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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form S-4
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Stellent, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

*(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)*

7372

*(Primary standard industrial
classification code number)*

41-1652566

(IRS employer identification no.)

**7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
(952) 903-2000**

*(Address, including zip code, and telephone number,
including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)*

Gregg A. Waldon

**Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer
Stellent, Inc.**

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of securities to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective and all other conditions to the merger described herein have been satisfied or waived.

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If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, including Rights to purchase Preferred Stock(1)	Not applicable(2)	Not applicable	\$31,667,892(3)	\$4,013

(1) Rights to purchase preferred stock are initially attached to and trade with Stellent common stock. Value attributable to the rights, if any, is reflected in the market price for Stellent common stock.

(2) Pursuant to Rule 457(o), the registration fee has been calculated on the basis of the maximum aggregate offering price, and the number of shares being registered has been omitted.

(3) Computed in accordance with Rules 457(f)(1) and 457(c) under the Securities Act, based upon the number of outstanding shares of common stock of Optika Inc. and the average of the high and low sale prices of such shares as quoted on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market on February 5, 2004. The proposed maximum aggregate offering price is estimated solely to determine the registration fee.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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The information contained in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus is not complete and may be changed. Stellent may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This joint proxy statement/ prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and Stellent is not soliciting offers to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

**PRELIMINARY JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS
DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2004, SUBJECT TO COMPLETION**

**JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS
Merger Proposed Your Vote Is Very Important**

Stellent, Inc. and Optika Inc. have entered into a merger agreement that provides for the merger of Optika with a subsidiary of Stellent. As a result of the merger, Optika effectively will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent.

Under the merger agreement:

Each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into the right to receive 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, subject to adjustment described below.

All outstanding shares of Optika preferred stock will be converted into the right to receive a total of \$10 million in cash and, in certain circumstances described below, shares of Stellent common stock.

Each outstanding option to acquire shares of Optika common stock will be assumed by Stellent and converted into the right to acquire shares of Stellent common stock.

If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, is greater than \$4.00 (which is equivalent to an average closing price of approximately \$9.09 per share of Stellent common stock during such period), then:

80% of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika common stock.

20% of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika preferred stock.

This allocation will be accomplished by reducing the total number of Stellent shares to be issued to the holders of Optika common stock and by issuing those shares to the holders of Optika preferred stock. The total number of shares to be issued by Stellent will not change.

On February 1, 2004, the closing price of Stellent common stock, which trades on the Nasdaq National Market System under the symbol STEL, was \$ 11 per share. If the price of Stellent's common stock at the effective time of the merger was equal to that price, then each share of Optika preferred stock would be exchanged for \$13.664 in cash and Stellent common stock having a per-share market value of \$ 11, and each share of Optika common stock would be exchanged for Stellent common stock having a per-share value of \$ 11, each calculated in the manner described above.

Both companies have called special meetings of their shareholders to consider and vote on proposals relating to the merger. At Optika's meeting, Optika will ask its stockholders to consider and vote on the approval of the merger agreement and the merger, as well as an amendment to Optika's certificate of designation of its preferred stock. At Stellent's meeting, Stellent will ask its shareholders to consider and vote on the approval of the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger. To complete the merger, the shareholders of each company must approve the applicable merger-related proposals.

This joint proxy statement/ prospectus gives you detailed information about Stellent, Optika, the merger and the Optika certificate of designation amendment and includes a copy of the merger agreement, Optika's amended and restated certificate of designation of its preferred stock and other important documents. We encourage you to read this entire document carefully before deciding how to vote. **In particular, you should read carefully the Risk Factors section beginning on page 21 for a description of various risks you should consider in evaluating the merger.**

Your vote is important, regardless of the number of shares you own. To vote your shares, you may use the enclosed proxy card or you may attend the meeting held by your company. In the case of Optika stockholders, if you do not vote, it will have the same effect as voting against approval of the merger agreement and the merger.

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We are very enthusiastic about the merger and join the members of the two companies' boards of directors in recommending that you vote FOR the proposal being submitted for your consideration and vote.

ROBERT F. OLSON
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Stellent, Inc.

MARK K. RUPORT
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Optika Inc.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus is dated 1 , 2004,

and is first being mailed to shareholders on or about 1 , 2004.

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This joint proxy statement/ prospectus incorporates by reference important business and financial information about Stellent and Optika that is not included in or delivered with this document. See **Where You Can Find More Information** beginning on page 109.

You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference into this document from Stellent or Optika, respectively, or from the SEC's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Documents incorporated by reference are available from Stellent or Optika, respectively, without charge, excluding any exhibits to those documents unless the exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference into this document. You may obtain documents incorporated by reference into this document by requesting them in writing or by telephone from the applicable company as follows:

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7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
Telephone number: (952) 903-2000

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
Telephone number: (719) 548-9800

If you would like to request documents incorporated by reference, please do so by 1 , 2004, to receive them before your company's special meeting. Please be sure to include your complete name and address in your request. If you request any documents, we will mail them to you by first class mail, or another equally prompt means, within one business day after we receive your request.

This joint proxy statement/ prospectus is accompanied by a copy of Optika's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, as filed with the SEC on February 6, 2004, which is attached as Annex H. The enclosed Form 10-K of Optika includes important business and financial information about Optika that is not included in this document. See **Where You Can Find More Information** beginning on page 109.

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STELLENT, INC.

7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
To Be Held on 1 , 2004**

A Special Meeting of Shareholders of Stellent, Inc. will be held at Stellent's headquarters at 7777 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota, at 1:00 a.m., Central Time, on 1 , 1 , 2004 for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon the proposed issuance of shares of Stellent common stock in the merger of Optika Inc. into STEL Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent, under the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 11, 2004, among Stellent, STEL Sub, and Optika, a copy of which is included as Annex A to the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus.
2. To transact any other business as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

The Stellent board of directors unanimously recommends that the Stellent shareholders vote FOR approval of the issuance of Stellent shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

The Board of Directors has fixed 1 , 2004 as the record date for the meeting, and only shareholders of record at the close of business on that date are entitled to receive notice of and vote at the meeting.

Your proxy is important to ensure a quorum at the meeting. Even if you own only a few shares, and whether or not you expect to be present at the meeting, please mark, date, and sign the enclosed proxy card and return it in the accompanying postage-paid reply envelope as quickly as possible, or follow the instructions for voting by telephone or over the Internet. You may revoke your proxy at any time prior to its exercise, and returning your proxy will not affect your right to vote in person if you attend the meeting and revoke the proxy.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GREGG A. WALDON
*Executive Vice President, Chief
Financial Officer and Secretary*

Eden Prairie, Minnesota
1 , 2004

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on 1 , 2004

To the Stockholders of Optika Inc.:

A special meeting of stockholders of Optika Inc. will be held at 1 , Colorado Springs, Colorado on 1 , 2004 at 1 a.m., Mountain Time, for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon a proposal to approve the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 11, 2004, by and among Stellent, Inc., STEL Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent, and Optika Inc. and the merger pursuant to which Optika will merge with and into STEL Sub on and subject to the terms contained in that agreement. A copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger is attached as Annex A of the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus;
2. To consider and vote upon a proposal to amend and restate the certificate of designation of Optika's preferred stock, as set forth in Annex I of the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus, in connection with and as a condition precedent to the merger; and
3. To transact any other business as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

Our board of directors has unanimously approved the merger agreement, the merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation and recommends that you vote FOR the adoption of the merger agreement and the merger and FOR the adoption of the amendment to the certificate of designation.

Each of the proposals is described in more detail in the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus, which you should read in its entirety before voting. A copy of the merger agreement is attached as Annex A to the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus and a copy of the amendment to the certificate of designation is attached as Annex I to the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on 1 , 2004 are entitled to notice of the special meeting, and to vote at the special meeting and at any adjournments thereof. The stock transfer books will not be closed between the record date and the date of the meeting. A list of stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting will be available for inspection at Optika's executive offices during normal business hours, for purposes related to the meeting, for a period of ten days prior to the meeting.

