123.7)			(123.7)	
Issuance of shares for acquisitions	2.9	0.3	56.8		29.2			86.3	
Equity adjustments - pooled companies			26.0					26.0	
Other			1.3		(0.2)			1.1	
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2001	<u>--</u>	<u>385.8</u>	<u>\$ 38.6</u>	<u>\$1,785.2</u>	<u>\$ 868.3</u>	<u>\$(447.8)</u>	<u>\$(290.2)</u>	<u>\$(114.0)</u>	<u>\$1,840.1</u>
Comprehensive income:									
Net income				\$ 99.5				\$ 99.5	
Adjustment for minimum pension liability					(45.1)			(45.1)	
Change in market value of securities available-for-sale (net of reclassifications)					(4.4)			(4.4)	
Foreign currency translation adjustment					123.7			123.7	
Total comprehensive income								173.7	
Dividends				(109.8)				(109.8)	
Awards of stock under Company plans:									
Achievement stock and incentive awards			0.1					0.1	
Restricted stock, net of forfeitures and amortization	1.1	0.1	30.6		(5.5)	12.9		38.1	
Employee stock purchases	0.9	0.1	15.9					16.0	
Exercise of stock options, including tax benefit	1.5	0.1	17.7		48.3			66.1	
Issuance of shares for acquisitions			(53.7)			128.2		74.5	
Other			1.2					1.2	
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2002	<u>--</u>	<u>389.3</u>	<u>\$38.9</u>	<u>\$1,797.0</u>	<u>\$ 858.0</u>	<u>\$(373.6)</u>	<u>\$(119.2)</u>	<u>\$(101.1)</u>	<u>\$2,100.0</u>
Comprehensive income:									
Net loss				\$ (451.7)				\$ (451.7)	
Adjustment for minimum pension liability					10.9			10.9	
Change in market value of securities available-for-sale (net of reclassifications)					6.0			6.0	
Foreign currency translation adjustment					141.6			141.6	
Total comprehensive loss								(293.2)	
Awards of stock under Company plans:									
Achievement stock and incentive awards			0.5					0.5	
Restricted stock, net of forfeitures and amortization			(3.9)			36.5		32.6	
Employee stock purchases	0.9	0.1	9.6					9.7	
Exercise of stock options, including tax benefit			1.6					1.6	
Issuance of shares for acquisitions		0.2	(45.6)			107.9		62.5	
Issuance of preferred stock	373.7	2.4	(12.1)					361.6	
Issuance of common stock, net of fees		2.6	326.9					329.5	
Other			1.1					1.1	
BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2003	<u>\$ 373.7</u>	<u>418.4</u>	<u>\$41.8</u>	<u>\$2,075.1</u>	<u>\$ 406.3</u>	<u>\$(215.1)</u>	<u>\$(11.3)</u>	<u>\$(64.6)</u>	<u>\$2,605.9</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations

The Company is a worldwide global marketing services company, providing clients with communications expertise in three broad areas: a) advertising and media management, b) marketing communications, which includes client relationship management (direct marketing), public relations, sales promotion, on-line marketing, corporate and brand identity and healthcare marketing, and c) specialized marketing services, which includes sports and entertainment marketing, corporate meetings and events, retail marketing and other marketing and business services.

At December 31, 2003, the Company is organized into four global operating groups together with several stand-alone agencies. The four global operating groups are: a) McCann-Erickson WorldGroup ("McCann"), b) the FCB Group ("FCB"), c) The Partnership and d) Interpublic Sports and Entertainment Group ("SEG"). Each of the four groups and the stand-alone agencies has its own management structure and reports to senior management of the Company on the basis of this structure. McCann, FCB and The Partnership provide a full complement of global marketing services including advertising and media management, marketing communications including direct marketing, public relations, sales promotion, event marketing, on-line marketing and healthcare marketing in addition to specialized marketing services. The stand-alone agencies include Weber Shandwick Worldwide, Initiative Media, Campbell-Ewald, Hill Holliday and Deutsch, which provide advertising and/or marketing communication services. SEG includes Octagon Worldwide ("O WW") (for sports marketing), Motorsports, and Jack Morton Worldwide (for specialized marketing services including corporate events, meetings and training/learning).

Prior to the second quarter of 2003, the Company had maintained a fifth global operating group, Advanced Marketing Services ("AMS"). In connection with the disposal of the NFO WorldGroup ("NFO") (see below), AMS was disbanded and its remaining components (principally Weber Shandwick) became stand-alone agencies.

As discussed in Note 3, on July 10, 2003, the Company completed the sale of NFO research unit to Taylor Nelson Sofres PLC ("TNS"). The results of NFO are classified as a discontinued operation in accordance with SFAS 144, *Accounting for the Impairment on Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, and, accordingly the results of operations and cash flows of NFO have been removed from the Company's results of continuing operations and cash flow for all periods presented in the document.

Principles of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries, most of which are wholly owned. Investments in companies in which the Company exercises significant influence, but not control, are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Investments in companies in which the Company has less than a 20% ownership interest, and does not exercise significant influence, are accounted for at cost. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments, including certificates of deposit, government securities and time deposits with original maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at estimated fair value which approximates cost.

The Company classifies all of its existing marketable equity securities as available-for-sale in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, *Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities* ("SFAS 115"). These securities are carried at fair value with the corresponding unrealized gains and losses reported as a separate component of comprehensive income. The cost of securities sold is determined based upon the average cost of the securities sold.

Investments in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet include investments accounted for on the equity method and cost investments, including investments to fund certain retirement obligations.

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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used when accounting for certain items such as allowances for doubtful accounts, depreciation and amortization, taxes, restructuring reserves and contingencies.

Translation of Foreign Currencies

The financial statements of the Company's foreign operations, when the local currency is the functional currency, are translated into US Dollars at the exchange rates in effect at each year end for assets and liabilities and average exchange rates during each year for the results of operations. The related unrealized gains or losses from translation are reported as a separate component of comprehensive income.

The financial statements of foreign subsidiaries located in highly inflationary economies are remeasured as if the functional currency were the US Dollar. The related remeasurement adjustments are included as a component of operating expenses.

Revenue Recognition

The Company derives revenue from advertising services, including media buying, and from marketing and communication services, including public relations, direct marketing, sales promotion and event marketing activities.

The Company's advertising services revenue is derived from commissions that are earned when the media is placed, from fees earned as advertising services are performed and from production services rendered. In addition, incentive amounts may be earned based on qualitative and/or quantitative criteria. In the case of commissions, revenue is recognized as the media placements appear. In the case of fee and production arrangements, the revenue is recognized as the services are performed which is generally ratably over the period of the client contract. The Company's marketing service revenue is generally earned on a fee basis, and in certain cases incentive amounts may also be earned. As with fee arrangements in advertising, such revenue is recognized as the work is performed. Incentive amounts for advertising and marketing services are recognized upon satisfaction of the qualitative and/or quantitative criteria, as set out in the relevant client contract.

In many cases, the amount the Company bills to clients significantly exceeds the amount of revenues that is earned due to the existence of various "pass-through" charges such as the cost of media. In compliance with Emerging Issues Task Force pronouncement ("EITF") 99-19, *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent* and EITF 01-14, *Income Statement Characterization of Reimbursements Received for "Out-of-Pocket Expenses Incurred"*, the Company generally records revenue net of "pass-through" charges as it is not the primary obligor with respect to the cost of "pass-through" charges and generally acts as an agent on behalf of its clients with respect to such costs.

Expenditures Billable to Clients

Expenditures billable to clients include costs incurred primarily in connection with production work by the Company on behalf of clients that have not yet been billed to clients. Commissions and fees on such production work are recorded as revenue when earned.

Property and Depreciation

The cost of property and equipment is depreciated generally using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which range from 3 to 20 years for furniture and equipment and from 10 to 45 years for property. Leasehold improvements are capitalized and amortized over the shorter of the life of the asset or the lease term.

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Long-lived Assets

Long-lived assets consist primarily of property and equipment and intangible assets.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are reviewed for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate their carrying value may not be recoverable. When such events or circumstances arise, an estimate of the future undiscounted cash flows produced by the asset, or the appropriate grouping of assets, is compared to the asset's carrying value to determine if an impairment exists pursuant to the requirements of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets* ("SFAS

144"). If the asset is determined to be impaired, the impairment loss is measured based on the excess of its carrying value over its fair value. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of its carrying value or net realizable value. Effective January 1, 2002, the Company adopted SFAS 144. The adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations. See Note 5 for a description of impairment charges recognized during 2003 and 2002.

Intangible Assets

Goodwill is the excess of cost of an acquired entity over the amounts assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination. Effective January 1, 2002, with the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* ("SFAS 142"), goodwill is no longer amortized. Prior to January 1, 2002, goodwill was amortized on a straight-line basis, over periods not exceeding 40 years. Beginning January 1, 2002, goodwill is tested for impairment annually, and will be tested for impairment between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would indicate the carrying amount may be impaired. Impairment testing for goodwill is done at a reporting unit level. Reporting units are one level below the business segment level, but can be combined when reporting units within the same segment have similar economic characteristics. The vast majority of goodwill relates to and is assigned directly to a specific reporting unit. An impairment loss would generally be recognized when the carrying amount of the reporting unit's net assets exceeds the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. The estimated fair value of a reporting unit is determined using a discounted cash flow analysis.

The following analysis shows the impact on the Company's statement of operations of discontinuing goodwill amortization had SFAS 142 been effective for 2001:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
Reported income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(552.9)	\$68.0	\$(550.1)
Add back:			
Goodwill amortization	--	--	164.4
Tax benefit on goodwill amortization	--	--	(23.6)
Adjusted income (loss) from continuing operations	<u>\$(552.9)</u>	<u>\$68.0</u>	<u>\$(409.3)</u>
Basic earnings (loss) per share:			
Reported earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$0.18	\$ (1.49)
Add back: goodwill amortization, net of tax	--	--	0.38
Adjusted earnings (loss) from continuing operations	<u>\$(1.43)</u>	<u>\$0.18</u>	<u>\$(1.11)</u>
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:			
Reported earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$0.18	\$ (1.49)
Add back: goodwill amortization, net of tax	--	--	0.38
Adjusted earnings (loss) from continuing operations	<u>\$(1.43)</u>	<u>\$0.18</u>	<u>\$(1.11)</u>

Other intangible assets include, principally, customer lists, trade names, customer relationships and other intangible assets acquired from an independent party. Effective January 1, 2002, with the adoption of SFAS 142, intangible assets with an indefinite life, namely certain trade names, are not amortized. Intangible assets with a definite life are amortized on a straight-line basis with estimated useful lives generally ranging from 7 to 40 years. Indefinite-lived intangible assets will be tested for impairment annually, and will be tested for impairment between annual tests if an

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event occurs or circumstances change that would indicate that the carrying amount may be impaired. Intangible assets with a definite life are tested for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that a carrying amount of an asset (asset group) may not be recoverable. An impairment loss would be recognized when the carrying amount of an asset exceeds the estimated undiscounted cash flows used in determining the fair value of the asset. The amount of the impairment loss to be recorded is calculated by the excess of the assets carrying value over its fair value. Fair value is generally determined using a discounted cash flow analysis. See Note 5 for a description of impairment charges recognized in 2002 and 2003.

As of December 31, 2003, the Company's remaining unamortized goodwill balance and intangible assets were \$3,310.6 and \$42.0, respectively. The Company estimates that, based on its current intangible assets, amortization expense will be approximately \$11 in each of the next five years.

Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the year in which the temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

As required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*, ("SFAS 109") the Company is required to evaluate on a quarterly basis the realizability of its deferred tax assets. SFAS 109 requires a valuation allowance be established when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of deferred tax assets will not be realized. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence, a valuation allowance must be considered. See Note 7 for details of valuation allowances established in 2003.

Income taxes are generally not provided on undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries because these earnings are considered to be permanently invested.

Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share are computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share are computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year but also include the dilutive effect of stock-based incentives and option plans (including stock options and awards to restricted stock), the assumed conversion, as applicable, of the convertible notes as described in Note 8, and the assumed conversion, as applicable, of the Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock as discussed in Note 9.

Treasury Stock

In July 1999, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 60 million shares of the Company's common stock and, specifically, authorized a maximum of 6 million shares be purchased annually. The purchase of treasury shares is accounted for at cost. The reissuance of treasury shares is accounted for on a first-in, first-out basis and any gains or losses are accounted for as additional paid-in capital. Since July 2001, the Company has not made any material purchases of treasury shares.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk are primarily cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, expenditures billable to

clients, interest rate instruments and foreign exchange contracts. The Company invests its excess cash in investment-grade, short-term securities with financial institutions and limits the amount of credit exposure to any one counterparty. Concentrations of credit risk with accounts receivable are limited due to the large number of clients and the dispersion across different industries and geographical areas. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its clients and maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts based upon the expected collectibility of all accounts receivable. The Company is exposed to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the counterparties of the interest rate swaps and foreign currency contracts. The Company limits its exposure to any one financial institution and does not anticipate nonperformance by these counterparties.

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Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

Effective January 1, 2001, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, ("SFAS 133") as amended by SFAS No. 138, *Accounting for Certain Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities*. The new accounting pronouncements established accounting and reporting standards requiring that every derivative instrument, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, be recorded in the balance sheet as either an asset or a liability measured at its fair value. Changes in the derivative's fair value are to be recognized currently in earnings unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met.

See Note 13 for a discussion of derivative instruments.

Stock Option Plans

The Company has various stock-based compensation plans as discussed in Note 10. The stock-based compensation plans are accounted for under the intrinsic value recognition and measurement principles of APB Opinion 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* and related interpretations. Generally, all employee stock options are issued with the exercise price equal to the market price of the underlying shares at the grant date and therefore, no compensation expense is recorded. The intrinsic value of restricted stock grants and certain other stock-based compensation issued to employees as of the date of grant is amortized to compensation expense over the vesting period.

If compensation cost for the Company's stock option plans and its Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") had been determined based on the fair value at the grant dates as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock Based Compensation*, the Company's pro forma income (loss) from continuing operations and earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations would have been as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
<i>Income (loss) from continuing operations</i>			
As reported, income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(552.9)	\$ 68.0	\$(550.1)
Add back:			
Stock-based employee compensation expense included in net income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax	22.7	28.9	28.1
Deduct:			
Total fair value of stock based employee compensation expense, net of tax	_(57.4)	_(65.4)	_(96.0)
Pro forma income (loss) from continuing operations	<u>\$(587.6)</u>	<u>\$ 31.5</u>	<u>\$(618.0)</u>
<i>Earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations</i>			
Basic earnings (loss) per share			
As reported	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)
Pro forma	\$ (1.52)	\$ 0.08	\$ (1.67)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share			
As reported	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$ (1.49)
Pro forma	\$ (1.52)	\$ 0.08	\$ (1.67)

For purposes of this pro forma information, the fair value of shares issued under the ESPP was based on the 15% discount received by employees. The weighted-average fair value (discount) on the date of purchase for stock purchased under this plan was \$1.88, \$3.21 and \$4.50 in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

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The weighted-average fair value of options granted during 2003, 2002 and 2001 was \$4.96, \$9.76 and \$12.55, respectively. The fair value of each option grant has been estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

	2003	2002	2001
Expected option lives	6 years	6 years	6 years
Risk free interest rate	3.31%	4.66%	4.89%
Expected volatility	43.86%	35.79%	30.35%
Dividend yield	0%	1.58%	1.19%

Recent Accounting Standards

In December 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132, *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* ("SFAS 132"), was revised ("SFAS 132-R"). This Statement revises employers' disclosures about pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans but does not alter any recognition or measurement issues promulgated under other standards. This statement retains the disclosure requirements contained in SFAS 132, which it replaces, and requires additional disclosures concerning the assets, obligations, cash flows, and net periodic benefit costs of both defined benefit pension plans and defined benefit postretirement plans. SFAS 132-R requires information to be

provided separately for pension plans and for other postretirement benefit plans. With the exception of certain requirements related to foreign plans and ten-year expected payout provisions, disclosures not required for 2003, the Company adopted SFAS 132-R in 2003 (see Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

In June 2001, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations* ("SFAS 143"), was issued. SFAS 143 addresses financial accounting and reporting for legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated retirement costs that result from the acquisition, construction, or development and normal operation of a long-lived asset. Upon initial recognition of a liability for an asset retirement obligation, SFAS 143 requires an increase in the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. The asset retirement cost is subsequently allocated to expense using a systematic and rational method over the asset's useful life. The adoption of this statement in 2003 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 2002, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 146, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities* ("SFAS 146"), was issued. SFAS 146 changes the measurement and timing of recognition for exit costs, including restructuring charges, and is effective for any such activities initiated after December 31, 2003. It has no effect on charges recorded for exit activities begun prior to this date. The adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company.

In December 2002, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure* ("SFAS 148"), an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123 ("SFAS 123") was issued. The Company is choosing to continue with its current practice of applying the recognition and measurement principles of APB 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*. The Company has adopted the disclosure requirements of SFAS 148.

In April 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 149, *Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("SFAS 149"), was issued. SFAS 149 amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities under FASB Statement No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("SFAS 133"). This statement is effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003. The adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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During 2003, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity* ("SFAS 150"), was issued. SFAS 150 establishes standards for classification and measurement of certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. It requires that an issuer classify a financial instrument that is within its scope as a liability (or an asset in certain cases). The provisions of SFAS 150 are effective for instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003 and pre-existing instruments as of July 1, 2003. On October 29, 2003, the FASB voted to indefinitely defer the effective date of SFAS 150 for mandatorily redeemable instruments as they relate to minority interests in consolidated finite-lived entities through the issuance of FASB Staff Position 150-3. The standard was adopted effective the third quarter of 2003, as modified by FSP 150-3, and did not have a material impact on its Consolidated Results of Operations or Financial Position.

In November 2002, FASB Interpretation 45, *Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others*, was issued. This interpretation elaborates on the disclosures to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under certain guarantees that it has issued. It also clarifies (for guarantees issued after January 1, 2003) that a guarantor is required to recognize, at the inception of a guarantee, a liability for the fair value of the obligations undertaken in issuing the guarantee. Disclosures concerning guarantees are found in Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51* ("FIN 46"), which addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities ("VIEs") either: (1) that do not have sufficient equity investment at risk to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, or (2) in which the equity investors lack an essential characteristic of a controlling financial interest. In December 2003, the FASB completed deliberations of proposed modifications to FIN 46 ("Revised Interpretations") (FIN 46-R) resulting in multiple effective dates based on the nature as well as the creation date of the VIE. VIEs created after January 31, 2003, but prior to January 1, 2004, may be accounted for either based on the original interpretation or the Revised Interpretations. However, the Revised Interpretations must be applied no later than the Company's quarter ended March 31, 2004. VIEs created after January 1, 2004 must be accounted for under the Revised Interpretations. Special Purpose Entities ("SPEs") created prior to February 1, 2003 may be accounted for under the original or revised interpretation's provisions no later than the Company's quarter ended March 31, 2004. Non-SPEs created prior to February 1, 2003, should be accounted for under the revised interpretation's provisions no later than the Company's second quarter of fiscal 2004. The Company has not entered into any material arrangements with VIEs created after January 31, 2003 and has determined that the adoption of FIN 46-R will not have a material impact on its results of operations and financial condition.

In January 2004, FASB Staff Position ("FSP") No. 106-1, *Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003* ("FSP 106-1"), was issued which permits a sponsor of a postretirement health care plan that provides a prescription drug benefit to make a one-time election to defer accounting for the effects of the new legislation. The Company has elected to defer the accounting until further guidance is issued by the FASB. The measurements of the Company's postretirement accumulated benefit plan obligation and net periodic benefit cost disclosed in Note 11 do not reflect the effects of the new legislation. The guidance, when issued, could require the Company to change previously reported information.

Note 2: Earnings Per Share

The following sets forth the computation of earnings per share for income available to common stockholders for the years ended December 31:

<i>(number of shares in millions)</i>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Basic			
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(552.9)	\$ 68.0	\$(550.1)
Income from discontinued operations	<u>101.2</u>	<u>31.5</u>	<u>15.6</u>
Net Income (loss) - basic	<u>\$(451.7)</u>	<u>\$ 99.5</u>	<u>\$(534.5)</u>

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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	385.5	376.1	369.0
Earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$(1.49)
Earnings per share from discontinued operations	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.08</u>	<u>0.04</u>
Earnings (loss) per share - basic	<u>\$(1.17)</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$(1.45)</u>
Diluted (a)			
Income (loss) from continuing operations - diluted	\$(552.9)	\$ 68.0	\$(550.1)
Income from discontinued operations	<u>101.2</u>	<u>31.5</u>	<u>15.6</u>
Net Income (loss) - diluted	<u>\$(451.7)</u>	<u>\$ 99.5</u>	<u>\$(534.5)</u>

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	385.5	376.1	369.0
Weighted average number of incremental shares in connection with restricted stock and assumed exercise of stock options	<u> --</u>	<u> 5.2</u>	<u> --</u>
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - diluted	<u>385.5</u>	<u>381.3</u>	<u>369.0</u>
Earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$ (1.43)	\$ 0.18	\$(1.49)
Earnings per share from discontinued operations	<u> 0.26</u>	<u> 0.08</u>	<u> 0.04</u>
Earnings (loss) per share - diluted	<u>\$ (1.17)</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>	<u>\$(1.45)</u>

- (a) The computation of diluted earnings per share excludes the weighted average number of incremental shares in connection with stock options and restricted stock, the assumed conversion of the 4.5%, 1.87% and 1.80% Convertible Notes (see Note 8) and the assumed conversion of the Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, when they are antidilutive.

The computation of diluted earnings per share for 2003, 2002 and 2001 excludes the assumed conversion of the Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021 (see Note 8) as they are contingently convertible and assume cash settlement of the related put option. In April 2003, the Company repurchased these Notes.

The assumed exercise of stock options and the assumed conversion of restricted stock, Convertible Subordinated Notes and the Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock would have added the following diluted shares outstanding had they been dilutive:

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Stock Options and Restricted Stock	4.2	--	7.6
Convertible Notes	16.7	13.1	13.1
Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock	<u>0.8</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Total	<u>21.7</u>	<u>13.1</u>	<u>20.7</u>

Note 3: Acquisitions, Deferred Payments and Dispositions

Consolidated Subsidiaries

Acquisitions

The Company acquired numerous advertising and specialized marketing and communications services companies during the three-year period ended December 31, 2003. The aggregate purchase price, including cash and stock payments, was as follows:

<i>(Number of Shares in Millions)</i>	<u>Number of Acquisitions</u>	<u>Consideration</u>			<u>Number of Shares Issued</u>
		<u>Cash</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Total</u>	
2003 - Purchases	<u> 2</u>	<u>\$ 4.0</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 4.0</u>	<u> --</u>
2002 - Purchases	<u> 9</u>	<u>\$ 48.2</u>	<u>\$ 1.1</u>	<u>\$ 49.3</u>	<u> --</u>
2001 - Purchases	19	\$ 84.7	\$ 14.0	\$ 98.7	0.5
- Pooling	<u> 1</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>1,631.0</u>	<u>1,631.0</u>	<u>58.2</u>
Total	<u> 20</u>	<u>\$ 84.7</u>	<u>\$1,645.0</u>	<u>\$1,729.7</u>	<u>58.7</u>

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The table above excludes amounts paid related to NFO which is classified as a discontinued operation in the accompanying statement of cash flows.

The value of the stock issued for acquisitions is based on the market price of the Company's stock at the time of the transaction. For those entities accounted for as purchase transactions, the purchase price of the acquisitions has been allocated to identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimated fair values with any excess being recorded as goodwill.

Details of businesses acquired in transactions accounted for as purchases were as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Consideration for new acquisitions	\$ 4.0	\$ 49.3	\$ 98.7
Less: fair value of net assets of new acquisitions	<u>(0.5)</u>	<u>(13.9)</u>	<u>(17.1)</u>
Goodwill recorded for new acquisitions	<u>\$ 3.5</u>	<u>\$ 35.4</u>	<u>\$ 81.6</u>
Cash paid for new acquisitions	\$ 4.0	\$ 48.2	\$ 84.7
Cash paid for prior acquisitions	221.2	240.0	227.1
Less: cash acquired	<u>(0.6)</u>	<u>(11.4)</u>	<u>(3.0)</u>
Net cash paid for acquisitions	<u>\$224.6</u>	<u>\$276.8</u>	<u>\$308.8</u>

The table above excludes amounts related to NFO.

2003 Acquisitions

Purchases

The results of operations of the acquired companies were included in the consolidated results of the Company from their respective acquisition dates, both of which were in the first half of the year. Neither of the acquisitions made in 2003 was significant.

2002 Acquisitions

Purchases

The results of operations of the acquired companies, which included the Target Group, were included in the consolidated results of the Company from their respective acquisition dates, which were throughout the year. None of the acquisitions made in 2002 was significant on an individual basis.

2001 Acquisitions

Purchases

The results of operations of the acquired companies, which included Transworld Marketing Corporation and DeVries Public Relations, were included in the consolidated results of the Company from their respective acquisition dates, which were generally in the middle of the year. None of the acquisitions made in 2001 was significant on an individual basis.

Acquisition of True North

On June 22, 2001, the Company acquired True North Communications Inc. ("True North"), a global provider of advertising and communication services, in a transaction accounted for as a pooling of interests. Approximately 58.2 million shares were issued in connection with the acquisition, which, based on the market price of the Company's stock at the date of closing, yielded a value of approximately \$1,631. No significant adjustments were necessary to conform accounting policies of the entities. The Company's Consolidated Financial Statements, including the related notes, have been restated as of the earliest period presented to include the results of operations, financial position and cash flows of True North.

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The following table shows the historical results of the Company and True North for the three-month period prior to the consummation of the merger:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2001 (Unaudited)
Revenue:	
IPG	\$1,214.7
True North	<u>356.0</u>
Revenue	<u>\$1,570.7</u>
Income (loss) from continuing operations:	
IPG	\$ (44.2)
True North	<u>9.5</u>
Income (loss) from continuing operations	<u>\$ (34.7)</u>

Payments for Prior Acquisitions

Deferred Payments

During the three-year period ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments on acquisitions that had closed in prior years:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$141.1	\$192.3	\$188.5
Stock	<u>49.8</u>	<u>72.9</u>	<u>23.4</u>
Total	<u>\$190.9</u>	<u>\$265.2</u>	<u>\$211.9</u>

Deferred payments (or "earn-outs") generally tie the aggregate price ultimately paid for an acquisition to its performance and are recorded as an increase to goodwill and other intangibles. The amount of payment is contingent upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets. The table above excludes NFO, which is classified as a discontinued operation. NFO had deferred payments of \$0.1 in 2002 and \$4.0 in 2001.

Purchase of Additional Interests

During the three years ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments to purchase additional equity interests in certain consolidated subsidiaries:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$52.3	\$33.2	\$35.8
Stock	<u>6.3</u>	<u>10.3</u>	<u>19.4</u>
Total	<u>\$58.6</u>	<u>\$43.5</u>	<u>\$55.2</u>

Other Payments

During three years ended December 31, 2003, the Company made the following payments principally related to loan notes and guaranteed deferred payments that had been previously recognized on the balance sheet:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash	\$27.8	\$14.5	\$2.8
Stock	<u>0.1</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>3.2</u>
Total	<u>\$27.9</u>	<u>\$14.5</u>	<u>\$6.0</u>

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Dispositions

On July 10, 2003, the Company completed the sale of its NFO research unit to TNS. The consideration for the sale was \$415.6 (\$376.7, net of cash sold and expenses) in cash and approximately 11.7 million ordinary shares of TNS. TNS will pay the Company an additional \$10 in cash approximately one year following the closing of this divestiture contingent on the market price per TNS ordinary share continuing to exceed 146 pence (equivalent to approximately \$2.50 at current exchange rates) during a specified averaging period one year from closing. As a result of this sale, the Company recognized a pre-tax gain of \$99.1 (\$89.1 net of tax) in the third quarter of 2003 after certain post closing adjustments. The TNS shares received in connection with the transaction were sold in December 2003 resulting in net proceeds of \$42.2. A gain of \$13.3 was recorded in "other income" in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

The results of NFO are classified as a discontinued operations in accordance with SFAS 144 and, accordingly the results of operations and cash flows have been removed from the Company's results of continuing operations and cash flows for all periods presented in this document.

During 2003 (through July 10th), 2002 and 2001 revenue of NFO was as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Revenue	\$250.1	\$466.1	\$438.5

Income from discontinued operations consists of the following:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Pre-tax income from discontinued operations	\$ 20.4	\$53.9	\$26.3
Tax expense	<u>8.3</u>	<u>22.4</u>	<u>10.7</u>
Net income	12.1	31.5	15.6
Gain on sale, net of taxes	<u>89.1</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
Income from discontinued operations	<u>\$101.2</u>	<u>\$31.5</u>	<u>\$15.6</u>

Note 4: Restructuring and Other Merger-related Costs

During 2003, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$175.6 in connection with the 2003 and 2001 restructuring programs as discussed below.

2003 Program

During the second quarter of 2003, the Company announced that it would undertake restructuring initiatives in response to softness in demand for advertising and marketing services. The restructuring initiatives include severance and lease terminations.

During 2003, the Company recorded pre-tax restructuring charges of \$175.6, of which \$163.2 related to the 2003 program. The pre-tax restructuring charge for the 2003 program was composed of severance costs of \$126.2 and lease terminations costs of \$37.0. Included in the \$37.0 of lease termination costs was \$4.8 related to the write-off of leasehold improvements on vacated properties. The charges related to leases terminated as part of the 2003 program are recorded at net present value and are net of estimated sublease income amounts. The discount relating to lease terminations will be amortized over future periods. In addition, a charge of \$16.5 has been incurred in 2003 related to acceleration of amortization of leasehold improvements on premises included in the 2003 program. The charge related to such amortization is included in office and general expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

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A summary of the liability for restructuring charges related to the 2003 restructuring plan is as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>Non-cash</u>	<u>2003 Cash</u>	<u>Foreign</u>	<u>Liability at</u>
	<u>Charges</u>	<u>Charges</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Currency</u>	<u>December 31, 2003</u>
				<u>Adjustment</u>	
TOTAL BY TYPE					
Severance and termination costs	\$126.2	\$1.4	\$88.3	\$1.2	\$37.7
Lease terminations and other exit costs	<u>37.0</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>8.5</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>24.1</u>
Total	<u>\$163.2</u>	<u>\$6.2</u>	<u>\$96.8</u>	<u>\$1.6</u>	<u>\$61.8</u>

The severance and termination costs recorded to date relate to a reduction in workforce of approximately 2,900 employees worldwide. The employee groups affected include all levels and functions across the Company: executive, regional and account management and administrative, creative and media production personnel. Approximately 30% of the charge relates to severance in the US, 15% to severance in the UK, 10% to severance in France with the remainder largely relating to the rest of Europe, Asia and Latin America.

Lease termination costs, net of estimated sublease income, relate to the offices that have been or will be vacated as part of the restructuring. Fifty-five locations have already been vacated and an additional 25 are to be vacated, with substantially all actions to be completed by June 30, 2004; however, given the remaining lease terms involved, the cash portion of the charge will be paid out over a period of several years. The majority of the offices to be vacated are located in the US, with approximately one third in overseas markets, principally in Europe.

2001 Program

Following the completion of the True North acquisition in June 2001, the Company executed a wide-ranging restructuring plan that included severance, lease terminations and other actions. The total amount of the charges incurred in 2001 in connection with the plan was \$634.5.

In the third quarter of 2002, the Company recorded an additional \$12.1 in charges related to the 2001 restructuring plan. The additional charge was necessitated largely by increases in estimates of lease losses due to lower than anticipated sublease income in key markets, including San Francisco, Chicago, Paris and London.

During 2003, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$175.6, of which \$12.4 related to additional losses on properties vacated as part of the 2001 program.

A summary of the remaining liability for restructuring charges related to the 2001 restructuring plan is as follows:

	<u>Liability at</u> <u>December 31, 2002</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>Charge</u>	<u>2003 Cash</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Liability at</u> <u>December 31, 2003</u>
TOTAL BY TYPE				
Severance and termination costs	\$ 15.9	\$ --	\$10.9	\$ 5.0
Lease terminations and other exit costs	<u>94.6</u>	<u>12.4</u>	<u>33.1</u>	<u>73.9</u>
Total	<u>\$110.5</u>	<u>\$12.4</u>	<u>\$44.0</u>	<u>\$78.9</u>

The Company terminated approximately 7,000 employees in connection with the 2001 restructuring program. The Company downsized or vacated approximately 180 locations. Given the remaining lease terms involved, the remaining liabilities will be paid out over a period of several years. Lease termination and related costs included write-offs related to the abandonment of leasehold improvements as part of the office vacancies.

Other exit costs related principally to the impairment loss on sale or closing of certain business units in the US and Europe. In the aggregate, the businesses sold or closed represented an immaterial portion of the revenue and operating profit of the Company. The write-off amount was computed based upon the difference between the estimated sales proceeds (if any) and the carrying value of the related assets. The sales and closures had been completed by September 30, 2002.

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Note 5: Long-Lived Asset Impairment and Other Charges

Long-Lived Asset Impairment and Other Charges

The following table summarizes the long-lived asset impairment and other charges for 2003, 2002, and 2001:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Goodwill impairment	\$221.0	\$ 82.1	\$303.1
Fixed asset impairment	49.7	24.7	--
Current capital expenditure impairment	16.2	8.3	--
Record fair value of put option	<u>--</u>	<u>12.0</u>	<u>--</u>
Total	<u>\$286.9</u>	<u>\$127.1</u>	<u>\$303.1</u>

2003 Impairments

During 2003, the Company recorded total charges of \$286.9 related to the impairment of long-lived assets. This amount includes \$221.0 related to goodwill at OWW and \$63.8 related to the Company's Motorsports businesses.

OWW

During the third quarter of 2003, the Company performed its annual impairment review for goodwill and other intangible assets and recorded a non-cash charge of \$221.0. The charge was required to reduce the carrying value of goodwill at the Company's OWW reporting unit. OWW is separate from Motorsports and offers a variety of sports marketing services including athlete representation, TV rights distribution and other marketing and consulting services.

The OWW charges reflect the reporting unit's lower than expected performance in 2003 and revised future projections indicating that the factors behind the poor 2003 performance are likely to persist. Specifically, during 2003 it became apparent that there was significant pricing pressure in both overseas and domestic TV rights distribution. Further, declining athlete pay scales are expected to result in significantly lower fees from athlete representation, and proceeds from events (including ticket revenue and sponsorship) to which the Company is committed will be lower than amounts that had been anticipated when the event rights were acquired. Various factors, including the operating loss incurred at OWW in 2003, have indicated that lower revised growth projections are required, reflecting lower projected gross margins than OWW has earned historically.

Motorsports

The Company's Motorsports unit owned and leased certain racing circuit facilities that were used for automobile, motorcycle and go-cart racing, primarily in the UK. On January 12, 2004, the Company completed the sale of a business comprising the four motorsports circuits (including Brands Hatch, Oulton Park, Cadwell Park and Snetterton) (the "four owned circuits"), owned by its Brands Hatch subsidiaries, to MotorSport Vision Limited. The consideration for the sale was approximately 15 million Pounds, (approximately \$26) before expenses. An additional contingent amount of up to 2 million Pounds, (approximately \$4) may be paid to the Company depending upon the future financial results of the operations being sold. The Company and its Brands Hatch subsidiaries retain their interests and contractual commitments relating to the Silverstone circuit. The Company recognized an impairment loss related to the four owned circuits of \$38.0 in the fourth quarter of 2003 and has classified the relevant assets and liabilities as held for sale in the Consolidated Balance Sheet of the Company as of December 31, 2003. See Note 16 below for a discussion of the Company's remaining contingent obligations related to motorsports.

In addition to the Brands Hatch impairment charge, \$25.8 in charges was incurred related to the impairment of other assets, including \$16.2 of current capital expenditure outlays that the Company is contractually required to spend to upgrade and maintain certain of its remaining Motorsports racing facilities, as well as an impairment of assets at other Motorsports entities. At December 31, 2003, there were additional capital expenditure commitments of approximately \$25, which are expected to be impaired as incurred based on the cash flow analysis for the relevant asset groupings.

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2002 Impairments

Beginning in the second quarter of 2002 and continuing in subsequent quarters, certain of the Motorsports businesses experienced significant operational difficulties, including significantly lower than anticipated attendance at the marquee British Grand Prix race in July 2002. These events and a change in management at Motorsports in the third quarter of 2002 led the Company to begin assessing its long-term strategy for Motorsports.

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 142, the Company prepared a discounted cash flow analysis which indicated that the book value of Motorsports significantly exceeded its estimated fair value and that a goodwill impairment had occurred. In addition, as a result of the goodwill analysis, the Company assessed whether there had been an impairment of the Company's long-lived assets in accordance with SFAS 144. The Company concluded that the book value of certain asset groupings at Motorsports was significantly higher than their expected future cash flows and that an impairment had occurred. Accordingly, the Company recognized a non-cash impairment loss and related charge of \$127.1 in 2002. The charges included \$82.1 of goodwill impairment, \$33.0 of fixed assets and capital expenditure write-offs, and \$12.0 to record the fair value of an associated put option.

2001 Impairments

Following the completion of the True North acquisition in 2001 and the realignment of certain of the Company's businesses, the Company evaluated the realizability of various assets. In connection with this review undiscounted cash flow projections were prepared for certain investments, and the Company determined that the goodwill attributable to certain business units was stated at an amount in excess of the future estimated cash flows. As a result, an impairment charge of \$303.1 was recorded in 2001. Of the total write-off,

\$221.4 was recorded in the second quarter, with the remainder recorded in the third quarter. The largest components of the goodwill impairment and other charges were Capita Technologies, Inc. (approximately \$145) and Zentropy Partners (approximately \$16), both internet services businesses. The remaining amount primarily related to several other businesses, including internet services, healthcare consulting and certain advertising offices in Europe and Asia Pacific.

Note 6: Other Income (Expense)

Investment Impairment

The Company continually monitors its investments to assess their realizability. Where an "other than temporary" impairment is deemed to have occurred an impairment charge is recorded in the relevant period to adjust the carrying value of the investment to estimated fair value.

During 2003, the Company recorded \$84.9 in investment impairment charges related to 21 investments. The charge related principally to investments in the Middle East, Latin America, and Japan with additional amounts in Canada, Europe, and the United States. The majority of the charge related to impairments arising from deteriorating economic conditions in the countries in which the entity operates.

During 2002, the Company recorded \$39.7 of investment impairment primarily related to certain investments of OWW, the Company's sports marketing business within SEG.

During 2001, the Company recorded total investment impairment charges of \$210.8. The charge included \$160.1 related to the impairment of investments primarily in publicly traded internet-related companies, including marchFIRST, Inc. (an internet professional services firm), which had filed for relief under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in April 2001. The remaining charge included write-offs for investments in non-internet companies, certain venture funds and other investments. In addition, the Company recorded a charge of \$2.5 to record the fair value of a put option. The impairment charges adjusted the carrying value of investments to the estimated market value where an other than temporary impairment had occurred.

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Other Income

The following table sets forth the components of other income:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Gains (losses) on sales of businesses	\$ 0.2	\$(0.2)	\$12.3
Gain on sale of TNS shares	13.3	--	--
Gain on sale of Modem Media shares	30.4	--	--
Gains (losses) on sales of other available-for-sale securities	4.1	5.3	(2.5)
Miscellaneous investment income	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>3.9</u>
	<u>\$50.0</u>	<u>\$ 7.9</u>	<u>\$13.7</u>

The Company sold approximately 11 million of the shares it owned as an equity investment in Modem Media in exchange for net proceeds of approximately \$57. A pre-tax gain of approximately \$30 was recorded.

Also in December 2003, the Company sold all of the approximately 11.7 million shares of TNS it had acquired through the sale of NFO (see Note 3) for approximately \$42 of net proceeds.

During 2002, the Company sold an unconsolidated affiliate in the United States for proceeds of \$5.2 and a marketing services affiliate for proceeds of \$3.8.

