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Financial Services Industry Leaders Launch 'Informa Alliance' for Electronic Investor Communications

*E*TRADE Signs-On as First Customer*

February 22, 2000, NewRiver Investor Communications, Inc., and the DST Systems family of companies today introduce an industry-leading strategic union called the Informa Alliance, offering an Application Service Provider-hosted investor communications suite geared to the financial services industry. Its first client, E*TRADE, a global leader in online investing services, is now offering its customers online delivery of financial account documents.

"E*TRADE provides its customers with the tools and information they need to best achieve their financial goals. With the addition of the online document delivery services, we continue to enhance the customer experience making it easier and more convenient for our customers to instantly access their E*TRADE financial documents online," said Michael Sievert, vice president of marketing at E*TRADE.

"The Informa Alliance's advanced suite of ASP-hosted investor communications solutions brings unprecedented Internet capabilities to our clients; allowing them to enhance customer loyalty while also reducing costs," said Thomas A. McCullough, Executive Vice President of DST Systems.

Through the efforts of NewRiver Investor Communications, Inc., and the DST Systems family of companies: Corporate Document Systems (CDS), Output Technology Solutions (OTS) and itsYourAccounts.com division, the Informa Alliance combines decades of financial services expertise coupled with superior technology to supply brokerages, banks, mutual fund and insurance companies with the first ever full-featured electronic filing cabinet for investor communications.

"The Informa investor communications suite saves financial institutions the trouble of building their own on-line communications platform," said Larry Renfro, president and CEO of NewRiver Investor Communications, Inc. "With our unique set of solutions in place, our clients can continue to focus on what they do best."

The Informa Alliance includes the following products and services:

?? Informa Consent Express-an integrated database management service to solicit, capture and manage investors' consent to receive electronic delivery of a variety of regulated communications at any point in time.

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- ?? Informa Compliance-an Internet-based electronic compliance document fulfillment service allowing investors to gain convenient, Web-based access to information on all US mutual funds, culled from the SEC's EDGAR database.

- ?? Informa Investor-a paperless account platform for delivery of electronic communications to individual investors, including confirmations, account statements, tax documents and check images.

- ?? Informa Broker-an Internet service allowing financial intermediaries to access investor statements, confirmations and tax documents via a secured Web-site.

The Informa Alliance brings to market the first-ever full-service electronic investor communications suite. Comprised of NewRiver Investor Communications, Inc., the leading deliverer of electronic investor communications, and DST Systems, the largest mutual fund processor and its family of companies: CDS, an innovator in electronic proxy voting; OTS, the industry's largest statement and customer communications services provider; and YourAccounts.com, the first firm to provide end-to-end hosted electronic customer communications. For more information about the Informa Alliance companies, go to www.newriver.com, www.dstsystems.com, and www.output.net. To learn more about the Informa products, check out: YourAccounts.com.

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