All Optika stockholders are cordially invited to attend the special meeting in person. However, to ensure your representation at the special meeting, we urge you to complete, sign and return the enclosed proxy card as promptly as possible in the enclosed postage-prepaid envelope, or follow the instructions for voting by telephone or over the Internet. You may revoke your proxy in the manner described in the accompanying joint proxy statement/ prospectus at any time before it is voted at the special meeting. **If you fail to return a properly executed proxy card or to vote at the special meeting, the effect will be a vote against the proposals to adopt the merger agreement and the merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation.**

We cannot complete the merger unless holders of shares of Optika common stock representing a majority of the shares of common stock outstanding as of 1 , 2004 vote to adopt the merger proposals.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

STEVEN M. JOHNSON
Chief Financial Officer,
Executive Vice President and Secretary

Colorado Springs, Colorado
1 , 2004

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Q: What will happen in the transaction?

A: We are proposing to merge Optika into STEL Sub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent. In the transaction, Optika effectively will become a wholly owned, direct subsidiary of Stellent. Optika stockholders will have their shares of Optika common stock converted into newly issued shares of Stellent common stock and their shares of Optika preferred stock converted into cash and, depending on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, possibly newly issued shares of Stellent common stock. Stellent shareholders will retain their existing shares of Stellent common stock. We expect that, upon the completion of the transaction, approximately 1 % of the outstanding common stock of the combined company will be held by former Stellent shareholders, and approximately 1 % of the outstanding common stock of the combined company will be held by former Optika stockholders.

Q: Are there any limits on the value of the consideration that I will receive for my shares of Optika common stock?

A: No, there is neither a minimum nor a maximum dollar value for what you will receive in the merger for your shares.

Q: What will holders of Optika common stock receive in the transaction?

A: Holders of Optika common stock will receive 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika common stock, subject to adjustment based on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated. If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average Stellent closing price over the relevant period, is greater than \$4.00 (which is equivalent to an average closing price of approximately \$9.09, per share, of Stellent common stock), 20% of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika preferred stock and 80% of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika common stock. The allocation will be accomplished by reducing the ratio at which each share of Optika common stock will be converted into a share of Stellent common stock. The total number of shares of Stellent common stock issued at the closing of the transaction will not change.

Q: What will holders of Optika preferred stock receive in the transaction?

A: Holders of Optika's preferred stock will receive an aggregate of \$10 million in cash plus, if the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average Stellent closing price over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, is greater than \$4.00, an amount (in the form of newly issued shares of Stellent common stock) equal to 20% of the value of the total number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by the difference between the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock and \$4.00. Such additional amount, if any, will be allocated on a pro rata basis to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.

Q: Does any shareholder have dissenters or appraisal rights in the transaction?

A: Under Delaware law, holders of Optika common stock and preferred stock who comply with the governing statutory provisions are entitled to appraisal rights to receive a judicially determined fair value for their shares through the Delaware state courts instead of the merger consideration. A copy of the applicable statute is attached to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus as Annex G. Holders of Stellent common stock are not entitled to dissenters' rights in connection with the merger.

Q: Why was the transaction structured with Optika becoming a subsidiary of Stellent?

A: The technical form of the transaction, where Optika merges with and into STEL Sub, resulting in Optika effectively becoming a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent, was chosen for a number of legal and technical reasons, none of which affected the economic substance of the transaction. Under any of the structures considered, the Stellent and Optika shareholders would own the same relative percentage ownership in the combined company as they would under the structure actually chosen.

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Q: When are the shareholder meetings?

A: Each company's meeting will take place on _____, 2004 at the time and location specified in each company's respective meeting notice included with this document.

Q: Who is entitled to vote?

A: If you owned shares of Stellent common stock at the close of business on _____, 2004, you are entitled to vote at the Stellent shareholder meeting. If you owned shares of Optika common stock or Optika preferred stock at the close of business on _____, 2004, you are entitled to vote at the Optika stockholder meeting.

Q: What do I need to do now?

A: After you have carefully read this entire document, please vote your Stellent or Optika shares. **Your votes are very important.** You may do this either by completing, signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card or by submitting your proxy by telephone or through the Internet, as explained in this document. This will enable your shares to be represented and voted at the Stellent special meeting or the Optika special meeting.

Q: What shareholder votes are required?

A: *Stellent Shareholders:* Stellent shareholders are being asked to approve the issuance of Stellent shares in the merger. Approval of the share issuance requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Stellent common stock present in person or by proxy at the Stellent shareholders meeting, assuming that a quorum is present at the meeting. Stellent's board of directors unanimously recommends voting **FOR** this proposal.

Optika Stockholders: Optika stockholders are being asked to approve the merger agreement and the merger, and the amendment and restatement of the certificate of designation of Optika's preferred stock in connection with and as a condition precedent to the merger. The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock (on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis) entitled to vote at the special meeting is required to approve the merger agreement and the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation, assuming that a quorum is present at the meeting. Optika's board of directors unanimously recommends voting **FOR** these proposals, which are frequently referred to in this document as the Optika merger proposals.

Q: Why is my vote important?

A: If you are a Stellent shareholder and do not vote your shares, then it will be more difficult for Stellent to obtain the necessary quorum at the Stellent shareholders meeting. If you are an Optika stockholder and do not vote your shares, that will have the same effect as a vote against the Optika merger proposals.

Q: If my shares are held in street name by my broker, will my broker automatically vote my shares for me?

A: No. Your broker is not permitted to vote your shares without specific instructions from you. Unless you follow the directions your broker provides you regarding how to instruct your broker to vote your shares, your shares will not be voted. Please check the voting-information form used by your broker to see if it offers telephone or internet voting.

Q: What if I fail to instruct my broker?

A: If you fail to instruct your broker to vote your shares and the broker submits an unvoted proxy, the resulting broker non-vote will, if you are a Stellent shareholder, not be counted towards a quorum at the Stellent shareholders meeting and not have any effect in determining whether the share-issuance proposal is approved. If you are an Optika stockholder, broker non-votes will be counted for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum but will not be voted on any of the Optika merger proposals. A broker non-vote will therefore have the same effect as a vote against the proposals.

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Q: Can I attend the special meeting and vote my shares in person?

A: Yes. You are invited to attend your company's shareholder meeting. If your shares are held in street name, then you are not the shareholder of record and you must ask the bank, broker, or other nominee holding your shares how you can vote in person at the meeting.

Q: Can I change my vote?

A: Yes.

If you are a Stellent shareholder, you may change your vote by:

delivering a written notice to any corporate officer of Stellent, before the vote on the share-issuance proposal, stating that you are revoking your proxy;

completing and signing a later-dated proxy card and returning it by mail before the Stellent shareholder meeting or by voting again by telephone or through the Internet before the deadline described in this document; or

attending the Stellent shareholders meeting and voting in person after having delivered to any corporate officer of Stellent a written notice revoking your proxy.

If you are an Optika stockholder, you may change your vote by:

delivering a written notice to Optika's corporate secretary, before the vote on the Optika merger proposals, stating that you are revoking your proxy;

completing and signing a later-dated proxy card and returning it by mail before the Optika stockholder meeting or by voting again by telephone or through the Internet before the deadline described in this document; or

attending the Optika stockholder meeting and voting in person after having delivered to Optika's corporate secretary a written notice revoking your proxy.

If your shares are held in an account at a brokerage firm or a bank, you should contact your brokerage firm or bank to change your vote.

Q: Should I send in my stock certificates now?

A: No. You should not send in your stock certificates at this time. Optika stockholders will need to exchange their Optika stock certificates for shares of Stellent common stock after we complete the transaction. We will send you instructions for exchanging Optika stock certificates at that time. If you hold your Optika common stock in book-entry form, we will send you instructions for exchanging your shares after we complete the transaction. Stellent shareholders will retain their current stock certificates after the transaction and should not send in their stock certificates.

Q: When do you expect to complete the transaction?

A: We expect to complete the transaction during April 2004. However, we cannot assure you when or if the transaction will be completed. We must first obtain the necessary approvals of our shareholders at the special meetings, and we also may be required to obtain certain regulatory approvals.

Q: Whom should I call with questions?