During 2001, the Company sold a marketing services affiliate in Europe for proceeds of approximately \$5 and various non-core marketing services affiliates in the United States for proceeds of \$6.9.

Note 7: Provision for Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes under SFAS 109. SFAS 109 applies an asset and liability approach that requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities with respect to the expected future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements and tax returns.

Continuing Operations

The components of income (loss) from continuing operations before provision for (benefit of) income taxes, equity earnings, and minority interest expense are as follows:

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Domestic	\$11.8	\$335.9	\$(481.0)
Foreign	<u>(280.8)</u>	<u>(124.5)</u>	<u>(105.4)</u>
Total	<u>\$(269.0)</u>	<u>\$211.4</u>	<u>\$(586.4)</u>

The provision for (benefit of) income taxes on continuing operations consists of:

Federal Income Taxes (Including Foreign Withholding Taxes):			
Current	\$ 15.8	\$ 1.8	\$ 44.4
Deferred	<u>41.9</u>	<u>118.2</u>	<u>(142.7)</u>
	<u>57.7</u>	<u>120.0</u>	<u>(98.3)</u>
State and Local Income Taxes:			
Current	27.0	25.9	2.9
Deferred	<u>(8.7)</u>	<u>2.7</u>	<u>(36.5)</u>
	<u>18.3</u>	<u>28.6</u>	<u>(33.6)</u>
Foreign Income Taxes:			
Current	139.7	44.6	74.0
Deferred	<u>20.2</u>	<u>(75.2)</u>	<u>(6.3)</u>

Deferred	<u>59.3</u>	<u>(73.3)</u>	<u>(14)</u>
	178.0	(30.7)	65.8
Total	<u>\$254.0</u>	<u>\$117.9</u>	<u>\$ (66.1)</u>

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Total Operations

The components of income (loss) on total operations before provision for (benefit of) income taxes, equity earnings, and minority interest expense are as follows:

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Domestic	\$ 116.8	\$353.6	\$(474.3)
Foreign	<u>(266.9)</u>	<u>(88.2)</u>	<u>(89.2)</u>
Total	<u>\$(150.1)</u>	<u>\$265.4</u>	<u>\$(563.5)</u>

The provision for (benefit of) income taxes consists of:

Federal Income Taxes (Including Foreign Withholding Taxes):			
Current	\$ 27.5	\$ 6.2	\$ 48.2
Deferred	<u>41.8</u>	<u>120.1</u>	<u>(144.4)</u>
	<u>69.3</u>	<u>126.3</u>	<u>(96.2)</u>
State and Local Income Taxes:			
Current	27.8	26.6	3.7
Deferred	<u>(8.7)</u>	<u>3.3</u>	<u>(36.9)</u>
	<u>19.1</u>	<u>29.9</u>	<u>(33.2)</u>
Foreign Income Taxes:			
Current	145.7	52.5	83.9
Deferred	<u>38.2</u>	<u>(68.4)</u>	<u>(9.9)</u>
	<u>183.9</u>	<u>(15.9)</u>	<u>74.0</u>
Total	<u>\$272.3</u>	<u>\$140.3</u>	<u>\$ (55.4)</u>

At December 31, 2003 and 2002 the deferred tax assets consisted of the following items:

	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Postretirement/postemployment benefits	\$ 20.9	\$ 22.4
Deferred compensation	180.9	141.1
Pension costs	59.0	47.1
Basis differences in fixed assets	21.9	0.7
Rent	0.8	(6.3)
Interest	(8.5)	(7.2)
Accrued reserves	59.1	24.6
Allowance for doubtful accounts	26.9	33.5
Basis differences in intangible assets	18.9	50.7
Investments in equity securities	19.0	5.8
Tax loss/tax credit carryforwards	227.6	155.0
Restructuring and other merger-related costs	51.4	130.1
Other	<u>39.3</u>	<u>18.7</u>
Total deferred tax assets, net	717.2	616.2
Valuation allowance	<u>(171.0)</u>	<u>(69.3)</u>
Net deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 546.2</u>	<u>\$ 546.9</u>

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The valuation allowance of \$171.0 and \$69.3 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, applies to certain deferred tax assets, including US tax credits, US capital loss carryforwards and net operating loss carryforwards in certain jurisdictions that, in the opinion of management, are more likely than not, not to be utilized. The change during 2003 in the deferred tax valuation allowance primarily relates to uncertainties regarding the utilization of tax credits, capital loss carryforwards and net operating loss carryforwards. At December 31, 2003, there are \$51.8 of tax credit carryforwards with expiration periods beginning in 2004 and ending in 2008. There are also \$175.8 of loss carryforwards, of which \$33.8 are US capital and net operating loss carryforwards that expire in the years 2008 through 2022. The remaining \$142.0 are non-US net operating loss carryforwards of \$114.6

with unlimited carryforward periods and \$27.4 with expiration periods from 2004 through 2019. The Company has concluded that it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax asset balance will be realized.

Effective Tax Rate Reconciliation on Continuing Operations

A reconciliation of the effective income tax rate on continuing operations before equity earnings and minority interest expense as shown in the Consolidated Statement of Operations to the federal statutory rate is as follows:

Continuing Operations	Year Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
US Federal statutory income tax rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Federal Income tax provision (benefit) at statutory rate	\$(94.2)	\$ 74.0	\$(205.2)
State and local income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	11.1	18.4	15.8
Impact of foreign operations, including withholding taxes	106.4	(3.2)	25.5
Goodwill and intangible asset amortization	--	--	33.4
Change in valuation allowance	84.4	27.5	(11.4)
Goodwill and other long-lived asset impairment	98.6	7.2	65.9
Restructuring and other merger-related costs	15.2	(0.1)	26.5
Investment impairments	15.0	--	--
Other	<u>17.5</u>	<u>(5.9)</u>	<u>(16.6)</u>
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	<u>\$254.0</u>	<u>\$117.9</u>	<u>\$ (66.1)</u>
Effective tax rate on continuing operations	94.4%	55.8%	(11.3)%

Effective Tax Rate Reconciliation on Total Operations

A reconciliation of the effective income tax rate on total operations before equity earnings and minority interest expense to the federal statutory rate is as follows:

Total Operations	Year Ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
US Federal statutory income tax rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Federal Income tax provision (benefit) at statutory rate	\$(52.5)	\$ 92.9	\$(197.2)
State and local income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	11.6	19.4	16.3
Impact of foreign operations, including withholding taxes	107.4	(1.2)	26.6
Goodwill and intangible asset amortization	--	--	34.4
Change in valuation allowance	101.7	27.5	(11.4)
Goodwill and other long-lived asset impairment	98.6	7.2	65.9
Restructuring and other merger-related costs	15.2	(0.5)	26.5
Investment impairments	15.0	--	--
Basis difference on disposals	(42.7)	--	--
Other	<u>18.0</u>	<u>(5.0)</u>	<u>(16.5)</u>
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	<u>\$272.3</u>	<u>\$140.3</u>	<u>\$(55.4)</u>
Effective tax rate on total operations	181.4%	52.9%	(9.8)%

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The Company's effective income tax rate for 2003 was negatively impacted by the restructuring charges, non-deductible long-lived asset impairment charges and non-deductible investment impairment charges relating to unconsolidated affiliates. In addition, the tax rate in 2003 was negatively impacted by the establishment of valuation allowances on certain deferred tax assets as well as losses incurred in non-US jurisdictions with tax benefits at rates lower than the US statutory rates. All of these factors contributed to the Company's recording a tax provision of \$254.0 on a pre-tax loss of \$269.0 for 2003.

As required by SFAS 109, the Company is required to evaluate on a quarterly basis the realizability of its deferred tax assets. SFAS 109 requires a valuation allowance be established when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of deferred tax assets will not be realized. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence, establishment of a valuation allowance must be considered. The Company believes that cumulative losses in the most recent three-year period represent sufficient negative evidence under the provisions of SFAS 109 and, as a result, the Company determined that certain of its deferred tax assets required the establishment of a valuation allowance. The deferred tax assets for which an allowance was established relate primarily to foreign net operating and US capital loss carryforwards. During 2003, a valuation allowance of \$53.9 was established in continuing operations on existing deferred tax assets. In addition, \$26.8 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for current year losses incurred in jurisdictions where a benefit is not currently expected, and \$3.7 of valuation allowances were established in continuing operations for certain US capital and other loss carryforwards. The total valuation allowance as of December 31, 2003 was \$171.0.

The total amount of undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries for income tax purposes was approximately \$750 and \$795 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. It is the Company's intention to reinvest undistributed earnings of its foreign subsidiaries and thereby indefinitely postpone their remittance. Accordingly, no provision has been made for foreign withholding taxes or United States income taxes which may become payable if undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries were paid as dividends to the Company. The additional taxes on that portion of undistributed earnings which is available for dividends are not practicably determinable.

On April 21, 2003, the Company received a notice from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") proposing adjustments to the Company's taxable income that would result in additional taxes, including conforming adjustments to state and local tax returns of \$41.5 (plus interest) for the taxable years 1994 to 1996. The Company believes that the tax positions that the IRS has challenged comply with applicable law and intends to defend those positions vigorously. The Company filed a Protest with the IRS Appeals Office on July 21, 2003. Although the ultimate resolution of these matters will likely require the Company to pay additional taxes, any such payments will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

The IRS commenced its examination of the Company's 1997 to 2002 income tax returns in February 2004. In an attempt to become more current, the IRS is examining these multiple years in the normal course.

In addition, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries are party to various other tax examinations, some of which have resulted in assessments. The Company intends to vigorously defend any and all assessments and believes that additional taxes (if any) that may ultimately result from the settlement of such assessments or open examinations would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

Note 8: Debt

Revolving Credit Agreements

On June 27, 2000, the Company entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks providing for a term of five years and for borrowings of up to \$375.0 (the "Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility"). On May 16, 2002, the Company entered into a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks providing for a term of 364 days and for borrowings of up to \$500.0 (the "Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility"). The Company replaced the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility with a new 364-day revolving credit facility, which it entered into with a syndicate of banks on May 15, 2003 (the "New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility" and, together with the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility, both as amended from time to time, the "Revolving Credit Facilities"). The New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility provides for borrowings of up to \$500.0, \$200.0 of which are available to the Company

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for the issuance of letters of credit. The New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility expires on May 13, 2004. However, the Company has the option to extend the maturity of amounts outstanding on the termination date under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for a period of one year, if EBITDA, as defined in the agreements, for the four fiscal quarters most recently ended was at least \$831.0 (for purposes of this EBITDA calculation, only \$125.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges may be added back to EBITDA). The Revolving Credit Facilities are used for general corporate purposes. As of December 31, 2003, \$160.1 was utilized under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for the issuance of letters of credit, \$0.0 was borrowed under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility and \$0.0 was borrowed under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility. As of March 12, 2004, \$136.0 was obligated under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility for the issuance of letters of credit, \$0.0 was borrowed under the New 36 4-Day Revolving Credit Facility and \$0.0 of the \$375.0 available was borrowed under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility.

The Revolving Credit Facilities bear interest at variable rates based on either LIBOR or a bank's base rate, at the Company's option. The interest rates on base rate loans and LIBOR loans under the Revolving Credit Facilities are affected by the facilities' utilization levels and the Company's credit ratings. In connection with the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, the Company agreed to new pricing under the Revolving Credit Facilities that increased the interest spread payable on loans under the Revolving Credit Facilities by 25 basis points. Based on the Company's current credit ratings, interest rates on loans under the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility are currently calculated by adding 175 basis points to LIBOR or 25 basis points to the applicable bank base rate, and interest rates on loans under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility are currently calculated by adding 170 basis points to LIBOR or 25 basis points to the applicable bank base rate.

The Company's Revolving Credit Facilities include financial covenants that set (i) maximum levels of debt for borrowed money as a function of EBITDA, (ii) minimum levels of EBITDA as a function of interest expense and (iii) minimum levels of EBITDA (in each case, as defined in those agreements).

As of December 31, 2003, the Company was, and expects to continue to be, in compliance with all of the covenants (including the financial covenants, as amended) contained in the Revolving Credit Facilities.

On February 10, 2003, certain defined terms relating to financial covenants contained in the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility were amended effective as of December 31, 2002 to include in the definition of debt for borrowed money the Company's 1.8% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 and 1.87% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2006. In addition, the definition of Interest Expense was also amended to include all interest with respect to these Subordinated Notes.

In connection with entering into the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, the definition of EBITDA in the Revolving Credit Facilities was amended to include (i) up to \$161.4 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002; (ii) up to \$200.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges (up to \$175.0 of which may be cash charges) taken in the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2003, June 30, 2003 and September 30, 2003; (iii) up to \$70.0 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business; and (iv) all impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures made on or after January 1, 2003 with respect to the Company's Motorsports business, and to exclude the gain realized by the Company upon the sale of NFO. The corresponding financial covenant ratio levels in the Revolving Credit Facilities were also amended.

As of September 29, 2003, these additions to the definition of EBITDA were replaced with the following items: (i) up to \$161.4 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002; (ii) up to \$275.0 of non-recurring restructuring charges (up to \$240.0 of which may be cash charges) taken in the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2003 and each of the fiscal periods ending June 30, 2003, September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004; (iii) up to \$70.0 of non-cash, non-recurring charges taken with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business; (iv) all impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures made on or after January 1, 2003 with respect to the Company's Motorsports business; (v) up to \$300.0 of non-cash, non-recurring goodwill or investment impairment charges taken in the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003, March 31, 2004, June 30, 2004 and September 30, 2004; (vi) up to \$135.0 in payments made by the Company (up to \$40.0 of which may be in cash) with respect to the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, relating to the settlement of certain litigation matters;

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(vii) \$24.8 in respect of the early repayment by the Company of all amounts outstanding under the Prudential Agreements with respect to the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2003; and (viii) non-cash charges related to the adoption by the Company of the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148. The definition of EBITDA was also separately amended to give the Company flexibility to settle its commitments under certain leasing and Motorsports event contractual arrangements. The Company paid a fee of 10 basis points of the total commitments under each of the Revolving Credit Facilities in consideration for these amendments to the definition of EBITDA.

In determining the Company's compliance with the financial covenants as of December 31, 2003, the following charges were added back to the definition of EBITDA: (i) \$176.2 of restructuring charges (\$153.5 of which were cash charges), (ii) \$47.4 of non-cash charges with respect to the impairment of the remaining book value of the Company's Motorsports business, (iii) \$16.2 of impairment charges taken with respect to capital expenditures of the Company's Motorsports businesses, (iv) \$293.9 of goodwill or investment impairment charges and (v) \$115.0 of charges (primarily non-cash) relating to certain litigation matters. Since these charges and payments were added back to the definition of EBITDA, they do not affect the ability of the Company to comply with its financial covenants. Any charges incurred by the Company as a result of its restructuring program after March 31, 2004 will not be added back to EBITDA in determining whether the Company is in compliance with its financial covenants.

The terms of the Revolving Credit Facilities restrict the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends, repurchase shares of common stock, make cash acquisitions or investments and make capital expenditures, as well as the ability of the Company's domestic subsidiaries to incur additional debt in excess of \$65.0. Certain of these limitations were modified upon the Company's issuance on March 13, 2003 of 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes due 2023 (the "4.5% Notes") in an aggregate principal amount of \$800.0, from which the Company received net cash proceeds equal to approximately \$778. In addition, pursuant to a tender offer that expired on April 4, 2003, the Company purchased \$700.5 in aggregate principal amount at maturity of its Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021 (the "Zero-Coupon Notes"). As a result of these transactions, the Company's permitted level of annual new cash acquisition spending has increased to \$100.0 and the permitted level of annual share buybacks and dividend payments not related solely to preferred stock has increased to \$25.0. All limitations on dividend payments and share buybacks expire when EBITDA (as defined in the Revolving Credit Facilities) is at least \$1,300.0 for four consecutive quarters. The Company's permitted level of annual capital expenditures is \$175.0.

On November 18, 2003, the Revolving Credit Facilities were further amended to permit the Company to pay up to \$45.0 in annual cash dividends with respect to preferred stock that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following its issuance. This \$45.0 allowance is in addition to the Company's current \$25.0 permitted level of annual share buybacks and general dividend payments discussed above.

As a result of the issuance of the 4.5% Notes in the first quarter of 2003 and the settlement of the tender offer for the Zero-Coupon Notes in the second quarter of 2003, both the 4.5% Notes and the Zero-Coupon Notes were outstanding at March 31, 2003. Therefore, the Company amended the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility, as of March 13, 2003, to exclude the Zero-Coupon Notes in calculating the ratio of debt for borrowed money to consolidated EBITDA for the period ended March 31, 2003 (this exclusion is also contained in the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility).

On February 26, 2003, the Company obtained waivers of certain defaults under the Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility and the Old 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility relating to the restatement of the Company's historical Consolidated Financial Statements in the aggregate amount of \$118.7. The waivers covered certain financial reporting requirements related to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. No financial covenants were breached as a result of this restatement.

The Company does not anticipate that any waivers will be needed under the Revolving Credit Facilities prior to, or in connection with, the refinancing of the New 364-Day Revolving Credit Facility.

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Other Committed and Uncommitted Facilities

In addition to the Revolving Credit Facilities, at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, the Company had \$0.8 and \$157.8 of committed lines of credit, all of which were provided by overseas banks that participate in the Revolving Credit Facilities. The decrease in the committed lines of credit was partially offset by the increase in the uncommitted lines of credit. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, \$0.0 and \$3.1 were outstanding under these lines of credit.

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, the Company also had \$744.8 and \$707.9 of uncommitted lines of credit, 68.0% and 66.8% of which were provided by banks that participate in the Revolving Credit Agreements. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, \$38.1 and \$213.2 were outstanding under these uncommitted lines of credit. The Company's uncommitted borrowings are repayable upon demand.

Prudential Agreements

On May 26, 1994, April 28, 1995, October 31, 1996, August 19, 1997 and January 21, 1999, the Company entered into five note purchase agreements, respectively, with The Prudential Insurance Company of America. The notes issued pursuant to the Prudential Agreements were repayable on May 2004, April 2005, October 2006, August 2007 and January 2009, respectively, and had interest rates of 10.01%, 9.95%, 9.41%, 9.09% and 8.05%, respectively.

Due to the high interest rates on the notes issued under the Prudential Agreements and the restrictive financial covenants contained in these agreements, the Company repaid the total principal amount and interest outstanding under the Prudential Agreements on August 8, 2003, including a prepayment penalty that resulted in a net charge of \$24.8.

UBS Facility

On February 10, 2003, the Company received from UBS AG a commitment for an interim credit facility providing for \$500.0 maturing no later than July 31, 2004 and available to the Company beginning May 15, 2003, subject to certain conditions. This commitment terminated in accordance with its terms when the Company received net cash proceeds in excess of \$400.0 from its sale of the 4.5% Notes. The fees associated with the commitment were not material to the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operation.

Other Debt Instruments

(i) Convertible Senior Notes - 4.5%

In March 2003 the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$800.0 aggregate principal amount of the 4.5% Notes. In April 2003, the Company used approximately \$581 of the net proceeds of this offering to repurchase the Zero-Coupon Notes tendered in its concurrent tender offer and is using the remaining proceeds for the repayment of other indebtedness, general corporate purposes and working capital. The 4.5% Notes are unsecured, senior securities that may be converted into common shares if the price of the Company's common stock reaches a specified threshold, at an initial conversion rate of 80.5153 shares per one thousand dollars principal amount, equal to a conversion price of \$12.42 per share, subject to adjustment. This threshold will initially be 120% of the conversion price and will decline 1/2% each year until it reaches 110% at maturity in 2023.

The 4.5% Notes may also be converted, regardless of the price of the Company's common stock, if: (i) the credit ratings assigned to the 4.5% Notes by any two of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and Fitch Ratings are lower than Ba2, BB and BB, respectively, or the 4.5% Notes are no longer rated by at least two of these ratings services, (ii) the Company calls the 4.5% Notes for redemption, (iii) the Company makes specified distributions to shareholders or (iv) the Company becomes a party to a consolidation, merger or binding share exchange pursuant to which its common stock would be converted into cash or property (other than securities).

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The Company, at the investor's option, may be required to redeem the 4.5% Notes for cash on March 15, 2008. The Company may also be required to redeem the 4.5% Notes at the investor's option on March 15, 2013 and March 15, 2018, for cash or common stock or a combination of both, at the Company's election. Additionally, investors may require the Company to redeem the 4.5% Notes in the event of certain change of control events that occur prior to May 15, 2008, for cash or common stock or a combination of both, at the Company's election. The Company at its option may redeem the 4.5% Notes on or after May 15, 2008 for cash. The redemption price in each of these instances will be 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. If at any time on or after March 13, 2003 the Company pays cash dividends on its common stock, the Company will pay contingent interest per 4.5% Note in an amount equal to 100% of the per share cash dividend paid on the common stock multiplied by the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of a 4.5% Note.

(ii) Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes

In December 2001, the Company completed the issuance and sale of approximately \$702 of aggregate principal amount of Zero-Coupon Convertible Senior Notes due 2021. In April 2003, the Company used approximately \$581 of the proceeds received from the issuance and sale of the 4.5% Notes to repurchase \$700.5 in aggregate principal amount at maturity of its Zero-Coupon Notes. As of December 31, 2003, no Zero-Coupon Notes remained outstanding.

(iii) Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.25%

On August 22, 2001, the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$500.0 principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2011. The notes bear interest at a rate of 7.25% per annum. The Company used the net proceeds of approximately \$493 from the sale of the notes to repay outstanding indebtedness under its Revolving Credit Facilities.

(iv) Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.875%

On October 20, 2000, the Company completed the issuance and sale of \$500.0 principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2005. The notes bear an interest rate of 7.875% per

annum. The Company used the net proceeds of approximately \$496 from the sale of the notes to repay outstanding indebtedness under its revolving credit facilities.

(v) Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.87%

On June 1, 1999, the Company issued \$361.0 face amount of Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2006 with a cash coupon rate of 1.87% and a yield to maturity of 4.75%. The 2006 notes were issued at an original price of 83% of the face amount, generating proceeds of approximately \$300. The notes are convertible into 6.4 million shares of the Company's common stock at a conversion rate of 17.616 shares per one thousand dollars face amount. Since June 2002, the Company has had the option to redeem the notes for cash.

(vi) Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.80%

On September 16, 1997, the Company issued \$250.0 face amount of Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 ("2004 Notes") with a coupon rate of 1.80% and a yield to maturity of 5.25%. The 2004 Notes were issued at an original price of 80% of the face amount, generating proceeds of approximately \$200, and were convertible into 6.7 million shares of the Company's common stock at a conversion rate of 26.772 shares per one thousand dollars face amount. On January 20, 2004, the Company exercised its right to redeem all of the 2004 Notes with an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$250 at an aggregate price of approximately \$246 (96.6813% of the principal amount of the notes plus original issue discount accrued to the redemption date, or \$978.10 per \$1,000 principal amount of the notes, plus accrued interest to the redemption date). None of the 2004 Notes remain outstanding as of March 12, 2004.

Short-Term Debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002

The Company and its subsidiaries have short-term lines of credit with various banks that permit borrowings at variable interest rates. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, all borrowings under these facilities were by the Company's subsidiaries and totaled \$38.1 and \$216.3, respectively. Where required, the Company has guaranteed the repayment of borrowings by its subsidiaries.

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As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, 68% and 66.8% of these short-term facilities were provided by banks that participate in the Company's Revolving Credit Facilities. The weighted-average interest rates on outstanding balances under the committed and uncommitted short-term facilities at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were approximately 5% in each year.

The following table summarizes the Company's short-term debt as of December 31, 2003 and 2002.

2003	Total Facility	Amount Outstanding at December 31, 2003	Total Available
<u>Committed</u>			
364-day Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 500.0	\$ --	\$ 339.9*
Other Facilities (principally International)	<u>0.8</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>0.8</u>
	<u>\$ 500.8</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 340.7</u>
<u>Uncommitted</u>			
Domestic	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
International	<u>744.8</u>	<u>38.1</u>	<u>706.7</u>
	<u>\$ 744.8</u>	<u>\$ 38.1</u>	<u>\$ 706.7</u>
Total	<u>\$1,245.6</u>	<u>\$ 38.1</u>	<u>\$1,047.4</u>

*Amount available is reduced by \$160.1 of Letters of Credit issued under the Revolving Credit Facility.

2002	Total Facility	Amount Outstanding at December 31, 2002	Total Available
<u>Committed</u>			
364-day Revolving Credit Facility	\$ 500.0	\$ --	\$ 500.0
Other Facilities (principally International)	<u>157.8</u>	<u>3.1</u>	<u>154.7</u>
	<u>\$ 657.8</u>	<u>\$ 3.1</u>	<u>\$ 654.7</u>
<u>Uncommitted</u>			
Domestic	\$ 27.7	\$ 7.7	\$ 20.0
International	<u>680.2</u>	<u>205.5</u>	<u>474.7</u>
	<u>\$ 707.9</u>	<u>\$213.2</u>	<u>\$ 494.7</u>
Total	<u>\$1,365.7</u>	<u>\$216.3</u>	<u>\$1,149.4</u>

Long-term debt at December 31 consisted of the following:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.80%	\$ 244.1	\$ 236.1
Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.87%	337.5	328.5
Zero-Coupon Convertible Notes	--	581.0
Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.875%	522.1	533.7
Senior Unsecured Notes - 7.25%	500.0	500.0
Convertible Senior Notes - 4.5%	800.0	--
Five-Year Revolving Credit Facility - (.0525% in 2002)	--	50.3
Term Loans - 9.95% (8.05% to 10.01% in 2002)	--	157.1
Other Notes Payable and Capitalized Leases - 2.25% to 25.67%	<u>32.5</u>	<u>35.0</u>
	2,436.2	2,421.7
Less: Current Portion	<u>244.5</u>	<u>604.0</u>
Long-Term Debt	<u>\$2,191.7</u>	<u>\$1,817.7</u>

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Long-term debt maturing over the next five years and thereafter is as follows:

2004	\$ 244.5
2005	\$ 523.8
2006	\$ 338.5
2007	\$ 0.9
2008	\$ 0.9
2009 and thereafter	\$1,327.6

Other

On March 7, 2003, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services downgraded the Company's senior secured credit rating to BB+ with negative outlook from BBB-. On May 14, 2003, Fitch Ratings downgraded the Company's senior unsecured credit rating to BB+ with negative outlook from BBB-. On May 9, 2003, Moody's Investor Services, Inc. ("Moody's") placed the Company's senior unsecured and subordinated credit ratings on review for possible downgrade from Baa3 and Ba1, respectively. As of March 12, 2004, the Company's credit ratings continued to be on review for a possible downgrade.

Since July 2001, the Company has not repurchased its common stock in the open market.

In October 2003, the Company received a federal tax refund of approximately \$90 as a result of its carryback of its 2002 loss for US federal income tax purposes and certain capital losses, to earlier periods.

Through December 2002, the Company had paid cash dividends quarterly with the most recent quarterly dividend paid in December 2002 at a rate of \$0.095 per share. On a quarterly basis, the Company's Board of Directors makes determinations regarding the payment of dividends. As previously discussed, the Company's ability to declare or pay dividends is currently restricted by the terms of its Revolving Credit Facilities. The Company did not declare or pay any dividends in 2003. However, in 2004, the Company expects to pay any dividends accruing on the Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock in cash, which is expressly permitted by the Revolving Credit Facilities.

See Note 14 for discussion of fair market value of the Company's long-term debt.

Note 9: Equity Offering

On December 16, 2003, the Company sold 25.8 million shares of common stock and issued 7.5 million shares of 3-year Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock"). The total net proceeds received from the concurrent offerings was approximately \$693. The Preferred Stock carries a dividend yield of 5.375%. On maturity, each share of the Preferred Stock will convert, subject to adjustment, to between 3.0358 and 3.7037 shares of common stock, depending on the then-current market price of the Company's common stock, representing a conversion premium of approximately 22% over the stock offering price of \$13.50 per share. Under certain circumstances, the Preferred Stock may be converted prior to maturity at the option of the holders or the Company. The common and preferred stock were issued under the Company's existing shelf registration statement.

In January 2004, the Company used approximately \$246 of the net proceeds from the offerings to redeem the 1.80% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004. The remaining proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes and to further strengthen the Company's balance sheet and financial condition.

The Company will pay annual dividends on each share of the Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of \$2.6875. Dividends will be cumulative from the date of issuance and will be payable on each payment date to the extent that dividends are not restricted under the Company's credit facilities and assets are legally available to pay dividends. The first dividend payment, which was declared on February 24, 2004, will be made on March 15, 2004.

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Note 10: Incentive Plans

The 2002 Performance Incentive Plan ("2002 PIP Plan") was approved by the Company's stockholders in May 2002 and includes both stock and cash based incentive awards. The maximum number of shares of the Company's common stock that may be granted under the 2002 PIP Plan is 12,500,000 shares, supplemented with additional shares as defined in the 2002 PIP Plan document (excluding management incentive compensation performance awards). The 2002 PIP Plan also limits the number of shares available with respect to awards made to any one participant as well as limiting the number of shares available under certain awards. Awards made prior to the 2002 PIP Plan remain subject to the respective terms and conditions of the predecessor plans. Except as otherwise noted, awards under the 2002 PIP Plan have terms similar to awards made under the respective predecessor plans.

Stock Options

Stock options are generally granted at the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant and are exercisable as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Committee"). Generally, options become exercisable between two and five years after the date of grant and expire ten years from the grant date.

Following is a summary of stock option transactions during the three-year period ended December 31:

<i>(Number of Shares in Millions)</i>	2003		2002		2001	
	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Shares under option, beginning of year	42.3	\$29.35	38.3	\$28.82	34.9	\$24.95
Options granted	6.4	\$10.60	7.8	\$26.43	10.0	\$36.40
Options exercised	(0.1)	\$10.49	(2.8)	\$14.24	(5.2)	\$15.00
Options cancelled	(6.7)	\$29.23	(1.0)	\$28.78	(1.4)	\$33.26
Shares under option, end of year	<u>41.9</u>	\$26.60	<u>42.3</u>	\$29.35	<u>38.3</u>	\$28.82

Options exercisable at year-end	20.8	\$27.49	19.8	\$25.16	20.2	\$21.56
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The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2003:

(Number of Shares in Millions)

<u>Range of Exercise Prices</u>	<u>Number of Shares Outstanding at 12/31/03</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Number of Shares Exercisable at 12/31/03</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>
\$ 9.12 to \$14.99	8.8	7.68	\$11.09	1.7	\$11.12
\$15.00 to \$24.99	8.4	3.79	\$18.94	7.7	\$18.90
\$25.00 to \$34.99	15.6	6.68	\$31.26	7.7	\$32.93
\$35.00 to \$56.28	9.1	6.52	\$40.93	3.7	\$41.57

See Note 1 for pro forma disclosure of net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share under SFAS 123.

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Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Under the Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"), employees may purchase common stock of the Company through payroll deductions not exceeding 10% of their compensation. The price an employee pays for a share of stock is 85% of the market price on the last business day of the month. The Company issued 900,000 shares, 900,000 shares and 800,000 shares in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. An additional 12.4 million shares were reserved for issuance at December 31, 2003.

Restricted Stock

Restricted stock issuances are subject to certain restrictions and vesting requirements as determined by the Committee. The vesting period is generally five to seven years. No monetary consideration is paid by a recipient for a restricted stock award and the grant date fair value of these shares is amortized over the restriction periods. At December 31, 2003, there was a total of 5.5 million shares of restricted stock outstanding. During 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Company awarded 0.5 million shares, 1.5 million shares and 1.5 million shares of restricted stock with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$11.51, \$29.11 and \$32.09, respectively. The cost recorded for restricted stock awards in 2003, 2002 and 2001 was \$38.8, \$50.0 and \$48.5, respectively.

Performance Units

Performance units have been awarded to certain key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. The ultimate value of these performance units is contingent upon the annual growth in profits (as defined) of the Company, its operating components or both, over the performance periods. The awards are generally paid in cash. The projected value of these units is accrued by the Company and charged to expense over the performance period. The Company expensed approximately \$20, \$15 and \$45 in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Note 11: Retirement Plans

Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Through March 31, 1998 the Company and certain of its domestic subsidiaries had a defined benefit plan ("Domestic Plan") which covered substantially all regular domestic employees. Effective April 1, 1998, this Plan was curtailed and participants with five or less years of service became fully vested in the Domestic Plan. Participants with five or more years of service as of March 31, 1998 retain their vested balances and participate in a new benefit plan.

Under the amended plan, each participant's account is credited with an annual allocation, which approximates the projected discounted pension benefit accrual (normally made under the Domestic Plan) plus interest, while they continue to work for the Company. Participants in active service are eligible to receive up to ten years of allocations coinciding with the number of years of plan participation with the Company after March 31, 1998.

Until the sale of NFO (see Note 3), the Company also maintained a defined benefit plan covering approximately one half of NFO's US employees (the "NFO Plan").

The Company also has several foreign pension plans in which benefits are based primarily on years of service and employee compensation. It is the Company's policy to fund these plans in accordance with local laws and income tax regulations.

Excluding the net pension costs associated with NFO, which were \$1.0 and \$0.6 for 2002 and 2001, respectively, net periodic pension costs for these plans included the following components:

	<u>Domestic Pension Plan</u>			<u>Foreign Pension Plans</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Service cost	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$12.9	\$ 9.9	\$ 10.4
Interest cost	9.1	9.5	9.7	14.5	12.0	11.7
Expected return on plan assets	(6.8)	(9.1)	(10.6)	(9.2)	(10.3)	(10.7)
Amortization of unrecognized transition obligation	--	--	--	0.8	0.6	1.3
Amortization of prior service cost	--	--	--	0.1	0.7	0.6
Recognized actuarial loss (gain)	<u>5.6</u>	<u>3.0</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>4.0</u>	<u>0.3</u>	<u>(0.6)</u>
Net periodic pension cost	<u>\$ 7.9</u>	<u>\$ 3.4</u>	<u>\$ 1.6</u>	<u>\$23.1</u>	<u>\$13.2</u>	<u>\$ 12.7</u>

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The weighted-average assumptions used to determine net cost were as follows:

	<u>Domestic</u>			<u>Foreign</u>		
	<u>Pension Plan</u>			<u>Pension</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Discount rate	6.75%	7.25%	7.50%	1.5%-10.0%	2.3%-10.0%	3.0%-10.0%
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.0%-10.0%	1.0%-10.0%	1.0%-10.0%
Expected return on plan assets	8.75%	9.00%	9.00%	0.3%-10.0%	0.3%-10.0%	2.0%-10.0%

The following table sets forth the change in the benefit obligation, the change in plan assets, the funded status and amounts recognized for all pension plans in the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2003 and 2002:

	<u>Domestic</u>		<u>Foreign</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Change in Benefit Obligations				
Benefit obligation at January 1	\$150.8	\$147.5	\$244.4	\$ 208.9
Service cost	--	0.7	12.9	9.9
Interest cost	9.1	10.3	14.5	12.0
Benefits paid	(13.9)	(14.6)	(15.6)	(10.4)
Plan participant contributions	--	--	2.6	2.6
Plan amendments	0.4	--	--	--
Actuarial (gains) losses	8.3	6.9	23.1	20.4
Foreign currency effect	--	--	21.1	1.0
Discontinued operations - NFO	(13.5)	--	--	--
Other	--	--	3.9	--
	=	=	=	=
Benefit obligation at December 31	<u>141.2</u>	<u>150.8</u>	<u>306.9</u>	<u>244.4</u>
Change in Plan Assets				
Fair value of plan assets at January 1	90.3	112.8	122.3	148.7
Actual return on plan assets	14.5	(12.0)	25.0	(22.4)
Employer contributions	--	4.1	16.5	7.0
Plan participant contributions	--	--	2.6	2.6
Benefits paid	(13.9)	(14.6)	(15.6)	(10.4)
Foreign currency effect	--	--	14.6	(4.5)
Discontinued operations - NFO	(6.6)	--	--	--
Other	--	--	0.2	1.3
Fair value of plan assets at December 31	<u>84.3</u>	<u>90.3</u>	<u>165.6</u>	<u>122.3</u>
Reconciliation of Funded Status to Total Amount Recognized				
Funded status of the plans	(56.9)	(60.5)	(141.3)	(122.1)
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	58.6	70.5	79.6	67.5
Unrecognized prior service cost	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.8
Unrecognized transition cost	--	--	0.7	0.8
Net asset (liability) recognized	<u>\$ 2.1</u>	<u>\$ 10.1</u>	<u>\$ (60.5)</u>	<u>\$ (53.0)</u>
Amounts Recognized in Consolidated Balance Sheet				
Accrued Benefit Liability	\$(56.9)	\$(53.5)	\$(99.8)	\$(98.7)
Intangible Asset	0.4	--	0.4	0.5
Currency Translation Adjustment	--	--	5.1	--
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income				
Comprehensive Income	<u>58.6</u>	<u>63.6</u>	<u>33.8</u>	<u>45.2</u>
Net asset (liability) recognized	<u>\$ 2.1</u>	<u>\$ 10.1</u>	<u>\$ (60.5)</u>	<u>\$ (53.0)</u>

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Refer to Note 12 for current period adjustment to comprehensive income.

The weighted average assumptions were used in determining the Company's actuarial present value of the benefit obligations were as follows:

	<u>Domestic</u>		<u>Foreign</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Discount rate	6.25%	6.75%	1.5% - 10.0%	2.3% - 10.0%
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	N/A	2.0% - 10.0%	1.0% - 10.0%

The accumulated benefit obligation for the domestic plan was \$141 and \$149 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The accumulated benefit obligation for the foreign plans was \$357 and \$234 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

As of December 31, the projected benefit obligation, accumulated benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets for all plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets were:

	<u>Domestic</u>		<u>Foreign</u>	
	<u>Pension Plan</u>		<u>Pension Plans</u>	
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Projected benefit obligation	\$141	\$151	\$306	\$240
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$141	\$149	\$357	\$232
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 84	\$ 90	\$165	\$116

The Company uses a measurement date of December 31. For the domestic plan, the primary investment goal is to maximize total asset returns while ensuring the plan's assets are available to fund the plan's liabilities as they come due. The plan's asset allocation is structured to meet a long-term targeted total return of 8.75% which, combined with the Company's contributions, is intended to be sufficient to meet the ongoing nature of the plan's liabilities. The plan's assets in aggregate and at the individual portfolio level are invested so that total portfolio risk exposure and risk-adjusted returns best meet the plan's investment objectives.

The Company's domestic pension plan weighted-average target asset allocation for 2004 as well as the asset allocations at December 31, 2003 and 2002, by asset category are as follows:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Plan Assets</u>		
	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>at December 31</u>	
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Equity securities	50 %	61 %	55 %
Fixed income	25 %	14 %	25 %
Real estate	10 %	10 %	9 %
Discontinued operations - NFO	-- %	-- %	7 %
Other	<u>15 %</u>	<u>15 %</u>	<u>4 %</u>
Total	<u>100 %</u>	<u>100 %</u>	<u>100 %</u>

For the domestic plans, the Company works with a consultant to develop the long-term rate of return assumptions used to model and determine the overall asset allocation. The consultant's asset allocation committee makes recommendations regarding asset class assumptions. Forecast returns are based on a combination of historical returns, current market conditions and their forecast for the capital markets over the next 5-7 years. The consultant analyzes the historic trends of asset class index returns since inception of the asset class over various market cycles and economic conditions. Approximately 75% of the return assumption is based on historical information and 25% is based on current or forward-looking information. All asset class assumptions are within certain bands around the long-term historical averages. Certain asset classes, like core bonds, rely more on current market conditions to determine their outlook. Current market conditions include the current yield on bonds and short-term instruments. Co relations and standard deviations are based primarily on historical return patterns.