A: Shareholders of either company with any questions about the merger and related transactions should call _____, the proxy solicitors that both companies have hired, toll-free at (_____)

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In addition, Stellent shareholders with any questions about the merger and related transactions should call Gregg A. Waldon, Stellent's Chief Financial Officer, at (952) 903-2000.

Optika stockholders with any questions about the merger and related transactions should call Steven M. Johnson, Optika's Chief Financial Officer at (719) 548-9800.

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Q: What are the material United States federal income tax consequences of the merger to Stellent shareholders and Optika stockholders?

A: *Stellent shareholders:* Stellent shareholders will not recognize any gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of the merger.

Optika stockholders: The merger is intended to qualify as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes. Assuming the merger so qualifies, an Optika common stockholder who exchanges all of such stockholder's shares of Optika common stock solely for shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger generally will not recognize any gain or loss on the exchange for such purposes, except with respect to the cash, if any, that the stockholder receives in lieu of a fractional share of Stellent common stock. An Optika stockholder who receives only cash in the merger, including a stockholder who perfects his, her, or its appraisal rights, generally will recognize a taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the stockholder's tax basis in the stockholder's Optika stock. If an Optika preferred stockholder receives a combination of Stellent common stock and cash in the merger, the stockholder generally will recognize a taxable gain, but not loss, in the merger. Even if the merger qualifies as a reorganization as described above, Optika stockholders could be subject to potentially material adverse United States federal income tax consequences described in more detail under the heading "The Merger - Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger" beginning on page 72.

Q: Does Stellent pay dividends?

A: No. Stellent does not currently pay cash dividends on its common stock and does not anticipate paying dividends in the foreseeable future.

Q: Where can I find more information about the companies?

A: Both companies file reports and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You can read and copy this information at the SEC's public reference facilities. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for information about these facilities. This information is also available at the Website the SEC maintains at <http://www.sec.gov>. You can also request copies of these documents from Stellent or Optika. In addition, you can get information about our companies from our Websites located at <http://www.stellent.com> and <http://www.optika.com>. The information on our Websites is not a part of, and is not being incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Q: Who can answer my questions?

A: If you are a Stellent shareholder and have questions or want additional copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please contact:

Stellent, Inc.
7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
Telephone number: (952) 903-2000

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If you are an Optika stockholder and have questions or want additional copies of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, please contact:

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
Telephone number: (719) 548-9800

Stellent and Optika shareholders may also contact:

***[INSERT PROXY SOLICITOR INFORMATION]**

E-mail: 1

or

Call Toll-Free (800) 1 - 1

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SUMMARY

*This summary highlights material information from this joint proxy statement/prospectus. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. To better understand the merger, we urge you to read carefully this entire joint proxy statement/prospectus and the documents we refer to in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Please see *Where You Can Find More Information* on page 109. A copy of the merger agreement itself is attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus as Annex A. We urge you to read carefully the entire merger agreement and the other documents attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus.*

The Merger (See page 43.)

Stellent and Optika have entered into a merger agreement that provides for the merger of Optika into STEL Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent. As a result of the merger, Optika effectively will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent.

The Companies

Stellent, Inc.

7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
(952) 903-2000

Stellent is a leading provider of content management software solutions that allow browser-based Web and wireless access to content-rich business Websites and content-supported e-business applications. Stellent's Universal Content Management architecture provides all five content management elements—Web content management, document management, collaboration, records management and digital asset management from a single technology platform and interface. The Stellent technology enables customers to rapidly deploy business Websites by automating the content contribution, conversion, management and publishing processes for these sites. The solution allows content from a wide variety of enterprise sources, including desktop applications, business applications and templates, to be automatically converted to output formats such as XML, HTML, WML, cHTML and PDF. In addition, the personalization features of Stellent's products and their compatibility with corporate security models ensure users access only the information they need. For further information, visit Stellent's Website at <http://www.stellent.com>. Information on Stellent's Website is not a part of, and is not being incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Optika Inc.

7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
(719) 548-9800

Optika is a leading provider of enterprise content management, or ECM, technology, including document imaging, workflow, collaboration and records management software. Optika's Acorde family of ECM software solutions, including Acorde Context[™], Acorde Process[™], Acorde Resolve[™], Acorde Application Link[™] and Acorde Records Management[™], allows companies to streamline their business processes, eliminate paper, increase operational efficiencies and effectively leverage their enterprise resource planning and line-of-business systems. Acorde provides the ability to manage compliance requirements, access and store multiple formats of business content, both digital and non-digital; automate processes across the organization and externally with partners and customers; and enable online collaboration around these paper-intensive or complex processes in real and near time. Acorde supports a wide spectrum of critical business operations, including accounts payable, accounts receivable, claims processing, expense reporting, records management and human resources. For further information, visit Optika's Website at <http://www.optika.com>. Information on Optika's Website is not a part of, and is not being incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

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STEL Sub, Inc.

7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
(952) 903-2000

STEL Sub, Inc. is a Delaware corporation and a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent. STEL Sub, Inc. was formed exclusively for the purpose of completing the merger.

What Optika Stockholders Will Receive in the Merger (See page 43.)

Upon completion of the merger:

each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into the right to receive 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, subject to adjustment described below; and

all outstanding shares of Optika preferred stock will be converted into the right to receive a total of \$10 million in cash and, in certain circumstances described below, shares of Stellent common stock.

If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average Stellent closing price over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, is greater than \$4.00, then:

80 percent of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika common stock; and

20 percent of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.

This allocation will be accomplished by reducing the total number of Stellent shares to be issued to holders of Optika common stock and by issuing those shares to the holders of the Optika preferred stock. The total number of shares to be issued by Stellent will not change. As a result, if there is such an allocation, the exchange ratio per share of Optika common stock will be reduced to something less than 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock for each outstanding share of Optika common stock.

Ownership of Stellent Following the Merger (See page 44.)

We anticipate that former Optika stockholders will own approximately 1 % of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock following the merger.

Reasons for the Merger (See pages 50 and 52.)

Stellent. Stellent's board of directors has unanimously agreed that the merger is advisable and in the best interest of Stellent and its shareholders. In reaching its decision, the Stellent board of directors identified several reasons for, and potential benefits of, the merger to Stellent shareholders. These potential benefits include the following:

combining Stellent's strength in content management with Optika's strength in business process automation will enable Stellent to create a platform of products that encompasses content management, integrated document management, document imaging, content distribution, business process management, collaboration and record management;

combining Optika's product offering with Stellent's product offering will provide marketing opportunities by enabling customers to satisfy multiple facets of their content management and document processing needs with a single vendor;

greater entity size, marketing resources and financial strength may present improved opportunities for marketing the products of the combined company; and

combined technological resources may allow Stellent to compete more effectively by enhancing its ability to develop new products and add functionality to existing products.

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Optika. The Optika board of directors has unanimously agreed that the merger is advisable and in the best interests of Optika and its stockholders. In reaching its decision, the Optika board of directors

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identified several reasons for, and potential benefits of, the merger to Optika stockholders. These potential benefits include the following:

the strategic factors cited above by Stellent;

the financial condition, results of operations, and businesses of Optika and Stellent before and after giving effect to the merger;

the near- and long-term prospects of Optika as an independent company and of the combined company;

the opportunity for Optika stockholders to participate in the potential for greater growth, operational efficiencies, financial strength, and earning power of the combined company after the merger;

industry trends toward consolidation and the advantages that might be expected to accrue to the combined company through the creation of a larger customer base, a higher market profile, greater financial strength, and broader customer offerings, which could enhance the ability of the combined company to compete in the marketplace; and

the opinion of Revolution Partners, LLC dated January 11, 2004 to the Optika board of directors to the effect that as of that date, and based upon and subject to the matters described in their opinion, the consideration to be received by the stockholders of Optika was fair, from a financial point of view, to such stockholders.

Recommendations of Boards of Directors (See pages 50 and 53.)

Stellent Shareholders. After careful consideration, the Stellent board of directors unanimously recommends that the Stellent shareholders vote **FOR** approval of the issuance of Stellent shares pursuant to the merger agreement.

Optika Stockholders. The Optika board of directors believes that the merger is in the best interests of Optika and its stockholders and, after careful consideration, recommends that Optika stockholders vote **FOR** approval of the merger agreement and the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation.

Opinions of Financial Advisors (See page 55.)

Stellent. RBC Dain Rauscher Inc., a member of RBC Capital Markets, referred to in this joint proxy statement/prospectus as RBC, has given a written opinion, dated January 11, 2004, to the Stellent board of directors as to the fairness on that date, from a financial point of view, of the total consideration to be paid in the merger. The full text of this opinion is attached to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus as Annex E. You should read the opinion carefully in its entirety to understand the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered, and limitations on the review undertaken by RBC in providing its opinion. The opinion of RBC is directed to the Stellent board of directors and does not constitute a recommendation to any Stellent shareholder as to any matter relating to the merger.

Optika. Revolution Partners, LLC has given a written opinion, dated January 11, 2004, to the Optika board of directors as to the fairness on that date, from a financial point of view, of the consideration to be received by the holders of Optika capital stock in the merger. The full text of this opinion is attached to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus as Annex F. You should read the opinion carefully in its entirety to understand the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken by Revolution Partners in providing its opinion. The opinion of Revolution Partners is directed to the Optika board of directors and does not constitute a recommendation to any Optika stockholder as to any matter relating to the merger.

Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger (See page 69.)

In considering the recommendation of Optika's board of directors in favor of approval of the merger agreement and the merger, Optika stockholders should be aware that some of Optika's directors and executive officers have interests in the merger that are different from, or in addition to, the interests of Optika stockholders generally. Optika's board of directors was aware of and considered these interests

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when it considered and approved the merger agreement. The interests include the potential for those individuals to obtain positions as directors or officers of Stellent, the acceleration of vesting of certain stock options, the receipt of severance and other benefits under employment agreements, and the right to continued indemnification and insurance coverage for the benefit of current and former Optika directors and officers. In particular:

Mark K. Rupert, Optika's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, has entered into an employment agreement with Stellent effective on the closing of the merger that provides for a new grant of options to purchase shares of the combined company and new terms and conditions of his employment as Executive Vice President of Operations of the combined company, including certain change of control severance benefits; and

Alan B. Menkes, one of Optika's directors, will become a member of the board of directors of the combined company.

The Shareholders Meetings (See page 37.)

Stellent Shareholders. Stellent will hold a special meeting of its shareholders at Stellent's headquarters at 7777 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota, at 10 a.m., Central Time, on 11/12/2004 to vote on the share-issuance proposal. You may vote at the meeting if you owned shares of Stellent common stock at the close of business on the record date, which was 11/1/2004. At the meeting, you will be entitled to cast one vote for each share of Stellent common stock that you owned at the close of business on the record date. At the close of business on the record date there were 10,000,000 shares of Stellent common stock outstanding, each entitled to one vote.

In order for the companies to complete the merger, Stellent shareholders must approve the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock in the merger. The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the number of shares of Stellent common stock present in person or by proxy at the Stellent shareholders meeting is required to approve the share-issuance proposal.

As of the close of business on the record date, directors and executive officers of Stellent owned and were entitled to vote 1,000,000 shares of Stellent common stock. Those shares represented approximately 10% of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock at that time. The directors and executive officers of Stellent have entered into a voting agreement with Optika under which they have agreed to vote their shares in favor of the share-issuance proposal.

Optika Stockholders. Optika will hold a special meeting of its stockholders at 10000 North Academy Blvd., Colorado Springs, Colorado, at 10 a.m., Mountain Time, on 11/12/2004 to vote on the Optika merger proposals. You may vote at the meeting if you owned shares of Optika common stock or Optika preferred stock at the close of business on the record date, which was 11/1/2004. At the meeting, you will be entitled to cast one vote for each share of Optika common stock that you owned (or in the case of preferred stockholders, may be deemed to own on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis) at the close of business on the record date. At the close of business on the record date there were 10,000,000 shares of Optika common stock outstanding, each entitled to one vote (including the preferred stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis).

In order for the companies to complete the merger, Optika stockholders must approve each of the Optika merger proposals. The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock (on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis) entitled to vote at the special meeting is required to approve the Optika merger proposals, assuming that a quorum is present at the meeting.

As of the close of business on the record date, directors and executive officers of Optika owned and were entitled to vote 1,000,000 shares of Optika common stock. Those shares represented approximately 10% of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock at that time. The directors and executive officers of Optika have entered into a voting agreement with Stellent under which they have agreed to vote their shares in favor of the Optika merger proposals.

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Voting Agreements (See page 88.)

Stellent. The nine directors and executive officers of Stellent, owning, in the aggregate, approximately 1 % of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock on the record date, have entered into a voting agreement with Optika and have delivered irrevocable proxies granting to Optika the right to vote all of the Stellent common stock owned by them in favor of the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger. We have attached a copy of the Stellent voting agreement as Annex B to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

Optika. Eleven Optika stockholders, each a director or officer of Optika, owning, in the aggregate, approximately 1 % of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock on the record date, have entered into a voting agreement with Stellent and have delivered irrevocable proxies granting to Stellent the right to vote all of the Optika common stock owned by them in favor of the Optika merger proposals. We have attached a copy of the Optika voting agreement, as amended, as Annex C to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

TWCP Written Consent and Voting Agreement. In connection with the execution of the merger agreement, Stellent and Optika entered into a written consent and voting agreement with Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P., or TWCP, and certain related entities, which hold as of the date of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, approximately 95% of the outstanding shares of Optika's preferred stock. In that agreement, the TWCP entities agreed, among others things, to:

consent to the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation of Optika's preferred stock, subject to the right of the TWCP entities to approve any amendment to the merger agreement;

vote all of their shares of capital stock of Optika in favor of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation (and the TWCP entities have delivered irrevocable proxies to this effect to Stellent);

exchange their shares of Optika's preferred stock for their pro rata share of \$10 million in cash and any adjustment shares of Stellent common stock, as calculated pursuant to the merger agreement;

consent to the amendment of the rights and preferences of the Optika preferred stock as set forth in the amendment to the certificate of designation, as well as the termination of the registration rights agreement and certain other agreements relating to the Optika preferred stock; and

refrain from transferring, in any way, the shares of Optika preferred stock held by them without the consent of Optika and Stellent during the term of the written consent and voting agreement, except to affiliates of the TWCP entities that will be bound by the agreement.

Pursuant to the TWCP written consent and voting agreement, Optika and Stellent have agreed, among other things, to indemnify TWCP and the other entities party to the TWCP written consent and voting agreement against any and all damages suffered by such parties arising out of or in connection with the performance by such parties of their obligations under the agreement or certain actions that may be brought in connection with the merger.

We have attached a copy of the TWCP written consent voting agreement as Annex D to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

Optika Stock Options (See page 77.)

Upon completion of the merger, each outstanding Optika stock option will be converted into an option to purchase a number of shares of Stellent common stock that is equal to the product of the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock (as described above) multiplied by the number of shares of Optika common stock that would have been obtained before the merger upon the exercise of the option, rounded to the nearest whole share. The exercise price per share will be equal to the exercise price per share of Optika common stock subject to the option before the conversion divided by the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock, rounded to the nearest whole cent.

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Accounting Treatment (See page 71.)

The merger will be treated as a purchase for accounting purposes.

Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences (See page 72.)

The merger is intended to qualify as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes. Assuming the merger so qualifies, an Optika common stockholder who exchanges all of such stockholder's shares of Optika common stock solely for shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger generally will not recognize any gain or loss on the exchange for such purposes, except with respect to the cash, if any, that the stockholder receives in lieu of a fractional share of Stellent common stock. An Optika stockholder who receives only cash in the merger, including a stockholder who perfects his, her, or its appraisal rights, generally will recognize a taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the stockholder's tax basis in the stockholder's Optika stock. If an Optika preferred stockholder receives a combination of Stellent common stock and cash in the merger, the stockholder generally will recognize a taxable gain, but not loss, in the merger.