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Other Benefit Arrangements

The Company sponsors other defined contribution plans ("Savings Plans") and certain domestic subsidiaries maintain a profit sharing plan ("Profit Sharing Plan") that cover substantially all domestic employees of the Company and participating subsidiaries. The Savings Plans permit participants to make contributions on a pre-tax and/or after-tax basis. The Savings Plans allow participants to choose among several investment alternatives. The Company matches a portion of participants' contributions based upon the number of years of service. The Company match is made in cash and ranges between 2-4% of salary. The Company contributed \$26.1, \$27.1 and \$34.9 to the Savings Plans and Profit Sharing Plan in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

The Company has deferred compensation arrangements which permit certain of its key officers and employees to defer a portion of their salary and incentive compensation and receive corresponding company matching and discretionary profit sharing contributions. The Company has purchased life insurance policies on participants' lives to assist in the funding of the deferred compensation liability. As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, the cash surrender value of these policies was approximately \$137 and \$121, respectively. Additionally, certain investments are maintained in a separate trust for the purpose of paying the deferred compensation liability. The assets are held on the balance sheet of the Company but are restricted to the purpose of paying the deferred compensation liability. As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, the value of such restricted assets was approximately \$88 and \$82, respectively.

Postretirement Benefit Plans

The Company and its subsidiaries provide certain postretirement health care benefits for employees who were in the employ of the Company as of January 1, 1988 and life insurance benefits for employees who were in the employ of the Company as of December 1, 1961. The plans cover certain domestic employees and certain key employees in foreign countries. The Company's plan covering postretirement medical benefits is self-insured with no maximum limit of coverage.

The Company accrues the expected cost of postretirement benefits other than pensions over the period in which the active employees become eligible for such postretirement benefits. Excluding the net periodic expense associated with NFO, which was \$0.5 and \$0.4 for 2002 and 2001, respectively, the net periodic expense for these postretirement benefits for 2003, 2002 and 2001 is as follows:

	<u>Other Postretirement Benefits</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Service cost	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.7
Interest cost	3.1	3.5	3.5
Amortization of:			
Transition obligation	0.2	0.1	0.2
Prior service cost	--	--	(0.9)
Actuarial (gain) loss	<u>(0.1)</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>

Total net periodic benefit cost \$ 3.8 \$ 4.3 \$ 3.3

The following table sets forth the change in benefit obligation, change in plan assets, funded status and amounts recognized for the Company's postretirement benefit plans in the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2003 and 2002:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Change in benefit obligation		
Beginning obligation at January 1	\$ 52.0	\$ 52.6
Service cost	0.6	0.9
Interest cost	3.1	3.8
Participant contributions	1.1	0.1
Benefits paid	(6.1)	(4.9)
Plan amendments	--	--
Discontinued operations - NFO	(3.6)	--
Actuarial (gain) loss	<u>15.0</u>	<u>(0.5)</u>
Ending obligation at December 31	<u>62.1</u>	<u>52.0</u>

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Change in plan assets

Fair value of plan assets at January 1	--	--
Actual return on plan assets	--	--
Employer contributions	5.0	4.8
Participant contributions	1.1	0.1
Benefits paid	<u>(6.1)</u>	<u>(4.9)</u>
Fair value of plan assets at December 31	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>

Reconciliation of Funded Status to Total Amount Recognized

Funded status of the plans	(62.1)	(52.0)
Unrecognized net actuarial gain/(loss)	10.1	(3.5)
Unrecognized prior service cost	--	(0.3)
Unrecognized net transition obligation	<u>1.4</u>	<u>1.5</u>
Net liability recognized	<u>\$(50.6)</u>	<u>\$(54.3)</u>

Amounts Recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheet

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Accrued Benefit Liability	<u>\$(50.6)</u>	<u>\$(54.3)</u>
Net liability recognized	<u>\$(50.6)</u>	<u>\$(54.3)</u>

In determining the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation, the Company uses the following assumption rates:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Weighted-average assumption as of December 31		
Discount rate	6.25%	6.75%
Healthcare cost trend rate assumed for next year		
Initial rate (weighted average)	10.0%	10.0%
Year ultimate is reached	2012	2012
Ultimate rate	5.50%	5.50%

Assumed healthcare cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the healthcare plans. A one-percentage-point change in assumed healthcare cost trend rates would have the following effects:

Effect of a one percentage point increase in assumed health care cost trend		
-- on total service and interest cost components		\$ 0.2
-- on postretirement benefit obligation		\$ 3.9
Effect of a one percentage point decrease in assumed health care cost trend		
-- on total service and interest cost components		\$(0.2)
-- on postretirement benefit obligation		\$(3.5)

Cash Flows

Contributions

The Company contributed \$30.0 to its domestic pension plan in February 2004. The Company expects to contribute \$5.3 to its other postretirement benefit plan in 2004. Other than these amounts, the Company does not expect to make any other contributions to its postretirement benefits plans or its domestic pension plan in 2004

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Note 12: Comprehensive Income

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) amounts are reflected in the Consolidated Financial Statements as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Net income (loss)	\$(451.7)	\$ 99.5	\$(534.5)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	<u>141.6</u>	<u>123.7</u>	<u>(87.3)</u>
Adjustment for minimum pension liability:			
Adjustment for minimum pension liability	16.4	(67.4)	(9.3)
Tax benefit (expense)	<u>(5.5)</u>	<u>22.3</u>	<u>3.9</u>
Adjustment for minimum pension liability	<u>10.9</u>	<u>(45.1)</u>	<u>(5.4)</u>
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on securities:			
Unrealized holding gains	19.9	7.8	0.5
Tax expense	(8.2)	(3.2)	(0.2)
Unrealized holding losses	(9.8)	(15.2)	--
Tax benefit	4.1	6.2	--
Reclassification of unrealized loss to net earnings	--	--	94.8
Tax benefit	--	--	(39.8)
Reclassification of unrealized gains to net earnings	--	--	(0.3)
Tax expense	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>0.1</u>
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on securities	<u>6.0</u>	<u>(4.4)</u>	<u>55.1</u>
Comprehensive income (loss)	<u>\$(293.2)</u>	<u>\$173.7</u>	<u>\$(572.1)</u>

As of December 31, accumulated other comprehensive loss as reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheet is as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$(159.1)	\$(300.7)	\$(424.4)
Adjustment for minimum pension liability	(58.2)	(69.1)	(24.0)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on securities	<u>2.2</u>	<u>(3.8)</u>	<u>0.6</u>
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u>\$(215.1)</u>	<u>\$(373.6)</u>	<u>\$(447.8)</u>

Note 13: Derivative and Hedging Instruments

The Company enters into interest rate swaps, hedges of net investments in foreign operations and forward contracts.

Interest Rate Swaps

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had no outstanding interest rate swap agreements.

During 2002, the Company had outstanding interest rate swap agreements covering \$400.0 of the \$500.0, 7.875% notes due October 2005. The swaps had the same term as the debt and effectively converted the fixed rate on the debt to a variable rate based on 6 month LIBOR. The swaps were accounted for as hedges of the fair value of the related debt and were recorded as an asset or liability as appropriate.

As of December 31, 2002, the Company had terminated all of the interest rate swap agreements covering the \$500.0, 7.875% notes due October 2005. In connection with the termination of the interest rate swap agreements transaction, the Company received \$45.7 in cash which will be recorded as an offset to interest expense over the remaining life of the related debt.

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Hedges of Net Investments

As of December 31, 2003, the Company had no loans designated as hedges of net investments.

The Company has significant foreign operations and conducts business in various foreign currencies. In order to hedge the value of its investments in Japan, the Company had designated the Yen borrowings under its \$375.0 Revolving Credit Facility (in the amount of \$36.5) as a hedge of its net investment. The amount deferred in 2002 was not material.

On August 15, 2003, the Company repaid \$36.5 Yen borrowing under its \$375.0 Revolving Credit Facility that had been designated as a hedge of a net investment.

Forward Contracts

The Company has entered into foreign currency transactions in which foreign currencies (principally the Euro, Pounds and the Yen) are bought or sold forward. The contracts were entered into to meet currency requirements arising from specific transactions. The changes in value of these forward contracts were reflected in the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2002 the Company had contracts covering approximately \$37 of notional amount of currency and the fair value of the forward contracts was a gain of \$5.1. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had contracts covering \$2.4 of notional amount of currency and the fair value of the forward contracts was negligible.

Other

The Company has two embedded derivative instruments under the terms of the offering of Zero-Coupon Notes as discussed in Note 8. At December 31, 2002, the fair value of the two derivatives was negligible. As of April 2003, substantially all of the Zero-Coupon Notes were redeemed. In connection with the issuance and sale of the 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes in March 2003, two embedded derivatives were created. The fair value of the two derivatives on December 31, 2003 was negligible.

As discussed in Note 3, the Company has entered into various put and call options related to acquisitions. The exercise price of such options is generally based upon the achievement of projected operating performance targets and approximate fair value.

Note 14: Financial Instruments

Financial assets, which include cash and cash equivalents, investments and receivables, have carrying values which approximate fair value. Marketable securities are mainly available-for-sale as defined by SFAS 115, and accordingly are reported at fair value with net unrealized gains and losses reported as a component of other comprehensive income. The estimated fair value amounts have been determined using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies.

The Company's off-balance sheet financial instruments consisted of interest-rate swap agreements and foreign currency forward contracts as discussed in Note 13. The fair value of interest rate swap agreements was estimated based on quotes from the market makers of these instruments and represents the estimated amounts that the Company would expect to receive or pay to terminate the agreements at the reporting date. The fair values associated with the foreign currency contracts were estimated by valuing the net position of the contracts using the applicable spot rates and forward rates as of the reporting date.

The following table summarizes net unrealized holding gains and losses before taxes of the Company's investments carried on the cost method, at December 31:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cost	<u>\$147.0</u>	<u>\$169.0</u>	<u>\$176.3</u>
Unrealized:			
- Gains	4.1	--	1.4
- Losses	<u>--</u>	<u>-(6.0)</u>	<u>--</u>
Net unrealized gains (losses)	<u>4.1</u>	<u>-(6.0)</u>	<u>1.4</u>
Fair market value	<u>\$151.1</u>	<u>\$163.0</u>	<u>\$177.7</u>

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Unrealized holding gains (losses), net of tax, were \$2.2, \$(3.8) and \$0.6 at December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Financial liabilities with carrying values approximating fair value include accounts payable and accrued expenses, as well as short-term bank borrowings.

As of December 31, the fair value of the Company's significant borrowings was as follows:

	<u>2003</u>		<u>2002</u>	
	<u>Book Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Book Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.87%	\$337.5	\$ 336.6	\$328.5	\$278.0
Convertible Subordinated Notes - 1.80%	\$244.1	\$ 244.5	\$236.1	\$219.4
Senior Unsecured Note - 7.875%	\$522.1	\$ 535.0	\$533.7	\$485.0
Senior Unsecured Note - 7.25%	\$500.0	\$ 542.5	\$500.0	\$475.0
Convertible Senior Notes - 4.5%	\$800.0	\$1,224.0	\$ --	\$ --
Zero-Coupon Convertible Notes	\$ --	\$ --	\$581.0	\$551.9

The fair value of long-term debt instruments is based on market prices for debt instruments with similar terms and maturities.

Note 15: Segment Information

At December 31, 2003, the Company is organized into four global operating groups together with several stand-alone agencies. The four global operating groups are: a) McCann; b) FCB; c) The Partnership and d) SEG. Each of the four groups and the stand-alone agencies has its own management structure and reports to senior management of the Company on the basis of this structure. McCann, FCB and The Partnership provide a full complement of global marketing services including advertising and media management, marketing communications including direct marketing, public relations, sales promotion, event marketing, on-line marketing and healthcare marketing in addition to specialized marketing services. The stand-alone agencies include Weber Shandwick Worldwide, Initiative Media, Campbell-Ewald, Hill Holliday and Deutsch, which provide advertising and/or marketing communication services. SEG includes OWW (for sports marketing), Motorsports, and Jack Morton Worldwide (for specialized marketing services including corporate events, meetings and training/learning).

On July 10, 2003, the Company completed the sale of its NFO research unit to TNS. See Note 3. The results of NFO are classified as discontinued operations in accordance with SFAS 144, and, accordingly the results of operations and cash flow have been removed from the Company's results of continuing operations and cash flow for all periods presented in the document. NFO had been part of the AMS global operating group which, as a result of the sale of NFO, was disbanded and its remaining components (principally Weber Shandwick) became stand-alone agencies.

All groups operate with the same business objective which is to provide clients with a wide variety of services that contribute to the delivery of a message and to the maintenance or creation of a brand. However, the Partnership and the components of AMS historically had lower gross margins than the Company average. The global operating groups and the stand-alone agencies share numerous clients, have similar cost structures, provide services in a similar fashion and draw their employee base from the same sources. The annual margins of each of the groups may vary due to global economic conditions, client spending and specific circumstances such as the Company's restructuring activities. However, based on the respective future prospects of McCann, FCB, The Partnership and the stand-alone agencies, the Company believes that the long-term average gross margin of each of these entities will converge over time and, given the similarity of the operations, the four groups and the stand-alone agencies have been aggregated. SEG has different margins to the remaining four groups and, given current projections, the Company believes that the margins for this operating segment will not converge with the remaining entities.

SEG revenue is not material to the Company as a whole. However, in 2002 due to the recording of long-lived asset impairment charges, the operating difficulties and resulting higher costs from its motorsports business, the Company incurred a significant operating loss. Based on the fact that the book value of long-lived assets relating to Motorsports and other substantial contractual obligations may not be fully recoverable, the Company no longer expects that margins of SEG will converge with those of the rest of the Company. Accordingly, the Company began to report SEG as a separate reportable segment.

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Accordingly, in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131, *Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*, the Company has two reportable segments. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. Management evaluates performance based upon operating earnings before interest and income taxes.

Summarized financial information concerning the Company's reportable segments is shown in the following table:

	IPG (excl. SEG)	SEG	Consolidated Total
2003			
Revenue	\$ 5,435.3	\$ 428.1	\$ 5,863.4
Operating income (loss)	361.7	(309.5)	52.2
Total assets	12,004.4	230.1	12,234.5
Goodwill	3,192.0	118.6	3,310.6
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets	180.7	12.1	192.8
Capital expenditures	\$ 139.3	\$ 27.7	\$ 167.0
2002			
Revenue	\$ 5,357.9	\$ 379.6	\$ 5,737.5
Operating income (loss)	532.9	(173.9)	359.0
Total assets	11,215.9	577.8	11,793.7
Goodwill	3,057.2	319.9	3,377.1
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets	173.4	17.4	190.8
Capital expenditures	\$ 130.6	\$ 40.8	\$ 171.4
2001			
Revenue	\$ 5,918.1	\$ 434.6	\$ 6,352.7
Operating loss	(288.3)	21.8	(266.5)
Total assets	10,735.0	640.3	11,375.3
Goodwill	2,629.0	365.3	2,994.3
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets	183.0	15.1	198.1
Capital expenditures	\$ 233.0	\$ 24.5	\$ 257.5

A reconciliation of information between reportable segments and the Company's consolidated pre-tax earnings is shown in the following table:

	2003	2002	2001
Total operating income (loss) for reportable segments	\$ 52.2	\$359.0	\$(266.5)
Interest expense	(172.8)	(145.6)	(164.6)
Debt repayment penalty	(24.8)	--	--
Interest income	38.9	29.8	41.8
Other income	50.0	7.9	13.7
Investment impairments	(84.9)	(39.7)	(210.8)
Litigation charges	(127.6)	--	--
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>\$ (269.0)</u>	<u>\$211.4</u>	<u>\$(586.4)</u>

Long-lived assets and revenue are presented below by major geographic area:

	2003	2002	2001
Long-Lived Assets:			
United States	<u>\$2,411.1</u>	<u>\$2,652.2</u>	<u>\$2,405.7</u>
International			
United Kingdom	395.8	535.7	667.9
All Other Europe	1,126.5	1,238.4	943.0
Asia Pacific	179.0	163.5	172.4
Latin America	148.3	179.2	189.4
Other	<u>279.6</u>	<u>192.5</u>	<u>150.4</u>
Total International	2,129.2	2,309.3	2,123.1

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Deferred Income Taxes	<u>344.5</u>	<u>509.9</u>	<u>495.0</u>
Total Consolidated	<u>\$4,884.8</u>	<u>\$5,471.4</u>	<u>\$5,023.8</u>
Revenue:			
United States	<u>\$3,284.2</u>	<u>\$3,313.6</u>	<u>\$3,708.0</u>
International			
United Kingdom	599.1	584.5	615.8
All Other Europe	1,094.0	986.8	1,024.6
Asia Pacific	420.1	384.7	439.0
Latin America	233.9	266.4	345.6
Other	<u>232.1</u>	<u>201.5</u>	<u>219.7</u>
Total International	<u>2,579.2</u>	<u>2,423.9</u>	<u>2,644.7</u>
Total Consolidated	<u>\$5,863.4</u>	<u>\$5,737.5</u>	<u>\$6,352.7</u>

Revenue is attributed to geographic areas based on where the services are performed. Property and equipment is allocated based upon physical location. Intangible assets, other assets and investments are allocated based on the location of the related operation.

The largest client of the Company contributed approximately 8% in 2003, 8% in 2002 and 7% in 2001 to revenue. The Company's second largest client contributed approximately 3% in 2003, 3% in 2002 and 2% in 2001 to revenue.

Note 16: Commitments and Contingencies

Leases

The Company and its subsidiaries lease certain facilities and equipment. Gross rental expense amounted to \$447.4 for 2003, \$433.7 for 2002 and \$450.2 for 2001, which was reduced by sublease income of \$30.9 in 2003, \$24.5 in 2002 and \$29.9 in 2001. Where leases contain escalation clauses or other concessions, the impact of such adjustments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the minimum lease period.

Minimum rental commitments for the rental of office premises and equipment under noncancellable leases, some of which provide for rental adjustments due to increased property taxes and operating costs for 2004 and thereafter, are as follows:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2004	\$ 317.0
2005	\$ 279.9
2006	\$ 244.3
2007	\$ 214.3
2008	\$ 196.5
2009 and thereafter	\$1,055.6

Acquisitions-Related Commitments

Certain of the Company's acquisition agreements provide for deferred payments by the Company, contingent upon future revenues or profits of the companies acquired. Additionally, the Company has entered into put option agreements which are also contingent upon future revenues or profits. Contingent amounts under acquisition deferred payments, put options, in the event of exercise at the earliest exercise date, and other payments are \$293 (including cash and stock) assuming the full amount due under these acquisition agreements is paid.

Tax Matters

On April 21, 2003, the Company received a notice from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") proposing adjustments to the Company's taxable income that would result in additional taxes, including conforming adjustments to state and local returns, of \$41.5 (plus interest) for the taxable years 1994 to 1996. The Company believes that the tax positions that the IRS has challenged comply with applicable law, and it intends to defend those positions vigorously. The Company filed a Protest with the IRS Appeals Office on July 21, 2003. Although the ultimate resolution of these matters will likely require the Company to pay additional taxes, any such payments will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

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The IRS commenced its examination of the Company's 1997 to 2002 income tax returns in February 2004. In an attempt to become more current, the IRS is examining these multiple years in the normal course.

The Company and certain of its subsidiaries are party to various other tax examinations, some of which have resulted in assessments. The Company intends to vigorously defend any and all assessments and believes that additional taxes (if any) that may ultimately result from the settlement of such assessments or open examinations would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

Legal Matters

Federal Securities Class Actions

Thirteen federal securities purported class actions were filed against the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers by a purported class of purchasers of the Interpublic stock shortly after the Company's August 13, 2002 announcement regarding the restatement of its previously reported earnings for the periods January 1, 1997 through March 31, 2002. These actions, which were all filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, were consolidated by the court and lead counsel was appointed for all plaintiffs on November 8, 2002. A consolidated amended complaint was filed on January 10, 2003. The purported class consists of Interpublic shareholders who purchased Interpublic stock in the period from October 1997 to October 2002. Specifically, the consolidated amended complaint alleges that the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers allegedly made misleading statements to its shareholders between October 1997 and October 2002, including the alleged failure to disclose the existence of additional charges that would need to be expensed and the lack of adequate internal financial controls, which allegedly resulted in an overstatement of the Company's financial results during those periods. The consolidated amended complaint alleges that such false and misleading statements constitute violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. The consolidated amended complaint also alleges violations of Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") in connection with the Company's acquisition of True North on behalf of a purported class of True North shareholders who acquired Interpublic stock. No amount of damages is specified in the consolidated amended complaint. On February 6, 2003, defendants filed a motion to dismiss the consolidated amended complaint in its entirety. On February 28, 2003, plaintiffs filed their opposition to defendants' motion and, on March 14, 2003, defendants filed their reply to plaintiff's opposition to defendants' motion. On May 29, 2003, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York denied the motion to dismiss as to the Company and granted the motion, in part, as to the present and former directors and officers named in the consolidated amended complaint. On June 30, 2003, defendants filed an answer to the consolidated amended complaint. On November 6, 2003, the Court granted plaintiffs' motion to certify a class consisting of persons who purchased Interpublic stock between October 28, 1997 and October 16, 2002 and a class consisting of persons who acquired shares of Interpublic stock in exchange for shares of True North.

On December 2, 2003, the Company reached an agreement in principal to settle the consolidated class action shareholder suits currently pending in federal district court in New York. The settlement is subject to the execution of a final settlement agreement and to approval by the court. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, the Company will pay \$115 million, of which \$20 million will be paid in cash and \$95 million will be paid in shares of its common stock at a value of \$14.50 per share. The Company also agreed that, should the price of its common stock fall below \$8.70 per share before final approval of the settlement, the Company will either, at its sole discretion, issue additional shares of common stock or pay cash so that the consideration for the stock portion of the settlement will have a total value of \$57.

State Securities Class Actions

Two state securities purported class actions were filed against the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers by a purported class of purchasers of the Company stock shortly after the Company's November 13, 2002 announcement regarding the restatement of its previously reported earnings for the periods January 1, 1997 through March 31, 2002. The purported classes consist of Interpublic shareholders who acquired Interpublic stock on or about June 25, 2001 in connection with the Company's acquisition of True North. These lawsuits allege that the Company and certain of its present and former directors and officers allegedly made misleading statements in connection with the filing of a registration statement on May 9, 2001 in which the Company issued 67,644,272 shares of its common stock for the purpose of acquiring True North, including the alleged

failure to disclose the existence of additional charges that would need to be expensed and the lack of adequate internal financial controls, which allegedly resulted in an overstatement of the Company's financial results at that time. The suits allege that such misleading statements constitute violations of Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933. No amount of damages is specified in the complaints. These actions were filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois. On December 18, 2002, defendants removed these actions from Illinois state court to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Thereafter, on January 10, 2003, defendants moved to transfer these two actions to the Southern District of New York. Plaintiffs moved to remand these actions. On April 15, 2003, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois granted plaintiffs' motions to remand these actions to Illinois state court and denied defendants' motion to transfer. On June 18, 2003, the Company moved to dismiss and/or stay these actions. In June 2003, plaintiffs withdrew the complaint for one of these actions. On September 10, 2003, the Illinois state court stayed the remaining actions and on September 24, 2003, plaintiffs filed a notice that they will appeal the stay. On February 10, 2004, plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed their appeal.

Derivative Actions

On September 4, 2002, a shareholder derivative suit was filed in New York Supreme Court, New York County, by a single shareholder acting on behalf of the Company against the Board of Directors and against the Company's auditors. This suit alleged a breach of fiduciary duties to Interpublic's shareholders. On November 26, 2002, another shareholder derivative suit, alleging the same breaches of fiduciary duties, was filed in New York Supreme Court, New York County. The plaintiffs from these two shareholder derivative suits filed an Amended Derivative Complaint on January 31, 2003. On March 18, 2003, plaintiffs filed a motion to dismiss the Amended Derivative Complaint without prejudice. On April 16, 2003, the Amended Derivative Complaint was dismissed without prejudice. On February 24, 2003, plaintiffs also filed a Shareholders' Derivative Complaint in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. On May 2, 2003, plaintiffs filed an Amended Derivative Complaint. This action alleges the same breach of fiduciary duties claim as the state court actions, and adds a claim for contribution and forfeiture against two of the individual defendants pursuant to Section 21D of the Exchange Act and Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. On July 11, 2003, plaintiffs filed a Second Amended Derivative Complaint, asserting the same claims. The complaint does not state a specific amount of damages. On August 12, 2003, defendants moved to dismiss this action.

On January 26, 2004, the Company reached an agreement in principal to settle this derivative action pending completion of the settlement of the class action shareholder suits currently pending in federal district court in New York. The settlement is subject to the execution of a definitive settlement agreement and to approval from the federal district court judge.

The settlement of the actions discussed above are still pending and is expected to take several months. To effect this settlement, confirmatory discovery will need to be taken, and the terms of the settlements will have to be approved by the court. The Company cannot give any assurances that the proposed settlement will receive the approval of the court or as to the amount or type of consideration that the Company might agree to pay in connection with any settlement but has accrued an amount reflecting its estimate of amounts expected to be paid.

Other Legal Matters

The Company is involved in other legal and administrative proceedings of various types. While any litigation contains an element of uncertainty, the Company has no reason to believe that the outcome of such proceedings or claims will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

Litigation Charges

During 2003, the Company recorded litigation charges of \$127.6 for various legal matters, of which \$115 relates to a tentative settlement of the shareholder suits discussed above. The settlement is subject to the execution of a definitive settlement agreement and to approval from the federal district court judge. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, the Company will pay \$115, of which \$20 will be paid in cash and \$95 will be paid in shares of the Company's common stock at an estimated value of \$14.50 per share (which translates into 6,551,725 shares). In the event that the price of the Company's common stock falls below \$8.70 per share before final approval of the settlement, the Company will either, at its sole discretion, issue additional shares of common stock or pay cash so that the consideration for the stock portion of the settlement will have a total value of \$57. The ultimate amount of the litigation charge related to the settlement will depend upon the Company's stock price at the time a settlement is concluded. The Company believes that, if the settlement is concluded as expected, the amounts accrued would be adequate to cover all pending shareholder suits.

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SEC Investigation

The Company was informed in January 2003 by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff that the SEC has issued a formal order of investigation related to the Company's restatements of earnings for periods dating back to 1997. The matters had previously been the subject of an informal inquiry. The Company is cooperating fully with the investigation.

Other Contingencies

The Company continues to have commitments under certain leasing and motorsports event contractual arrangements at the Silverstone circuit. As of December 31, 2003, the Company is committed to remaining payments under these arrangements of approximately \$460. This amount relates to undiscounted payments through 2015 principally under an executory contract and an operating lease and assumes payments over the maximum remaining term of the relevant agreements. This estimated amount has not been reduced by any future revenues to be generated from the arrangements. The Company is continuing to explore various options with respect to these commitments, at least one of which may involve a cash disbursement in the order of \$200. The Company has obtained amendments of certain definitions contained in its Revolving Credit Agreements (as discussed in Note 8) to reduce the impact of such cash disbursement and the resulting accounting charge on its financial covenant calculations.

At December 31, 2003, the Company had contingent obligations under guarantees of certain obligations of its subsidiaries ("parent company guarantees"). The amount of such parent company guarantees was approximately \$658 and relates principally to lines of credit, guarantees of certain media payables and operating leases of certain subsidiaries. In the event of non-payment by the subsidiary of the obligations covered by the guarantee, the Company would be obliged to pay the amounts. As of December 31, 2003, there are no assets pledged as security for amounts owed or guaranteed.

Note 17: Subsequent Events

Sale of Motorsports Circuits

As discussed in Note 5, on January 12, 2004, the Company completed the sale of a business comprising the four owned motorsports circuits in the UK.

Declaration of Dividend on Preferred Stock

On February 24, 2004, the Company's Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.642 per share on its outstanding Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable in cash on March 15, 2004 to any stockholder of record at the close of business on March 1, 2004. This will result in total dividend payments of approximately \$5.

Redemption of 1.80% Convertible Notes Due 2004

In January 2004, the Company redeemed the 1.80% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004 at an aggregate amount of \$246.

RESULTS BY QUARTER (UNAUDITED) (Amounts in Millions, Except Per Share Amounts)

<u>First Quarter</u>		<u>Second Quarter</u>		<u>Third Quarter</u>		<u>Fourth Quarter</u>	
2003	2002	2003	2002	2003 ⁽¹⁾	2002 ⁽²⁾	2003	2002

Revenue	<u>\$1,315.7</u>	<u>\$1,319.0</u>	<u>\$1,499.4</u>	<u>\$1,490.4</u>	<u>\$1,418.9</u>	<u>\$1,386.8</u>	<u>\$1,629.4</u>	<u>\$1,541.3</u>
Salaries and related expenses	854.7	821.7	878.4	839.2	810.9	813.2	907.8	875.9
Office and general expenses	425.9	373.5	459.6	435.9	506.6	519.0	493.5	552.0
Amortization of intangible assets	3.2	1.8	4.1	2.6	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.4
Restructuring and other								
merger-related costs	--	--	94.4	--	48.0	12.1	33.2	--
Long-lived asset impairment and other charges	<u>11.1</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>11.0</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>222.7</u>	<u>118.7</u>	<u>42.1</u>	<u>8.4</u>
Income (loss) from operations	20.8	122.0	51.9	212.7	(171.1)	(78.3)	150.6	102.6
Interest expense	(38.8)	(35.3)	(46.1)	(36.9)	(43.5)	(36.7)	(44.4)	(36.7)
Debt prepayment penalty	--	--	--	--	(24.8)	--	--	--
Interest income	7.9	6.9	10.2	8.1	9.5	5.9	11.3	8.9
Other income, net	(0.2)	0.3	0.3	6.6	1.2	2.7	48.7	(1.7)
Investment impairment	(2.7)	--	(9.8)	(16.2)	(29.7)	(4.9)	(42.7)	(18.6)
Litigation charges	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(127.6)</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	<u>(13.0)</u>	<u>93.9</u>	<u>6.5</u>	<u>174.3</u>	<u>(386.0)</u>	<u>(111.3)</u>	<u>123.5</u>	<u>54.5</u>
Provision for (benefit of) income taxes	(5.6)	35.3	22.4	67.3	19.5	(23.0)	217.7	38.3
Income applicable to minority interests	(0.6)	(3.3)	(8.4)	(10.9)	(10.4)	(7.9)	(11.5)	(8.4)
Equity in net income (loss) of unconsolidated affiliates	<u>(3.2)</u>	<u>0.8</u>	<u>1.3</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>1.9</u>
Net equity interests	<u>(3.8)</u>	<u>(2.5)</u>	<u>(7.1)</u>	<u>(8.4)</u>	<u>(10.7)</u>	<u>(8.1)</u>	<u>(8.3)</u>	<u>(6.5)</u>
Income of consolidated companies								
from continuing operations	(11.2)	56.1	(23.0)	98.6	(416.2)	(96.4)	(102.5)	9.7
Discontinued operations, net of tax	<u>2.6</u>	<u>3.7</u>	<u>9.5</u>	<u>10.4</u>	<u>89.1</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>10.6</u>
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ (8.6)</u>	<u>\$ 59.8</u>	<u>\$ (13.5)</u>	<u>\$ 109.0</u>	<u>\$ (327.1)</u>	<u>\$ (89.6)</u>	<u>\$ (102.5)</u>	<u>\$ 20.3</u>
Per share data:								
Basic EPS from continuing operations	\$ (0.03)	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.06)	\$ 0.26	\$ (1.08)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.26)	\$ 0.03
Diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$ (0.03)	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.06)	\$ 0.26	\$ (1.08)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.26)	\$ 0.03
Basic EPS from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.02	\$ --	\$ 0.03
Diluted EPS from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.02	\$ --	\$ 0.03
Basic EPS	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.04)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.85)	\$ (0.24)	\$ (0.26)	\$ 0.05 *
Diluted EPS	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.04)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.85)	\$ (0.24)	\$ (0.26)	\$ 0.05 *
Cash dividends per share - Interpublic	\$ --	\$ 0.095	\$ --	\$ 0.095	\$ --	\$ 0.095	\$ --	\$ 0.095
Weighted-average shares:								
Basic	381.8	373.0	384.3	375.7	385.8	377.3	390.3	378.3
Diluted	381.8	379.8	384.3	382.4	385.8	377.3	390.3	381.8
Stock price:								
High	\$ 15.38	\$ 34.56	\$ 14.55	\$ 34.89	\$ 15.44	\$ 24.67	\$ 16.41	\$ 17.05
Low	\$ 8.01	\$ 27.20	\$ 9.30	\$ 23.51	\$ 12.94	\$ 13.40	\$ 13.55	\$ 11.25

* Does not foot due to rounding.

(1) The third quarter of 2003 reflects impairment charges of \$222.7 related, principally, to OWW, litigation charges of \$127.6, together with a \$48.7 tax charge to increase valuation allowances. Additionally, a gain on sale of discontinued operations was recorded of \$89.1.

(2) The third quarter of 2002 reflects impairment charges of \$118.7 related to Motorsports.

Report of Independent Auditors on Financial Statement Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

To the Board of Directors of
The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.

Our audits of the consolidated financial statements referred to in our report dated March 12, 2004, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K also included an audit of the Financial Statement Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts listed in Item 8 of this Form 10-K. In our opinion, this financial statement schedule presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements.

March 12, 2004

SCHEDULE II - 1 of 2

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001
(Dollars in Millions)

<u>COLUMN A</u>	<u>COLUMN B</u>	<u>COLUMN C</u>	<u>COLUMN D</u>	<u>COLUMN E</u>	<u>COLUMN F</u>
<u>Additions/(Deductions)</u>					
<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Charged to Costs & Expenses</u>	<u>Charged to Other Accounts-Describe</u>	<u>Deductions-Describe</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts - deducted from Receivables in the Consolidated Balance Sheet:					
2003	\$139.8	\$28.5	\$8.5 (1) (1.9) (2)	\$(2.3) (4) (32.3) (5) (6.9) (6)	\$133.4
2002	\$ 90.7	\$76.6	\$0.1 (1) (0.7) (2) 17.2 (3)	\$(45.0) (5) 0.9 (6)	\$139.8
2001	\$ 85.7	\$62.8	\$1.1 (1) 0.7 (2)	\$(58.3) (5) (1.3) (6)	\$ 90.7

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- (1) Allowance for doubtful accounts of acquired and newly consolidated companies.
(2) Miscellaneous.
(3) Reclassifications.
(4) Sale of NFO.
(5) Principally amounts written off.
(6) Foreign currency translation adjustment.

SCHEDULE II - 2 of 2

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES
VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001
(Dollars in Millions)

<u>COLUMN A</u>	<u>COLUMN B</u>	<u>COLUMN C</u>	<u>COLUMN D</u>	<u>COLUMN E</u>	<u>COLUMN F</u>
<u>Additions/(Deductions)</u>					
<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Charged to Costs & Expenses</u>	<u>Charged to Other Accounts-Describe</u>	<u>Deductions-Describe</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
Valuation Allowance - deducted from Deferred Income Taxes on the Consolidated Balance Sheet:					
2003	\$69.3	\$84.4	\$17.3 (1)	--	\$171.0
2002	\$41.8	\$27.5	--	--	\$69.3
2001	\$23.2	\$18.6	--	--	\$41.8

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- (1) Included in discontinued operations related to NFO.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

Not applicable.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

As previously disclosed, in prior years senior management and the Company's Audit Committee were informed by the Company's independent auditors that they considered that there was a "material weakness" (as defined under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) relating to the processing and monitoring of inter-company transactions. This material weakness, together with other deficiencies associated with a lack of balance sheet monitoring, if unaddressed, could result in errors in the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements. The Company has implemented certain systematic processes, which have been in place for the last five months of 2003, coupled with its existing manual controls, give the Company the ability to monitor this inter-company activity to ensure the integrity of the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2003. Management will continue to monitor these processes to ensure that they are working as prescribed.

Management continues its focus on balance sheet analysis and will further develop and enhance system-wide monitoring controls to allow it to mitigate the risk that material accounting errors might go undetected and be included in its Consolidated Financial Statements. The Company will also continue to increase and upgrade its accounting and financial reporting resources across all of its entities. The Company's management believes that a "material weakness" persists with respect to these matters, notwithstanding the remedial action undertaken with respect to inter-company transactions. The Company's independent auditors concur with management's assessment.

The Company has also taken various other steps to establish effective control procedures and to maintain the accuracy of its financial disclosures, including the following:

- * Meeting with management of the Company's financial and operating units to ensure their understanding of the procedures to be followed and requirements to be met prior to executing the certification letters that accompany the financial statements they submit;
- * Requiring code of conduct compliance certifications by all significant management of the Company and its subsidiaries prior to submission of financial statements;
- * Creating a centralized Project Management Office, charged with monitoring and preparing management to report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting;
- * Increasing the focus on assessing the financial staff requirements of the Company; and
- * Initiating a focused effort to establish controls to deter and detect fraud with significant oversight and input by the Company's Board and Audit Committee including, but not limited to, ensuring proper follow-up and resolution of whistleblowers' assertions.

The Company has determined that it has a significant amount of work yet to be completed with respect to remediating the above-mentioned material weakness. The Company is undertaking a thorough review of its internal controls, including information technology systems and financial reporting, as part of the Company's preparation for compliance with the requirements under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. At this time we have not completed our review of the existing controls and their effectiveness. However, unless the material weakness described above is remedied, management cannot make any assurances at this time that it will be able to assert that the Company's internal control over financial reporting is effective, pursuant to the rules adopted by the Commission under Section 404, when those rules take effect.

The Company has carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (including but not limited to steps described above). Based upon the Company's evaluation, the chief executive officer and chief financial officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files and submits under the Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required. There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives.

Other than as described above, there has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART III

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of Interpublic

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the "Election of Directors" section, "Corporate Governance Practices and Board Matters" section and the "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" of the Proxy Statement, to be filed not later than 120 days after the end of the 2002 calendar year, except for the description of the Company's Executive Officers which appears in Part I of this Report on Form 10-K under the heading "Executive Officers of Interpublic."

Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the "Compensation for Executive Officers" section and the "Report of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors" section of the Proxy Statement. Such incorporation by reference shall not be deemed to incorporate specifically by reference the information referred to in Item 402(a)(8) of Regulation S-K.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the Proxy Statement sections "Outstanding Shares" and "Compensation of Executive Officers - Equity Compensation Plan Information Table".

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to the "Transactions with Interpublic" section of the Proxy Statement. Such incorporation by reference shall not be deemed to incorporate specifically by reference the information referred to in Item 402(a)(8) of Regulation S-K.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedule, and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Listed below are all financial statements, financial statement schedules and exhibits filed as part of this Report on Form 10-K.

1. Financial Statements:

The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Report of Independent Auditors

Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2003 and 2002

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

2. Financial Statement Schedules:

Report of Independent Auditors on Financial Statement Schedule

Valuation and Qualifying Accounts (for the three years ended December 31, 2003)

All other schedules are omitted because they are not applicable.

3. Exhibits:

(Numbers used are the numbers assigned in Item 601 of Regulation S-K and the EDGAR Filer Manual. An additional copy of this exhibit index immediately precedes the exhibits filed with this Report on Form 10-K and the exhibits transmitted to the Commission as part of the electronic filing of this Report.)

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
(3) (a)	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended through May 29, 2003, is incorporated by reference to its Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
(b)	Certificate of Designations of 5 3/8% Series A Senior Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock of the Registrant, as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on December 17, 2003 is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 16, 2003.
(c)	The By-Laws of the Registrant, amended through July 31, 2003, for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
(4)	Instruments Defining the Rights of Security Holders.
(a)	Indenture dated as of June 1, 1999 between the Company and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-84573).
(b)	Senior Debt Indenture, dated as of October 20, 2000, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 24, 2000.
(c)	First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of August 22, 2001, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-74476).
(d)	Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 13, 2003, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 18, 2003.
(e)	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2003, among the Registrant and Salomon Smith Barney Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Warburg LLC, as representatives of the initial purchasers named therein, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 18, 2003.
(f)	Form of Senior Debt Indenture to be entered into between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as Trustee, including form of senior debt securities, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-109384).

- (g) Form of Subordinated Debt Indenture to be entered into between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as Trustee, including form of subordinated debt securities, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-109384).
- (h) Certificate of Designations of 5 3/8% Series A Senior Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock of the Registrant, as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on December 17, 2003 is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 16, 2003.

(10) Material Contracts.

(a) Contracts for the Sale of Assets

- (i) Stock Purchase Agreement by and between Taylor Nelson Sofres PLC and the Registrant, dated as of May 14, 2003, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 18, 2003

(b) Employment, Consultancy and other Compensatory Arrangements with Management.