Even if the merger qualifies as a reorganization as described above, Optika stockholders may be subject to potentially material adverse United States federal income tax consequences if the Internal Revenue Service were to successfully contend that the consideration transferred by Stellent to the Optika common and preferred stockholders should be treated not as it was actually received, but rather as it would have been received by such stockholders prior to the amendment of the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, pursuant to which the stated liquidated preference of the Optika preferred stock will be terminated. We urge you to review the United States federal tax consequences to stockholders in greater detail under the heading *The Merger* Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger beginning on page 72, and to consult with your tax adviser to determine the specific tax consequences of the merger to you.

Appraisal Rights (See page 98.)

Stellent. Under Minnesota law, Stellent shareholders will not have any dissenters' rights in connection with the merger.

Optika. Optika stockholders are entitled under Delaware law to appraisal rights in connection with the merger. To exercise appraisal rights, an Optika stockholder must:

provide written notice to Optika before the taking of the vote of the stockholders on the merger proposal in accordance with Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, stating his or her intention to exercise appraisal rights;

vote against approval of the merger proposal or abstain from voting; and

comply with the other procedures required by Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

A copy of Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law is attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus as Annex G.

Regulatory Matters (See page 75.)

Under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, known as the HSR Act, if the amount of consideration to be paid by Stellent to the common and preferred stockholders of Optika were valued at \$50 million or more for the entire 45-day period prior to the effective date of the merger, Stellent and Optika would not be allowed to complete the merger until they had furnished information required by the HSR Act to the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission and the applicable HSR Act waiting period had expired or been terminated. Based on the number of shares of common stock of Optika outstanding at January 30, 2004, as long as the price of Stellent's common stock closes below approximately \$9.73 on at least one day during the 45-day period prior to the effective date of the merger Stellent and Optika would not be required to furnish certain information under the HSR Act or wait for HSR Act waiting period to expire or be terminated.

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Material Terms of the Merger Agreement

Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger (See page 76.) Upon completion of the merger, Optika stockholders will be entitled to receive, for each share of Optika common stock, 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, subject to adjustment based on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing date of the merger. If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average closing price during that period, is greater than \$4.00, a portion of the shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to holders of the Optika common stock instead will be allocated pro rata to holders of the Optika preferred stock. If any shares of Stellent common stock are allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, the total number of shares so allocated, will be equal to:

the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by the difference between the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock and \$4.00, multiplied again by 20%; divided by

the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing date of the merger.

If any shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to the holders of Optika common stock are allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, Optika common stockholders will be entitled to receive, for each share of Optika common stock, a portion of a share of Stellent common stock equal to:

the product of the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by 0.44, less the number of shares of Stellent common stock allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock; divided by

the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock.

Stellent will not issue fractional shares in the merger. As a result, the total number of shares of Stellent common stock that you receive in the merger will be rounded down to the nearest whole number. You will receive a cash payment for the value of the remaining fraction of a share of Stellent common stock that you would otherwise have received, based on the average of the trading price of Stellent common stock on the Nasdaq National Market System over the period of ten trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing of the merger.

Conversion of Optika Preferred Stock in the Merger (See page 77.) Upon completion of the merger, holders of Optika's preferred stock will receive an aggregate of \$10 million in cash and, if the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average Stellent closing price over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, is greater than \$4.00, an amount (in the form of newly issued shares of Stellent common stock) equal to 20% of the value of the total number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by the difference between the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock and \$4.00. Such additional amount, if any, will be allocated on a pro rata basis to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.

Conditions to Completion of the Merger (See page 82.) Stellent and Optika will not be required to complete the merger unless specified conditions are satisfied, including:

approval by Optika stockholders of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation and approval by Stellent stockholders of the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger;

the effectiveness of the registration statement (which includes this document) relating to the Stellent shares to be issued in the merger;

the authorization for listing on the Nasdaq National Market System, subject to official notice of issuance, of the shares of Stellent common stock to be issued in the merger;

all waiting periods, if any, under the HSR Act having expired or having been terminated and all material foreign antitrust approvals having been obtained;

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there not being an injunction prohibiting the merger, nor any litigation or administrative proceeding by any governmental, regulatory, or administrative entity pending that is reasonably likely to prohibit the merger or to have a material adverse effect on the combined company;

compliance in all material respects by Stellent and Optika with their respective agreements and obligations under the merger agreement, and the truth and correctness in all material respects of the representations made by each of them under the merger agreement, both as of the date of the merger agreement and immediately before the merger;

there not having occurred any event that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on Stellent or Optika;

each party receiving an opinion of the other party's counsel to the effect that the matters submitted for approval of the other party's shareholders related to the merger have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate actions of the other party; and

each party receiving an opinion of its special tax counsel to the effect that the merger will be treated as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes.

In addition, Stellent will not be required to complete the merger unless specified conditions are satisfied, including:

that no rights have become exercisable under Optika's rights agreement;

that holders of no more than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of Optika have taken action to entitle them to demand payment for their shares under the appraisal rights provisions of Delaware law;

receipt by Stellent of all material consents necessary to effect the merger without the breach of any material contract of Optika or the imposition of any encumbrance on any asset of Optika; and

delivery by each of the directors of Optika to Stellent of his resignation from the board of directors of Optika effective as of the date on which the registration statement related to the options issued by Stellent to replace the Optika options assumed pursuant to the merger agreement becomes effective.

Termination of the Merger Agreement (See page 84.) Stellent and Optika can jointly agree to terminate the merger agreement at any time before completing the merger. In addition, either company can terminate the merger agreement if:

the merger has not been completed by May 31, 2004;

the shareholders of either party fail to approve the merger-related proposals on which they are voting;

any of the conditions set forth in the second, third, fourth or fifth bullet points of "Conditions of the Merger" above become impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004;

either of the conditions set forth in the sixth or seventh bullet points of "Conditions of the Merger" above become, with respect to the other party, impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004;

the other company's board of directors withdraws or adversely modifies its recommendation that its stockholders vote in favor of the proposal required to complete the merger;

the other party has materially breached any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the consummation of the merger and the breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from the terminating party; or

there has been a material adverse effect on the other party that has continued unabated for five consecutive business days.

The merger agreement may also be terminated by Optika if, at any time before the Optika stockholders meeting, Optika receives an unsolicited acquisition offer from a third party, and the board of directors of Optika determines the offer is reasonably likely to be more favorable to Optika's stockholders

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than the merger with Stellent and for which financing, to the extent required, is committed or reasonably capable of being obtained. However, before terminating the merger agreement, Optika must have, among other things, given Stellent at least five business days' notice and, during that period, a chance to propose such amendments to the terms of the merger agreement as would enable Optika's board of directors to determine that the merger with Stellent, as so amended, is at least as favorable to Optika's stockholders as the third party's offer.

A Termination Fee and Expense Reimbursement Will Be Payable Under Certain Circumstances (See page 85.) Optika will be obligated to pay Stellent a termination fee of \$1.6 million, plus an amount, not to exceed \$750,000, to reimburse Stellent's expenses relating to the merger, if:

Stellent terminates the agreement as a result of the Optika board of directors having withdrawn or adversely modified its recommendation of approval of the merger agreement and the merger;

Optika terminates the merger agreement in order to enter into an alternative transaction that the Optika board of directors has determined is reasonably likely to be more favorable to Optika's stockholders than the merger with Stellent, as described in the second paragraph under "Termination of the Merger Agreement" above; or

if the following conditions occur:

an alternative transaction is proposed to Optika and becomes publicly known before termination of the merger agreement;

Optika or Stellent terminates the merger agreement as a result of the merger not having been completed by May 31, 2004, or the shareholders of either company having failed to approve the proposal relating to the merger on which they are voting; and

within six months after termination, Optika completes, or enters into an agreement with respect to, an alternative transaction with a third party.

If the merger agreement is terminated by either party because the other party has materially breached any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the consummation of the merger and the breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from the terminating party, the terminating party may require the other party to reimburse up to \$750,000 of the terminating party's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement, and the terminating party may seek additional remedies.

No Solicitation (See page 81.) Optika has agreed not to solicit an acquisition proposal from a third party while the merger is pending. Optika has also agreed not to engage in discussions or negotiations concerning an acquisition proposal unless the Optika board of directors determines that the unsolicited proposal is reasonably likely to be more favorable to Optika's stockholders than the merger with Stellent and that any required financing is committed or reasonably capable of being obtained by the third party. In addition, Optika has agreed to keep Stellent informed about any inquiries or discussions relating to any alternative transaction that is proposed by a third party.