Listed below are agreements or amendments to agreements between the Registrant and its executive officers which remain in effect on and after the date hereof or were executed during the year ended December 31, 2003 or thereafter, unless previously submitted, which are filed as exhibits to this Report on Form 10-K.

(i) David A. Bell

- (a) David A. Bell Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Employment Agreement Amendment, dated as of March 1, 2001, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Employment Agreement Amendment, dated as of June 1, 2001, and signed as of October 1, 2002, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, as amended, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(i)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of February 28, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 1, 2000, between the Registrant and David A. Bell, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of April 1, 2003, by and between the Registrant and David A. Bell, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(i)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Memorandum dated May 1, 2003, from David A. Bell, providing for Cancellation of Certain Stock Options, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(I)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(ii) Christopher J. Coughlin

- (a) Employment Agreement, made as of May 6, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Severance Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(iii) Nicholas J. Camera

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1995, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1998, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vi)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of January 1, 2003 and executed as of June 23, 2003 to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between Interpublic and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(iv) Albert Conte

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of February 21, 2000, between the Registrant and Albert Conte, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(v) Thomas Dowling

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(A)(1) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2000, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2001, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2002, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Executive Severance Agreement, dated November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(vi) Philippe Krakowsky

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of January 28, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(2) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2002, and signed as of July 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (c) Special Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2002, and signed as of July 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (d) Executive Severance Agreement, dated September 13, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vi) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated September 30, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vi) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (f) Supplemental Agreement, made as of April 8, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 28, 2002, by and between Interpublic and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (g) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of November 14, 2002, by and between Interpublic and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(viii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (vii) Robert J. Thompson
- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2003, between the Registrant and Robert J. Thompson, is filed herewith.
 - (b) Capital Accumulation Plan Participation Agreement, entered into as of November 12, 2003, between the Registrant and Robert J. Thompson, is filed herewith.
- (viii) John J. Dooner, Jr.
- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1986, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (b) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1987, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(h) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (c) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of May 23, 1990, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1986, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(l) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (d) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of, July 1, 1992, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(q) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (e) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1992, to an Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1987, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(p) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (f) Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(r) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (g) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1994, between the

Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(s) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (h) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1995, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., dated as of January 1, 1994, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(B) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (i) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1995, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(t) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (j) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of September 1, 1997, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(k) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1997. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (k) Executive Severance Agreement, dated January 1, 1998, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (l) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1999, to an Employment Agreement dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1999. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (m) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2000, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (n) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of May 20, 2002, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., signed as of November 11, 2002, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (o) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2002, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (p) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2002, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (q) Supplemental Agreement, made as of January 1, 2003 and executed as of June 17, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (r) Supplemental Agreement, made as of March 31, 2003, to an Employment Agreement made as of January 1, 1994, as amended between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (s) Supplemental Agreement, made as of March 31, 2003 and executed as of April 15, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 1, 1994, by and between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (t) Letter Agreement, dated May 8, 2003, between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., providing for cancellation of certain Stock Options, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
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(ix) Jill Considine

- (a) Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Jill Considine, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(x) Richard A. Goldstein

- (a) Richard A Goldstein Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2001, between the Registrant and Richard A. Goldstein, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(c) to Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(xi) Brian Brooks

- (a) Executive Severance Agreement, dated November 8, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ix) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of April 7, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 20, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan Participation Agreement, effective as of November 10, 2003, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is filed herewith.
- (h) Supplemental Agreement, made as of November 10, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is filed herewith.
- (i) Confidential Separation Agreement and General Release, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is filed herewith.

(xii) Bruce Nelson

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2000, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2000, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1986, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Employment Agreement, dated as of September 5, 2000, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of April 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)

(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003 and signed as of September 3, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of September 5, 2000, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(5) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of April 18, 2002, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (h) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003 and signed as of September 3, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of September 5, 2000, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(5) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(xiii) Gunnar Wilmot

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1990, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(d) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of May 23, 1990, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1990, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 1996, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of April 1, 1999, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Letter Agreement, dated June 27, 2003, between Interpublic and Gunnar Wilmot providing for the Cancellation of Certain Stock Options is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(xi) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of May 16, 2003, and signed as of November 6, 2003, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is filed herewith.

(c) Executive Compensation Plans.

- (i) Trust Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1990, between the Registrant, Lintas Campbell-Ewald Company, McCann-Erickson USA, Inc., McCann-Erickson Marketing, Inc., Lintas, Inc. and Chemical Bank, as Trustee, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1990. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ii) The Stock Option Plan (1988) and the Achievement Stock Award Plan of the Registrant are incorporated by reference to Appendices C and D of the Prospectus, dated May 4, 1989, forming part of its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 33-28143).
- (iii) The Management Incentive Compensation Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (iv) The 1986 Stock Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (v) The 1986 United Kingdom Stock Option Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (vi) The Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1985) of the Registrant, as amended, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (vii) The Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Prospectus dated December 12, 1988 forming part of its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 33-25555).
 - (viii) Resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on February 16, 1993, amending the Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (ix) Resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on May 16, 1989 amending the Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1989. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (x) The 1996 Stock Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1996. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xi) The 1997 Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1997. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xii) True North Communications Inc. Stock Option Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-59254).
 - (xiii) Bozell, Jacobs, Kenyon & Eckhardt, Inc. Stock Option Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-59254).
 - (xiv) True North Communications Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit (c)(xiv) of the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xv) Resolution of the Board of Directors of True North Communications Inc. adopted on March 1, 2002 amending the Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit (c)(xv) of the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xvi) The 2002 Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Registrant's Schedule 14A filed April 17, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xvii) The Interpublic Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xviii) The Interpublic Capital Accumulation Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (xix) The Interpublic Outside Directors Stock Incentive Plan of Interpublic, as amended through August 1, 2003, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Loan Agreements.
- (i) Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K/A, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 12, 2003.
 - (ii) Amendment No. 1, dated as of March 13, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(d)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (iii) Amendment No. 2, dated as of May 15, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial

lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (iv) Amendment No. 3, dated as of September 29, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(B) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (v) Amendment No. 4, dated as of November 5, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (vi) Amendment No. 5, dated as of November 18, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (vii) 364-Day Credit Agreement dated May 15, 2003 among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as syndication agent, UBS Warburg LLC and HSBC Bank USA, as co-documentation agents, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as lead arranger and book manager and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (viii) Amendment No. 2, dated as of September 29, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ix) Amendment No. 3, dated as of November 5, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (x) Amendment No. 4, dated as of November 18, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.

(e) Acquisition Agreement for Purchase of Real Estate.

Acquisition Agreement (in German) between Treuhandgesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft & Co. Grundbesitz OHG and McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH & Co. Management Property KG ("McCann-Erickson Deutschland") and the English translation of the Acquisition Agreement are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(f) Mortgage Agreements and Encumbrances.

- (i) Summaries in German and English of Mortgage Agreements between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank Aktiengesellschaft ("Frankfurter Hypothekenbank"), Mortgage Agreement, dated January 22, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank, Mortgage Agreement, dated January 22, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686. Summaries in German and English of Mortgage Agreement, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Sparkasse and Mortgage Agreement, dated January 7, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Sparkasse are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ii) Summaries in German and English of Documents creating Encumbrances in favor of Frankfurter Hypothekenbank and Frankfurter Sparkasse in connection with the aforementioned Mortgage Agreements, Encumbrance, dated January 15, 1993, in favor of Frankfurter Hypothekenbank, and Encumbrance, dated January 15, 1993, in favor of Frankfurter Sparkasse are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (iii) Loan Agreement (in English and German), dated January 29, 1993 between Lintas Deutschland GmbH and McCann-Erickson Deutschland is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(g) Underwriting Agreements

- (i) Common Stock Underwriting Agreement, dated December 16, 2003, among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Securities LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 19, 2003.

(ii) 5 3/8% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Underwriting Agreement, dated December 16, 2003, among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Securities LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named therein, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 19, 2003.

- (21) Subsidiaries of the Registrant.
- (23) Consent of Independent Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
- (24) Power of Attorney to sign Form 10-K and resolution of Board of Directors re Power of Attorney.
- (31.1) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by David A. Bell, under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("S-OX").
- (31.2) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by Christopher J. Coughlin, under Section 302 of S-OX.
- (32) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by David A. Bell and Christopher J. Coughlin, furnished pursuant to Section 906 of S-OX.
- (99) (a) The Company filed the following reports on Form 8-K during the quarter ended December 31, 2003:
- (i) Report filed December 19, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibits 1.1, 1.2, 4.1, 99.1, 99.2 and 99.3 Press Release.
 - (ii) Report filed December 18, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
 - (iii) Report filed December 8, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits. Exhibits 99.1 (Items 1 and 2 of Part I of the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarter ended March 31, 2003).
 - (iv) Report filed December 5, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
 - (v) Report filed December 1, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.
 - (vi) Report filed November 21, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
 - (vii) Report, filed November 12, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Item 12 Results of Operations and Financial Condition. Exhibit 99.1.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.
(Registrant)

March 15, 2004

BY: /s/ David A. Bell
David A. Bell
Chairman of the Board, President
And Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Name	Title	Date
<u>/s/ David A. Bell</u> David A. Bell	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 15, 2004

<u>/s/ Christopher J. Coughlin</u> Christopher J. Coughlin	Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) and Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Frank J. Borelli</u> Frank J. Borelli	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Reginald K. Brack</u> Reginald K. Brack	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Jill M. Considine</u> Jill M. Considine	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ John J. Dooner, Jr.</u> John J. Dooner, Jr.	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Richard A. Goldstein</u> Richard A. Goldstein	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ H. John Greeniaus</u> H. John Greeniaus	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Michael I. Roth</u> Michael I. Roth	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ J. Phillip Samper</u> J. Phillip Samper	Director	March 15, 2004
<u>/s/ Robert G. Thompson</u> Robert G. Thompson	Senior Vice President-Finance (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 15, 2004

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
(3) (a)	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended through May 29, 2003, is incorporated by reference to its Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
(b)	Certificate of Designations of 5 3/8% Series A Senior Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock of the Registrant, as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on December 17, 2003 is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 16, 2003.
(c)	The By-Laws of the Registrant, amended through July 31, 2003, for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
(4)	Instruments Defining the Rights of Security Holders.
(a)	Indenture dated as of June 1, 1999 between the Company and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-84573).
(b)	Senior Debt Indenture, dated as of October 20, 2000, between the Registrant and The Bank of New

(b) Senior Debt Indenture, dated as of October 20, 2000, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 24, 2000.

- (c) First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of August 22, 2001, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-74476).
- (d) Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 13, 2003, between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as trustee, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 18, 2003.
- (e) Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2003, among the Registrant and Salomon Smith Barney Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Warburg LLC, as representatives of the initial purchasers named therein, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 18, 2003.
- (f) Form of Senior Debt Indenture to be entered into between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as Trustee, including form of senior debt securities, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-109384).
- (g) Form of Subordinated Debt Indenture to be entered into between the Registrant and The Bank of New York, as Trustee, including form of subordinated debt securities, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-109384).
- (h) Certificate of Designations of 5 3/8% Series A Senior Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock of the Registrant, as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on December 17, 2003 is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 16, 2003.

(10) Material Contracts.

- (a) Contracts for the Sale of Assets
 - (i) Stock Purchase Agreement by and between Taylor Nelson Sofres PLC and the Registrant, dated as of May 14, 2003, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 18, 2003
- (b) Employment, Consultancy and other Compensatory Arrangements with Management.

Listed below are agreements or amendments to agreements between the Registrant and its executive officers which remain in effect on and after the date hereof or were executed during the year ended December 31, 2003 or thereafter, unless previously submitted, which are filed as exhibits to this Report on Form 10-K.

- (i) David A. Bell
 - (a) David A. Bell Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (b) Employment Agreement Amendment, dated as of March 1, 2001, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (c) Employment Agreement Amendment, dated as of June 1, 2001, and signed as of October 1, 2002, between True North Communications Inc. and David A. Bell to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2000, as amended, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(i)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of February 28, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 1, 2000, between the Registrant and David A. Bell, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of April 1, 2003, by and between the Registrant and David A. Bell, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(i)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (f)

Memorandum dated May 1, 2003, from David A. Bell, providing for Cancellation of Certain Stock Options, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(I)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(ii) Christopher J. Coughlin

- (a) Employment Agreement, made as of May 6, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Severance Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Christopher J. Coughlin, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(iii) Nicholas J. Camera

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1995, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1998, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vi)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of January 1, 2003 and executed as of June 23, 2003 to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between the Registrant and Nicholas J. Camera, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(iv) Albert Conte

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of February 21, 2000, between the Registrant and Albert Conte, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(v) Thomas Dowling

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(iii)(A)(1) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2000, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2001, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2002, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas

Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (e) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 1999, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Executive Severance Agreement, dated November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Thomas Dowling, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(vi) Philippe Krakowsky

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of January 28, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(2) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2002, and signed as of July 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Special Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2002, and signed as of July 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Executive Severance Agreement, dated September 13, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vi) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated September 30, 2002, between the Registrant and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(vi) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Supplemental Agreement, made as of April 8, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 28, 2002, by and between Interpublic and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of November 14, 2002, by and between Interpublic and Philippe Krakowsky, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(viii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(vii) Robert J. Thompson

- (a) Employment Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2003, between the Registrant and Robert J. Thompson, is filed herewith.
- (b) Capital Accumulation Plan Participation Agreement, entered into as of November 12, 2003, between the Registrant and Robert J. Thompson, is filed herewith.

(viii) John J. Dooner, Jr.

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1986, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1987, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(h) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c)

Supplemental Agreement, dated as of May 23, 1990, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1986, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(l) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (d) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of, July 1, 1992, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(q) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1992, to an Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of August 10, 1987, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(p) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(r) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(s) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (h) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1995, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., dated as of January 1, 1994, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(B) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (i) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1995, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(t) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (j) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of September 1, 1997, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(k) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1997. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (k) Executive Severance Agreement, dated January 1, 1998, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (l) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1999, to an Employment Agreement dated as of January 1, 1994, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1999. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (m) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2000, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (n) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of May 20, 2002, between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., signed as of November 11, 2002, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (o) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2002, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (p) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2002, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(xv)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (q) Supplemental Agreement, made as of January 1, 2003 and executed as of June 17, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of January 1, 1998, by and between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by

reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (r) Supplemental Agreement, made as of March 31, 2003, to an Employment Agreement made as of January 1, 1994, as amended between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (s) Supplemental Agreement, made as of March 31, 2003 and executed as of April 15, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of January 1, 1994, by and between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (t) Letter Agreement, dated May 8, 2003, between Interpublic and John J. Dooner, Jr., providing for cancellation of certain Stock Options, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(iv)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (u) Supplemental Agreement dated as of November 12, 2003, to an Employment Agreement between the Registrant and John J. Dooner, Jr., is filed herewith.
- (ix) Jill Considine
- (a) Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Jill Considine, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (x) Richard A. Goldstein
- (a) Richard A Goldstein Deferred Compensation Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2001, between the Registrant and Richard A. Goldstein, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(c) to Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xi) Brian Brooks
- (a) Executive Severance Agreement, dated November 8, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ix) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (b) Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (d) Supplemental Agreement, made as of April 7, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 20, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (f) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(ii)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
 - (g) Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan Participation Agreement, effective as of November 10, 2003, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is filed herewith.
 - (h) Supplemental Agreement, made as of November 10, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks, is filed herewith.
 - (i) Confidential Separation Agreement and General Release, between the Registrant and Brian Brooks is filed herewith.

(xii) Bruce Nelson

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2000, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2000, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1986, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Employment Agreement, dated as of September 5, 2000, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Executive Severance Agreement, dated as of April 18, 2002, between the Registrant and Bruce Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003 and signed as of September 3, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of September 5, 2000, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(5) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (g) Supplemental Agreement, made as of June 16, 2003, to an Executive Severance Agreement, made as of April 18, 2002, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(v)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (h) Supplemental Agreement, made as of May 1, 2003 and signed as of September 3, 2003, to an Employment Agreement, made as of September 5, 2000, by and between the Registrant and Bruce S. Nelson, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(5) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(xiii) Gunnar Wilmot

- (a) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1990, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(d) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (b) Supplemental Agreement, dated as of May 23, 1990, to an Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1990, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(c) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (c) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 1996, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(b) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (d) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of April 1, 1999, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (e) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2002, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b)(x)(a) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (f) Letter Agreement, dated June 27, 2003, between Interpublic and Gunnar Wilmot providing for the Cancellation of Certain Stock Options is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(iii)(A)(xi) to the Registrant's Report

on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (g) Executive Special Benefit Agreement, dated as of May 16, 2003, and signed as of November 6, 2003, between the Registrant and Gunnar Wilmot, is filed herewith.

(c) Executive Compensation Plans.

- (i) Trust Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1990, between the Registrant, Lintas Campbell-Ewald Company, McCann-Erickson USA, Inc., McCann-Erickson Marketing, Inc., Lintas, Inc. and Chemical Bank, as Trustee, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1990. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ii) The Stock Option Plan (1988) and the Achievement Stock Award Plan of the Registrant are incorporated by reference to Appendices C and D of the Prospectus, dated May 4, 1989, forming part of its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 33-28143).
- (iii) The Management Incentive Compensation Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1995. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (iv) The 1986 Stock Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (v) The 1986 United Kingdom Stock Option Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (vi) The Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1985) of the Registrant, as amended, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (vii) The Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Prospectus dated December 12, 1988 forming part of its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 33-25555).
- (viii) Resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on February 16, 1993, amending the Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ix) Resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on May 16, 1989 amending the Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1989. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (x) The 1996 Stock Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1996. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xi) The 1997 Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1997. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xii) True North Communications Inc. Stock Option Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-59254).
- (xiii) Bozell, Jacobs, Kenyon & Eckhardt, Inc. Stock Option Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 of Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-59254).
- (xiv) True North Communications Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit (c)(xiv) of the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xv) Resolution of the Board of Directors of True North Communications Inc. adopted on March 1, 2002 amending the Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated by reference to Exhibit (c)(xv) of the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xvi) The 2002 Performance Incentive Plan of the Registrant is incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Registrant's Schedule 14A filed April 17, 2002. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xvii) The Interpublic Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (xviii)

The Interpublic Capital Accumulation Plan is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (xix) The Interpublic Outside Directors Stock Incentive Plan of Interpublic, as amended through August 1, 2003, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(d) Loan Agreements.

- (i) Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K/A, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 12, 2003.
- (ii) Amendment No. 1, dated as of March 13, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(d)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (iii) Amendment No. 2, dated as of May 15, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement, amended and restated as of December 31, 2002, among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A)(ii) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (iv) Amendment No. 3, dated as of September 29, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(B) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (v) Amendment No. 4, dated as of November 5, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (vi) Amendment No. 5, dated as of November 18, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Five-Year Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (vii) 364-Day Credit Agreement dated May 15, 2003 among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as syndication agent, UBS Warburg LLC and HSBC Bank USA, as co-documentation agents, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as lead arranger and book manager and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A)(i) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (viii) Amendment No. 2, dated as of September 29, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(i)(A) to the Registrant's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (ix) Amendment No. 3, dated as of November 5, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.
- (x) Amendment No. 4, dated as of November 18, 2003, to the 364-Day Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the initial lenders named therein and Citibank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, is filed herewith.

(e) Acquisition Agreement for Purchase of Real Estate.

Acquisition Agreement (in German) between Treuhandgesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft & Co. Grundbesitz OHG and McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH & Co. Management Property KG ("McCann-Erickson Deutschland") and the English translation of the Acquisition Agreement are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(f) Mortgage Agreements and Encumbrances.

- (i) Summaries in German and English of Mortgage Agreements between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank Aktiengesellschaft ("Frankfurter Hypothekenbank"), Mortgage Agreement, dated January 22, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank, Mortgage Agreement, dated January 22, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Hypothekenbank are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1993. See Commission file number 1-6686. Summaries in German and English of Mortgage Agreement, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter Sparkasse and Mortgage Agreement, dated January 7, 1993, between McCann-Erickson Deutschland and Frankfurter

Sparkasse are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.

- (ii) Summaries in German and English of Documents creating Encumbrances in favor of Frankfurter Hypothekenbank and Frankfurter Sparkasse in connection with the aforementioned Mortgage Agreements, Encumbrance, dated January 15, 1993, in favor of Frankfurter Hypothekenbank, and Encumbrance, dated January 15, 1993, in favor of Frankfurter Sparkasse are incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.
- (iii) Loan Agreement (in English and German), dated January 29, 1993 between Lintas Deutschland GmbH and McCann-Erickson Deutschland is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1992. See Commission file number 1-6686.

(g) Underwriting Agreements

- (i) Common Stock Underwriting Agreement, dated December 16, 2003, among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Securities LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 19, 2003.
- (ii) 5 3/8% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Underwriting Agreement, dated December 16, 2003, among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and UBS Securities LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named therein, is incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report On Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 19, 2003.

(21) Subsidiaries of the Registrant.

(23) Consent of Independent Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

(24) Power of Attorney to sign Form 10-K and resolution of Board of Directors re Power of Attorney.

(31.1) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by David A. Bell, under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("S-OX").

(31.2) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by Christopher J. Coughlin, under Section 302 of S-OX.

(32) Certification dated as of March 15, 2004 and executed by David A. Bell and Christopher J. Coughlin, furnished pursuant to Section 906 of S-OX.

(99) (a) The Company filed the following reports on Form 8-K during the quarter ended December 31, 2003:

- (i) Report filed December 19, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibits 1.1, 1.2, 4.1, 99.1, 99.2 and 99.3 Press Release.
- (ii) Report filed December 18, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
- (iii) Report filed December 8, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits. Exhibits 99.1 (Items 1 and 2 of Part I of the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarter ended March 31, 2003).
- (iv) Report filed December 5, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
- (v) Report filed December 1, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.
- (vi) Report filed November 21, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.
- (vii) Report, filed November 12, 2003. Item 5 Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure, Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits and Item 12 Results of Operations and Financial Condition. Exhibit 99.1.

REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

The consolidated financial statements, including the financial analysis and all other information in this Form 10-K, were prepared by management, who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. Management believes the financial statements, which require the use of certain estimates and judgments, reflect the Company's financial position and operating results in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management maintains a system of internal accounting controls which provides reasonable assurance that, in all material respects, assets are maintained and accounted for in accordance with management's authorization, and transactions are recorded accurately in the books and records. As discussed in Item 9A Controls and Procedures in Part II of this

Form 10-K, management has concluded that there was a "material weakness" (as defined under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) relating to the processing and monitoring of inter-company transactions. This material weakness, together with other deficiencies associated with a lack of balance sheet monitoring, if unaddressed, could result in errors in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company has implemented certain systematic processes, which have been in place for the last five months of 2003, coupled with its existing manual controls, give the Company the ability to monitor this inter-company activity to ensure the integrity of the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2003. Management will continue to monitor these processes to ensure that they are working as prescribed.

Management continues its focus on balance sheet analysis and will further develop and enhance system-wide monitoring controls to allow it to mitigate the risk that material accounting errors might go undetected and be included in its consolidated financial statements. The Company will also continue to increase and upgrade its accounting and financial reporting resources. The Company's management believes that a "material weakness" persists with respect to these matters, notwithstanding the remedial action undertaken with respect to inter-company transactions. The Company's independent auditors concur with management's assessment.

The Company has also taken various other steps to establish effective control procedures and to maintain the accuracy of its financial disclosures (see Item 9A below).

The Company has determined that it has a significant amount of work yet to be completed with respect to remediating the above-mentioned material weakness. The Company is undertaking a thorough review of its internal controls, including, information technology systems and financial reporting, as part of the Company's preparation for compliance with the requirements under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. At this time we have not completed our review of the existing controls and their effectiveness. However, unless the material weakness described above is remedied management cannot make any assurances at this time that management will be able to assert that the Company's internal control over financial reporting is effective, pursuant to the rules adopted by the Commission under Section 404, when those rules take effect.

The Finance Committee of the Board of Directors, which is comprised of the Company's Chairman and Chief Financial Officer and four outside Directors, is responsible for defining lines of responsibility and delegating the authority to management to conduct the day-to-day financial affairs of the Company. In carrying out its duties, the Finance Committee primarily focuses on monitoring financial and operational goals and guidelines; approving and monitoring specific proposals for acquisitions; approving capital expenditures; working capital, cash and balance sheet management; and overseeing the hedging of foreign exchange, interest-rate and other financial risks. The Committee meets regularly to review presentations and reports on these and other financial matters to the Board. It also works closely with, but is separate from, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

The Company has formally stated and communicated policies requiring of employees high ethical standards in their conduct of its business. As a further enhancement of the above, the Company's comprehensive internal audit program is designed for continual evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of its internal controls and measures adherence to established policies and procedures.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors is comprised of six directors, none of whom who are employees of the Company. The Committee reviews audit plans, internal controls, financial reports and related matters, and meets regularly with management, internal auditors and independent accountants. The independent accountants and the internal auditors have free access to the Audit Committee, without management being present, to discuss the results of their audits or any other matters.

The independent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, were appointed by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, and their appointment was ratified by the stockholders. The independent auditors have examined the financial statements of the Company and their opinion is included as part of the financial statements.

March 15, 2003

/s/ David A. Bell
David A. Bell
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Christopher J. Coughlin
Christopher J. Coughlin
Executive Vice President,
Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT made as of October 1, 2003, by and between **THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.**, a corporation of the State of Delaware, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "**Interpublic**") and **ROBERT THOMPSON** (hereinafter referred to as "**Executive**").

In consideration of the mutual promises set forth herein the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Term of Employment

1.01 Subject to the provisions of Article VII and Article VIII, and upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, Interpublic will employ Executive beginning October 1, 2003 ("**Commencement Date**") and continuing thereafter subject to termination in accordance with the provisions of Article VII hereof. (The period during which Executive is employed hereunder is referred to herein as the "**term of employment**").

ARTICLE II

Duties

2.01 During the term of employment Executive will:

- (i) Serve as Senior Vice President of Finance, reporting to the Chief Operating Officer of Interpublic;
- (ii) Use his best efforts to promote the interests of Interpublic and devote his full business time and efforts to its business and affairs;
- (iii) Perform such duties as Interpublic may from time to time assign to him and;
- (iv) Serve in such other offices of Interpublic as he may be elected or appointed to.

ARTICLE III

Regular Compensation

3.01 Interpublic will compensate Executive for the duties performed by him hereunder, by payment of a base salary at the rate of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000) per annum, payable in equal installments, which Interpublic may pay at semi-monthly intervals, subject to customary withholding for federal, state and local taxes.

3.02 Interpublic may at any time increase the compensation paid to Executive under this Article III if Interpublic in its discretion shall deem it advisable so to do in order to compensate him fairly for services rendered to Interpublic. Executive shall be eligible to receive a salary review every two years in accordance with Interpublic policy.

3.03 Interpublic will contribute Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) per annum on Executive's behalf under the Capital Accumulation Plan.

ARTICLE IV

Bonuses

4.01 Executive will be eligible during the term of employment to participate in the Annual Incentive Compensation Plan, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan established from time to time. Executive's target award is Fifty Percent (50%) of his annual base salary and Executive may earn up to a maximum of 75% of his annual base salary, provided however, that the actual award, if any, shall be determined by Interpublic and shall be based on profits, Executive's individual performance, and management discretion. Executive's 2003 bonus will be 25% of Executive's target under the Annual Incentive Compensation Plan.

4.02 As soon as administratively feasible after full execution of this Agreement, Interpublic will use its best efforts to have the Compensation Committee of its Board of Directors ("**Committee**") grant to Executive an award equal to Two Thousand (2,000) performance units for the 2003-2005 performance period under Interpublic's Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan ("**LTPIP**"). If Interpublic chooses to eliminate the LTPIP Program, Interpublic management will recommend to the Committee that Executive participate, at a level comparable to that of executives in comparable positions, in any new long term incentive plan adopted by Interpublic.

ARTICLE V

Interpublic Stock

5.01 As soon as administratively feasible after full execution of this Agreement, Interpublic will use its best efforts to have its Management Human Resources Committee ("**MHRC**") grant to Executive options to purchase One Hundred Thousand (100,000) shares of Interpublic Common Stock, which will be subject to all the terms and conditions of the Interpublic Stock Incentive Plan. One Third (1/3) of the options will be exercisable after the second anniversary of the date of grant, one-third (1/3) will be exercisable after the third anniversary and one third (1/3) will be exercisable after the fourth anniversary of the date of grant through the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

ARTICLE VI

Other Employment Benefits

6.01 Executive shall be eligible to participate in such other employee benefits as are available from time to time to other key management executives of Interpublic in accordance with the then-current terms and conditions established by Interpublic for eligibility and employee contributions are required for participation in such benefits opportunities.

6.02 Executive will be entitled to annual paid time off, in accordance with Interpublic's policies and procedures, to be taken in such amounts and at such times as shall be mutually convenient for Executive and Interpublic.

6.03 Executive shall be reimbursed for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses actually incurred by him in the conduct of the business of Interpublic provided that

Executive submits all substantiation of such expenses to Interpublic on a timely basis in accordance with standard policies of Interpublic.

6.04 Within one month of Executive's commencing employment, he will receive a sign-on bonus in the amount of one month's base salary for non itemized relocation costs.

6.05 Executive shall be entitled to participate in Interpublic's Executive Medical Plan.

6.06 Executive will be entitled to receive an automobile allowance of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) per annum.

ARTICLE VII

Termination

7.01 Interpublic may terminate the employment of Executive hereunder:

(i) By giving Executive notice in writing at any time specifying a termination date not less than twelve (12) months after the date on which such notice is given, in which event Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate on the date specified in such notice, or

(ii) By giving Executive notice in writing at any time specifying a termination date less than twelve (12) months after the date on which such notice is given. In this event Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate on the date specified in such notice and Interpublic shall thereafter pay him a sum equal to the amount by which twelve (12) months salary at his then current rate exceeds the salary paid to him for the period from the date on which such notice is given to the termination date specified in such notice. Such payment shall be made during the period immediately following the termination date specified in such notice, in successive equal monthly installments each of which shall be equal to one (1) months salary at the rate in effect at the time of such termination, with any residue in respect to a period less than one (1) month to be paid together with the last installment.

(iii) During the termination period provided in subsection (i), or in the case of a termination under subsection (ii) providing for a termination period of less than twelve (12) months, for a period of twelve (12) months after the termination notice, Executive will be entitled to receive all employee benefits accorded to him prior to termination which are made available to employees generally; provided, that such benefits shall cease upon such date that Executive accepts employment with another employer offering similar benefits.

7.02 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.01, during the period of notice of termination, Executive will use reasonable, good faith efforts to obtain other employment reasonably comparable to his employment under this Agreement. Upon obtaining other employment (including work as a consultant, independent contractor or establishing his own business), Executive will promptly notify Interpublic, and (a) in the event that Executive's salary and other non-contingent compensation ("**new compensation**") payable to Executive in connection with his new employment shall equal or exceed the salary portion of the amount payable by Interpublic under Section 7.01, Interpublic shall be relieved of any obligation to make payments under Section 7.01, or (b) in the event Executive's new compensation shall be less than the salary portion of payments to be made under Section 7.01, Interpublic will pay Executive the difference between such payments and the new compensation. In the event Executive accepts employment with any company owned or controlled by Interpublic during the period in which payments are being made pursuant to Section 7.01 of this Agreement, such payments shall cease upon commencement of such employment. Furthermore, if Executive has received a lump sum payment pursuant to Section 7.01 of this Agreement, and commences employment with another company owned or controlled by Interpublic, Executive agrees to reimburse Interpublic for any portion of the payment that compensates Executive for the subsequent employment period.

7.03 Executive may at any time give notice in writing to the Corporation specifying a termination date not less than ninety (90) days after the date on which such notice is given, in which event his employment hereunder shall terminate on the date specified in such notice, and Executive shall receive his salary, employee benefits and executive perquisites until the termination date. Provided however that the Corporation may, at its option, upon receipt of such notice determine an earlier termination date.

7.04 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.01, Interpublic may terminate the employment of Executive hereunder, at any time after the Commencement Date, for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, "**Cause**" means any of the following:

(i) Any material breach by Executive of any material provision of this Agreement (including without limitation Sections 8.01 and 8.02 hereof) upon written notice of same by Interpublic which breach, if capable of being cured, has not been cured within fifteen (15) days after such notice (it being understood and agreed that a breach of Section 8.01 or 8.02 hereof, among others, shall be deemed not capable of being cured);

(ii) Executive's absence from duty for a period of time exceeding fifteen (15) consecutive business days or twenty (20) out of any (30) consecutive business days (other than account of vacation or for illness, disability or authorized leave in accordance with Interpublic's policies and procedures) without the consent of the Board of Directors;

(iii) The acceptance by Executive, prior to the effective date of Executive's voluntary resignation from employment with Interpublic, of a position with another employer, without the consent of the Board of Directors;

(iv) Misappropriation by Executive of funds or property of Interpublic or any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit related to the business of Interpublic (other than as permitted by this Agreement) and not fairly disclosed to and approved by Interpublic;

(v) Fraud, dishonesty, disloyalty, gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of Executive in the performance of his duties as an employee of Interpublic;

(vi) A felony conviction of Executive; or

(vii) Executive's engaging, during the term of employment, in activities which are prohibited by federal, state or local laws or Interpublic's policy prohibiting discrimination based on age, sex, race, religion, disability, national origin, or any other protected category; or Executive's engaging in conduct which is constituting prohibited harassment under federal, state or local law, or in violation of Interpublic's policy (including without limitation, sexual harassment).

Upon a termination for Cause, Interpublic shall pay Executive his salary through the date of termination of employment and Executive shall not be entitled to any bonus with respect to the year of termination, or to any other payments hereunder.

ARTICLE VIII

Covenants

8.01 While Executive is employed hereunder by Interpublic he shall not without the prior written consent of Interpublic, which will not be unreasonably withheld, engage, directly or indirectly, in any other trade, business or employment, or have any interest, direct or indirect, in any other business, firm or corporation; provided, however, that he may continue to own or may hereafter acquire any securities of any class of any publicly-owned company.

8.02 Executive shall treat as confidential and keep secret the affairs of Interpublic and shall not at any time during the term of employment or thereafter, without the prior written consent of Interpublic, divulge, furnish or make known or accessible to, or use for the benefit of, anyone other than Interpublic and its subsidiaries and affiliates any information of a confidential nature relating in any way to the business of Interpublic or its subsidiaries or affiliates or their clients and obtained by him in the course of his employment hereunder.

8.03 All records, papers and documents kept or made by Executive relating to the business of Interpublic or its subsidiaries or affiliates or their clients shall be and remain the property of Interpublic.

8.04 All articles invented by Executive, processes discovered by him, trademarks, designs, advertising copy and art work, display and promotion materials and, in general, everything of value conceived or created by him pertaining to the business of Interpublic or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates during the term of employment, and any and all rights of every nature whatever thereto, shall immediately become the property of Interpublic, and Executive will assign, transfer and deliver all patents, copyrights, royalties, designs and copy, and any and all interests and rights whatever thereto and thereunder to Interpublic.

8.05 During any period in which payments are being made to Executive pursuant to Section 7.01 above (the "Severance Period") and for a period of eighteen months following either the end of the Severance Period or the termination of Executive's employment hereunder for any reason, whichever is later, Executive shall not: (a) directly or indirectly solicit any employee of Interpublic or to leave such employ to enter the employ of Executive or of any person, firm or corporation with which Executive is then associated, or induce or encourage any such employee to leave the employment of Interpublic or to join any other company, or hire any such employee, or otherwise interfere with the relationship between Interpublic and any of its employees or (b) directly or indirectly solicit or handle on Executive's own behalf or on behalf of any of her person, firm or corporation, the event marketing, public relations, advertising, sales promotion or market research business of any person or entity which is a client of Interpublic at the time of termination, or to induce any such client to cease to engage the services of Interpublic or to use the services of any entity or person that competes directly with a material business of Interpublic, where the identity of such client, or the client's need, desire or receptiveness to services offered by Interpublic is known by Executive as part of his employment with Interpublic. Executive acknowledges that these provisions are reasonable and necessary to protect Interpublic legitimate business interests, and that these provisions do not prevent Executive from earning a living.

8.06 If at the time of enforcement of any provisions of this Agreement, a court shall hold that the duration, scope or area restriction of any provision hereof is unreasonable under circumstances now or then existing, the parties hereto agree that the maximum duration, scope or area reasonable under the circumstances shall be substituted by the court for the stated duration, scope or area.

8.07 Executive acknowledges that a remedy at law for any breach or attempted breach of Article VIII of this Agreement will be inadequate, and agrees that Interpublic shall be entitled to specific performance and injunctive and other equitable relief in the case of any such breach or attempted breach.

8.08 Executive represents and warrants that neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the performance of Executive's services hereunder will conflict with, or result in a breach of, any agreement to which Executive is a party or by which he may be bound or affected, in particular the terms of any employment agreement to which Executive may be a party. Executive further represents and warrants that he has full right, power and authority to carry out the provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX

Arbitration

9.01 Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, including claims involving alleged legally protected rights, such as claims for age discrimination in violation of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, and all other federal and state law claims for defamation, breach of contract, wrongful termination and any other claim arising because of Executive's employment, termination of employment or otherwise, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association and Section 12.01 hereof, and judgement upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitration shall take place in the city where Executive customarily renders services to Interpublic. The prevailing party in any such arbitration shall be entitled to receive attorney's fees and costs.

ARTICLE X

Assignment

10.01 This Agreement shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the successors and assigns Interpublic. Neither this Agreement nor any rights hereunder shall be assignable by Executive and any such purported assignment by him shall be void.

ARTICLE XI

Agreement Entire

11.01 This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between Interpublic and Executive concerning his employment by Interpublic or any of its parents, affiliates or subsidiaries and supersedes any and all previous agreements between Executive and Interpublic or any of its parents, affiliates or subsidiaries concerning such employment, and/or any compensation or bonuses. Each party hereto shall pay its own costs and expenses (including legal fees) incurred in connection with the preparation, negotiation and execution of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be changed orally.

ARTICLE XII

Applicable Law

12.01 The Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Brian J. Brooks
Name: Brian J. Brooks
Title: Executive Vice President, Human Resources

/s/ Robert Thompson

Robert Thompson

Exhibit 10(b)(vii)(b)

The Interpublic Capital Accumulation Plan

Participation Agreement

WHEREAS, Robert Thompson (the "Participant") is a key executive of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. ("Interpublic") and its subsidiaries, and has been approved by Interpublic's Management Human Resources Committee to participate in The Interpublic Capital Accumulation Plan ("CAP");

WHEREAS, the Participant has received and reviewed the pamphlet entitled "The Interpublic Capital Accumulation Plan," which sets forth the basic terms and conditions of CAP (the "Plan Document"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan Document provides that certain details with regard to the Participant's account and other rights and responsibilities under CAP are to be set forth in the Participant's Participation Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan Document, which terms are incorporated herein by reference, and modified and expanded as follows:

1. **Effective Date.** This Participation Agreement shall be effective as of October 1, 2003, provided the Participant submits the executed Participation Agreement to Interpublic by December 10, 2003. If the Participant does not submit the executed Participation Agreement by such date, this Participation Agreement shall be effective as of the first day of the month next following the date on which the Participant submits the executed Participation Agreement.
2. **Credit.** The Participant's annual dollar credit shall be \$75,000 and shall be credited December 31 of each year if Participant is in the Plan on such date.
3. **Interest.** The annual interest rate for the calendar year in which the Effective Date set forth in paragraph 1 occurs is 4%. As stated in the Plan Document, interest first accrues on December 31 of the calendar year following the first year of Participation. The applicable interest rate can be adjusted (upward or downward) annually.
4. **Vesting.** Subject to paragraph 5, which sets forth the requirement to comply with non-competition and non-solicitation agreements, the Participant's CAP account is scheduled to become fully vested on September 30, 2006 (assuming the Participant continues in the employment of Interpublic and its subsidiaries until this date).
5. **Non-Competition and Non-Solicitation.** For a period of two (2) years following the termination of the Participant's employment for any reason, the Participant shall not: (a) accept employment with or serve as a consultant, advisor or in any other capacity to an employer that is in competition with the business unit or units of Interpublic by which the Participant is employed (the "Business Unit"); (b) directly or indirectly, either on the Participant's own behalf or on behalf of any other person, firm or corporation, solicit or perform services for any account that is a client of the Business Unit at the time of the Participant's termination of employment with the Business Unit or that was a client of the Business Unit at any time within one year prior to the date of the Participant's termination of employment; (c) directly or indirectly employ or attempt to employ or assist anyone else to employ any person who is at such time or who was within the six-month period immediately prior to such time in the employ of the Business Unit. Breach by the Participant of any of the above provisions shall result in the forfeiture of all interest credited to the Participant's account.