Federal Securities Laws Consequences: Stock Transfer Restrictions (See page 75.)

All shares of Stellent common stock that Optika stockholders receive in connection with the merger will be freely transferable unless the holder is considered an affiliate of Optika or Stellent for purposes of the federal securities laws. Shares of Stellent common stock held by these affiliates may be sold only pursuant to a registration statement or an exemption under the Securities Act of 1933.

Stock Price and Dividend Information (See page 97.)

Stellent's shares of common stock are listed and trade on the Nasdaq National Market System. Optika's shares of common stock are listed and trade on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market System. Stellent trades under the symbol "STEL," and Optika trades under the symbol "OPTK." The following table presents the last reported sale price for Stellent common stock and for Optika common stock on January 9, 2004, the last trading day before our announcement of the signing of the merger agreement, and on February 1, 2004, the last trading day before the printing of this document. The table also sets

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forth the value of the merger consideration Optika stockholders would have received for one share of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock assuming the merger had taken place on those dates.

Date	Stellent Common Stock	Optika Common Stock	Equivalent Price Per Share of Optika Common Stock	Equivalent Price Per Share of Optika Preferred Stock
January 9, 2004	\$ 10.29	\$ 4.28	\$ 4.42	\$ 15.01
February 1, 2004	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1

Past price performance is not necessarily indicative of future price performance. You should obtain current market quotations for shares of Optika and Stellent common stock.

Neither Stellent nor Optika has ever paid cash dividends to its shareholders. Stellent does not anticipate paying cash dividends for the foreseeable future.

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STELLENT, INC.

SUMMARY SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

(In thousands, except per share data)

The tables below present summary selected historical consolidated financial data of Stellent. You should read the information set forth below in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) and management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations in Stellent's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2003 and Stellent's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the nine months ended December 31, 2003, which are incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Please refer to the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus entitled "Where You Can Find More Information," beginning on page 109.

The selected historical consolidated statement of operations data for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 and the selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2003 are derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Stellent contained in Stellent's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2003, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2002 is derived from the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Stellent contained in Stellent's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2002, which is not included in or incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The unaudited historical consolidated results of operations data for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any other interim period or for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 as a whole. However, in the opinion of Stellent's management, the historical financial data presented reflects all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair presentation of the financial condition at such date and the results of operations for such period. The historical financial data may not be indicative of Stellent's future performance.

The selected historical consolidated statement of operations data for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 and the selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of March 31, 2003 and 2002 are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Stellent contained in Stellent's consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto, which are incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The selected historical consolidated statement of operations data for the years ended March 31, 2000 and 1999 and the selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of March 31, 2001, 2000, and 1999 are derived from audited financial statements that are not included in, or incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

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	Year Ended March 31,					Nine Months Ended December 31,	
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2002	2003
Historical consolidated statement of operations data:							
Revenues:							
Product license	\$ 9,303	\$ 17,480	\$ 53,853	\$ 66,908	\$ 40,364	\$ 30,367	\$ 30,239
Services	2,099	4,880	12,868	21,432	25,070	18,254	24,891
Hardware integration and support	5,629						
Total revenues	\$17,031	\$ 22,360	\$ 66,721	\$ 88,340	\$ 65,434	\$ 48,621	\$ 55,130
Gross profit	\$10,390	\$ 18,252	\$ 54,932	\$ 68,977	\$ 44,916	\$ 33,299	\$ 38,128
Loss from operations	\$ (1,143)	\$ (987)	\$ (14,271)	\$ (20,331)	\$ (32,624)	\$ (26,761)	\$ (11,249)
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,359)	\$ 479	\$ (7,671)	\$ (22,298)	\$ (32,400)	\$ (25,790)	\$ (10,083)
Basic and diluted net income (loss) per share	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.36)	\$ (1.00)	\$ (1.45)	\$ (1.15)	\$ (0.46)
Shares used in computing basic net income (loss) per common share	11,151	16,462	21,472	22,286	22,345	22,367	21,949
Shares used in computing diluted net income (loss) per share	11,151	18,057	21,472	22,286	22,345	22,367	21,949
Historical consolidated balance sheet data (at end of period):							
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities	\$ 2,177	\$133,742	\$106,510	\$ 96,158	\$ 81,169	\$ 76,970	\$ 73,328
Working capital	\$ 3,713	\$137,112	\$109,279	\$102,850	\$ 69,823	\$ 79,662	\$ 68,483
Total assets	\$ 8,464	\$147,315	\$181,586	\$165,926	\$129,709	\$137,723	\$122,550
Long-term debt	\$ 108	\$ 11	\$ 37	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total shareholders equity	\$ 4,719	\$140,970	\$167,444	\$151,987	\$112,236	\$123,406	\$104,493

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The tables below present summary selected historical consolidated financial data of Optika. You should read the information set forth below in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) and management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations in Optika's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus and attached as Annex H.

The selected historical consolidated statement of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 and the selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Optika contained in Optika's consolidated financial statements, and the related notes thereto, that are incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and attached as Annex H. The selected historical consolidated statement of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 and the selected historical consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999 are derived from audited financial statements that are not included in, or incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The historical financial data may not be indicative of Optika's future performance.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Historical consolidated statement of operations data:					
Revenues:					
Product license	\$ 11,457	\$ 5,241	\$ 6,306	\$ 5,655	\$ 6,833
Services	10,585	10,865	10,354	12,218	13,084
Total revenues	\$ 22,042	\$ 16,106	\$ 16,660	\$ 17,873	\$ 19,917
Gross profit	\$ 16,997	\$ 10,583	\$ 12,118	\$ 13,624	\$ 15,500
Loss from operations	\$ (1,598)	\$ (13,915)	\$ (4,534)	\$ (649)	\$ (474)
Net loss	\$ (844)	\$ (16,041)	\$ (4,174)	\$ (518)	\$ (384)
Net income (loss) applicable to common stockholders	\$ (844)	\$ (22,105)	\$ 1,325	\$ (518)	\$ (384)
Basic net income (loss) per common share	\$ (0.12)	\$ (2.78)	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.04)
Shares used in computing basic net income (loss) per common share	7,192	7,948	8,184	8,292	8,741
Diluted net loss per common share	\$ (0.12)	\$ (2.78)	\$ (0.46)	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.04)
Shares used in computing basic and diluted net loss per share	7,192	7,948	8,984	8,292	8,741
Historical consolidated balance sheet data (at end of period):					
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 7,182	\$ 11,704	\$ 7,696	\$ 8,408	\$ 9,082
Working capital	\$ 5,737	\$ 8,512	\$ 5,762	\$ 5,860	\$ 5,280
Total assets	\$ 18,097	\$ 18,524	\$ 13,901	\$ 13,889	\$ 17,055
Redeemable convertible preferred stock	\$	\$ 10,849	\$	\$	\$
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 11,356	\$ 769	\$ 7,395	\$ 6,988	\$ 7,934

Table of Contents**SUMMARY SELECTED UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED****CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA**

The following summary selected unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial data gives effect to the proposed merger between Stellent and Optika using the purchase method of accounting for the business combination. This data should be read in conjunction with Stellent's unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto, which you can find beginning on page 91 of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

There can be no assurance that Stellent and Optika will not incur charges in excess of those included in the pro forma adjustments related to the merger or that Stellent management will be successful in its effort to integrate the operations of the companies.