The Participant acknowledges that these provisions are reasonable and necessary to protect Interpublic's legitimate business interests, and that these provisions do not prevent the Participant from earning a living. If at the time of enforcement of any provision of this Agreement, a court shall hold that the duration, scope or area restriction of any provision hereof is unreasonable under circumstances now or then existing, the parties hereto agree that the maximum duration, scope or area reasonable under the circumstances shall be substituted by the court for the stated duration, scope or area.

6. **Payment Form Election.** Unless specified below (or otherwise specified in a valid election, submitted by the Participant to Interpublic's Human Resources Department at least 12 months before distribution under CAP is scheduled to begin), the Participant's vested account balance shall be distributed in a lump sum.

If you would like to elect a payment form other than a lump sum, check below.

I elect to receive my vested account balance in monthly installments over 10 years.

I elect to receive my vested account balance in monthly installments over 15 years.

I understand that the installment forms described above are available only if I terminate employment after age 55, with at least five years of participation in CAP.

7. **Benefit Commencement Date.** As provided in the Plan Document, any election to commence distribution of the

Participant's account after the earliest commencement date permitted under the Plan Document must be received by Interpublic's Human Resources Department at least 12 months before the otherwise applicable commencement date.

8. **Relationship to Plan Document.** This Participation Agreement is intended to be executed and administered in conjunction with the Plan Document. Where this Participation Agreement is silent, the terms and provisions in the Plan Document shall govern. To the extent that any term or provision in this Participation Agreement is inconsistent with a term or provision in the Plan Document, the term or provision in this Participation Agreement shall govern.
9. **Knowing and Voluntary Agreement.** The Participant has received and read the Plan Document. The Participant fully understands the terms of the Plan Document and of this Participation Agreement, and the Participant is entering this Participation Agreement voluntarily.
10. **Complete Statement.** This Participation Agreement shall be construed as a complete statement of the Participant's rights under CAP. Any change to the terms of this Participation Agreement or to the Participant's rights under CAP shall be adopted by executing an amendment or supplement to the Plan Document or to this Participation Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Interpublic, by its duly authorized officer, and the Participant have caused this Participation Agreement to be executed.

Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.

BY: /s/ Brian J. Brooks
 Brian J. Brooks
 Executive Vice President,
 Chief Human Resources Officer

Participant

/s/ Robert Thompson
 Robert Thompson

DATE: 11/12/03

DATE: 11/14/03

Return to Interpublic's Law Department by December 10, 2003.

**THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.
 BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION: Capital Accumulation Plan**

&nb sp: _____

Participant's Name _____ Soc. Sec. No: _____
 Home Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Date of Birth _____

Daytime Telephone Number _____ Evening Telephone Number _____

Please check box if your address has changed within the last year I am married. I am not married.

Primary Beneficiary Designation

I hereby designate such of the following person(s) who shall survive me as my Primary Beneficiary(ies):

1.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
2.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
3.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
				Total = 100%

Contingent Beneficiary Designation

If no Primary Beneficiary named above shall survive me, I designate such of the following person(s) who shall survive me as my Contingent Beneficiary(ies).

1.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	

2.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
3.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
				Total = 100%

*If no percentage is designated, beneficiaries will share equally. If any of my Primary Beneficiaries (or, if applicable, my Contingent Beneficiaries), predecease me, his or her benefits will be shared among my surviving Primary (or, if applicable, Contingent) Beneficiaries in accordance with the proportionate shares of the surviving beneficiaries designated above or, if no percentage is designated, equally.

Consent of Spouse

If a party other than the participant's spouse is named as Primary Beneficiary above, this designation is valid only if the participant's spouse (if any) consents below to the participant's designation of the Primary Beneficiary(ies) and only if the spouse's consent is witnessed by a notary public.

I, _____, am the spouse of the above-named participant. I hereby consent to the designation of the Primary Beneficiary(ies) specified above.

Spouse's Signature &n bsp; _____
Date

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF: _____ ss:

On _____, before me personally came _____; to me known and known to me to be the individual described as the spouse herein who executed the foregoing consent and duly acknowledged to me that he/she freely executed same.

Notary Public My Commission Expires:

Execution of Beneficiary Designation

Participant's Signature

&n bsp; _____
Date

&nbs p;

Exhibit 10(b)(viii)(u)

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT made as of November 12, 2003 between **THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.**, a Delaware corporation ("**Interpublic**") and **JOHN J. DOONER, JR. ("Executive")**.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Interpublic and Executive are parties to an Employment Agreement made as of January 1, 1994 as amended by Supplemental Agreements made as of July 1, 1995, September 1, 1997, January 1, 1999, April 1, 2000, November 7, 2002 and March 31, 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the "**Agreement**"); and

WHEREAS, Interpublic and Executive desire to amend the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein and in the Agreement set forth, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 1.01 of the Agreement is hereby amended, effective as of the date hereof, by deleting "and ending on December 31, 2003 or such earlier date as the employment of Executive shall terminate pursuant to Article IV or Article V" and substituting therefor "and shall continue thereafter, subject to termination pursuant to Article IV or Article V".

Except as hereinabove amended, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

This Supplemental Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, applicable to contracts made and fully to be performed therein.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF
COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Brian J. Brooks
Name: Brian J. Brooks
Title: Executive Vice President
Human Resources

The Interpublic Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan

Participation Agreement

WHEREAS, Brian J. Brooks (the "Participant") is a senior executive of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. ("Interpublic") and its subsidiaries, and has been approved by the Compensation Committee of Interpublic's Board of Directors to participate in The Interpublic Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan ("SERIP");

WHEREAS, the Participant has received and reviewed the pamphlet entitled "The Interpublic Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan," which sets forth the basic terms and conditions of SERIP (the "Plan Document"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan Document provides that certain details with regard to the Participant's benefit and other rights and responsibilities under SERIP are to be set forth in the Participant's Participation Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan Document, which terms are incorporated herein by reference, and modified and expanded as follows:

1. **Effective Date.** This Participation Agreement shall be effective as of November 10, 2003, provided the Participant submits the executed Participation Agreement to Interpublic within 30 days thereafter. If the Participant does not submit the executed Participation Agreement within 30 days after the date set forth in the preceding sentence, this Participation Agreement shall be effective as of the first day of the month next following the date on which the Participant submits the executed Participation Agreement.
2. **Benefit and Vesting.** The Participant's benefit shall be \$247,500 per year payable in monthly installments for 15 years, if the Participant has attained at least age 60 and the benefit is fully vested. Subject to paragraph 3, which sets forth the requirement to comply with non-competition and non-solicitation agreements, this benefit is scheduled to become vested as follows: 30% as of November 10, 2003, and an additional 10% on each November 9 thereafter, with all amounts fully vested on November 9, 2010 (assuming the Participant continues in the employment of Interpublic and its subsidiaries until this date).
3. **Non-Competition and Non-Solicitation.** For a period of two (2) years following the termination of the Participant's employment for any reason, the Participant shall not: (a) accept employment with or serve as a consultant, advisor or in any other capacity to an employer that is in competition with the business unit or units of Interpublic by which the Participant is employed (the "Business Unit"); (b) directly or indirectly, either on the Participant's own behalf or on behalf of any other person, firm or corporation, solicit or perform services for any account that is a client of the Business Unit at the time of the Participant's termination of employment with the Business Unit or that was a client of the Business Unit at any time within one year prior to the date of the Participant's termination of employment; (c) directly or indirectly employ or attempt to employ or assist anyone else to employ any person who is at such time or who was within the six-month period immediately prior to such time in the employ of the Business Unit. Breach by the Participant of such non-competition agreement or non-solicitation agreement shall result in the forfeiture of the Participant's vested benefit, and any monies already paid to the Participant shall be returned in full by the Participant to Interpublic.

The Participant acknowledges that these provisions are reasonable and necessary to protect Interpublic's legitimate business interests, and that these provisions do not prevent the Participant from earning a living. If at the time of enforcement of any provision of this Agreement, a court shall hold that the duration, scope or area restriction of any provision hereof is unreasonable under circumstances now or then existing, the parties hereto agree that the maximum duration, scope or area reasonable under the circumstances shall be substituted by the court for the stated duration, scope or area.

4. **Payment Form Election.** Unless specified below (or otherwise specified in a valid election, submitted by the Participant to Interpublic's Human Resources Department at least 12 months before distribution under SERIP is scheduled to begin), the Participant's vested benefit shall be distributed in monthly payments for 15 years, as provided in the Plan Document.

If you would like to elect a payment form other than monthly payments for 15 years, check below.

I elect to receive my vested benefit in monthly payments for 10 years.

I elect to receive my vested benefit in a lump sum.

I understand that my vested benefit will be discounted, as provided in the Plan Document, to reflect the accelerated payout associated with the election of an optional payment form.

5. **Benefit Commencement Date.** As provided in the Plan Document, any election to commence the Participant's benefit before the first day of the month coincident with or next following the Participant's 60th birthday must be received by Interpublic's Human Resources Department at least 12 months before payments are scheduled to begin.

Relationship to Plan Document. This Participation Agreement is intended to be executed and administered in conjunction with the Plan Document. Where this Participation Agreement is silent, the terms and provisions in the Plan Document shall govern. To the extent that any term or provision in this Participation Agreement is inconsistent with a term or provision in the Plan Document, the term or provision in this Participation Agreement shall govern.

7. Knowing and Voluntary Agreement. The Participant has received and read the Plan Document. The Participant fully understands the terms of the Plan Document and of this Participation Agreement, and the Participant is entering this Participation Agreement voluntarily.

8. **Complete Statement.** This Participation Agreement shall be construed as a complete statement of the Participant's benefit and other rights under SERIP. Any change to the terms of this Participation Agreement or to the Participant's rights under SERIP shall be adopted by executing an amendment or supplement to the Plan Document or to this Participation Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Interpublic, by its duly authorized officer, and the Participant have caused this Participation Agreement to be executed.

Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.

Participant

BY: /s/ Nicholas J. Camera
 Nicholas J. Camera
 Senior Vice President, General Counsel
 and Secretary

/s/ Brian J. Brooks
 Brian J. Brooks

DATE: _____

DATE: _____

Return to Interpublic's Law Department by December 10, 2003.

**THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.
 BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION: Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan**

Participant's Name _____ Soc. Sec. No: _____
 Home Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Date of Birth _____
 Daytime Telephone Number _____ Evening Telephone Number _____
 Please check box if your address has changed within the last year. I am married. I am not married.

Primary Beneficiary Designation
 I hereby designate such of the following person(s) who shall survive me as my Primary Beneficiary(ies):

1.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
2.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
3.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
				Total = 100%

Contingent Beneficiary Designation
 If no Primary Beneficiary named above shall survive me, I designate such of the following person(s) who shall survive me as my Contingent Beneficiary(ies).

1.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
2.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	

3.	Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Percentage Share*
	Address		Social Security No.	
				Total = 100%

*If no percentage is designated, beneficiaries will share equally. If any of my Primary Beneficiaries (or, if applicable, my Contingent Beneficiaries), predecease me, his or her benefits will be shared among my surviving Primary (or, if applicable, Contingent) Beneficiaries in accordance with the proportionate shares of the surviving beneficiaries designated above or, if no percentage is designated, equally.

Consent of Spouse

If a party other than the participant's spouse is named as Primary Beneficiary above, this designation is valid only if the participant's spouse (if any) consents below to the participant's designation of the Primary Beneficiary(ies) and only if the spouse's consent is witnessed by a notary public.

I, _____, am the spouse of the above-named participant. I hereby consent to the designation of the Primary Beneficiary(ies) specified above.

Spouse's Signature & nbsp; _____
Date

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF: _____ ss:

On _____, before me personally came _____; to me known and known to me to be the individual described as the spouse herein who executed the foregoing consent and duly acknowledged to me that he/she freely executed same.

Notary Public My Commission Expires:

Execution of Beneficiary Designation

Participant's Signature Date

Exhibit (10)(b)(xi)(h)

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT made as of November 10, 2003 between **THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.**, a Delaware corporation ("**Interpublic**") and **BRIAN J. BROOKS** ("**Executive**").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Interpublic and Executive are parties to an Employment Agreement made as of November 18, 2002, as amended by Supplemental Agreements made as of April 7, 2003 and May 20, 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the "**Agreement**"); and

WHEREAS, Interpublic and Executive desire to amend the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein and in the Agreement set forth, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 3.01 of the Agreement is hereby amended, effective as of November 10, 2003, by deleting "and One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) in the form of an Executive Special Benefit Agreement ("**ESBA**") to be entered into between Interpublic and Executive".

2. A new Paragraph 4.04 shall be added to read as follows: "Executive will be entitled to participate in Interpublic's Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan ("**SERIP**") pursuant to the terms of the SERIP and a SERIP Participation Agreement to be entered into, as of today's date, between Executive and Interpublic. Such Agreement shall provide for an annual benefit of Two Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$247,500) per annum, payable to Executive commencing at age 60."

3. A new Paragraph 5.04 shall be added to read as follows: "Effective as of today's date, Executive shall be granted such number of shares of Interpublic restricted common stock as shall equal an aggregate market value of \$1,625,000. "Market Value" shall be calculated based on the average of the high and low price of a share of Interpublic Stock on the date of grant. These shares, when issued, shall be subject to full vesting on the seventh anniversary of the date of grant."

Except as hereinabove amended, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

This Supplemental Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, applicable to contracts made and fully to be performed therein.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF
COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Nicholas J. Camera

Name: Nicholas J. Camera
Title: Senior Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary

/s/ Brian J. Brooks

Brian J. Brooks

Exhibit 10(b)(xi)(i)

CONFIDENTIAL SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE

CONFIDENTIAL SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE between **THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. ("Interpublic")** and **BRIAN J. BROOKS ("Executive")**. In consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Termination of Employment.** Executive will resign from any and all positions that he holds at Interpublic or any subsidiary thereof effective February 27, 2004 ("**Termination Date**"). Until such time, Executive will continue to make himself available to provide services to Interpublic consistent with his position, provided however that Executive will not provide his services from the corporate office after February 13, 2004.

2. **Severance Payment and Benefits.** Subject to Executive's execution and non-revocation of, and compliance with this Agreement, Interpublic shall: (a) pursuant to the Employment Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2002, as amended as of April 7, 2003, May 20, 2003 and November 10, 2003 ("**Employment Agreement**"), pay Executive his current annual base salary of \$495,000 for a period of one (1) year from the Termination Date, subject to ordinary payroll withholding, ("**Severance Period**"), (b) during the Severance Period, provide Executive with his current benefits including medical, life insurance, profit sharing, club, automobile and financial planning allowances, (c) during the Severance Period, continue to defer amounts due to Executive under the Senior Executive Retirement Income Plan Agreement ("**SERIP**") between Interpublic and the Executive, and (d) continue Executive's eligibility for an award (for calendar year 2003) under Interpublic's annual incentive plan. At the end of the Severance Period, Executive will be entitled to COBRA health coverage for a period of eighteen (18) months.

3. **Consulting Period.** In addition to the payments set forth in Section 2, Executive shall be retained by Interpublic to provide certain executive recruiting and human resource consulting services during the course of the Severance Period and for a period of one (1) year thereafter (such additional one year period being hereafter referred to as the "**Consulting Period**"). Such services shall be provided as requested by Interpublic, will be consistent with the level of assignments Executive currently has and will in all cases be subject to the prior approval of the Chief Operating Officer and/or the Chief Human Resource Officer of Interpublic or their designees.

(a) Subject to the provisions of Sections (b) (c) and (d) of this Agreement, the Executive shall be compensated for such services as follows: In connection with Executive's services in areas other than executive recruitment, Executive's time shall be billed at Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) per hour. In connection with the recruitment of personnel, Executive shall be compensated in an amount equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the first year's total cash compensation of individuals placed as a result of Executive's efforts. For purposes of calculating the fee, an individual's compensation shall include base salary up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) and bonuses. The fee shall be payable as follows: The first installment shall be paid upon assignment by Interpublic of a particular search. The second installment shall be payable forty-five (45) days from the start of the search and the third, due upon completion, will be adjusted to reflect the successful candidate's actual base salary up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000). Each fee installment becomes non-refundable upon receipt. Interpublic may cancel a particular search at any time, however if any candidate introduced before cancellation of the search is hired within one (1) year after the cancellation date, the entire fee is due. If Interpublic should change or cancel the designated position within the first forty-five (45) days of the commencement of a particular search the first installment will be due (a significant change in the job description or title is considered a change in the search, and entails the need for a new assignment). If Interpublic changes or cancels the designated position within the second forty-five (45) days of the contract period, the second installment will also be due. Additional hires (as defined below) shall be billed at twenty-five percent (25%) of the first year's total cash compensation of the individual hired up to a salary of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000). An "**additional hire**" is defined as the employment by Interpublic (including freelance, consulting, full-time or part-time employee) of any individual whom Executive has identified, within one (1) year of making such introduction. (Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive's services provided in connection with the recruitment of individuals listed on Exhibit A attached hereto shall be paid at the aforementioned hourly rate and not as a percentage of compensation.) Executive shall submit monthly time sheets for hours worked or fees earned on Interpublic business to the Chief Operating Officer of Interpublic. Amounts owed to Executive, if any, will be paid within thirty (30) days of the reconciliation outlined in Sections (c) and (d) below.

(b) Interpublic and Executive shall agree in advance as to the scope of each assignment and the appropriate method of compensation (i.e., hours or fees). In the event the assignment is a fee-based assignment, the salary level and job description shall be agreed upon at such time.

(c) During the Severance Period, Executive will receive consulting fees earned to the extent they are in excess of his base salary, up to a total maximum annual aggregate compensation during that period (exclusive of bonus amounts, if any) of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000). Fees/commissions will be reconciled against base salary within thirty (30) days of the end of each quarter and a final reconciliation undertaken within thirty (30) days of the end of the Severance Period. Amounts paid in excess of base salary will not be subject to withholding and Executive will be provided with a 1099 for such amounts.

(d) During the Consulting Period, Executive shall be compensated for all fees earned by him in connection with Interpublic business, with a guaranteed minimum annual compensation of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000). Such minimum guaranteed amount will be paid in equal monthly

installments and reconciled within thirty (30) days of the end of each quarter against hourly fees/commissions earned during each quarter. A final reconciliation will be conducted within thirty (30) days of the end of the Consulting Period. Such amounts will not be subject to withholding and Executive will be provided with a 1099 for such amounts.

(e) Executive shall be entitled to reimbursement of pre-approved expenses incurred in connection with the provision of consulting services. Where Interpublic and Executive agree on an assignment, Interpublic and Executive will also agree on a sufficient expense budget for Executive to successfully complete the assignment.

(f) Executive shall be entitled to retain the cellular phone and lap-top computer currently in his possession but the expense of maintaining those services shall be borne by Executive.

(g) The above-referenced payments exceed in value any payments to which Executive may otherwise be entitled.

4. Interpublic Stock.

(a) Interpublic restricted stock currently held by Executive will continue to vest during the Severance Period, and will be released pro-rata at the end of that period in accordance with Exhibit B attached hereto. In addition, at the end of the additional restriction period contemplated by Section 14, and assuming full compliance by Executive with the provision of that Section, Executive shall be entitled to full vesting of the 102,233 shares of Interpublic restricted stock granted to Executive on November 10, 2003.

(b) All options to acquire shares of Interpublic stock currently held by Executive will continue to vest through the end of the Severance Period in accordance with Exhibit B attached hereto. Options will be exercisable on a pro-rated basis in accordance with their terms by Executive for a period of ninety (90) days following the end of the Severance Period.

(c) At the end of the Severance Period, Executive will be entitled to a pro-rata portion of units awarded to him under Interpublic's LTPIP in accordance with Exhibit B attached hereto and shall be payable in accordance with the terms of that Plan.

(d) All shares of Interpublic restricted stock currently held by Executive shall vest on a "Change of Control", as defined in the Executive Severance Agreement previously entered into between Executive and Interpublic.

5. Release of Claims. By signing this Agreement and Release, Executive, on behalf of himself and his current, former, and future heirs, executors, administrators, attorneys, agents and assigns, releases and waives all legal claims in law or in equity of any kind whatsoever that Executive has or may have against Interpublic, its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates, and their respective officers, directors, employees, shareholders, members, agents, attorneys, trustees, fiduciaries, representatives, benefit plans and plan administrators, successors and/or assigns, and all persons or entities acting by, through, under, or in concert with any or all of them (collectively, the "Releasees"). This release and waiver covers all rights, claims, actions and suits of all kinds and descriptions that Executive now has or has ever had, whether known or unknown or based on facts now known or unknown, fixed or contingent, against the Releasees, occurring from the beginning of time up to and including the date that Executive executes this Agreement and Release, including, without limitation:

(a) any claims for wrongful termination, defamation, invasion of privacy, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or any other common law claims;

(b) any claims for the breach of any written, implied or oral contract between Executive and Interpublic, including but not limited to any contract of employment;

(c) any claims of discrimination, harassment or retaliation based on such things as age, national origin, ancestry, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability or medical condition;

(d) any claims for payments of any nature, including but not limited to wages, overtime pay, vacation pay, severance pay, commissions, bonuses and benefits or the monetary equivalent of benefits, but not including any claims for unemployment or workers' compensation benefits, or for the consideration being provided to Executive pursuant to Paragraphs 2, 3, 4 or 5 of this Agreement, or for the payments and benefits to which Executive is entitled under the employee benefit plans of Interpublic; and

(e) all claims that Executive has or that may arise under the common law and all federal, state and local statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and orders, including but not limited to any claim or cause of action based on the Fair Labor Standards Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Civil Rights Acts of 1866, 1871 and 1991, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the National Labor Relations Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Executive Order 11246, and any state laws governing employee rights, as each of them has been or may be amended.

This release and waiver does not release Interpublic from its obligations under this Agreement and Release. This Agreement and Release shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Executive and the Releasees and any other individual or entity who may claim any interest in the matter through Executive. Executive also acknowledges that he has not assigned any of his rights to make the aforementioned claims or demands. Executive also acknowledges and represents that he has not filed nor will he file any lawsuits based on claims or demands that he has released herein.

6. Attorney Review. Executive is hereby advised that he should consult with an attorney prior to executing this Agreement.

7. Review Period. Executive is also advised that he has twenty-one (21) days from the date this Agreement is delivered to him within which to consider

whether he will sign it.

8. Revocation Period. If Executive signs this Agreement, he acknowledges that he understands that he may revoke this Agreement within seven (7) days after he has signed it by notifying Interpublic in writing that he has revoked this Agreement. Such notice shall be addressed to: Christopher J. Coughlin, Chief Operating Officer, The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020. This Agreement shall not be effective or enforceable in accordance with its terms until the 7-day revocation period has expired.

9. Employment with Another IPG Agency. In the event Executive accepts employment with any company owned or controlled by Interpublic during the period in which payments are being made pursuant to this Agreement, all such payments shall cease upon commencement of such employment.

10. Intellectual Property Rights. Executive acknowledges and agrees that all concepts, writings and proposals submitted to and accepted by Interpublic ("**Intellectual Property** ") which relate to the business of Interpublic and which have been conceived or made by him during the period of his employment, either alone or with others are the sole and exclusive property of Interpublic or its clients. As of the date hereof, Executive hereby assigns in favor of Interpublic all the Intellectual Property covered by this paragraph. On or subsequent to the date hereof, Executive shall execute any and all other papers and lawful documents required or necessary to vest sole rights, title and interest in Interpublic or its nominee of the Intellectual Property.

11. Non-Admission. This Agreement and Release shall not in any way be construed as an admission by the Company of any liability for any reason, including, without limitation, based on any claim that the Company has committed any wrongful or discriminatory act.

12. Non-Disparagement. Each party agrees not to, and Interpublic agrees to cause its officers, members of its board of directors, its consultants and its other agents not to, say, write or cause to be said or written, any statement that may be considered defamatory, derogatory or disparaging of the other. Interpublic and the Executive agree to develop a mutually acceptable communications plan for external and internal use regarding Executive 's departure from Interpublic as well as a form of reference. Executive and his advisors will be given a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on the internal and external communications plan with respect to all references to Executive and the form of reference, and Interpublic will accept all reasonable requests from Executive in that regard.

13. Confidentiality/Company Property. Executive acknowledges that he has had access to confidential, proprietary business information of Interpublic as a result of employment, and Executive hereby agrees not to use such information personally or for the benefit of others. Executive also agrees not to disclose to anyone any confidential information at any time in the future so long as it remains confidential. Executive further agrees to keep the terms and the existence of this Agreement and Release confidential and not to discuss it with anyone other than his attorney, tax advisor, spouse, or as may be required by law. Except as provided herein Executive represents that he has returned all Interpublic property in his possession.

14. Non-Solicitation of Clients and Employees. During the Severance Period and the Consulting Period the Executive shall not: (a) accept employment with or serve as a consultant, advisor or in any other capacity to Omnicom, WPP, Publicis, Grey Advertising or Havas or any of their respective subsidiaries, affiliates or operating entities; (b) directly or indirectly, either on the Executive 's own behalf or on behalf of any other person, firm or corporation, solicit or perform services for any account that is a client of Interpublic or any of its subsidiaries at the time of the Executive 's termination of employment with Interpublic or that was a client of Interpublic or any of its subsidiaries at any time within one year prior to the date of the Executive 's termination of employment; (c) directly or in directly employ or attempt to employ or assist anyone else to employ any person who is at such time or who was within the six -month period immediately prior to such time in the employ of Interpublic or any of its subsidiaries. In addition, and in exchange for the consideration set forth in Section 4 hereof, for an additional two -year period (i.e. through January 31, 2008), Executive agrees to abide by the provisions of section (c) of this Section 14.

15. Termination. Executive shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice to Interpublic. In such event, Interpublic shall have no further obligation to Executive beyond the termination date set by Executive (other than any unpaid severance amounts to which Executive would otherwise have been entitled under the Employment Agreement) and all stock and other benefits shall vest, in accordance with Interpublic 's standard policies, as of that termination date.

16. Entire Agreement; No Other Promises. Executive hereby acknowledges and represents that this Agreement and Release contains the entire agreement between Executive and Interpublic, and, except as provided herein, it supersedes any and all previous agreements concerning the subject matter hereof. Executive further acknowledges and represents that neither Interpublic nor any of its agents, representatives or employees have made any promise, representation or warranty whatsoever, express, implied or statutory, not contained herein, concerning the subject matter hereof, to induce Executive to execute this Agreement and Release, and Executive acknowledges that he has not executed this Agreement and Release in reliance on any such promise, representation or warranty.

17. Equitable Relief. Each party acknowledges that a remedy at law for any breach or attempted breach of this Agreement will be inadequate, and agrees that the other shall be entitled to specific performance and injunctive and other equitable relief in the case of any such breach or attempted breach. It is also agreed that, in addition to any other remedies, in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by Executive, Interpublic may withhold and retain all or any portion of the severance payments.

18. Severability. If any term or condition of this Agreement and Release shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, this Agreement and Release shall be construed without such term or condition. If at the time of enforcement of any provision of this Agreement, a court shall hold that the duration, scope or area restriction of any provision hereof is unreasonable under circumstances now or then existing, the parties hereto agree that the maximum duration, scope or area reasonable under the circumstances shall be substituted by the court for the stated duration, scope or area.

19. Choice of Law and Forum. This Agreement and Release shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the State of New York, without regard to its choice of law provisions.

20. Arbitration. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, including claims involving alleged legally protected rights, such as claims for age discrimination in violation of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, and all other federal and state law claims for defamation, breach of contract, wrongful termination and any other claim arising because of Executive 's employment, termination of employment or otherwise, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Employment Dispute Rules of the American Arbitration Association and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitration shall take place in New York, New York.

21. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of, Interpublic and its successors. This Agreement shall also inure to the benefit of Executive 's heirs, executors, beneficiaries and legal representatives.

22. Amendment. This Agreement and Release may not be amended or modified in any way, except pursuant to a written instrument signed by both parties.

HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE RELEASE, CONSULTED COUNSEL OR VOLUNTARILY ELECTED NOT TO CONSULT COUNSEL, AND HAVING HAD SUFFICIENT TIME TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND RELEASE, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS AGREEMENT AND RELEASE AS OF THE DAY AND YEAR FIRST WRITTEN BELOW

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF
COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Nicholas J. Camera

Name: Nicholas J. Camera

Title: Senior Vice President, General

/s/ Brian J. Brooks

Brian J. Brooks

Exhibit A

Major Projects

McCann WorldGroup

CCO Campbell Mithun
Regional Director Asia Pac
President MRM Worldwide
Global head Planning and Budgeting
Ops director EMEA
Global Strategy leader : Microsoft
President/COO McCann Global Healthcare
Latin American Regional Succession

Gotham

Stone Roberts Successor

Campbell -Ewald

Exec Creative Officer : Chevrolet

FCB

Brendan Successor (I am unlikely to play a lead role, but they need my help with candidates)

CMG

CEO FutureBrand (probably complete)
President Golin Harris NY
Head of Brand consulting -Europe

Initiative

WW president

Lowe + Draft

CEO: HSBC Relationship (hopefully)

I think this is about it, other than the financial positions here and at the Partnership.

Exhibit B

* **Stock Options**

The following stock options will be available to Mr. Brooks on or before his termination on February 28, 2005 (includes one year severance). He will have 90 days from February 28, 2005 to exercise these options.

<u>Grant Date</u>	<u>Options Granted</u>	<u>Exercise Price</u>	<u>Exercisable 2/28/2005</u>
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11/18/2002	40,000	\$14.0150	12,000	
11/18/2002	16,000	\$14.0150	16,000	(LTPIP 02 -04)
3/26/2003	20,000	\$ 9.6400	6,388	
11/18/2003	<u>4,800</u>	\$14.8250	<u>1,000</u>	
	80,800		35,388	

* **Restricted Stock**

The following restricted shares will be released to Mr. Brooks on his date of termination on February 28, 2005 (includes one year severance).

<u>Grant Date</u>	<u>Lapse Date</u>	<u>Shares Granted</u>	<u>Released Upon Termination</u>
4/1/2003	4/1/2004	8,333	8,333
4/1/2003	4/1/2005	8,333	7,985
4/1/2003	4/1/2006	8,334	5,324
11/18/2003	11/18/2008	2,400	600
11/10/2003	11/10/2010	102,233	18,255
11/18/2002	11/18/2004	3,900	3,900
11/18/2002	11/18/2005	<u>21,300</u>	<u>15,975</u>
		154,833	60,372

* **LTPIP**

Mr. Brooks is a participant in the 2003 -2005 LTPIP periods tied to the performance of Interpublic. He was granted 5,000 units in that performance period. We are requesting 3,611 units from the Compensation and Professional Development Committee. Payment, if any, will be made in accordance with other executives payments.

Exhibit 10(b)(xiii)(g)

EXECUTIVE SPECIAL BENEFIT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT made as of May 16, 2003, by and between **THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.**, a corporation of the State of Delaware (hereinafter referred to as "**Interpublic**") and **GUNNAR WILMOT** (hereinafter referred to as "**Executive**").

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, Executive is in the employ of Interpublic and/or one or more of its subsidiaries (Interpublic and its subsidiaries being hereinafter referred to collectively as the "**Corporation**"); and

WHEREAS, Interpublic and Executive desire to enter into an Executive Special Benefit Agreement which shall be supplementary to any employment agreement or arrangement which Executive now or hereinafter may have with respect to Executive's employment by Interpublic or any of its subsidiaries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein set forth, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Death and Special Retirement Benefits

1.01 For purposes of this Agreement the "**Accrual Term**" shall mean the period of ninety-six (96) months beginning on the date of this Agreement and ending on the day preceding the eighth anniversary hereof or on such earlier date on which Executive shall cease to be in the employ of the Corporation.

1.02 The Corporation shall provide Executive with the following benefits contingent upon Executive's compliance with all the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Effective at the end of the Accrual Term, Executive's annual compensation will be increased by Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) if Executive is in the employ of the Corporation at that time.

1.03 If, during the Accrual Term or thereafter during a period of employment by the Corporation which is continuous from the date of this Agreement, Executive shall die while in the employ of the Corporation, the Corporation shall pay to such beneficiary or beneficiaries as Executive shall have designated pursuant to Section 1.07 (or in the absence of such designation, shall pay to the Executor of the Will or the Administrator of the Estate of Executive) survivor income payments of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) per annum for fifteen (15) years in monthly installments beginning with the 15th of the calendar month following Executive's death, and in equal monthly installment thereafter.

1.04 If, after a continuous period of employment from the date of this Agreement, Executive shall retire from the employ of the Corporation so that the first day on which Executive is no longer in the employ of the Corporation occurs on or after Executive's sixtieth birthday, the Corporation shall pay to Executive special retirement benefits at the rate Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) per annum for fifteen (15) years in monthly installments beginning with the 15th of the calendar month following Executive's last day of employment, and in equal monthly installments thereafter.

1.05 If, after a continuous period of employment from the date of this Agreement, Executive shall retire, resign, or be terminated from the employ of the Corporation so that the first day on which Executive is no longer in the employ of the Corporation occurs on or after Executive's fifty-fifth birthday but prior to Executive's sixtieth birthday, the Corporation shall pay to Executive special retirement benefits at the annual rates set forth below for fifteen years beginning with the calendar month following Executive's last day of employment, such payments to be made in equal monthly installments:

<u>Last Day of Employment</u>	<u>Annual Rate</u>
On or after 55th birthday but prior to 56th birthday	\$23,400
On or after 56th birthday but prior to 57th birthday	\$29,250
On or after 57th birthday but prior to 58th birthday	\$34,650
On or after 58th birthday but prior to 59th birthday	\$40,950
On or after 59th birthday but prior to 60th birthday	\$42,750

1.06 If, following such termination of employment, Executive shall die before payment of all of the installments provided for in Section 1.04 or Section 1.05, any remaining installments shall be paid to such beneficiary or beneficiaries as Executive shall have designated pursuant to Section 1.07 or, in the absence of such designation, to the Executor of the Will or the Administrator of the Estate of Executive.

1.07 For purposes of Sections 1.03, 1.04 and 1.05, or any of them, Executive may at any time designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries by filing with the chief personnel officer of Interpublic a Beneficiary Designation Form provided by such officer. Executive may at any time, by filing a new Beneficiary Designation Form, revoke or change any prior designation of beneficiary.

1.08 If Executive shall die while in the employ of the Corporation, no sum shall be payable pursuant to Sections 1.04, 1.05, 1.06, 2.01, 2.02 or 2.03.

ARTICLE II

Alternative Deferred Compensation

2.01 If Executive shall, for any reason other than death, cease to be employed by the Corporation on a date prior to Executive's fifty-fifth birthday, the Corporation shall, in lieu of any payment pursuant to Article I of this Agreement, compensate Executive by payment, at the times and in the manner specified in Section 2.02, of a sum computed at the rate of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) per annum for each full year and proportionate amount for any part year from the date of this Agreement to the date of such termination during which Executive is in the employ of the Corporation with a maximum payment of Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$360,000). Such payment shall be conditional upon Executive's compliance with all the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

2.02 The aggregate compensation payable under Section 2.01 shall be paid in equal consecutive monthly installments commencing with the first month in which Executive is no longer in the employ of the Corporation and continuing for a number of months equal to the number of months which have elapsed from the date of this Agreement to the date of termination, up to a maximum of ninety-six (96) months.

2.03 If Executive dies while receiving payments in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.02, any installments payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.02 less any amounts previously paid Executive in accordance therewith, shall be paid to the Executor of the Will or the Administrator of the Estate of Executive.

2.04 It is understood that none of the payments made in accordance with this Agreement shall be considered for purposes of determining benefits under the Interpublic Pension Plan, nor shall such sums be entitled to credits equivalent to interest under the Plan for Credits Equivalent to Interest on Balances of Deferred Compensation Owing under Employment Agreements adopted effective as of January 1, 1974 by Interpublic.

ARTICLE III

Non-solicitation of Clients or Employees

3.01 Following the termination of Executive's employment hereunder for any reason, Executive shall not for a period of twelve (12) months either (a) solicit any employee of the Corporation to leave such employ to enter the employ of Executive or of any corporation or enterprise with which Executive is then associated or (b) solicit or handle on Executive's own behalf or on behalf of any other person, firm or corporation, the advertising, public relations, sales promotion or market research business of any advertiser which is a client of the Corporation at the time of such termination.

ARTICLE IV

Assignment

4.01 This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of Interpublic. Neither this Agreement nor any rights hereunder shall be subject in any matter to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance or charge by Executive, and any such attempted action by Executive shall be void. This Agreement may not be changed orally, nor may this Agreement be amended to increase the amount of any benefits that are payable pursuant to this Agreement or to accelerate the payment of any such benefits.

ARTICLE V

Contractual Nature of Obligation

5.01 The liabilities of the Corporation to Executive pursuant to this Agreement shall be those of a debtor pursuant to such contractual obligations as are created by the Agreement. Executive's rights with respect to any benefit to which Executive has become entitled under this Agreement, but which Executive has not yet received, shall be solely the rights of a general unsecured creditor of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VI

Applicable Law

6.01 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

By: /s/ Brian J. Brooks

Brian J. Brooks
Executive Vice President,
Human Resources

/s/ Gunnar Wilmot

Gunnar Wilmot

Signed as of November 6, 2003

Exhibit 10(d)(v)

**AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE
AMENDED AND RESTATED FIVE-YEAR CREDIT AGREEMENT**

Dated as of November 5, 2003

AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE FIVE-YEAR CREDIT AGREEMENT among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the banks, financial institutions and other institutional lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to below (collectively, the "Lenders") and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent (the "Agent") for the Lenders.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

(1) The Company, the Lenders and the Agent have entered into a Five-Year Credit Agreement dated as of June 27, 2000 and amended and restated as of December 31, 2002 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified through the date hereof, the "Credit Agreement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment have the same meanings as specified in the Credit Agreement.

(2) The Company, the Required Lenders and the Agent have agreed to amend the Credit Agreement as hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 1. Amendments to Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement is, effective as of the date hereof and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 2, hereby amended as follows:

(a) The definition of "EBITDA" in Section 1.01 is amended by (i) replacing the word "and" immediately before "(l)" with a comma and (ii) including the phrase "and (m) cash payments made by the Company with respect to the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, relating to the matters set forth on Schedule A" immediately before the phrase ", in each case determined in accordance with GAAP for such period".

(b) Schedule A is added to read as set forth on Schedule A to this Amendment.

SECTION 2. Conditions of Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date first above written when, and only when, the Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of this Amendment executed by the Company, Ammirati Puris Lintas K.K. and the Required Lenders or, as to any of the Lenders, advice satisfactory to the Agent that such Lender has executed this Amendment and (ii) a copy of the attached Consent executed by each Subsidiary Guarantor.

SECTION 3. Representations and Warranties of the Company. The Company represents and warrants as follows:

(a) Each Borrower is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and, in the case of the Company, in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, and has all corporate powers and all material governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals required to carry on its business.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by each Borrower of this Amendment and the Credit Agreement and each of the Notes to which it is a party, as amended hereby, are within such Borrower's corporate powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and do not contravene, or constitute a default under, any provision of law or regulation applicable to such Borrower or of the certificate of incorporation of such Borrower or of any judgment, injunction, order, decree, material agreement or other instrument binding upon such Borrower or result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of such Borrower or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries.

(c) No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or regulatory body or any other third party is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by each Borrower of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement and the Notes to which it is a party, as amended hereby, except the possibility of a post-facto filing under the Japanese Foreign Exchange and Trade Control Law (Law No. 228 of 1949, as amended).

(d) This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by each Borrower. This Amendment and each of the Credit Agreement and the Notes to which each Borrower is a party, as amended hereby, are legal, valid and binding obligations of such Borrower, enforceable against such Borrower in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity.

(e) There is no action, suit, investigation, litigation or proceeding pending against, or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries before any court or arbitrator or any governmental body, agency or official in which there is a significant probability of an adverse decision that (i) would have a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) purports to affect the legality, validity or enforceability of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement or any Note, as amended hereby, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 4. Reference to and Effect on the Credit Agreement and the Notes. (a) On and after the effectiveness of this Amendment, each reference in the Credit Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, and each reference in the Notes or the Designation Agreement related to Ammirati Puris Lintas K.K., to "the Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, shall mean and be a

reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by this Amendment.

(b) The Credit Agreement and the Notes, as specifically amended by this Amendment, are and shall continue to be in full force and effect and are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed.

(c) The execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not, except as expressly provided herein, operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of any Lender or the Agent under the Credit Agreement, nor constitute a waiver of any provision of the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 5. Costs and Expenses. The Company agrees to pay on demand all costs and expenses of the Agent in connection with the preparation, execution, delivery and administration, modification and amendment of this Amendment and the other instruments and documents to be delivered hereunder (including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Agent) in accordance with the terms of Section 9.04 of the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 6. Execution in Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same agreement. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Amendment by telecopier shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

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WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By /s/ Steven L. Hipsman

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CONSENT

Dated as of November 5, 2003

The undersigned, each a Guarantor under the Guaranty dated as of August 15, 2003 (the "Subsidiary Guaranty") in favor of the Agent and the Lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to in the foregoing Amendment, hereby consents to such Amendment and hereby confirms and agrees that notwithstanding the effectiveness of such Amendment, the Subsidiary Guaranty and each other Loan Document to which the undersigned is a party are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except that, on and after the effectiveness of such Amendment, each reference in the Subsidiary Guaranty to the "Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by such Amendment.

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Exhibit 10(d)(vi)

**AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE
AMENDED AND RESTATED FIVE-YEAR CREDIT AGREEMENT**

Dated as of November 18, 2003

AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED FIVE-YEAR CREDIT AGREEMENT among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the banks, financial institutions and other institutional lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to below (collectively, the "Lenders") and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent (the "Agent") for the Lenders.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

(1) The Company, the Lenders and the Agent have entered into a Five-Year Credit Agreement dated as of June 27, 2000 and amended and restated as of December 31, 2002 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified through the date hereof, the "Credit Agreement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment have the same meanings as specified in the Credit Agreement.

(2) The Company, the Required Lenders and the Agent have agreed to amend the Credit Agreement as hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 1. Amendments to Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement is, effective as of the date hereof and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 2, hereby amended as follows:

(a) Section 5.02(g) of the Credit Agreement is amended in full to read as follows:

(g) **Restricted Payments.** Declare or pay any dividends, purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire for value any shares of its common stock now or hereafter outstanding, return any capital to its stockholders as such, or make any distribution of assets, equity interests, obligations or securities to its stockholders as such (any of the foregoing, a "Restricted Payment"), except that, so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of any action described in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) below or would result therefrom, the Company may (i) declare and pay dividends and distributions payable either only in common stock of the Company or in a combination of common stock of the Company and cash to the extent permitted by clauses (iv), (v) or (vi) below, (ii) purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire shares of its capital stock (A) with the proceeds received contemporaneously from the issue of new shares of its capital stock with equal or inferior voting powers, designations, preferences and rights or (B) in connection with the exercise of options by the employees of the Company or its Subsidiaries, (iii) issue preferred stock (or the right to purchase preferred stock) of the Company in connection with a stockholders' rights plan, (iv) declare and pay cash dividends in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$45,000,000 in any year with respect to any preferred stock of the Company that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following the issuance thereof, (v) make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$25,000,000 in any calendar year and (vi) from and after the date EBITDA for the four fiscal quarters most recently ended is at least (A) \$1,000,000,000, make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$100,000,000 in any calendar year, (B) \$1,200,000,000, make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$150,000,000 in any calendar year or (C) \$1,300,000,000, make any Restricted Payments without limitation.

(b) The definition of "Interest Expense" in Section 1.01 is amended in full to read as follows:

"Interest Expense" means, for any period, without duplication, (i) interest expense (including the interest component on obligations under capitalized leases), whether paid or accrued, on all Debt of the Company and its Consolidated Subsidiaries and (ii) only for purposes of Section 5.03(a)(ii), cash dividends, whether paid or accrued, on any preferred stock of the Company that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following the issuance thereof, in each case for such period.

SECTION 2. Conditions of Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date first above written when, and only when, the Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of this Amendment executed by the Company, Ammirati Puris Lintas K.K. and the Required Lenders or, as to any of the Lenders, advice satisfactory to the Agent that such Lender has executed this Amendment and (ii) a copy of the attached Consent executed by each Subsidiary Guarantor.

SECTION 3. Representations and Warranties of the Company. The Company represents and warrants as follows:

(a) Each Borrower is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and, in the case of the Company, in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, and has all corporate powers and all material governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals required to carry on its business.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by each Borrower of this Amendment and the Credit Agreement and each of the Notes to which it is a party, as amended hereby, are within such Borrower's corporate powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and do not contravene, or constitute a default under, any provision of law or regulation applicable to such Borrower or of the certificate of incorporation of such Borrower or of any judgment, injunction, order, decree, material agreement or other instrument binding upon such Borrower or result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of such Borrower or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries.

(c) No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or regulatory body or any other third party is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by each Borrower of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement and the Notes to which it is a party, as amended hereby, except the possibility of a post-facto filing under the Japanese Foreign Exchange and Trade Control Law (Law No. 228 of 1949, as amended).

(d) This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by each Borrower. This Amendment and each of the Credit Agreement and the Notes to which each Borrower is a party, as amended hereby, are legal, valid and binding obligations of such Borrower, enforceable against such Borrower in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity.

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SECTION 4. Reference to and Effect on the Credit Agreement and the Notes. (a) On and after the effectiveness of this Amendment, each reference in the Credit Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, and each reference in the Notes or the Designation Agreement related to Ammirati Puris Lintas K.K., to "the Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by this Amendment.

(b) The Credit Agreement and the Notes, as specifically amended by this Amendment, are and shall continue to be in full force and effect and are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed.

(c) The execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not, except as expressly provided herein, operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of any Lender or the Agent under the Credit Agreement, nor constitute a waiver of any provision of the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 5. Costs and Expenses. The Company agrees to pay on demand all costs and expenses of the Agent in connection with the preparation, execution, delivery and administration, modification and amendment of this Amendment and the other instruments and documents to be delivered hereunder (including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Agent) in accordance with the terms of Section 9.04 of the Credit Agreement.

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SECTION 7. Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

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CONSENT

Dated as of November 18, 2003

The undersigned, each a Guarantor under the Guaranty dated as of August 15, 2003 (the "Subsidiary Guaranty") in favor of the Agent and the Lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to in the foregoing Amendment, hereby consents to such Amendment and hereby confirms and agrees that notwithstanding the effectiveness of such Amendment, the Subsidiary Guaranty and each other Loan Document to which the undersigned is a party are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except that, on and after the effectiveness of such Amendment, each reference in the Subsidiary Guaranty to the "Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by such Amendment.

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Exhibit 10(d)(ix)

**AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE
364-DAY CREDIT AGREEMENT**

Dated as of November 5, 2003

AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE 364-DAY CREDIT AGREEMENT among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the banks, financial institutions and other institutional lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to below (collectively, the "Lenders") and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent (the "Agent") for the Lenders.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

(1) The Company, the Lenders and the Agent have entered into a 364-Day Credit Agreement dated as of May 15, 2003 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified through the date hereof, the "Credit Agreement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment have the same meanings as specified in the Credit Agreement.

(2) The Company, the Required Lenders and the Agent have agreed to amend the Credit Agreement as hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 1. Amendments to Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement is, effective as of the date hereof and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 2, hereby amended as follows:

(a) The definition of "EBITDA" in Section 1.01 is amended by (i) replacing the word "and" immediately before "(l)" with a comma and (ii) including the phrase "and (m) cash payments made by the Company with respect to the fiscal periods ending September 30, 2003, December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, relating to the matters set forth on Schedule A" immediately before the phrase ", in each case determined in accordance with GAAP for such period".

(b) Schedule A is added to read as set forth on Schedule A to this Amendment.

SECTION 2. Conditions of Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date first above written when, and only when, the Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of this Amendment executed by the Company and the Required Lenders or, as to any of the Lenders, advice satisfactory to the Agent that such Lender has executed this Amendment and (ii) a copy of the attached Consent executed by each Subsidiary Guarantor.

SECTION 3. Representations and Warranties of the Company. The Company represents and warrants as follows:

(a) The Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, and has all corporate powers and all material governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals required to carry on its business.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Amendment and the Credit Agreement and each of the Notes, as amended hereby, are within the Company's corporate powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and do not contravene, or constitute a default under, any provision of applicable law or regulation or of the certificate of incorporation of the Company or of any judgment, injunction, order, decree, material agreement or other instrument binding upon the Company or result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of the Company or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries.

(c) No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or regulatory body or any other third party is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by the Company of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement and the Notes, as amended hereby.

(d) This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by the Company. This Amendment and each of the Credit Agreement and the Notes, as amended hereby, are legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity.

(e) There is no action, suit, investigation, litigation or proceeding pending against, or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries before any court or arbitrator or any governmental body, agency or official in which there is a significant probability of an adverse decision that (i) would have a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) purports to affect the legality, validity or enforceability of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement or any Note, as amended hereby, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 4. Reference to and Effect on the Credit Agreement and the Notes. a) On and after the effectiveness of this Amendment, each reference in the Credit Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, and each reference in each other Loan Document to "the Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by this Amendment.

(b) The Credit Agreement and the Notes, as specifically amended by this Amendment, are and shall continue to be in full force and effect and are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed.

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CONSENT

Dated as of November 5, 2003

The undersigned, each a Guarantor under the Guaranty dated as of August 15, 2003 (the "Subsidiary Guaranty") in favor of the Agent and the Lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to in the foregoing Amendment, hereby consents to such Amendment and hereby confirms and agrees that notwithstanding the effectiveness of such Amendment, the Subsidiary Guaranty and each other Loan Document to which the undersigned is a party are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except that, on and after the effectiveness of such Amendment, each reference in the Subsidiary Guaranty to the "Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by such Amendment.

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McCann Relationship Marketing, Inc.

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Newspaper Services of America, Inc.

Wahlstrom Group L.L.C.

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The Cassidy Companies, Inc.

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The FutureBrand Company, Inc.

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**AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE
364-DAY CREDIT AGREEMENT**

Dated as of November 18, 2003

AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE 364-DAY CREDIT AGREEMENT among The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the banks, financial institutions and other institutional lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to below (collectively, the "Lenders") and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent (the "Agent") for the Lenders.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

(1) The Company, the Lenders and the Agent have entered into a 364-Day Credit Agreement dated as of May 15, 2003 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified through the date hereof, the "Credit Agreement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment have the same meanings as specified in the Credit Agreement.

(2) The Company, the Required Lenders and the Agent have agreed to amend the Credit Agreement as hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 1. Amendments to Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement is, effective as of the date hereof and subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 2, hereby amended as follows:

(a) Section 5.02(g) of the Credit Agreement is amended in full to read as follows:

(g) Restricted Payments. Declare or pay any dividends, purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire for value any shares of its common stock now or hereafter outstanding, return any capital to its stockholders as such, or make any distribution of assets, equity interests, obligations or securities to its stockholders as such (any of the foregoing, a "Restricted Payment"), except that, so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of any action described in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) below or would result therefrom, the Company may (i) declare and pay dividends and distributions payable either only in common stock of the Company or in a combination of common stock of the Company and cash to the extent permitted by clauses (iv), (v) or (vi) below, (ii) purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire shares of its capital stock (A) with the proceeds received contemporaneously from the issue of new shares of its capital stock with equal or inferior voting powers, designations, preferences and rights or (B) in connection with the exercise of options by the employees of the Company or its Subsidiaries, (iii) issue preferred stock (or the right to purchase

preferred stock) of the Company in connection with a stockholders' rights plan, (iv) declare and pay cash dividends in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$45,000,000 in any year with respect to any preferred stock of the Company that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following the issuance thereof, (v) make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$25,000,000 in any calendar year and (vi) from and after the date EBITDA for the four fiscal quarters most recently ended is at least (A) \$1,000,000,000, make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$100,000,000 in any calendar year, (B) \$1,200,000,000, make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount of not more than \$150,000,000 in any calendar year or (C) \$1,300,000,000, make any Restricted Payments without limitation.

(b) The definition of "Interest Expense" in Section 1.01 is amended in full to read as follows:

"Interest Expense" means, for any period, without duplication, (i) interest expense (including the interest component on obligations under capitalized leases), whether paid or accrued, on all Debt of the Company and its Consolidated Subsidiaries and (ii) only for purposes of Section 5.03(a)(ii), cash dividends, whether paid or accrued, on any preferred stock of the Company that is convertible into common stock of the Company within 48 months following the issuance thereof, in each case for such period.

SECTION 2. Conditions of Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date first above written when, and only when, the Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of this Amendment executed by the Company and the Required Lenders or, as to any of the Lenders, advice satisfactory to the Agent that such Lender has executed this Amendment and (ii) a copy of the attached Consent executed by each Subsidiary Guarantor.

SECTION 3. Representations and Warranties of the Company. The Company represents and warrants as follows:

(a) The Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, and has all corporate powers and all material governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals required to carry on its business.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Amendment and the Credit Agreement and each of the Notes, as amended hereby, are within the Company's corporate powers, have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and do not contravene, or constitute a default under, any provision of applicable law or regulation or of the certificate of incorporation of the Company or of any judgment, injunction, order, decree, material agreement or other instrument binding upon the Company or result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of the Company or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries.

(c) No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or regulatory body or any other third party is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by the Company of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement and the Notes, as amended hereby.

(d) This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by the Company. This Amendment and each of the Credit Agreement and the Notes, as amended hereby, are legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity.

(e) There is no action, suit, investigation, litigation or proceeding pending against, or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries before any court or arbitrator or any governmental body, agency or official in which there is a significant probability of an adverse decision that (i) would have a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) purports to affect the legality, validity or enforceability of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement or any Note, as amended hereby, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 4. Reference to and Effect on the Loan Documents. a) On and after the effectiveness of this Amendment, each reference in the Credit Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, and each reference in each other Loan Document to "the Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import referring to the Credit Agreement, shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by this Amendment.

(b) The Loan Documents, as specifically amended by this Amendment, are and shall continue to be in full force and effect and are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed.

(c) The execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not, except as expressly provided herein, operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of any Lender or the Agent under the Loan Documents, nor constitute a waiver of any provision of the Loan Documents.

SECTION 5. Costs and Expenses. The Company agrees to pay on demand all costs and expenses of the Agent in connection with the preparation, execution, delivery and administration, modification and amendment of this Amendment and the other instruments and documents to be delivered hereunder (including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Agent) in accordance with the terms of Section 9.04 of the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 6. Execution in Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same agreement. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Amendment by telecopier shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Amendment.

SECTION 7. Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

By /s/ Steven Berns
Title: Treasurer

CITIBANK, N.A.,
as Agent and as Lender

By /s/ Julio Ojea Quintana
Title: Director

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK

By /s/ Rebecca Vogel
Title: Vice President

HSBC BANK USA

By /s/ Johan Sorensson
Title: First Vice President

KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By /s/ Francis W.Lutz
Title: Vice President

UBS AG, CAYMAN ISLANDS BRANCH

By /s/ Wilfred V. Saint
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By /s/ Thomas R. Salzano
Title: Director

LLOYDS TSB BANK PLC

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By /s/ Richard M. Heath
Title: Vice President

BARCLAYS BANK PLC

By /s/ Simon Leach
Title: Relationship Director

FLEET NATIONAL BANK

By /s/ Thomas J. Levy
Title: Senior Vice President

ING BANK

By /s/ William C. James
Title: Managing Director

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

By /s/ Suzanne Kaicher
Title: Manager

WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION

By _____
Title:

CONSENT

Dated as of November 18, 2003

The undersigned, each a Guarantor under the Guaranty dated as of August 15, 2003 (the "Subsidiary Guaranty") in favor of the Agent and the Lenders parties to the Credit Agreement referred to in the foregoing Amendment, hereby consents to such Amendment and hereby confirms and agrees that notwithstanding the effectiveness of such Amendment, the Subsidiary Guaranty and each other Loan Document to which the undersigned is a party are, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except that, on and after the effectiveness of such Amendment, each reference in the Subsidiary Guaranty to the "Credit Agreement", "thereunder", "thereof" or words of like import shall mean and be a reference to the Credit Agreement, as amended by such Amendment.

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Domestic:			
The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (Registrant)	Delaware	-	-
Bragman Nyman Cafarelli, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Bragman Nyman Cafarelli LLC	California	100	Bragman Nyman Cafarelli, Inc.
Campbell Mithun of California, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Casanova Pendrill Publicidad, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
D&H Imagewerks, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Dailey & Associates, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Deutsch LA, Inc.	California	100	DA Acquisition Corp.
Goldberg, Moser, O'Neill LLC	California	100	Lowe & Partners/SMS Inc.
Graphic Orb, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
International Business Services, Inc.	California	100	Infoplan Int'l, Inc.
Initiative Media Worldwide, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Kaleidoscope Films Group, LLC	California	51	Interpublic KFI Ventures, Inc.
Lowe Bozell McAdams, Inc.	California	100	Lowe Group Holdings Inc.
Marketing Drive San Francisco, Inc.	California	100	Marketing Drive Worldwide, Inc.
North Light, Ltd.	California	100	Dailey & Assoc., Inc.
Outdoor Advertising Group	California	100	Registrant
PIC - TV, Inc.	California	100	Initiative Media Worldwide, Inc.
PMK/HBH, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Publicidad Siboney (CA), Inc.	California	100	True North Communications Inc.
The Benjamin Group	California	100	CMGRP, Inc.
The FutureBrand Company, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
WIM Traffic, Inc.	California	100	Registrant
Momentum-NA, Inc.	Colorado	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
ClinARC Co.	Connecticut	100	Registrant
Adair Greene, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
Advantage Int'l Holdings, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Lowe & Partners Worldwide, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Ammirati Puris Ltd.	Delaware	100	Lowe & Partners Worldwide, Inc.
AMS Advanced Marketing Services, Inc.	Delaware	100	Shandwick Investments Ltd.
Amster Yard, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Anderson & Lembke, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Asset Recovery Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Barbour Griffith & Rogers, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Berenter Greenhouse & Webster, Inc.	Delaware	100	Bozell Group, Inc.
Bozell Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Bozell, Jacobs, Keyton & Eckhardt, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Bozell Kamstra Inc.	Delaware	100	Bozell Group, Inc.
BSG Holding LLC	Delaware	100	Protech Holdings
Business Science Research Corp.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Campbell-Ewald Company	Delaware	100	Registrant
Campbell Mithun, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction Under Which Organized</u>	<u>Percentage Of Voting Securities Owned By Immediate Parent (%)</u>	<u>Immediate Parent</u>
Domestic:			
Capita Technologies, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Caribiner Newco, Inc.	Delaware	100	IPG Caribiner Acquisition Corp.
Conotour Marketing Services, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Decibel Marketing, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Draft, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
FCB Japan Inc.	Delaware	100	FCB Worldwide, L.L.C.
FCB Worldwide Inc.	Delaware	100	FCB Worldwide I I C

FCB Worldwide Inc.	Delaware	100	FCB Worldwide, LLC.
FCB Worldwide, LLC	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
GDI Holdings LLC	Delaware	100	Protech Holdings, Inc.
Global Event Marketing & Management (GEMM) Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Golin/Harris International Inc.	Delaware	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services, Inc.
Gravity Games LLC	Delaware	50	Octagon, Inc.
Healthcare Capital, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann Healthcare, Inc.
Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolus, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Howard, Merrell & Partners, Inc.	Delaware	100	Bozell Group, Inc.
Hypermedia Solutions, L.L.C.	Delaware	50	The Coleman Group, L.L.C.
IBS Holding Corp.	Delaware	100	Registrant
ICN Acquisition Corp.	Delaware	100	Registrant
ID Media, Inc.	Delaware	100	Draft, Inc. (50%); Initiative Media Worldwide, Inc. (50%)
Infoplan International, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Interpublic Game Shows, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Interpublic KFI Ventures, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Interpublic SV Ventures, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG Caribiner Acquisition Corp.	Delaware	100	Jack Morton Worldwide, Inc.
IPG GIS US, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG Interactive Investment Corp.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG SAI Holding Corp.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG S&E, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG S&E Ventures, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
IPG Sports & Entertainment Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Jack Morton Worldwide Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Jack Tinker Advertising, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Jay Advertising, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
JMP Holding Company, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Momentum _____ Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Kaleidoscope Sports and Entertainment LLC	Delaware	100	Registrant
LFS, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Lowe Live New York, Inc.	Delaware	100	Lowe & Partners/SMS Inc.
LMMS-USA, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
Magna Global USA, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant

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Domestic:			
Marketing Communications Technologies, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Marketing Corporation of America	Delaware	100	Registrant
Marketing Drive USA, Inc.	Delaware	100	Marketing Drive Worldwide, Inc.
Marketing Drive Worldwide, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
McAvey & Grogan, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Corporation (S.A.)	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Corporation (Int'l)	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson (Paraguay) Co.	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Worldwide, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
McCann Healthcare, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
McCann Worldwide Marketing Communications Co.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Media Direct Partners, Inc.	Delaware	100	Media Partnership Corporation
Media Partnership Corporation	Delaware	100	Registrant
MRM Gould, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Murphy Pintak Gautier	Delaware	100	Registrant
Hudome Agency, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
NAS Recruitment Communications, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
New America Strategies Group LLC	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Newspaper Services of America, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Communication Services	Delaware	100	Octagon CSM Limited

Communication Services International, Inc.	Delaware	100	Octagon CSI Limited
Octagon Worldwide Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Octagon Worldwide Brazil Inc.	Delaware	100	Octagon Worldwide Inc.
Park Advertising, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications Inc.
Pedersen & Gesk, Inc.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
Player LLC	Delaware	100	Registrant
Protech Holdings, Inc.	Delaware	100	Capita Technologies, Inc.
RABA Holdings LLC	Delaware	100	Protech Holdings, Inc.
Regan, Campbell & Ward LLC	Delaware	60	Protech Holdings, Inc.
R/GA Media Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
RX Media, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Skott, Inc.	Delaware	100	Newspaper Services of America, Inc.
Special Events Suppliers, Inc.	Delaware	100	H&C Holdings LTD
Springpoint, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
Stedman Graham & Partners LLC	Delaware	77	New America Strategies Group, L.L.C.
TM Advertising LP	Delaware	99	TM Holdings, Inc.
The Botway Group, Ltd.	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Coleman Group, LLC	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Coleman Group Worldwide LLC	Delaware	100	Registrant

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Name	Jurisdiction Under Which Organized	Percentage Of Voting Securities Owned By Immediate Parent (%)	Immediate Parent
Domestic:			
The Hacker Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications Inc.
The Iso Healthcare Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Lowe Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings B.V.
The MWW Group, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Publishing Agency, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Publishing Agency Int'l, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
The Works, LLC	Delaware	100	Kaleidoscope Sports & Enter. LLC
TM Holdings, Inc.	Delaware	100	Temerlin McClain of Texas, Inc.
TN Technologies, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
TN Media, Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
True North Communications Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications Inc.
True North Holdings (Europe), Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications Inc.
True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Wahlstrom Group LLC f/k/a TN Directory Services LLC	Delaware	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Weller & Klein Research, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
WPR Acquisition Corp.	Delaware	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
WSPR, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
XSR Corp.	Delaware	100	True North Communications Inc.
Zentropy, Inc.	Delaware	100	Registrant
H&C Holdings Limited	District of Columbia	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings, Inc.
Octagon Financial Services, Inc.	District of Columbia	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings, Inc.
Octagon, Inc.	District of Columbia	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings, Inc.
Rowan & Blewitt, Inc.	District of Columbia	100	Registrant
Ben Disposition, Inc.	Florida	100	LFS, Inc.
The Nixon Group, Inc.	Florida	100	Registrant
Austin Kelley Advertising, Inc.	Georgia	100	Registrant
Fitzgerald & Company Studio "A", Inc.	Georgia	100	Registrant
Quest Futures Group, Inc.	Georgia	100	Registrant
Quest Futures Group, Inc.	Kansas	100	Registrant
Lowe Grob Health & Sciences, Inc.	Massachusetts	80	Lowe Group Holdings Inc.
MSP Group, Inc.	Massachusetts	100	Hill, Holiday, Connors, Cosmopulos, Inc.
Mullen Advertising Inc.	Massachusetts	100	Lowe Group Holdings Inc.

C-E Communications, Inc.	Michigan	100	Registrant
Carmichael-Lynch, Inc.	Minnesota	100	Registrant
The Zipatoni Company, Inc.	Missouri	100	Low Group Holdings, Inc.
Complete Medical Communications, Inc.	New Jersey	90	Complete Med. Comm. Int'l

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Domestic:			
Global Healthcare Associates, Inc.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
Integrated Communications Corp.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
Interpublic, Inc.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
MPE Communications, Inc.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
Pace, Inc.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
Target Research Associates, Inc.	New Jersey	100	McCann-Erickson Worldwide, Inc.
Torre Lazur Healthcare Group, Inc.	New Jersey	100	Registrant
TransWorld Marketing Corp.	New Jersey	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
Botway Print Advert., Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
DA Acquisition Corp.	New York	100	DA Parent Acquisition Corp.
DA Parent Acquisition Corp.	New York	100	Registrant
Deutsch Inc.	New York	100	DA Acquisition Corp.
DeVries Public Relations, Ltd.	New York	100	Registrant
Diamond Art Studio Ltd.	New York	100	Diamond Marketing Group, Inc.
Diamond Marketing Group, Inc.	New York	100	The Lowe Group, Inc.
Diamond Promotion Group, Inc.	New York	100	Diamond Marketing Group, Inc.
Direct Approach Mktg. Services, Inc.	New York	100	McCannErickson USA, Inc.
D.L. Blair, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
DTSC Acquisition Corp.	New York	100	Registrant
GDL, Inc.	New York	100	The Lowe Group, Inc. (100% of Common Stock) and Goldschmidt Dunst Lawson Corp. (100% Pref. Stock)
Goldschmidt Dunst & Lawson Corp.	New York	100	The Lowe Group, Inc
Initiative Trading LLC	New York	92.8	Initiative Media Worldwide, Inc.
LCF&L, Inc.	New York	100	The Lowe Group, Inc. (99.9%) and GDL, Inc. (.1%)
Lowe Group Holdings, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
Lowe Healthcare PR, LLC	New York	100	Lowe Bozell McAdams Inc.
Lowe & Partners/SMS Inc.	New York	100	Lowe Int'l (16%), Lowe Worldwide Holdings B.V. (4%) and Registrant (80%)
Ludgate Communications, Inc.	New York	100	Ludgate Group Limited
McCann-Erickson Marketing, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
McCann Realionship Marketing, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
Media First International Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
Promotion & Merchandising, Inc.	New York	100	D.L. Blair, Inc.
Publicidad Siboney (NY), Inc.	New York	100	True North Communications Inc.
The Gotham Group, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant
The Interpublic Partnership, Inc.	New York	100	Registrant

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Domestic:			

Domestic:

The Sloan Group	New York	100	Draft Inc.
CMGRP, Inc.	New York	100	True North Communications, Inc.
AW Sale Corp. of North Carolina	North Carolina	100	Registrant
Long Haymes Carr, Inc.	North Carolina	100	Registrant
F&S Disposition, Inc.	Ohio	100	Lowe & Partners Worldwide, Inc.
Nationwide Advertising Services, LLC	Ohio	100	McCann-Erickson USA, Inc.
Diagnosis Healthcare Communications, Inc.	Pennsylvania	100	Registrant
ICP-Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania	66.67	Int'l Cycling Productions, Inc.
Scientific Frontiers, Inc.	Pennsylvania	100	Registrant
Tierney & Partners, Inc.	Pennsylvania	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Custom Production Service, Inc.	Texas	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Publicidad Siboney (Dallas), Inc.	Texas	100	True North Communications, Inc.
TM Advertising of Texas, Inc.	Texas	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Cabell Eanes, Inc.	Virginia	100	The Martin Agency, Inc.
Marketing Arts Corporation	Virginia	100	The Martin Agency, Inc.
Pros, Inc.	Virginia	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings, Inc.
The Martin Agency, Inc.	Virginia	100	Lowe & Partners/SMS Inc.
Weber McGinn, Inc.	Virginia	100	Registrant
Sedgwick Rd., Inc.	Washington	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
La Llama SA	Argentina	99	Agulia & Baccetti S.A.
Bozell Vasquez	Argentina	65	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
BTL SA	Argentina	70	Agulia & Baccetti S.A.
Cesar Mansilla Asociados SA	Argentina	90	Group Nueva Comunicacion S.A.
FutureBrand S.A.	Argentina	70	Registrant (70%); Luis Rey (15%); Gustavo Kniszczzer (15%)
Grupo Nueva Comunicacion SA	Argentina	80	Registrant (80%); Cesar Leonardo Mansilla (20%)
Initiative Media S.A.	Argentina	100	Registrant
Interpublic S.A. de Publicidad	Argentina	100	Registrant
Espacios SA	Argentina	50	Registrant
Nueva Comunicacion SA (Rosario)	Argentina	90	Grupo Nuever Communications SA;
Nueva Comunicacion SA	Argentina	100	Grupo Nuever Communications SA; Interpublic SA de Publicidad

Pragma/FCB	Argentina	90	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Primera Impresion SA	Argentina	99	Espacios S.A.
Promocionar	Argentina	60	Interpublic S.A. de Publicidad
Servicio Integral de Comm. SA	Argentina	100	Grupo Nueva Communications SA, Interpublic SA de Publicidad
Teleservicios Y Marketing S.A.	Argentina	60	Interpublic S.A. de Publicidad
XYZ Producciones	Argentina	100	Pragma FCB Publicidad S.A
Adlogic Proprietary Limited	Australia	50	Merchant Partners Australia Ltd.
Advantage Holdings	Australia	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings Inc.
Targa Tasmania Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Charcoal Nominees Limited
Australian Safari Pty. Limited	Australia	100	Octagon Australia Pty. Limited
Bozell Worldwide Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Charcoal Nominees Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Octagon Australia Pty. Limited
Directory Investments Pty Ltd.	Australia	100	Shandwick Holdings Pty. Ltd. (91%) Weber Shandwick W/Wide Pty. Ltd. (9%)
Draft Australia Pty Ltd.	Australia	100	Registrant
FCB Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
FCB Melbourne Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	FCB Australia Pty. Ltd.
FCB Sydney Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	FCB Australia Pty. Ltd.
Future Motorsports Concepts Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Octagon Australia Pty. Limited
Futurebrand FHA Pty. Ltd.	Australia	70	McCann-Erickson Advertising Pty Ltd.
Hammond & Thackeray Pty. Ltd.	Australia	70	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Harrison Advertising Pty Limited	Australia	100	McCann-Erickson Advertising Pty Ltd.
Initiative Media Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Merchant and Partners Australia Pty. Limited
International Publications Relations Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Shandwick Holdings Pty. Ltd.
Interpublic Australia Proprietary Ltd.	Australia	100	Registrant
Jack Morton Worldwide Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
Kiteven Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	McCann-Erickson Advertising Pty. Ltd.
Lintas: Hakuhodo Pty. Ltd.	Australia	50	Lowe Sydney Prop.
Lowe Hunt (partnership)	Australia	59.5	Lowe Sydney Pty.(50%); Lowe Hunt & Partners Pty Ltd. (9.5%)
Lowe Melbourne Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Lowe Sydney Prop. Ltd.
Lowe Sydney Pty Ltd..	Australia	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Advertising Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Registrant
Merchant and Partners Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Registrant
Octagon CSI (Australia) Pty Ltd.	Australia	100	Octagon CSI Limited
Octagon Australia Pty. Limited	Australia	80	Advantage Holdings Pty Ltd.
Product Management Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Weber Shandwick Worldwide Pty. Ltd.
Shandwick Holdings Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	AMS Investments Ltd.
The Lowe Group Oceana Pty Ltd	Australia	100	Lowe Sydney Pty. Ltd.
Universal Advertising Placement Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	McCann-Erickson Advertising Pty Ltd.
Weber Shandwick Worldwide Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Shandwick Holdings Pty. Ltd.
Weber Shandwick Worldwide Superannuation Fund Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100	Weber Shandwick Worldwide Pty. Ltd.
Ammirati Puris Lintas Holdings Gesellschaft m.b.H.	Austria	100	Registrant
Initiative Media Werbeagentur GmbH	Austria	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Holdings GmbH

FCB Events & PR Gmbh	Austria	52	FCB Kobza Werbeagentur Gmbh
FCB Retail Consulting & Werbeges	Austria	51	FCB Kobza Werbeagentur Gmbh
FCB Kobza Werbeagentur GmbH	Austria	70	True North Holdings (Netherlands) BV
FCB Interactive Consulting & Werebeges GmbH	Austria	95	FCB Kobza Werbeagentur Gmbh
Lowe GGK Wien Werbeagentur GmbH	Austria	90	Lowe Lintas GGK Holding AG.
Lowe Lintas GGK Holding	Austria	100	Lowe Lintas GGK Beteiligungsverwaltungs AG.
McCann-Erickson Gesellschaft m.b.H.	Austria	100	Registrant
Panmedia Holding AG	Austria	51	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Panmedia Western Werbeplanung GmbH	Austria	100	Panmedia Holding AG
Insight Media Ltd	Azerbaijan	100	McCann Azerbaijan
McCann Azerbaijan	Azerbaijan	100	Registrant
Global Public Relations Ltd.	Bahamas	100	Weber Shandwick WW Asia Pacific Ltd.
Advantage Belgium	Belgium	100	Octagon Worldwide Holdings BVBA
Advertising Tractor S.A.	Belgium	100	Draft Group Holdings Ltd.
Charles Barker BSMG SA	Belgium	100	BSMG Worldwide B.V.
Direct Creations S.A.	Belgium	100	Lowe S.A.
Eleven SA	Belgium	100	Interpublic Belgium Holdings SA
FCB Global Healthcare SA	Belgium	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
FCB Worldwide SA	Belgium	100	True North Holdings (Europe), Inc.
Feedback S.P.R.L.	Belgium	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.

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Foreign:			
Initiative Media Brussels S.A.	Belgium	100	Lowe S.A. (96%) and Initiative Media Paris SA (4%)
Interpublic Belgium Holdings II SPRL	Belgium	99	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings APS
Interpublic Belgium Holdings SA	Belgium	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings APS
Karamba S.A.	Belgium	100	Draft Group Holdings Ltd.
Lowe S.A.	Belgium	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings B.V.
McCann-Erickson Co. S.A.	Belgium	100	Registrant
Momentum Brussels SA	Belgium	85	McCann-Erickson Company S.A.
Octagon CIS NV	Belgium	100	Octagon Worldwide Holdings BVBA
Outdoor Services SA.	Belgium	100	Interpublic Belgium Holdings SA
Programming Media Int'l PMI S.A.	Belgium	100	Registrant
Promo Sapiens S.A.	Belgium	100	Draft Group Holding Ltd. (99.5%) and Draft WW Inc.. (.5%)
Weber Shandwick Belgium S.A.	Belgium	100	AMS Investments Ltd.
Weber Shandwick Brussel CRL	Belgium	100	Charles Barker BSMG SA
The Advanced Marketing Centre S.A.	Belgium	100	Draft Group Holdings Ltd.
Universal Media, S.A.	Belgium	100	Registrant
SAH Limited	Bermuda	100	Lowe & Partners South America Holdings SA
Triad Assurance Limited	Bermuda	100	Registrant
Bullet Promocoos Ltda.	Brazil	60	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda
Contemporanea	Brazil	60	Interpublic Brazil (54%); Intelan SA (Uruguay) (6%)
Datamidia Database Marketing Ltda.	Brazil	60	Giovanni/FCB
DM Marketing Direto Ltda.	Brazil	66	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
DM Marketing Direto Ltda (Sao Paulo Ltda.)	Brazil	66	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
Futurebrand BC&H Ltda	Brazil	60	Harrison Comunicacoes Ltda
Giovanni/FCB	Brazil	60	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
Harrison Comunicacoes Ltda	Brazil	100	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda
Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda.	Brazil	100	Int'l Business Services, Inc.