The summary selected unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial data is derived from the unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated balance sheet data of Stellent gives effect to the proposed merger as if it had occurred on December 31, 2003, and combines the unaudited historical consolidated balance sheet of Stellent as of December 31, 2003 with the audited historical consolidated balance sheet of Optika as of December 31, 2003.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated statement of operations data of Stellent gives effect to the proposed merger as if it had occurred on April 1, 2002. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated statement of operations data of Stellent for the year ended March 31, 2003 combines the audited historical consolidated statement of operations of Stellent for the year ended March 31, 2003 with the audited historical consolidated statement of operations of Optika for the year ended December 31, 2002.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated statement of operations data of Stellent for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 combines the unaudited historical consolidated statement of operations of Stellent for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 with the unaudited historical consolidated statement of operations of Optika for the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

The pro forma adjustments are preliminary, and revisions to the preliminary purchase price allocations may have a significant impact on the pro forma adjustments. A final valuation of the net assets to be acquired from Optika, which will be conducted by Stellent's independent valuation specialists, has not been made prior to the completion of this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The consideration of this final valuation may result in a change in the value assigned to the intangible assets acquired and to the amounts of the future amortization expense.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial data is for comparative purposes only and does not purport to represent what Stellent's financial position or results of operations would actually have been had the events noted above in fact occurred on the assumed dates or to project the financial position or results of operations of Stellent for any future date or future period.

	Year Ended March 31, 2003	Nine Months Ended December 31, 2003
	(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)	
Pro forma condensed combined consolidated statement of operations data:		
Revenues	\$ 83,307	\$ 69,480
Gross profit	\$ 57,407	\$ 48,357
Net loss	\$(35,158)	\$ (12,431)
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$ (1.35)	\$ (0.48)
Pro forma condensed combined consolidated balance sheet data (at end of period):		
Working capital		\$ 62,263
Total assets		\$ 179,425

Total shareholders equity	\$ 152,247
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The following table reflects the historical net loss and book value per share of Stellent common stock and the historical net loss and book value per share of Optika common stock in comparison with unaudited pro forma net loss and book value per share after giving effect to the pending merger of Stellent and Optika. The information in the following table should be read in conjunction with the unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial statements and the Stellent historical consolidated financial statements and the Optika historical consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference or included elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. The pro forma information is presented for illustrative purposes only. You should not rely on the pro forma financial data as an indication of the combined financial position or results of operations of future periods or the results that actually would have been realized had the entities been a single entity during the period or as of the date presented.

The historical book value per share information presented is computed by dividing total stockholders' equity for each of Stellent or Optika by the number of shares of Stellent or Optika common stock, respectively, outstanding as of the respective balance sheet date.

The pro forma combined net loss per share information is computed by dividing the pro forma combined net loss by the sum of Stellent's weighted average common shares outstanding during each period and the number of shares of Stellent common stock to be issued in connection with the proposed merger, as if it had been consummated on April 1, 2002. The pro forma combined net loss per equivalent Optika share information is computed by multiplying Stellent pro forma condensed combined consolidated loss per share amounts by the base exchange ratio of 0.44.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated book value per Stellent share is computed by dividing total pro forma combined stockholders' equity by the pro forma number of shares of Stellent common stock outstanding at December 31, 2003 assuming the merger had occurred on that date. Pro forma combined book value per equivalent Optika common share is computed by multiplying Stellent's pro forma combined book value per common share by the base exchange ratio of 0.44.

	Year Ended March 31, 2003	Nine Months Ended December 31, 2003
Stellent historical (balance sheet data at end of period):		
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$(1.45)	\$(0.46)
Book value per common share at the end of the period	\$ 5.14	\$ 4.71

	Year Ended December 31, 2002	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003
Optika historical (balance sheet data at end of period):		
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$(0.06)	\$(0.08)
Book value per common share at the end of the period	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.80

Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Per Share Data

	Year Ended March 31, 2003	Nine Months Ended December 31, 2003
Stellent and Optika pro forma combined (balance sheet date at end of period):		
Pro forma basic and diluted combined net loss per common share	\$(1.35)	\$(0.48)

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Pro forma basic and diluted combined net loss per equivalent Optika common share	\$ (0.59)	\$ (0.21)
Pro forma combined book value per Stellent share		\$ 5.79
Pro forma combined book value per equivalent Optika common share		\$ 2.55

Neither Stellent nor Optika has ever paid cash dividends to its shareholders. Stellent does not anticipate paying cash dividends for the foreseeable future.

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RISK FACTORS

In addition to the risks described in each company's reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q relating to each company as an independent business, you should carefully consider the risks described below relating to the merger and to the ownership of Stellent common stock before deciding how to vote your shares. You also should consider the other information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Please refer to the section of the joint proxy statement/prospectus entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page 109. If any of the events described in these risks actually occur, the business, financial condition or prospects of Stellent or Optika, as the case may be, may be seriously harmed. In such case, the market price of Stellent common stock, or Optika common stock, as the case may be, may decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Relating to the Merger

The merger involves risk for Stellent and Optika shareholders. Optika stockholders will be choosing to invest in Stellent common stock by voting in favor of the merger. In addition to other information included in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the matters addressed in the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus "Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statement" beginning on page 35, you should carefully consider the following risks before deciding whether to vote in favor of the merger proposal and the amendment to the certificate of designation, in the case of Optika stockholders, or for the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger agreement, in the case of Stellent shareholders. Please refer to the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page 109. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to Stellent or Optika or that are not currently believed to be important to you also may adversely affect the merger and the combined company following the merger.

Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain the shareholder approvals required to complete the merger.

The closing of the merger is subject to approvals by the shareholders of Optika and Stellent, which might not be obtained. The issuance of shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast at the Stellent special meeting, provided a quorum is present at the meeting. Approval of the Optika merger proposals requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock (voting together with the Optika common stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis). If the requisite shareholder approvals are not obtained, the conditions of closing of the merger will not be satisfied and the closing of the merger will not occur. If the merger is not completed, the business and operations of Stellent and Optika may be harmed to the extent that customers, suppliers and others believe that the companies cannot effectively compete in the marketplace without the merger and the market prices of Stellent common stock and Optika common stock may decline.

The number of shares that holders of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive is fixed; if the market price of Stellent's common stock declines, Optika stockholders will be entitled to receive less in value for their shares of Optika common stock.

Upon the closing of the merger, each holder of shares of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive a fixed portion of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika common stock held by such stockholder at the closing of the merger. The market value of Stellent's shares fluctuates based upon general market and economic conditions, Stellent's business and prospects and other factors, as discussed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Because of these fluctuations and because the total number of shares of Stellent common stock to be received as consideration by holders of Optika common stock in the merger may be decreased if shares of Stellent common stock are allocated to holders of the Optika preferred stock, as discussed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, but will not, in any case be increased, the exact value of the consideration that holders of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive in the merger cannot be determined until the closing of the merger.

There will be no increase to the exchange ratio (except for reclassifications to reflect the effect of any stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification or other like

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change with respect to Stellent common stock or Optika common stock), and the parties do not have the right to terminate the merger agreement based upon changes in the market price of either Stellent common stock or Optika common stock. Accordingly, if Stellent's stock price decreases, Optika's stockholders will be entitled to receive less in value for their shares of Optika common stock.

Some of the directors and executive officers of Stellent and Optika have interests and arrangements that could have affected their decisions to support or approve the transaction.

All Stellent officers and directors will serve in their current capacity for the combined company.

The directors and executive officers of Optika will receive continuing indemnification against liabilities and some of the directors and executive officers of Optika have Optika stock options that potentially provide them with interests in the merger, such as accelerated vesting upon completion of the merger in certain cases, that are different from, or are in addition to, your interests in the merger. An Optika director will serve on the board of directors of the combined company. In addition, Mark K. Ruport has entered into an employment agreement with Stellent that will become effective upon the consummation of the merger. Under the agreement, Mr. Ruport is entitled to receive compensation and benefits as described under the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus *The Merger - Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger* beginning on page 69.

The stock prices and businesses of Stellent and Optika may be adversely affected if the merger is not completed.

If the merger is not completed, the market prices of Stellent common stock and Optika common stock may decline. In addition, Stellent's and Optika's businesses and operations may be harmed to the extent that customers, suppliers and others believe that the companies cannot effectively compete in the marketplace without the transaction, or there is customer or employee uncertainty surrounding the future direction of the product and service offerings and strategy of Stellent or Optika on a standalone basis. Completion of the merger is subject to several closing conditions, including obtaining requisite regulatory and shareholder approvals, and Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain such approvals on a timely basis or at all. If the transaction is not completed, Stellent and Optika would not derive the strategic benefits expected to result from the transaction. Stellent and Optika will also be required to pay significant costs incurred in connection with the transaction, including legal, accounting and financial advisory fees, and certain fees and expenses of TWCP and certain of its affiliates, whether or not the transaction is completed. Moreover, under specified circumstances described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, Stellent may be required to pay Optika's expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement or the merger of up to \$750,000 in connection with the termination of the merger agreement, or Optika may be required to pay Stellent a termination fee of \$1.6 million and Stellent's expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement or the merger of up to \$750,000 pursuant to the merger agreement, in connection with the termination of the merger agreement.