Loducca Comunicacao Ltda.	Brazil	100	Loducca Publicidade SA
Lowe Ltda.	Brazil	98.75	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Publicidade Ltda.	Brazil	100	Registrant
Octagon do Brazil			
Participacoes S/C Ltda.	Brazil	100	Octagon Worldwide, Inc.
Pap/ Promotion, Advertising & Production Ltda	Brazil	100	Lowe & Partners South America Holdings SA
Sight Momentum Ltda	Brazil	69.99	Intelan S.A.
Sun MRM Ltda.	Brazil	65	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda.
Thunder House Communications Ltd	Brazil	99.8	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda

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Foreign:			
TMKT-MRM Servicos de Marketing Ltda.	Brazil	55	Interpublic Publicidad e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda (55%); TMKT Telemarketing S/C Ltda (9%); SMK Servicos de Marketing S/C Ltda (36%); 4 individuals (1% each)
TorreLazur-McCann Healthcare Ltda	Brazil	99.99	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda.
Universal Publicidade Ltda.	Brazil	100	Interpublic Publicidade E Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda.
Asiatic Corporation	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	AMS Investment Ltd
Hanks International	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	True North Communications, Inc.
Karting Marketing and Management Corp.	Brit. Virgin Islands	51	Brand Hatch Leisure Ltd.
Octagon Asia Inc.	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	Octagon Greater China Limited
Octagon CSI S.A.	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	Communication Services Int'l (Holdings) S.A.
Octagon CSI International Holdings S.A.	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	Octagon CSI S.A.
Octagon Motorsports Limited	Brit. Virgin Islands	78	Octagon Worldwide Inc.
Spectrum Communications International BVI Ltd.	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd.
SBK Superbike International Limited	Brit. Virgin Islands	100	Octagon Motorsports Ltd.
McCann-Erickson Sofia	Bulgaria	51	Registrant
Universal McCann	Bulgaria	100	McCann-Erickson Sofia
McCann-Erickson Cameroon	Cameroon	65	McCann-Erickson Ivory Coast
Ammirati Puris Ltd.	Canada	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas, Inc.
Calimero Partenariat, Inc.	Canada	100	DraftWorldwide Canada, Inc.
CMC Canada Ltd.	Canada	60	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd.
Continental Communications Inc.	Canada	100	Shandwick Investments of Canada Ltd.
Corporation BDDS Shandwick	Canada	100	3707822 Canada Inc.
Deutsch Inc.	Canada	100	Registrant
Diefenbach-Elkins Limited	Canada	100	FBI(US)
DraftWorldwide Canada, Inc.	Canada	100	DraftWorldwide Inc.
Draft Modial Quebec Inc.	Canada	100	DraftWorldwide Canada
Everest Commodities (GECM) Inc.	Canada	100	Draft Modial Quebec Inc.
Everest Estrie Publicite (GECM) Inc.	Canada	100	Draft Modial Quebec Inc.
Everest Relations Publiques (GECM) Inc.	Canada	100	Draft Modial Quebec Inc.
FCB Worldwide (Canada) Ltd.	Canada	100	Interpublic Holdings (Canada) Ltd.
HyperMedia Solutions (1998) Inc.	Canada	100	Hypermedia Solutions
Interpublic Holdings (Canada) Ltd.	Canada	100	True North Holdings Asia Pacific Inc.
ISOGROUP Canada, Inc.	Canada	100	The ISO Healthcare Group, Inc.
Kaleidovision Inc.	Canada	100	Interpublic Holdings (Canada) Ltd.
Kelly Management Group Inc.	Canada	100	Octagon Canada Inc.
Lambert Multimedia Inc.	Canada	100	Draft Modial Quebec Inc.
MacLaren McCann Canada Inc.	Canada	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
Octagon Canada Inc.	Canada	100	Octagon Worldwide Inc.
Pederson & Gesk (Canada) Ltd.	Canada	100	Registrant
P&T Communications	Canada	100	DraftWorldwide Canada
Segal Communications	Canada	100	DraftWorldwide Canada Inc.
Sensas (GECM) Inc.	Canada	100	Draft Modial Quebec Inc.
Shandwick Investment of Canada Ltd.	Canada	100	AMS Investments Ltd.
Temerlin McClain Canada Inc.	Canada	100	Temerlin McClain of Texas, Inc.
The FutureBrand Company	Canada	75	MacClaren Canada Inc.
The Interpublic Group of Companies Canada, Inc.	Canada	100	Registrant
The Medicine Group Limited	Canada	73.54	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd. (45.92%); Registrant (27.62%)
3707822 Canada, Inc.	Canada	100	Registrant
Trans World Marketing Canada Corp	Canada	100	McCann Erickson USA Inc
True North Comm. (Canada) Ltd.	Canada	100	Interpublic Holdings (Canada) Ltd.
Wahlstrom Branch	Canada	100	True North Communications Inc.
Weber Shandwick Worldwide (Canada) Inc.	Canada	100	Golin/Harris International Inc. (50%) Shandwick Investment Of Canada Ltd. (50%)
Ammirati Puris Lintas Chile S.A.	Chile	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings B.V.
Bozell Chile SA	Chile	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Creactiva SA	Chile	60	DraftWorldwide Chile Limitada
Dittborn, Urzueta y Asociados Marketing	Chile	60	McCann-Erickson S.A. de Publicidad
DraftWorldwide Chile Ltda.	Chile	100	DraftWorldwide Latinoamerica Ltda.
DraftWorldwide Latinoamerica Ltda.	Chile	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
Futurebrand SA	Chile	99	Futurebrand SA (Argentina)
IDB/FCB SA	Chile	70	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
Initiative Media Servicios de Medios Ltda.	Chile	99	Ammirati Puris Lintas Chile S.A.
Lowe (Chile) Holdings SA	Chile	100	Lowe & Partners South America Holdings SA
Lowe Porta SA	Chile	49	Lowe (Chile) Holdings SA
McCann-Erickson S.A. de Publicidad	Chile	100	Registrant
Servicios De Marketing Directo Limitada	Chile	99	Dittborn & Unzueta/MRM
Bo Da Da Qiao International Advt Comm Co, Ltd	China	50	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Guangzhou Shandwick PR Consultant	China	100	Weber Shandwick (Asia Pacific) Limited
Lowe & Partners Live Consultants Ltd.	China	74	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Guangming Advertising Limited	China	51	McCann-Erickson Worldwide
Shanghai Lintas Advertising Co. Ltd.	China	50	Registrant

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Foreign:			
Ammirati Puris Lintas Colombia	Colombia	100	Registrant
Artefilme Ltda.	Colombia	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Epoca Publicidad S.A.	Colombia	60	Epoca McCann S.A. (Panama)
FCB Worldwide Colombia SA	Colombia	100	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
Initiative Media Colombia SA	Colombia	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Colombia
Arte v Cinema SA	Costa Rica	100	TN Holdings (Latin America) Inc

Atitlan	Costa Rica	100	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
FCB De Costa Rica SA	Costa Rica	100	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
McCann-Erickson Centroamericana (Costa Rica) Ltda.	Costa Rica	100	Registrant
McCann Relationship Marketing (MRM) SA	Costa Rica	100	McCann-Erickson Centroamericana (Costa Rica) Ltda.
McCann-Erickson Zagreb	Croatia	100	McCann-Erickson Int'l GmbH
Foote, Cone & Belding, S.R.O.	Czech Rep.	100	Wilkens Group BV
Initiative Media Prague sro	Czech Rep.	100	Registrant
Lowe Lintas GGK spol. Sro McCann-Erickson	Czech Rep.	100	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
Prague, Spol. S.R.O.	Czech Rep.	100	McCann-Erickson International GmbH
Pan Media Western Praha S.R.O.	Czech Rep.	100	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
Pool Media International S.R.O.	Czech Rep.	100	McCann-Erickson Prague, Spol. s.r.o. (51%) Ammirati Puris Lintas Praha, s.r.o. (49%)
Ammirati Puris Lintas Denmark A/S	Denmark	100	Lowe Lintas & Partners AS
Campbell-Ewald Aps	Denmark	100	Registrant
Initiative Universal Aps	Denmark	100	Registrant
Interpublic Group Denmark ApS	Denmark	100	IPG (Luxembourg) Sarl
Lowe Holdings ApS	Denmark	100	IPG Group Denmark Holdings ApS
Lowe Lintas & Partners A/S	Denmark	75	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
McCann-Erickson A/S	Denmark	100	M-E Holdings ApS
McCann-Erickson Holdings APS	Denmark	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings ApS
Media Bureauet A/S	Denmark	75	Initiative Universal Denmark aps
Medialog A/S	Denmark	100	McCann-Erickson Holdings APS
Octagon Holdings ApS	Denmark	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings ApS
Parafilm A/S	Denmark	100	APL Denmark A/S
Progaganda, Reuther, Lund & Priesler Reklamebureau Aps	Denmark	91.66	Registrant
Scandinavian Design Group ApS	Denmark	75	Scandanavian Design Group AS
Signatur ApS	Denmark	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Denmark A/S
Signatur Internet ApS	Denmark	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Denmark A/S
ZP Group Denmark ApS	Denmark	100	ZEN
ZP Nordic A/S	Denmark	100	ZP Nordic Holdings AS
ZP Nordic Holdings A/S	Denmark	100	ZP Group Denmark ApS
Foote Cone & Belding Dominican Republic SA	Dominican Rep.	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.

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Foreign:			
Harrison Figuera Agencia De Counicaciones Integradas, S.A.	Dominican Rep.	70	McCann-Erick Dominicana, S.A.
McCann-Erickson Dominicana, S.A.	Dominican Rep.	100	Registrant
Artefileme SA	Ecuador	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Foote, Cone & Belding Ecuador	Ecuador	100	MCI US
Horizon FCB Limited	Egypt	100	Horizon Holdings Limited
FCB El Salvador Publicidad SA de CV	El Salvador	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
McCann-Erickson Centro Americana (El Salvador) S.A.	El Salvador	100	Registrant
AS Division McCann-Erickson	Estonia	75	Registrant (75%); Urmas Lilleng (9%); Rain Pikand (9%); Tonu Sikk (5%); Andrus Lember (2%)
Ammirati Puris Lintas Oy	Finland	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Hasan & Partners Oy	Finland	100	Fieldplan Ltd
Hasan & Partners Finland Oy	Finland	51	Hasan & Parners Oy
Kauppamainos/FCB OY	Finland	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
Lintas Service Ov	Finland	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Oy

Lowe Drive OY	Finland	52.5	Lowe & Partners Oy
Lowe Forever Oy	Finland	60	Lowe & Partners Oy
Lowe & Partners Oy	Finland	57	Ammirati Puris Lintas Oy
MRM McCann			
Relationship Marketing	Finland	100	McCann Helsinki Oy
Mainostoinisto Ami			
Hasan & Company Oy	Finland	100	Hasan & Partners, Inc.
Mainostoinisto Womena -			
McCann Oy	Finland	100	Registrant
McCann Helsinki Oy	Finland	100	IPG
Neo Geo Graphic Design Oy	Finland	100	McCann-Erickson Europe Holding
			France SAS
Pool Media International Oy	Finland	66	APL Oy
Sodapop Momentum Oy	Finland	86	McCann Helsinki Oy
Aastuce et Boules de Gomme SA	France	100	MBR SAS
ACAM	France	51	True North Holdings (France) SAS
Agence Virtuelle	France	99.84	Fieldplant Limited
Alice SNC	France	100	Lowe Alice SA (50%); Antennes Sa (50%)
Antennes SA	France	100	Lowe Alica SA
Astuce Archi Sarl	France	65	MBR SAS
Astuce Interactiv' Sarl	France	100	MBR SAS
Astuce Pack	France	100	MBR SAS
Astuce Way	France	100	MBR SAS
BJK&E Media	France	100	True North Holdings (France) SAS
Creative Marketing Service SAS	France	100	France C.C.P.M.
Dimension 4	France	99.80	20/80 Group
Draft Graphic	France	100	DraftWorldwide S.A.

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Foreign:			
Draft Sante	France	100	Draftdirect Worldwide Sarl
Draftdirect Worldwide Sarl.	France	100	Draft Group Holdings Limited
Empir Media	France	100	True North Holdings (France) SAS
Empir SA	France	100	Foote Cone Belding S.A.
Euro T & G.S.A	France	100	McCann-Erickson Rhone Alpes S.A
Fab + S.A.	France	99.99	SP3 S.A.
Foote Cone & Belding S.A.	France	100	True North Holdings (France) SAS
Formes et Facons SARL	France	100	True North Holdings (France) SAS
France C.C.P.M.	France	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
FutureBrand Menu	France	51	FBC
Huy Oettgen Oettgen S.A.	France	100	DraftDirect Worldwide S.A.
Initiative Media Paris S.A.	France	100	France C.C.P.M.
Isogroup France Sarl	France	100	Isograoup Europe B.V.
Leuthe il-autre Agence	France	99.8	McCann-Erickson France
Lowe Holding S.A	France	100	France C.C.P.M. S.A.
Lowe Alice	France	100	France C.C.P.M. S.A.
MACAO Communications S.A.	France	83.71	McCann-Erickson France
MacLaren Multimedia S.A.	France	100	France C.C.P.M.
MBR SAS	France	80	20/80 (FCB Solutions)
MRM Partners	France	99.70	MACAO Communications S.A.
McCann Consulting	France	70	McCann-Erickson France SAS
McCann-Promotion	France	99.8	McCann-Erickson France SAS
McCann-Erickson France SAS	France	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings APS
McCann-Erickson Paris	France	100	McCann-Erickson France
McCann-Erickson			
Rhone Alpes S.A.	France	100	SP3 S.A
McCann Macao Momentum	France	99.88	Macao Communications S.A.
McCann Sante	France	74	McCann-Erickson France Holding Co.
Octagon Sports Marketing S.A.	France	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings Inc.
Promo Factory SA	France	99.88	Macao Communications S.A.
Publi Media Service SNC (Partnership)	France	50	France CCPM S.A
McCann Governance Agency	France	66	McCann-Erickson France SAS
Red Mountain	France	100	DraftDirect Worldwide Sarl
Slad	France	99.8	McCann-Erickson France
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L'Industrie du Gaz en France S.A.	France	66	McCann-Erickson France
Universal Comcord	France	100	Registrant
SP3 S.A.	France	100	McCann-Erickson France SAS
Strateus S.A	France	73.73	France C.C.P.M. SA
Terre-Lune Marketing Drive	France	70	True North Holdings (France) SAS
Thera McCann Healthcare	France	81.92	McCann Sante
True North Holdings (France) SAS	France	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
20/80 (FCB Solution)	France	80	Foote Cone & Belding S.A.
Universal Media S.A.	France	100	McCann-Erickson France SAS
Valefi	France	55	McCann-Erickson France SAS
Weber Shandwick France Sarl	France	100	Weber Shandwick Holdings SA
Weber Shandwick Holding SA	France	100	AMS Investments Ltd.

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Foreign:			
Western International			
Media France SARL	France	100	Low Alice S.A
Worldgroup Europe SARL	France	100	McCann-Erickson France SAS
Low Zoa SRL	France	100	Low Alice
Acts & Artisits Entertainment GmbH	Germany	100	Jack Morton Worldwide BV
Adplus Werbeagentur GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Brand Comm Agency
Baader, Lang, Behnken Werbeagentur GmbH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
Ammirati Puris Lintas Hamburg GMBH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland GMBH
Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland GmbH	Germany	100	Registrant
Ammirati Puris Lintas Service GmbH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
BCG Marketing Communications GMBH	Germany	100	Interpublic GMBH (GM872)
B&L Ludgate Communications GMBH	Germany	100	Interpublic GMBH
Borsch, Stengel, FCB Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	91.91	True North Holdings (Germany) GmbH
BSMG Worldwide Deutschland GmbH	Germany	100	FCB Wilkens GmbH
Change Communications GmbH, FrankFurt	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
Creative Media Services GmbH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
DCM Dialog-Creation-Munchen Agentur fur Dialogmarketing GmbH	Germany	80	M&V Agentur fur Dialogmarketing und Verkaufsforderung GmbH
Draft Worldwide Stuttgart-Kretives Direktmarketing GMBH	Germany	100	DraftDirect Worldwide Holdings GmbH Germany
DraftDirect Worldwide Holdings GmbH (Germany)	Germany	100	Draft Group Holdings Limited
DraftWorldwide Agentur Fur Marketing Komm. GMBH	Germany	100	M&V Agentur Fur Dialogmarketing Und Ver. GMBH
DraftWorldwide Agentur fur Marketing Kommunikation GmbH (Munich)	Germany	100	M&V Agentur fur Dialogmarketing und Verkaufsforderung GmbH
Enjoy F Werbeagentur	Germany	59	Borsch Stengel FCB Werbeagentur GmbH
Exclusiv-Verlag Meissner GmbH	Germany	100	Weber Shandwick Deut. GmbH & Co. KG
Farewell Beteiligungsgages MBH & Co. KG	Germany	100	Farewell GmbH
Farewell GmbH	Germany	100	Spring & Jacoby GmbH
FCB Design Agentur Fur Integriertes Design GmbH	Germany	100	Beteiligungsgesellschaft
FCBI Berlin GMBH	Germanv	100	Borsch Stengel FCB Werbeagentur GmbH
			FCB/Wilkens GMBH

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Foreign:			
FCB Health & Care Werbeagentur GmbH	Germany	100	Borsch Stengel FCB Werbeagentur GmbH
FCB Wilkens GmbH	Germany	100	True North Holdings (Germany) GmbH
FutureBrand AG	Germany	100	FutureBrand AG
FutureBrand Deutschland GMBH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
Heinrich Hoffman & Partner GmbH	Germany	100	McCann Erickson Brand Comm Agency
Initiativ Media GmbH, Kronberg	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deut. GmbH
Interpublic GmbH	Germany	100	Registrant
Isogroup Europe Consultants GMBH	Germany	100	Isogroup Europe BV
Jack Morton Worldwide GMBH	Germany	100	JMC-Mack Morton Company
Karrasch	Germany	50.20	BSMG Worldwide Deutschland GmbH
KMB Kommunikation Und Marketing Bonn GmbH	Germany	100	Weber Shandwick Deut. GmbH & Co. KG
Lowe Deutschland Holding GmbH	Germany	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings B.V. (75%); Registrant (25%)
Lowe Lintas Hamburg GMBH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris lintas Deutschland GMBH
Lowe & Partners GMBH, Dusseldorf	Germany	100	Lowe Deutschland Holding GMBH
Lo Lowe Hoffman Schnakenberg Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100	Lowe Deutschland Holding GMBH
Lutz Bohme Public Relations GmbH	Germany	100	Shandwick Europe Holding GmbH
Luxon/Carra	Germany	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) BV
Magna Global GmbH	Germany	100	Initiative Media GmbH, Kronberg
Mailpool Adressen-Management GmbH	Germany	100	DraftDirect Worldwide Holdings GmbH
Max W.A. Kamer GmbH	Germany	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deut. GmbH
McCann-Erickson Brand Comm Agency GMBH	Germany	63.70	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson Comm. House GMBH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson (International) GmbH	Germany	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson (Int'l) GmbH
McCann-Erickson Deutsch. GmbH & Co. Mgmt. Prop. KG (Partnership)	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH (80%); Interpublic GMBH (20%)
McCann-Erickson Frankfurt GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson Hamburg GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson Nurnberg GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson Scope GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
McCann-Erickson Thunderhouse	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
M&V Agentur fur Dialog Marketing und Verkaufsforderung GmbH	Germany	100	Draft Direct Worldwide Holdings GmbH Germany
Media Satel GMBH	Germany	100	True North Holdings (Germany) GmbH
Momentum IMC Gesellschaft Fur Erlebings Marketing GmbH	Germany	100	McCann Erickson Deutschland GmbH
MRM McCann Relationship Marketing GMBH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson Deutschland GMBH

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Foreign:

Pro concept marketing Gesellschaft				
Fur Sale Comm.	Germany	51		McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
PWS Promarket Werbeservice GMBH & Co. KG	Germany	100		McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
Scherer Team MRM GmbH	Germany	75		McCann-Erickson Deutschland GmbH
Servicepro Agentur fur				
Dialogmarketing und	Germany	100		M&V Agentur Fur Dialogmarketing
Verkaufsforderung GmbH				und Verkaufsforderung GmbH
Shandwick Deutschland				
GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Shandwick Europe Holding GmbH
Shandwick Europe Holding GmbH	Germany	100		AMS Investments Ltd.
Spectrum Communications GmbH	Germany	100		Jack Morton Worldwide Inc.
Springer & Jacoby Achte Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby		51		True North Communications, Inc.
Beteiligungsgesellschaft mbH				
Springer & Jacoby Digital	Germany			
GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby
				Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Dritte Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Spring & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Dritte				
Werbeagentur GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby
				Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby E-Fact GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby E-fact				
GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby
				Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Erste Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Erste				
Werbeagentur GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby
				Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Funfte Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Funfte				
Werbeagentur GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby
				Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH	Germany	100		Farewell Beteiligungsges MBH & Co.
				KG
Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Farewell Beteiligungsges MBH & Co.
				KG
Springer & Jacoby International				
GmbH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Media GMBH	Germany	60		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Media				
GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Planning GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Planning GMBH & CO. KG	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Sechste Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Sechste Werbeagentur	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
GMBH & CO, KG				
Springer & Jacoby Siebte Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100		Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH

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Foreign:			
Springer & Jacoby Siebte Werbeagentur	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
GMBH & CO KG			
Springer & Jacoby Vierte Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Vierte			
Werbeagentur GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Werbung GMBH	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Werbung			
GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Zweite Werbeagentur GMBH	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Springer & Jacoby Zweite			
Werbeagentur GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Team Consulting GmbH	Germany	100	McCann Erickson Deutschland GmbH
Torre Lazur McCann GMBH	Germany	87	Interpublic GMBH
True North Holdings (Germany) GmbH	Germany	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands)

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Typo-Wenz Artwork GmbH	Germany	100	Interpublic GmbH
Universal McCann GMBH	Germany	100	Interpublic GMBH
Unterstuetzungskasse der H.K. McCann Company GmbH	Germany	100	McCann-Erickson (Int'l) GmbH
Verwaltung's Chaft Springer & Jacoby	Germany	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GMBH
Digital GMBH			
Weber Shandwick Deutschland			
Verwaltungsgesellschaft MBH	Germany	100	Shandwick Europe Holding GmbH
Weber Shandwick Deutschland GMBH & Co. KG	Germany	100	Shandwick Europe Holding GMBH
Weber Shandwick Hamburg GMBH	Germany	100	Lutz Bohme Public Relations GMBH
Zeg Zenturri Furepidemiologie UND	Germany	55	NFO Europe AG Holding & Co Research
Gesund Heitsforschung			
Zentropy Partners Germany	Germany	100	& Consulting (Munich) Registrant
Group Africa Ghana Limited	Ghana	100	Asdia Limited
Ashley & Holmes S.A.	Greece	51	Registrant
Brand Connection Advertising SCA	Greece	51	Communication Channels Management Services SCA
Communication Channels			
Management Services SCA	Greece	100	Fieldplant Limited (UK852C)
Le Sport Productions SA	Greece	100	Ashley & Holmes S.A.
Lowe Communications SA	Greece	100	Fieldplant Ltd.
McCann-Erickson Athens S.A.	Greece	100	WorldGroup Europe SARL
MWG Alco SA	Greece	51	McCann-Erickson Athens S.A.
MWG Politics SA	Greece	72	McCann-Erickson Athens S.A.
Initiative Media Advertising S.A.	Greece	100	Fieldplant Limited
Universal Media Hellas S.A.	Greece	100	McCann-Erickson (Int'l) GmbH
Arefilme SA	Guatemala	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
FCB Publicidad	Guatemala	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Publicidad McCann-Erickson			
Centroamericana (Guatemala), S.A.	Guatemala	100	Registrant
FCB Honduras	Honduras	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.

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Foreign:			
McCann-Erickson			
Centroamericana S. de R.L.	Honduras	100	Registrant
AMF Productions	Hong Kong	100	FCB Hong Kong Limited
Anderson & Lembke Asia Limited	Hong Kong	100	Registrant
Bozell Worldwide (China) Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia Pacific), Inc.
Dailey International Enterprises Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	Registrant (50%), Lowe Lintas & Partners LTD (50%)
Dailey Investments Limited	Hong Kong	100	Registrant (50%), Lowe Lintas & Partners Ltd (50%)
DraftWorldwide Limited	Hong Kong	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
FCB Asia (Holding) Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
FCB Hong Kong Ltd.	Hong Kong	99	FCB Asia (Holding) Ltd.
FCB (Taiwan) Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Futurebrand Hong Kong Limited	Hong Kong	100	McCann-Erickson (HK) Limited
Golin/Harris International Limited	Hong Kong	100	IPG
Interface Communications Limited	Hong Kong	100	Pope Kiernan & Black
Jack Morton Worldwide Limited	Hong Kong	100	Registrant
Kart Mall	Hong Kong	100	

			Karting Marketing & Management Corp.
Lowe Limited	Hong Kong	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Lowe & Partners/Live Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	LGH (US)
Ludgate Asia Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	Ludgate Group Limited
Marketing Communications Technologies A/P LTD.	Hong Kong	100	McCann-Erickson (HK) Limited
McCann-Erickson, Guangmin Ltd.	Hong Kong	51	Registrant
McCann-Erickson (HK) Limited	Hong Kong	100	Registrant
McCann Health Brands (KH) Limited	Hong Kong	99.99	McCann-Erickson (HK) Limited
MNC (HK) Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Octagon CSI Asia Pacific Ltd.	Hong Kong	100	Octagon CSI Int'l Holdings SA
Octagon Greater China Limited	Hong Kong	70	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Octagon Marketing Limited	Hong Kong	99	Octagon Asia, Inc.
Orvieto Limited	Hong Kong	100	Asiatic Corp.
Pope Kieman & Black	Hong Kong	100	FCB HK Limited (80%)
			FCB Asia Holding Ltd (20%)
Premium Surge (Hong Kong) LTD	Hong Kong	100	PS
Presko Limited	Hong Kong	100	Shandwick Asia Pacific Limited
Scotchbrook/BSMG Worldwide Ltd. (Hong Kong)	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Weber Shandwick Asia Pacific Limited	Hong Kong	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick Worldwide (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong	100	Weber Shandwick Asia Pacific Limited
Springpoint (Asia) Limited	Hong Kong	100	Springpoint Limited.

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Foreign:			
TN Media Limited	Hong Kong	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Creative Media Service KFT.	Hungary	100	Lintas: Budapest Reklam Es Marketing Kommunikacios KFT
Foot Cone & Belding KFT	Hungary	70	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
GGK Direct Marketing Kft.	Hungary	80	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
GJW Politikai es Kommunikacios Tanacsado KFT	Hungary	100	GJW Government Relations Ltd.
Initiative Media Hungary	Hungary	100	Lintas Budapest
Lintas: Budapest Reklam es Marketing Kommunikacios Kft	Hungary	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
Lowe Lintas GGK Kft.	Hungary	80.95	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
McCann-Erickson Budapest Ltd	Hungary	100	McCann Worldwide
McCann Relationship Marketing KFT	Hungary	100	McCann-Erickson Budpaest Ltd.
Momentum Hungary Pr & Advertising Ltd.	Hungary	100	McCann-Erickson Budapest Ltd. (97%) McCann Relationship Marketing KFT.(3%)
Panmedia Western Kft. Associate Corp. Consl. (India) Pvt.Ltd.	Hungary	70	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
DraftWorldwide (India PVT Ltd.)	India	99.60	McCann-Erickson (India) Private Ltd.
FCB Ulka Advertising Ltd.	India	74	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
Gaia Communication Private Limited	India	51	Adcom
Initiative Media (India) Limited	India	100	Enterprise Nexus Comm. Rivate Ltd
Interface Communications	India	100	Enterprise Nexus Comm. Rivate Ltd
Karishma Advertising Ltd.	India	100	FCB Ulka Advertising Ltd.
McCann-Erickson (India) Pvt.	India	99.95	Lintas Inida Limited
McCann-Erickson (NEPAL) Pvt. Ltd	India	100	McCann-Erickson Worldwide Inc.
			McCann-Erickson (India) Private Limited
Quadrant Communications Ltd	India	100	Enterprise Nexus Comm. Rivate Ltd
Result Services Private Ltd.	India	51	McCann-Erickson (India) Private Ltd.
SSC & B Lintas Limited	India	99	Enterprise Nexus Comm. Rivate Ltd

Initiative Media Indonesia	Indonesia	53.85	Registrant
Lowe Indonesia	Indonesia	53.2	Registrant
PT Continental Sentratama Surveys	Indonesia	100	Consensus MLB Limited
PT Fajar Cahaya Buana	Indonesia	65	FCB Singapore
PT Impurema Konsultama	Indonesia	100	ME Mauritious Holding
PT Intra Primustana Respati	Indonesia	100	AMS Investment Ltd.
Experimental Marketing Company Limited	Ireland	100	McCann-Erickson Dublin Limited
F.C.C. Shandwick Ltd.	Ireland	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Dublin, Limited	Ireland	100	Registrant
Sugar Films Ltd.	Ireland	100	McCann-Erickson Dublin Limited
Universal Media Ireland Limited	Ireland	100	McCann-Erickson Dublin Limited
Weber Shandwick/FCC Limited	Ireland	100	Registrant
Frontline Marketing Limited	Isle of Man	100	Horizon Holdings Limited

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Foreign:			
Horizon FCB Limited	Isle of Man	100	Horizon Holdings Limited
Horizon Holdings Limited	Isle of Man	51	FCB Worldwide L.L.C.
Pool Limited	Isle of Man	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings APS
A.T. M. Z Holding Company LTD	Israel	75	Resgistrant
BTL Momentum LTD	Israel	100	Registrant
Elazr Golan & Co. Advertising & Marketing (1999) LTD	Israel	100	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Elazr Golan & Co. Advertising & Marketing Limited	Israel	100	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
FutureBrand Israel LTD	Israel	70	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Intitiative Media Tel-Aviv Limited	Israel	78	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Group's Momentum Israel	Israel	100	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co.	Israel	50	Registrant
MRM Israel LTD	Israel	100	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Premium Marketing Group LTD	Israel	60	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Promoseven Ltd.	Israel	78	Registrant
Shamluk, Raban, Golani	Israel	60	A.T.M.Z. Holding Company Ltd.
Tel Aviv Studios Television & Films Prod. LTD	Israel	60	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Universal McCann Israel LTD	Israel	100	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
Weber Shandwick Rimon-Cohen LTD	Israel	60	McCann/Kesher Barrel & Co. Advertising Limited
IPG Reuveni Pridan LTD	Israel	51	A.T.M.Z Holding Company LTD
Bozell Marketing Services, Srl	Italy	100	FCB Italia Srl
Bridge Editore S.R.L.	Italy	100	Weber Shandwick Italia Holding SRL
Chorus Media Srl	Italy	100	Lowe Pirella Gottsche SpA (49%)
Compagnia del Marketing Diretto	Italy	100	Initiative Media Milano SRL (51%) FCB Italia Srl
Compagnia del Marketing Diretto Systems SRL	Italy	100	Compagnia del Marketing Diretto
DraftWorldwide Italia Srl.	Italy	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
Momentum Italia	Italy	51	McCann Erickson Worldwide Italia S.P.A.
Exel S.R.L	Italy	99	Lowe Pirella S.P.A.
FCB Italia Srl	Italy	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.

Futurebrand Gio' Rossi Associati SPA	Italy	/1	Consouteur BV
InfoPlan Italiana S.P.A	Italy	100	Registrant
Initiative Media Milano S.R.L	Italy	100	Lowe Pirella S.P.A
Interactive Communications SRL	Italy	100	McCann Erickson Worldwide Italia S.P.A. (94.12%); Registrant (5.88%)
Interpublic Group Holdings (Italy) S.R.L.	Italy	100	McCann-Erickson France

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Foreign:			
IT Interactive Touch S.R.L	Italy	100	McCann-Erickson WorldGroup Italia S.P.A
Lowe Lintas Pirella Gottsche & Partners S.P.A.	Italy	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
McCann-Erickson S.P.A	Italy	100	McCann-Erickson WorldGroup Italia S.P.A
McCann-Erickson Italiana SpA	Italy	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Roma S.P.A.	Italy	100	McCann Erickson Worldwide Italia S.P.A. (IT370)
McCann-Erickson Worldgroup Italia S.P.A.	Italy	100	Interpublic Group Holdings (Italy) SRL
MRM Dialogo	Italy	100	McCann-Erickson Worldwide Italia SpA
Octagon Motorsport Srl.	Italy	100	Inka AG
Pool Media International (P.M.I.) S.r.l.	Italy	100	Registrant (95%) and Business; Science Research Corp (5%)
SBK Motorsport Srl	Italy	100	SBK Superbike International Ltd.
Universal Media Srl	Italy	100	McCann-Erickson WorldGroup Italia SPA
Weber Shandwick Italia Holding Srl	Italy	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick Italia SPA	Italy	100	Weber Shandwick Italia Holding Srl
Weber Shandwick Massmedia SPA	Italy	100	Shandwick Investments Limited
McCann-Erickson Ivory Coast	Ivory Coast	98.80	McCann-Erickson France
McCann-Erickson (Jamaica) Ltd	Jamaica	100	Registrant
Ammirati Puris Lintas K.K.	Japan	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Nederland BV (24%); Registrant (76%)
Aoyama Graphic Design, Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson Inc.
FCB Japan, KK	Japan	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
FutureBrand Inc.	Japan	100	McCann Erickson Inc.
Hakuhodo Lintas K.K.	Japan	50	Lowe & Partners Worldwide
Harrison McCann Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson Inc.
Infoplan, Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson Inc.
Int'l Management Consultants Ltd.	Japan	100	Weber Shandwick Worldwide, Inc.
IPG Japan Inc.	Japan	100	Registrant
ISDM Japan Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson Inc. (Japan)
International PR Inc.	Japan	100	Weber Shandwick Worldwide, Inc.
McCann-Erickson Inc.	Japan	100	Registrant
Momentum MIK, Inc.	Japan	75	McCann-Erickson Inc.
MRM Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson Inc.
Torre Lazur McCann, Inc.	Japan	100	McCann Healthcare, Inc.
McCann-Erickson Management Service Inc.	Japan	100	McCann-Erickson, Inc. (Japan)
Golin Harris International Co.	Japan	100	Weber Shandwick Worldwide
Weber Shandwick Worldwide Inc.	Japan	100	AMS Investments Limited
Third Dimension Limited	Jersey	100	Interpublic Limited
McCann-Erickson Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan	100	McCann-Erickson Network (UK)
Group Africa Kenya LTD.	Kenya	100	Asdia Limited
McCann-Erickson (Kenya) Ltd.	Kenya	73	Registrant
FCB Hahnin Inc.	Korea	61	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.

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Foreign:

Lintas Korea, Inc.	Korea	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Inc. (Korea)	Korea	100	McCann-Erickson Marketing, Inc.
Universal McCann Inc.	Korea	100	McCann-Erickson Inc (Korea)
SIA McCann-Erickson RIGA	Latvia	75	IPG
SIA Sabiedrisko Attiecibu Birojs	Latvia	75	SIA McCann-Erickson RIGA
Momentum Latvija Sia	Latvia	75	SIA McCann-Erickson RIGA
Horizon FCB SARL	Lebanon	100	Horizon Holdings Limited
Communication Services (International) Holdings SA	Luxembourg	100	Registrant
Inka AG	Luxembourg	100	Octagon Motorsport Limited
Interpublic Group (Luxembourg) SARL	Luxembourg	100	Interpublic Group Holding (Luxembourg) SARL
Interpublic Group Holdings (Luxembourg) SARL	Luxembourg	100	Interpublic Group of Companies Holding (Luxembourg) SARL
Interpublic Group of Companies Holding (Luxembourg) SARL	Luxembourg	100	Registrant
IPG (Luxembourg) SARL	Luxembourg	100	Interpublic Group (Luxembourg) SARL
API Sponsorship SDM.BHD	Malaysia	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
DraftWorldwide Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
Foote Cone & Belding Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Initiative Media (M) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	Lowe Lintas & Partners (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.
Interface Advertising Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	80	FCB Malaysia
Lowe Lintas & Partners (M) SDN, BHD	Malaysia	71	IPG
McCann-Erickson (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	Registrant
Mutiara-McCann (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	Registrant
Universal Communication Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	McCann-Erickson (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.
Weber Shandwick WW (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	100	AMS Investments Limited (92%); Briefcope Limited (8%)
Adcom	Mauritius	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Lowe Mauritius Limited	Mauritius	100	Lowe Group Holdings Inc.
M-E Mauritius Holdings	Mauritius	100	Interpublic Group Denmark Holdings
Artest S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100	FCB Worldwide S.A. de C.V.
BSR/MRM de Mexico SA de CV	Mexico	60	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Corporacion Interpublic Mexicana, S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Diversified Advertising Services S.A. DE C.V	Mexico	100	Lowe SA De CV
FCB Worldwide S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.

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Foreign:			
FutureBrand Mexico, SA de CV	Mexico	100	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Golin Harris Consulting SC	Mexico	96	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV (48%)
			Inversionsta Asociados, S.A De CV (48%)
Golin Harris Services S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	99.8	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Direct Digital Data Base CV	Mexico	100	FCB Worldwide S.A. de C.V.
IM Initiative Media SA DE CV	Mexico	100	Interpublic Holding Company S.A. DE CV
Interpublic Holding Company S.A. De C.V.	Mexico	100	IPG
Inversionistas Asociados S A De C V	Mexico	100	Comoracion Interpublic Mexicana

Lowe SA DE CV	Mexico	100	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
McCann-Erickson Mexico Sa de cv	Mexico	100	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
MRM Servicios SA de CV	Mexico	60	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Pedrote Momentum SA de CV	Mexico	60	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Marketing Division SA DE CV	Mexico	98	FCB Worldwide S.A. de C.V.
Pedrote Momentum Promociones, S.A. De C.V.	Mexico	60	Interpublic Holding Co. SA de CV
Publicidad Nortena, S. De R.L. De C.V.	Mexico	100	Corporation Interpublic Mexicana, SA DE CV
TN Media SA DE CV	Mexico	100	FCB Worldwide S.A. de C.V.
Octogan SAM	Monaco	100	Communication Services Int'l (Holdings) S.A.
Group Africa Momentum LDA Mozambique Partnership in Advertising	Mozambique Namibia	99 65.01	Asdia Limited Admark Trust
Anderson & Lembke Europe B.V.	Netherlands	100	Registrant
BJ/ Business Media BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
BJ/ Media BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
BJ/Millennium Media BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
BJS/Communicatie management BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
Borus Groep BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland BV
Borremans & Ruseler Draftworldwide BV	Netherlands	100	Borus Groep BV
Brand Connection BV	Netherlands	100	Overall Media Administration BV
BSMG Worldwide, BV	Netherlands	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
Consouteur BV	Netherlands	100	IpG Nederland BV
Data Beheer BV	Netherlands	100	Data Holding B.V.
Data Holding BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland B.V.
Bozell Advertising	Netherlands	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) B.V.
Decision/Data Database Media Marketing BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
FHP Print Consult BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
FHP Strategic Publishing BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
Future Brand BV	Netherlands	100	Future Brand Holding BV
Future Brand Holdings BV	Netherlands	71	IPG Nederland B.V.
Gold Reclame En Marketing Advisers BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland B.V.
Initiative Media BV	Netherlands	100	Overall Media Administration B.V.

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Foreign:			
IPG Nederland BV	Netherlands	100	Registrant (37.57%); Fieldplan Ltd. (62.43%)
ISOGroup Europe BV	Netherlands	100	The ISO Healthcare Group, Inc.
Jack Morton Worldwide BV	Netherlands	51.25	IPG Nederland B.V.
Ozlo BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe & Partne BV (77.5%); Lowe Direct B.V. (22.5%)
Lowe Europa BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Lowe Live BV	Netherlands	73.75	Lowe & Partners BV
Lowe & Partners BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Lowe Holland BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV	Netherlands	100	Interpublic Netherlands
McCann-Erickson (Nederland) BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland BV
McCann Recruitment BV	Netherlands	100	VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV
Momentum CF BV	Netherlands	100	McCann-Erickson (Nederland) BV
Octagon CIS BV	Netherlands	100	Advantage Belgium
Octabon Maastricht BV	Netherlands	100	Advantage Int'l Holdings Inc.
Octagon CSI International BV	Netherlands	100	Octagon CSI International NV
Octagon Worldwide Holdings BV	Netherlands	100	Octagon Worldwide Inc.
Old DG BV	Netherlands	100	Gold Reclame & Marketing Adviseurs BV
Overall Media Administration BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland B.V.
Pacific Investments Trust BV	Netherlands	100	SBK Superbike Int'l Limited

Pluspoint B.V.	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland B.V.
Programming Media International BV	Netherlands	100	Registrant
Roomijsfabriek "De Hoop" BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
True North Holding Netherlands BV	Netherlands	100	True North Communications Inc.
Universal Media BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland B.V.
VDBJ Communicatiegroep BV	Netherlands	60	IPG Nederland B.V.
Walbouw Haerlem BV	Netherlands	100	IPG Nederland BV
Western International			
Media Holdings BV	Netherlands	100	Lowe Group Holdings, Inc. (52%), Ammirati Puris Lintas (38%), Western Media (10%)
Weber Shandwick BV	Netherlands	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick International BV	Netherlands	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick Netherlands BV	Netherlands	100	AMS Investments Limited
Wilkens Group BV	Netherlands	100	True North Holdings (Europe), Inc.
Wilkens Group Netherlands BV	Netherlands	100	Wilkens Group BV
Zet Zet BV	Netherlands	100	Old DG BV
Octagon CSI International NV	Netherlands	100	Octagon CSI International BV
APL Digital LTD	New Zealand	100	Lowe Limited
Channel & Limited	New Zealand	100	Lowe Limited
Draftworldwide New Zealand Limited	New Zealand	100	Lowe Limited
FCB Ltd.	New Zealand	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
Initiative Media (NZ) Limited	New Zealand	99	Lowe Lintas
Lowe Limited	New Zealand	64.40	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Limited	New Zealand	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
Octagon New Zealand PTY LTD	New Zealand	100	Octagon Australia PTY Ltd
Pritchard Wood-Quadrant Ltd.	New Zealand	100	Registrant
Shandwick New Zealand Limited	New Zealand	100	AMS Investment LTD
Universal McCann Limited	New Zealand	100	McCann-Erickson Limited
Universal Media Limited	New Zealand	100	McCann-Erickson Limited
Asdia Nigeria Limited	Nigeria	100	Asdia Limited
Initiative Universal Media A/S	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson AS (Norway)
JBR McCann A/S	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson A/S
JBR McCann Production A/S	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson A/S
Lowe Forever A/S	Norway	66.6	Lowe Norway A/S
Lowe Norway A/S	Norway	100	Lowe Sweden AB
McCann-Erickson A/S	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson Marketing
McCann Informasjon A/S	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson AS
Scandinavian Design Group AS	Norway	100	McCann-Erickson AS
McCann-Erickson DE Panama, SA	Panama	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Worldgroup			
Panama	Panama	100	Epoca McCann S.A. (Panama)
Epoca McCann S.A.	Panama	100	Registrant
Universal Ideas, SA	Panama	100	McCann-Erickson Ideas, SA
Mayo/FCB SA	Peru	60	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
McCann-Erickson Corporacion			
Publicidad, S.A.	Peru	100	IPG
Park Advertising	Peru	60	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Fasttrack Intergrated Marketing			
Communications, Inc.	Philippines	100	Lowe Lintas & Partnes (Philippines)
FCB WW Philippines	Philippines	51	FCB Asia (Holding) Ltd. (30%) TN Assets (21%)
Group Asia Face to Face, Inc.	Philippines	100	McCann-Erickson(Philippines) Inc. (70%)
			McCann Group of Companies, Inc. (30%)
Harrison Communications, Inc.	Philippines	100	McCann-Erickson (Philippines) Inc.
Lowe Inc.	Philippines	100	Treyna Holdings Inc. (70%)

McCann-Erickson (Philippines), Inc.	Philippines	58	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV (30%) Registrant (30%), Business Science Research Corp. (28%)
McCann Group of Companies, Inc.	Philippines	100	Registrant
Paradigm Production & Design Inc	Philippines	100	Lowe Lintas & Partners (Philippines)
TN Assets	Philippines	40	FCB Asia (Holding) Ltd.
Ad Fabrika FCB Sp. z.o.o.	Poland	100	Wilkens Group BV & (Netherlands)
Lowe GGK Spolka Z.O.O	Poland	100	Lowe Lintas GGK Holding AG
Brand Connection SP.Z.O.O	Poland	100	Initiative Media Warszawa ZP ZOO
GGK Public Relations Sp. z.o.o.	Poland	90	Lowe Lintas GGK Holding AG
Initiative Media Warszawa SP Zoo	Poland	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Warsaw
Lowe Brand Sp. z.o.o.	Poland	100	Lowe Lintas GGK Holding AG

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Foreign:			
Magna Global Polska	Poland	100	Pan Media Western Warszawa Sp Zoo (33.33%), Initiative Media Warszawa Spzoo (33.33%), Universal Media Publicidade, LTDA(33.33%)
McCann-Erickson Polska	Poland	100	McCann-Erickson Int'l GmbH (50%), Walbouw Haerlem BV (50%)
McCann Erickson Worldgroup			
Poland SPO Z.O.O.	Poland	100	Registrant
McCann Relationship Marketing Spo aKa Z Orgazniczon	Poland	100	McCann-Erickson Worldgroup Poland
Momentum Experimental Marketing Spo aKa Z Orgazniczon	Poland	100	McCann-Erickson Worldgroup Poland
Panmedia Western SP. Z.O.O.	Poland	90	Lowe Lintas GGK Holding AG
Prisma Communications Spo aKa Z Orgazniczon	Poland	100	McCann-Erickson Worldgroup Poland
Universal McCann SP Z.O.O.	Poland	100	McCann-Erickson Polska
Brand Connection Actividades Publicitares, Ltda.	Portugal	99.8	Interpublic SGPS/LDA
FCB Publicidade Lda.	Portugal	80	True North Holdings (Netherlands), Inc.
Experientia Marketing Experenciial Ltda	Portugal	98	McCann-Erickson Portugal Pub. Ltda
Iniciativas De Meios-Actividades Publicitarias, Limitada	Portugal	99.87	Lowe Lintas & Partner (Portugal)
Interpublic SGPS/LDA	Portugal	95	Registrant
Lowe Lintas & Partners (Portugal)	Portugal	100	Interpublic SGPS, LDA
Marketing E Imagem, S.A.	Portugal	100	IPG Nederland BV
Markimage 2, Publicidade LDA	Portugal	100	Interpublic SGPS, LDA
McCann-Erickson/ Portugal Publicidade Limitada	Portugal	100	Interpublic SGPS/LDA
McCann-Erickson SGPS SA	Portugal	100	Interpublic SGPS, LDA
McCann Relation Marketing MRM			
Portugal Marketing	Portugal	98	McCann-Erickson Portugal Pub. Ltda
FCB WW Inc.	Puerto Rico	100	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
Marketing Drive	Puerto Rico	100	TN Holdings (Latin America),Inc.
B.V. McCann-Erickson Adv. SRL	RomaniaRomania	75	Registrant
Lowe Lintas GGK S.A.	Romania	20	Ammirati Puris Lintas Deutschland
Medic One	Romania	68	Lowe Lintas GGK S.A.
McCann-Erickson Moscow	Russia	100	McCann-Erickson Int'l GmbH
McCann-Erickson Senegal	Senegal	100	MCCann-Ericksonc Ivory Coast
Ammirati Puris Lintas			
(S) Private Ltd.	Singapore	100	Registrant
DraftWorldwide Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100	DraftWorldwide, Inc.
FCB Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100	FCB Asia (Holding) Ltd.
Futurebrand Singapore PTE LTD	Singapore	100	McCann-Erickson (Singapore) Private Ltd

Pte Limited	Singapore	100	Golin Harris International Limited
Initiative Media Singapore			
Pte Ltd	Singapore	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
Lowe Lintas & Partners			
Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100	Lowe Group Holdings Inc.
McCann-Erickson (Singapore) Private Limited	Singapore	100	Registrant
Octagon CSI Pte Limited	Singapore	100	Octagon CSI International Holdings SA
Scotchbrook/BSMG Worldwide (Singapore Ltd.)	Singapore	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
The Database People PTE Ltd	Singapore	100	Draftworldwide PTY Ltd
Weber Shandwick Worldwide (Singapore) Pte Ltd.	Singapore	100	AMS Investment Ltd
Lowe Lintas GGK Sro	Slovak Rep.	87	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
McCann-Erickson Bratislava	Slovak Rep.	100	McCann-Erickson Prague Spol. srl
Panmedia Bratislava Spol s.r.o.	Slovak Rep.	86	Lowe Lintas GGK Holdings AG
Torre Lazur McCann	South Africa	100	McCann-Erickson South Africa (Proprietary) Ltd.
Admark Trust	South Africa	100	Octagon Marketing
Adsearch Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100	Registrant
Advantage Sponsorship Pty Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Ammirati Puris Lintas (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	100	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV (76%) Registrant (24%)
Azaguy's Advertising & Marketing (Pty)	South Africa	100	FCB Holdings (SA)
Court Road Properties (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Electric Ocean (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Active (PTY) Ltd	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Africa (Pty) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Cape Town (Pty.) Limited	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Durban (Pty.) Limited	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Fuze (Pty.) Limited	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Global Media Pty. Limited.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Foote Cone & Belding Holdings (SA)	South Africa	100	True North Holdings (Asia/Pacific), Inc.
FCB Impact Pty. Ltd	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Johannesburg (Pty.) Limited	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Jonssons PTY Ltd	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Plato Healthcare			
Promotions (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB Shoptalk	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB Hold Pty. Ltd. (40.89%), Hanks International (18.89%), Registrant (40.22%)
FCB South Africa			
Properties (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
FCB South Africa (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Finset (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Group Africa Marketing (PTY) Ltd.	South Africa	100	Group Africa Investments (PTY) Ltd
Galaxy Media (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	The Media Shop (Pty.) Ltd.

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Foreign:			

Herdbuoys McCann-Erickson Holding (Pty) Ltd.	South Africa	74	McCann-Erickson South Africa (Proprietary) Ltd.
Herdbuoys McCann-Erickson South Africa (PTY) Ltd	South Africa	100	Herdbuoys McCann-Erickson Holding (Pty)
Joe Public (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Octagon Communication Services Int'l (PTY) Ltd	South Africa	51	Octagon Marketing PTY Ltd
Octagon Ikageng (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	100	Octagon Marketing PTY Ltd
Lexshell 262 Investment Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	Admark Trust
Lindsay Smithers Design Pty. Limited	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Lindsay Smithers - FCB Cape Pty. Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Lindsay Smithers FCB Distributors (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
LS Design Pty.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
LS Group Management Service	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
LS Staff Investments Pty. Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
LS/FCB Pty. Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
McCann-Erickson Promotions (Proprietary) Ltd.	South Africa	100	McCann-Erickson South Africa (Proprietary) Ltd.
McCann-Erickson South Africa (Pty.) Ltd. ("McCann Group")	South Africa	100	Registrant
McCann International (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	100	McCann-Erickson South Africa (Proprietary) Ltd.
McCann-Erickson Africa (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	Registrant
McCannix Proprietary Limited (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	100	Herbuoys McCann-Erickson South Africa (Pyt) Ltd.
Media Initiative (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas (Prop.) Ltd.
NU-Integrated Media Shop (Pty.) Limited	South Africa	100	The Media Shop (Pty) Limited
Octagon Marketing Pty Ltd.	South Africa	67	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Partnership in Advertising (Namibia) PTY	South Africa	100	The Admark Trust
Sprigg Abbott Eighty (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	FCB South Africa Properties (Pty.) Ltd.
The Media Shop (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	100	Park Adv. Inv. Hold. (Pty.) Ltd.
UAN (Pty.) Ltd.	South Africa	65.01	FCB South Africa Holdings (Pty.) Ltd.
Universal McCann	South Africa	100	Herbuoys McCann-Erickson South Africa (Pyt) Ltd.
Alpha Grupo de Comunicacion Cientifica, S.L.	Spain	60	Shandwick Iberica S.A.

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Foreign:			
Beach Soccer Worldwide S.L.	Spain	84.80	Octagon Esedos S.L (51.40%), Koch Tavares Promocoos E Eventos S.A (33.40%)
Cachagua S.A.	Spain	100	The Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana S.A.
CICM-Digital Espana SA	Spain	100	Centro De Investigacion Y Compra De Medios, S.A.
Cathedral The Creative Center	Spain	94	McCann-Erickson S.A.
Centro De Investigacion Y Compra De	Spain	100	True North Holding Espana, S. L.

Medios, SA			
Clouseau, S.L.	Spain	80	DraftWorldwide S.A.
Design House 2000 Spain SA	Spain	100	Interpublic de Espana S.A.
DraftWorldwide S.A.	Spain	100	Draft Group Holdings Limited
FCB Direct SA	Spain	64	True North Holdings Espana SL
FCB Tapsa	Spain	100	True North Holdings Espana SL
FCB Tapsa Barcelona	Spain	100	FCB Tapsa, SA
FCB Tapsa SA	Spain	100	True North Bozell Espana SL
FCB Tapsa TFM, SA	Spain	51	FCB Tapsa, SA
Foot Cone & Belding Digital Espana SL	Spain	100	FCB Tapsa, SA
Futurebrand, S.A.	Spain	100	McCann-Erickson S.A.
Golin/Harris International Inc. sucursal en espana	Spain	100	Golin Harris
Iniciativas de Medios, S.A.	Spain	100	Lowe Lintas & Partners, S.A.
Lowe FMRG S.A	Spain	81	Lowe W.W. Holdings BV
Lowe Lintas & Partners SA	Spain	100	Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana SA
Magna Global S.A.	Spain	100	The Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana S.A.
Marketing y Comunicacion Integral, S.A.	Spain	89	McCann-Erickson S.A.
McCann-Erickson S.A.	Spain	100	The Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana S.A.
McCann-Erickson Barcelona S.A.	Spain	100	The Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana S.A.
Momentum Comunicacion Barcelona SA	Spain	100	McCann-Erickson SA
Momentum Comunicacion Madrid S.A.	Spain	89	McCann-Erickson S.A.
Momentum Servicios Promocionales SA	Spain	89	McCann-Erickson S.A.
Momentum Task Force S.A.	Spain	89	McCann-Erickson S.A.
MRM Cano & Martinez Direct, S.A.	Spain	80	McCann-Erickson, S.A.
MRM Common Sense, S.A.	Spain	80	McCann-Erickson S.A.
MRM Conten, S.L.	Spain	100	McCann-Erickson S.A.
MRM Directing S.A.	Spain	99.99	McCann-Erickson S.A.
MRM Infomark, S.A.	Spain	70	McCann-Erickson S.A.

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Foreign:			
Pro Beach Soccer S. L.	Spain	100	Octagon Esedos S. L.
Reporter, S.A.	Spain	75	MRM Conten S.L.
Shandwick Iberica, S.A.	Spain	100	AMS Investments Limited
The Interpublic Group of Companies de Espana	Spain	100	Registrant
True North Holding Espana SL	Spain	100	True North Holdings (Europe), Inc.
Universal Bus Interface Corporation S.L.	Spain	80	DraftWorldwide S.A.
Universal McCann	Spain	100	McCann-Erickson S.A.
Valmorisco Communications, S.A	Spain	100	Interpublic Group of Companies De Espana, S.L
Western Int'l Media SA	Spain	100	Western Int'l Media Holdings BV
Initiative Media (Private) Limited	Sri Lanka	100	LDB Lintas (PVT) LTD
Aktiebolaget Grundstenen 89942	Sweden	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) BV
Anderson & Lembke AB	Sweden	100	Anderson & Lembke (US)
Draft Promotion AB	Sweden	100	DraftWorldwide Trampolin AB
DraftWorldwide Sweden AB	Sweden	100	DraftWorldwide Trampolin AB
DraftWorldwide Trampolin AB	Sweden	100	Inter P Group Sweden AB
Exp Creator Momentum AB	Sweden	80	McCann-Erickson AB
Fastbridge AB	Sweden	100	Message Plus Media AB-50% PMI-50%
FB Company AB	Sweden	100	McCann-Erickson AB
Inter P Group Sweden AB	Sweden	100	Interpublic Group Denmark

Lowes Group	Sweden	100
Lowes Group	Sweden	100
Lowes Group	Sweden	100
Lowes Group	Sweden	86
Lowes Group	Sweden	100
McCann Annonbyra AB	Sweden	100
McCann Annonbyra I Malmoe AB	Sweden	100
McCann-Erickson AB	Sweden	100
Message Plus Digital AB	Sweden	100
Message Plus Media AB	Sweden	100
PMI Initiative Universal Media AB	Sweden	100
Ronnberg & McCann A.B.	Sweden	100
Storakers Sverige AB	Sweden	50
Trigger AB	Sweden	80
FCB Leutengger Krull AG	Switzerland	70
Fisch, Meier, Direkt AG DELETE	Switzerland	52
Futurebrand AG	Switzerland	71
Get Neue Gestaltungstechnik AG	Switzerland	100
Initiative Media Western AG	Switzerland	100
Acclaro International SARL	Switzerland	95

Bosch & Butz AG Zollikon	Switzerland	100
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McCann-Erickson AB
True North Holdings (Switzerland), Inc.
Ammirati Puris Lintas Deut. Gmbh
Coleman Group Worldwide LLC
Bosch & Butz Werbeagentur AG
Western Int'l Media Holdings BV
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Foreign:

Lowes Group	Switzerland	82	Lowes Group
McCann-Erickson S.A.	Switzerland	100	Registrant
Octagon (Switzerland) AG	Switzerland	100	Octagon Holdings ApS
Octagon Worldwide Limited	Switzerland	100	Octagon WW Inc.
MRM Worldwide S.A.	Switzerland	67.5	McCann-Erickson
True North Holdings (Switzerland) AG	Switzerland	100	True North Holdings (Netherlands) BV
Type Art AG, Wallisellen	Switzerland	100	FCB Leutenegger Krull AG
Unimedia S.A.	Switzerland	100	Registrant
Universal McCann SA	Switzerland	100	McCann-Erickson S.A
FCB Taiwan Ltd.	Taiwan	80	TN Holdings (Asia/Pacific)
Lowes Group	Taiwan	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson Communications Group Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	100	Registrant
Weber Shandwick Worldwide Taiwan Ltd.	Taiwan	100	Weber Shandwick Asia Pacific Limited
BTL (Thailand) Ltd.	Thailand	100	Weber Shandwick Thailand Ltd.
FCB Worldwide (Thailand) Ltd	Thailand	100	Prakh Holdings Public Company LTD
I.M.C. Communications Co. LTD	Thailand	50	Prakh Holdings Public Company LTD
Impact Communications Limited	Thailand	99	Prakh Holdings Public Company LTD
Initiative Media Limited	Thailand	100	Registrant
Magnus Nankervis & Curl/FCN Limited	Thailand	100	True North Holding Asia Pacific
McCann-Erickson (Thailand) Ltd.	Thailand	100	Registrant
Prakit & FCB (Cambodia) Ltd.	Thailand	80	Prakh Holdings public Company Ltd
Prakit & FCB (Myanmar) Ltd	Thailand	90	Prakh Holdings public Company Ltd
Prakit Publicis Ltd.	Thailand	50	Prakh Holdings public Company Ltd
Shandwick Holdings Limited	Thailand	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick International (Thailand) Ltd.	Thailand	100	Shandwick Holdings Ltd. (51%); Orvieto Ltd. (49%)
Communications Insights Limited	Trinidad	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson (Trinidad) Limited	Trinidad	100	Registrant
FCB Reklam Hizmetleri, AS	Turkey	69.99	True North Holdings (Netherlands) BV
IPG Tanitim VE Halkla Iliskiler AS	Turkey	100	IPG
Information Reklamcilik Ltd. STI	Turkey	100	Pars McCann-Erickson Reklamcilik AS

Initiative Media Istanbul Medya Hizmetleri	Turkey	70	Registrant
Lowe Tanitim Hizmetleri AS	Turkey	86	Lowe Worldwide Holdings BV
Link Ajams Limited Sirketi	Turkey	100	Registrant
Link McCann-Erickson Reklamcilik AS	Turkey	100	Pars McCann-Erickson Reklamcilik AS
Lotus Medya Planlama VE Dagitim AS	Turkey	100	McCann-Erickson Istanbul Reklamcilik AS
McCann-Erickson Istanbul Medya Hizmetleri AS	Turkey	100	PARS McCann-Erickson Reklamcilik A.S.("PARS")
Momentum Iletisim Hizmetleri Dansismanlik E Ticaret A.S	Turkey	100	Pars/McCann
Momentum Beyaz Reklam Tanitim Hizmetleri AS	Turkey	100	Pars/McCann
MRM Reklam VE Tanitama Servisleri AS	Turkey	100	Registrant

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Foreign:			
PARS McCann-Erickson Reklamcilik A.S.("PARS")	Turkey	100	Registrant
Universal McCann Media Planlama Ve Dagitim A.S.	Turkey	100	Registrant
Horizon FCB (LLC)	U.A.E.	100	Horizon Holdings Limited
Linea 12 McCann-Erickson	Ukraine	51	IPG
10 Media Limited	United Kingdom	50	Genus Media Limited
Acclaro International Ltd	United Kingdom	100	AMS Invesment
Addition Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Limited
Addition Marketing Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Limited
Advantage Sponsorship Canada Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Advantage Television Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Ammirati Puris Lintas Limited	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Limited
Ammirati Puris Lintas Russia Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Low Lintas & Partners Worldwide
Analytic I Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
APL Digital Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Ltd.
API Soccer Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
APL Group Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Bahbout and Stratton Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Banks, Holdings O'Shea/FCB Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
Blue Interactive Limited	United Kingdom	100	1995 Ventures Limited
Bozell UK Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
Brand Matters Limited DELETE	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Brand Hatch Insurance Services Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Motorsports Limited
Brands Hatch Investments Limited	United Kingdom	100	Brands Hatch Leisure Ltd
Brands Hatch Leisure Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Inc.
Brands Hatch Limited	United Kingdom	100	Brands Hatch Investments Limited
Briefcope Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Service Ltd.
Brilliant Pictures Limited	United Kingdom	100	Ammirati Puris Lintas Ltd.
British Motorsports Promoters Limited	United Kingdom	51	Octagon Motorsports Limited
Broadway Communications Group (Holdings) Limited	United Kingdom	100	Newtonvale Limited
Brompton Advertising Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	The Brompton Group Ltd.
Brompton Promotions Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	The Brompton Group Ltd.
BSMG Health & Medical Comm. Ltd	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
BSMG Worldwide (Europe) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
Bureau of Commercial Information Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Business Geographics Ltd	United Kingdom	90	Int'l Poster Management Ltd.
Business Opinions Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Charles Barker plc
Campaign Recruitment Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Stowe, Bowden, Wilson Limited
Caudex Medical Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Causeway Communications Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Service Ltd.
Cedilla Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Limited

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Foreign:			
Charles Barker Healthcare Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Charles Barker plc
Charles Barker plc	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK), Ltd.
Charles Barker Publishing Ltd.	United Kingdom	92	Charles Barker plc
CM Lintas International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Colourwatch Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Complete Congress Services Limited	United Kingdom	100	TLMHWSS Ltd
Complete Exhibition Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	80	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd.
Complete Healthcare Training Limited	United Kingdom	100	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd. (75%), Registrant (25%)
Complete Market Research Limited	United Kingdom	100	Complete Medical Group Ltd.
Complete Medical Communications Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Registrant (15%), TLMHWSS (85%)
Complete Medical Communications (UK) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Complete Medical Communications Ltd. (80%), Registrant (20%)
Creata Promotion Limited	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Creation Communications Design Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd.
Creation Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd.
Creative Drive Limited	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Cyclops Productions, Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Davies Day Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sponsorship Consulting Limited
Daytona Raceway Limited	United Kingdom	100	The Rebel Group Limited
DCMA Ltd.	United Kingdom	50	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Delaney Fetcher Delaney Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Delany Lund Knox Warren & Partners Limited	United Kingdom	100	DLKW Holdings Limited
Diagnosis Limited	United Kingdom	100	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare WW Specialty Services Ltd
DP & A Limited	United Kingdom	100	1995 Ventures Limited
DraftWorldwide Limited	United Kingdom	100	Draft Group Holdings Limited
Draft Group Holdings Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
E-fact Limited	United Kingdom	100	Springer & Jacoby Holding GmbH
Events & Programming Int'l Consultancy Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Exp. Momentum Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Expert Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	Genus Media Limited
FCB Advertising Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
FBC (Futurebrand) Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
FBC (FutureBrand Consumer) Limited	United Kingdom	78	Registrant
FBC (FutureBrand Digital) Limited	United Kingdom	100	FBC (Futurebrand) Limited
Foote, Cone & Belding Europe Ltd	United Kingdom	100	True North Holding (UK) Limited
Foote, Cone & Belding International Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holding (UK) Limited

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Foreign:

FCB Management Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Foote, Cone & Belding Europe Ltd.
Fieldplan Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Firstsale 2 Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick Marketing Service Ltd.
Firstsale 4 Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Mktg Services Ltd.
Firstsale 5 Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Mktg Services Ltd.
Firstsale 6 Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Firstsale 7 Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Golin/Harris International Ltd.
Fleet Financial Comm. Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Square Mile Holdings Ltd.
Fleet PR Limited	United Kingdom	100	Shandwick Public Relations Ltd.
FutureBrand English and Pockett Limited	United Kingdom	75	Registrant
Genus Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
GJW Europe Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	GJW Holdings Limited
GJW Government Relations Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	GJW Holdings Limited
GJW Holdings Limited	United Kingdom	100	BSMG Worldwide (Europe) Ltd.
GJW International Limited	United Kingdom	100	GJW Holdings Limited
GJW Scotland Limited	United Kingdom	100	GJW Government Relations Ltd.
Global Sports Productions Limited	United Kingdom	70	Octagon Sports marketing Limited
Globespan Marketing Services	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Go Figure Limited	United Kingdom	100	Initiative Media London Limited
Golin/Harris International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Mktg Services, Ltd
Gotham Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Gresham Financial Marketing Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick Consultants Limited
Grand Slam Millennium Television Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Grand Slam Sports Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
GSD Momentum Limited	United Kingdom	100	Momentum Field Mktg Ltd
GSD (Scotland) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Momentum Field Marketing Ltd.
Harrison Advertising (International) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
High Technology Marketing Systems Limited	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
H.K. McCann Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann Erickson Advertising Ltd.
Hopkins & Bailey Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Radclyffe Comm. Group Ltd.
Initiative Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Initiative Media London Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
International Poster Management Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Interpublic Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Interpublic Pension Fund Trustee Co. Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Service Ltd.
AMS Investment Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Int'l Public Relations Ltd.
Isogroup UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Isogroup Europe BV
Jack Morton Europe Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton US
Jack Morton UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Europe Limited
Jack Morton Worldwide Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton UK Limited

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Foreign:			
Jones Britton Breckon Company Limited	United Kingdom	100	Genus Media Limited
Just Customer Communication Limited	United Kingdom	100	TPD Group Limited
Joint Venture 36 Travel Ltd.	United Kingdom	50	McCann-Erickson Adv. Ltd.
Junk Mail Limited	United Kingdom	100	DP & A Limited
Keith Littlewood Associates	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Kumquat Limited DELETE	United Kingdom	100	Draft Group Holdings Limited
Lewis Gace Bozell Healthcare Worldwide Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
LHSB Management Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Lintas Overseas Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Lintas W.A. Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Lowe Partner Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited

Lowe Azure Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International limited
Lowe Broadway Limited	United Kingdom	100	Broadway Communications Group (Holdings) Limited
Lowe Consulting Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Lowe Digital Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Lowe Fusion Healthcare Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International limited
Lowe & Howard-Spink Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Lowe International Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Lowe & Partners Financial Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Draft WW London Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
021 Limited	United Kingdom	100	1995 Ventures Limited
Lowe Lintas & Partners Worldwide Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Lowe Plus Limited	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International limited
Ludgate Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	Ludgate Group Limited
Ludgate Design Limited	United Kingdom	100	Ludgate Group Limited
Ludgate Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Ludgate Laud Limited	United Kingdom	100	Ludgate Group Limited
Luxon/Carra (UK)	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Magister Consulting Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Marketing Communications Technologies (Europe) Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Marketing Communications Technologies (EMEA) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Ltd.
Marketing Drive Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Marketing Drive Limited (Manchester)	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Marketing Drive International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Marketopeno Ltd	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
Mark Wallace Associates Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd
MBS Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	JM London Ltd.
McCann Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Advertising Limited
McCann Direct Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
McCann-Erickson Advertising Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson UK Group Limited
McCann-Erickson Belfast Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited

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Name	Jurisdiction Under Which Organized	Percentage Of Voting Securities Owned By Immediate Parent (%)	Immediate Parent
Foreign:			
McCann-Erickson Bristol Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann-Erickson Central Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann-Erickson EMEA Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
McCann-Erickson Healthcare UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
McCann-Erickson Manchester Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann-Erickson Payne, Golley Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann-Erickson Network Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson UK Group Limited
WAM/McCann-Erickson Ltd	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann-Erickson UK Group Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Ltd.
McCann-Erickson Windsor Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann Properties Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
McCann Weber Public Relations Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Bristol
MDGS Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
Media Strategy Limited	United Kingdom	50	GJW International Limited
Miller/Shandwick Technologies Inc.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
McCann-Erickson Miller Starr MRM Ltd	United Kingdom	60	Registrant
MLS Soccer Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Momentum Field Marketing Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Momentum On The Move Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Exp Momentum Ltd.
Locksway limited	United Kingdom	75	Opus Holdings International Limited

Movie and Media Sports (Holdings) Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant (43%); Octagon Worldwide Ltd. (31%); Octagon Worldwide Inc. (26%)
MSW Management Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Nationwide Public Relations Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
NDI Retail Development Limited	United Kingdom	100	NDI Momentum Limited
NDI Momentum Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Newtonvale Limited	United Kingdom	53.50	Lowe International Limited (28%); Registrant (25.5%)
Spectrum Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd
Octagon CSI Limited	United Kingdom	100	Third Dimension Limited
Octagon Event Marketing Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Octagon Sponsorship Consulting Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Octagon Mktg. Services Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Octagon Motorsports Limited	United Kingdom	100	Brands Hatch Limited
Octagon Movies & Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	Movies & Media Sports (Holdings) Inc.
Octagon SC Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sponsorship Consulting Ltd.
Octagon Sponsorship Europe Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Ltd.
Octagon Sponsorship Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sponsorship Consulting Ltd.

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Name	Jurisdiction Under Which Organized	Percentage Of Voting Securities Owned By Immediate Parent (%)	Immediate Parent
Foreign:			
Octagon Sports Marketing Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Worldwide Limited
Octagon Worldwide Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Opus Group International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.
Opus Holdings International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Opus Group International Ltd.
Orbit International (1990) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
Origination Production Services Limited	United Kingdom	100	Marketing Drive Group Limited
PDP Momentum Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
PCMC Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Opus Holdings International Ltd.
PR Consultants, Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick Int'l Ltd.
Poundhold Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Lowe International Limited
PR Consultants Scotland Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
Prime Communications Limited	United Kingdom	100	Shandwick Public Relations Ltd.
Propeller Crative Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Manchester Limited
Radclyffe Communications Group Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Ltd.
Rebel Enterprises Limited	United Kingdom	100	The Rebel Group Limited
Roger & Cowan Brand Placement Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick UK Limited
Rogers & Cowan International Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Ltd.
Salesdesk Limited	United Kingdom	100	Harrison Advertising (international) Ltd.
Sch International Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd
Shandwick Design Limited	United Kingdom	100	PR Consultants Scotland Limited
Shandwick Interactive Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Shandwick North Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Shandwick Northern Ireland Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
Shandwick Public Affairs Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Shandwick Public Relations Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Investment Ltd
Shandwick Scotland Limited	United Kingdom	100	PR Consultants Scotland Limited
Silverstone Haymarket Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Motorsports Limited
SLAM Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Charles Barker plc

Slaymaker Cowley White/Bozell (Holdings) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	True North Holding (UK) Ltd
Smithfield Lease Limited	United Kingdom	100	Low International Limited
Sports Management Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Mrktg. Limited
Sports Media Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Springer & Jacoby UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Springer & Jacoby International GmbH
Springpoint Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
Square Mile Communications Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Square Mile Holdings Limited
Square Mile Holdings Limited	United Kingdom	100	BSMG Worldwide (Europe) Ltd.
Still Price Court Twivy			
D'Souza Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Limited
Stowe, Bowden, Wilson Limited	United Kingdom	100	McCann-Erickson Network Limited
Tavistock Advertising Limited	United Kingdom	100	Low International Limited
Team GB Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited

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Foreign:			
The Below the Line Agency Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
The Brompton Group Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Low Int'l Limited
The Business in Marketing & Communications Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Shandwick Public Relations Ltd.
The Championship Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
The Howland Street Studio Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
The Internet Factory Limited	United Kingdom	100	Business Geographics Limited
The Line Limited	United Kingdom	100	APL Group Limited
The Lowe Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Low International Limited
The Promotions Department Partnership Limited	United Kingdom	100	PDP Momentum Limited
The PR Centre Limited	United Kingdom	100	PR Consultants Scotland Limited
The Quay Advertising and Marketing Limited	United Kingdom	100	Babbout and Stratton Limited
The Really Big Promotions Co. Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
The Rebel Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Motorsports Limited
Tinker and Partners Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
TMG Healthcare Communication Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd.
Toca Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Motorsport Ltd
Torre Lazur McCann Healthcare Worldwide Specialty Services Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
TPD Group Limited	United Kingdom	100	Registrant
TPD IP Limited	United Kingdom	100	TPD Group Limited
TPS Public Relations Limited	United Kingdom	100	Shandwick Public Relations Ltd.
True North Holdings (UK) Ltd.	United Kingdom	100	TN Holdings (Europe) Inc.
Two Six Seven Limited	United Kingdom	100	Low International limited
Universal Advertising Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Universal Communications Worldwide Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Universal McCann Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
1995 Ventures Limited	United Kingdom	100	True North Holding (UK), Ltd.
Virtual Reality Sports Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
Washington Soccer Club Limited	United Kingdom	100	Octagon Sports Marketing Limited
WCT Live Communications Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Jack Morton Worldwide Ltd
Weber Europe Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Weber Shandwick Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Square Mile Holdings Limited
Weber Shandwick Broadcast Ltd	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Weber Shandwick Consultants Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Weber Shandwick Consumer Limited	United Kingdom	100	Widestrong Limited
Weber Shandwick Design Consultancy UK limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Ltd.
Weber Shandwick International Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Investments Limited
Weber Shandwick Investor Relations Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick UK Limited
Weber Shandwick Marketing			

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Foreign:			
Weber Shandwick PR Company Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International Limited
Weber Shandwick Trustees Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
Weber Shandwick UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Weber Shandwick International
Western International Media Limited.	United Kingdom	100	Low International Limited (52%) WIMC (UK) Limited (48%)
Western International Media Europe Limited.	United Kingdom	100	Low International Limited
Widestrong Limited	United Kingdom	100	AMS Advanced Marketing Services Ltd.
WIMC UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Interpublic Limited
Zentropy Partners UK Limited	United Kingdom	100	Zentropy Partners Inc.
Aderal S.A.	Uruguay	90	Grupo Nueva Comunicacion S.A.
Asdia Uganda Limited	Uruguay	100	Asdia Limited
Intelan	Uruguay	100	Lingfield S.A. (S.A.F.I.)
Lingfield S.A. (S.A.F.I.)	Uruguay	100	Interpublic Publicidade e Pesquisas Sociedade Ltda.
Lintas Uruguay	Uruguay	100	Low LTDA
Low & Partners South America Holdings, S.A.	Uruguay	100	Low Group Holdings, Inc.
McCann-Erickson Latin America, S.A.	Uruguay	100	Universal Publicidad S.A. (S.A.F.I.)
Paradiser SA	Uruguay	80	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Universal Publicidad S.A. (S.A.F.I.)	Uruguay	100	McCann-Erickson Publicidade Ltda.
McCann Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan	100	Registrant
AJL Park Publicidade	Venezuela	60	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
FCB Publicidade	Venezuela	100	Foote, Cone & Boeding Publicidade
Foote, Cone & Boeding Publicidade	Venezuela	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
FutureBrand S.A.	Venezuela	99.9	The FutureBrand Company, Inc.
McCann-Erickson Publicidade De Venezuela, S.A.	Venezuela	100	Registrant
TN Medios CA	Venezuela	100	True North Holdings (Latin America), Inc.
Low Vietnam	Vietnam	100	Registrant
McCann-Erickson (Vietnam) Ltd	Vietnam	80	McCann-Erickson (Singapore) Private Ltd
Afama Advertising (Rhodesia) Private Limited	Zimbabwe	100	Registrant
Ammirati Puris Lintas (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe	80	Fieldplan Limited
FCB MB&A	Zimbabwe	100	FCB South Africa Holding
Lintas (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe	80	Fieldplan Ltd.
Media Initiative (Zimbabwe) Pty. Limited	Zimbabwe	80	Ammirati Puris Lintas (Private) Ltd.

A number of inactive subsidiaries and other subsidiaries, all of which considered in the aggregate as a single subsidiary would not constitute a significant subsidiary, are omitted from the above list. These subsidiaries normally do business under their official corporate names. International Business Services, Inc. does business in Michigan under the name "McCann-I.B.S., Inc." and in New York under the name "McCann International Business Services". Low & Partners Worldwide, Inc. conducts business through its Ammirati Puris Lintas New York division. McCann-Erickson conducts some of its business in the states of Kentucky and Michigan under the name "McGraphics". McCann-Erickson USA, Inc. does business in Michigan under the name SAS and does business in Indiana, Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin under the name of McCann-Erickson Universal Group.

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 No. 2-79071; No. 2-43811; No. 2-56269; No. 2-61346; No. 2-64338; No. 2-67560; No. 2-72093; No. 2-88165; No. 2-90878; No. 2-97440; and No. 33-28143, relating to the Stock Option Plan (1971), the Stock Option Plan (1981), the Stock Option Plan (1988) and the Achievement Stock Award Plan of the Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (the "Company"); Registration Statements on Form S-8 No. 2-53544; No. 2-91564; No. 2-98324; No. 33-22008; No. 33-64062; and No. 33-61371, relating to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1975), the Employee Stock Purchase Plan (1985) and the Employee Stock Purchase Plan of Company (1995); Registration Statements on Form S-8 No. 33-20291 and No. 33-2830 relating to the Management Incentive Compensation Plan of the Company; Registration Statements on Form S-8 No. 33-5352; No. 33-21605; No. 333-4747; and No. 333-23603 relating to the 1986 Stock Incentive Plan, the 1986 United Kingdom Stock Option Plan and the 1996 Stock Incentive Plan of the Company; Registration Statements on Form S-8 No. 33-10087 and No. 33-25555 relating to the Long-Term Performance Incentive Plan of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-8 No. 333-28029 relating to The Interpublic Outside Directors' Stock Incentive Plan of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-8 No. 33-42675 relating to the 1997 Performance Incentive Plan of the Company; Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to Registration Statement on Form S-4 No. 333-59254 relating to the True North Communications Inc. Stock Option Plan and the Bozell, Jacobs, Kenyon & Eckhardt, Inc. Stock Option Plan; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-44512, relating to the public offering of 7 7/8% notes of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-53592 relating to the public offering of shares of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-84573 relating to the public offering of 1.87% Convertible Subordinated Notes of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-4 No. 333-74476 relating to the public offering of 7 1/4% Notes of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-41856 relating to the public offering of shares of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-82368 relating to the public offering of zero-coupon convertible senior notes of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-8 No. 333-89896 relating to the 2002 Performance Incentive Plan of the Company; Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-106255 relating to the public offering of 4.5% Convertible Senior Notes of the Company; and Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-109384 relating to the public offering of shares of the Company of our report dated March 12, 2004 relating to the financial statements, which appears in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We also consent to the incorporation by reference of our report dated March 12, 2004 relating to the Financial Statement Schedule II, Valuation and Qualifying Accounts, which appears in this Form 10-K.

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March 12, 2004

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each individual whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints David A. Bell, Christopher J. Coughlin, Robert G. Thompson and NICHOLAS J. CAMERA, and each of them, as true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him, and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign the Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, for The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., S.E.C. File No. 1-6686, and any and all amendments and supplements thereto and all other instruments necessary or desirable in connection therewith, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and all documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requested and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and purposes as he might do or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agents or any of them or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Dated: March 8, 2004

/s/ David A. Bell

David A. Bell

/s/ Christopher J. Coughlin

Christopher J. Coughlin

/s/ Frank J. Borelli

Frank J. Borelli

/s/ Reginald K. Brack

Reginald K. Brack

/s/ Jill Considine

Jill M. Considine

/s/ John J. Dooner, Jr.

John J. Dooner, Jr.

/s/ Richard A. Goldstein

Richard A. Goldstein

/s/ H. John Greeniaus

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/s/ Michael I. Roth

Michael I. Roth

/s/ J. Phillip Samper

J. Phillip Samper

/s/ Robert G. Thompson

Robert G. Thompson

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

Certified Resolutions

I, Nicholas J. Camera, Secretary of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (the "Corporation"), hereby certify that the resolutions attached hereto were duly adopted on March 8, 2004 by the Board of Directors of the Corporation and that such resolutions have not been amended or revoked.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Corporation this 8th day of March 2004.

/s/ Nicholas J. Camera

Nicholas J. Camera

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board and the Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Corporation an annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, in the form presented to this meeting with such changes therein as either of them with the advice of the General Counsel shall approve; and further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board in his capacity as Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Vice-President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer in his capacity as Chief Financial Officer, and the Senior Vice President-Finance in his capacity as Chief Accounting Officer of the Corporation be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute such annual report on Form 10-K; and further

RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation be and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to file such annual report on Form 10-K, with all the exhibits thereto and any other documents that may be necessary or desirable in connection therewith, after its execution by the foregoing officers and by a majority of this Board of Directors, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange; and further

RESOLVED, that the officers and directors of the Corporation who may be required to execute such annual report on Form 10-K be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute a power of attorney in the form submitted to this meeting appointing David A. Bell, Christopher J. Coughlin, Robert G. Thompson and Nicholas J. Camera, and each of them, severally, his or her true and lawful attorneys and agents to act in his or her name, place and stead, to execute said annual report on Form 10-K and any and all amendments and supplements thereto and all other instruments necessary or desirable in connection therewith; and further

RESOLVED, that the signature of any officer of the Corporation required by law to affix his signature to such annual report on Form 10-K or to any amendment or supplement thereto and such additional documents as they may deem necessary or advisable in connection therewith, may be affixed by said officer personally or by any attorney-in-fact duly constituted in writing by said officer to sign his name thereto; and further

RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute such amendments or supplements to such annual report on Form 10-K and such additional documents as they may deem necessary or advisable in connection with any such amendment or supplement and to file the foregoing with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange; and further

RESOLVED, that the officers of the Corporation be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to take such actions and to execute such other documents, agreements or instruments as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing.

CERTIFICATION**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

I, David A. Bell, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and we have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
 - b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 15, 2004

/s/ David A. Bell
 David A. Bell
 Chairman of the Board and
 Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 31.2

CERTIFICATION**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

I, Christopher Coughlin, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I am responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and we

have:

a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;

b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 15, 2004

/s/ Christopher Coughlin
Christopher Coughlin
Chief Financial Officer

Certification

**Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
(Subsections (a) and (b) of Section 1350, Chapter 63 of Title 18, United States Code)**

Pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), each of the undersigned officers of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 ("Form 10-K") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and information contained in the Form 10-K fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 15, 2004

/s/ david a. bell

David A. Bell
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 15, 2004

/s/ CHRISTOPHER COUGHLIN

Christopher Coughlin
Chief Operating Officer and
Chief Financial Officer

(A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and will be retained by The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.)