The combined company may not realize benefits from the merger because of integration and other challenges.

Any failure of the combined company to meet the challenges involved in integrating the operations of Stellent and Optika successfully or to realize any of the anticipated benefits or synergies of the merger could seriously harm the results of the combined company. Realizing the benefits of the merger will depend in part on the ability of the combined company to overcome significant challenges, including timely, efficient and successful execution of post-merger strategies, including:

- combining the operations of two companies;
- integrating and managing the combined company;
- retaining and assimilating the key personnel of each company;
- integrating the sales channels of each company;
- retaining existing customers of each company and attracting new customers;

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retaining strategic partners of each company and attracting new strategic partners; and

creating and maintaining uniform standards, controls, procedures, policies and information.

The risks related to the execution of these post-merger strategies include:

the potential disruption of the combined company's on-going business and distraction of its management;

difficulties inherent in combining product offerings, coordinating sales and marketing efforts to effectively communicate the capabilities of the combined company;

the potential need to demonstrate to customers that the merger will not result in adverse changes in customer service standards or business; and

impairment of relationships with employees, suppliers and customers as a result of any integration of new management personnel.

Charges to earnings resulting from the application of the purchase method of accounting may adversely affect the market value of the combined company's common stock following the merger.

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the combined company will account for the merger using the purchase method of accounting, which will result in charges to earnings that could have a material adverse effect on the market value of Stellent common stock following the closing of the merger. Under the purchase method of accounting, the combined company will allocate the total estimated purchase price to Optika's net tangible assets, amortizable intangible assets, intangible assets with indefinite lives and in-process research and development, if any, based on their fair values as of the date of the closing of the merger, and record the excess of the purchase price over those fair values as goodwill. The portion of the estimated purchase price allocated to purchased in-process technology, if any, will be expensed by the combined company in the quarter in which the merger is completed. The combined company will incur additional depreciation and amortization expense over the useful lives of certain of the net tangible and intangible assets acquired in connection with the merger. In addition, to the extent the value of goodwill or intangible assets with indefinite lives becomes impaired, the combined company may be required to incur material charges relating to the impairment of those assets. These depreciation, amortization and potential impairment charges could have a material impact on the combined company's results of operations.

In order to be successful, the combined company must retain and motivate key employees, which will be more difficult in light of uncertainty regarding the merger, and failure to do so could seriously harm the combined company.

In order to be successful, the combined company must retain and motivate executives and other key employees, including those in managerial, sales and technical positions. Employees of Stellent or Optika may experience uncertainty about their future role with the combined company until or after strategies with regard to the combined company are announced or executed. In addition, a portion of Optika's employee options have exercise prices in excess of the current value of the merger consideration. These circumstances may adversely affect the combined company's ability to attract and retain key management, sales and technical personnel. The combined company also must continue to motivate employees and keep them focused on the strategies and goals of the combined company, which may be particularly difficult due to the potential distractions of the merger.

The market price of Stellent's common stock may decline as a result of the merger.

The market price of Stellent's common stock may decline as a result of the merger for a number of reasons, including if:

the integration of Stellent and Optika is not completed in a timely and efficient manner;

the combined company does not achieve the perceived benefits of the merger as rapidly or to the extent anticipated by financial or industry analysts;

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the effect of the merger on the combined company's financial results is not consistent with the expectations of financial or industry analysts; or

significant shareholders of Stellent or Optika decide to dispose of their stock following completion of the merger.

Uncertainty regarding the merger and the effects of the merger could cause each company's customers or strategic partners to delay or defer decisions.

Stellent's and/or Optika's customers and strategic partners, in response to the announcement of the merger, may delay or defer decisions regarding the license of the combined company's products and services, which could have a material adverse effect on the business of the combined company or the relevant company if the merger is not completed.

Optika could lose an opportunity to enter into a merger or business combination with another party on more favorable terms as the merger agreement restricts Optika from soliciting such proposals.

While the merger agreement is in effect, subject to certain limited exceptions, Optika is restricted from entering into or soliciting, initiating or encouraging any inquiries or proposals that may lead to a proposal or offer for a merger with any persons other than Stellent. As a result of the restriction, Optika may lose an opportunity to enter into a transaction with another potential partner on more favorable terms. If Optika terminates the merger agreement to enter into another transaction, Optika likely would be required to pay a termination fee to Stellent that may make an otherwise more favorable transaction less favorable. See "The Merger Agreement - Termination Fee and Expenses" of this joint proxy statement/prospectus beginning on page 85. In addition, if the merger agreement is terminated and the Optika board of directors determines that it is in the best interests of the Optika stockholders to seek a merger or business combination with another strategic partner, Optika cannot assure you that it will be able to find a partner offering terms equivalent or more attractive than the price and terms offered by Stellent.

Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain the regulatory approvals that may be required to complete the merger or, in order to obtain such approvals, the combined company may be required to comply with material restrictions or conditions.

The merger may be subject to review by the United States Federal Trade Commission under the HSR Act. In addition, the merger may be subject to review by the governmental authorities of various other jurisdictions under the antitrust laws of those jurisdictions.

The reviewing authorities may not permit the merger at all or may impose restrictions or conditions on the merger that may seriously harm the combined company if the merger is completed. These conditions could include a complete or partial license, divestiture, spin-off or the holding separate of assets or businesses. Stellent may refuse to complete the merger if material restrictions or conditions are required by governmental authorities. Any delay in the completion of the merger could diminish the anticipated benefits of the merger, result in additional transaction costs or result in loss of revenue or other effects associated with uncertainty about the transaction.

Stellent and Optika also may agree to restrictions or conditions imposed by antitrust authorities in order to obtain regulatory approval, and these restrictions or conditions could harm the combined company's operations. Unless required by law, no additional shareholder approval is expected to be required for any decision by Stellent and Optika, after the special meetings of Stellent shareholders and Optika stockholders, to agree to any terms and conditions necessary to resolve any regulatory objections to the merger.

In addition, during or after the statutory waiting periods, and even after the completion of the merger, governmental authorities could seek to block or challenge the merger as they deem necessary or desirable in the public interest. Moreover, in some jurisdictions, a competitor, customer or other third party could initiate a private action under the antitrust laws challenging or seeking to enjoin the merger, before or after it is completed. Stellent, Optika or the combined company may not prevail, or may incur significant costs, in defending or settling any action under the antitrust laws.

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The combined company is not profitable on a pro forma basis and may not be profitable in the future.

On a pro forma basis, the combined company had a net loss of approximately \$12.4 million for the nine months ended December 31, 2003. We cannot assure you that the combined company's revenue will increase or continue at current levels or growth rates or that the combined company will achieve profitability or generate cash from operations in future periods. In view of the rapidly evolving nature of the combined company's business and the limited histories of Stellent and Optika in producing many of their current products, period-to-period comparisons of operating results are not necessarily meaningful and you should not rely on them as indicating what the combined company's future performance will be. We expect that the combined company will continue to incur significant sales, marketing, product development and administrative expenses. As a result, the combined company will need to generate significant revenue to achieve profitability and we cannot assure you that it will achieve profitability in the future.

The merger may be completed even though material adverse changes may result from the announcement of the merger, industry-wide changes and other causes.

In general, either party may refuse to complete the merger if there is a material adverse change affecting the other party before the closing. However, certain types of changes will not prevent the completion of the offer or the merger, even if they would have a material adverse effect on Stellent or Optika, including:

changes or conditions generally affecting the industries or segments in which Stellent and Optika operate unless the change or condition has a materially disproportionate effect on Stellent or Optika, as the case may be;

changes in general economic, market or political conditions unless the change has a materially disproportionate effect on Stellent or Optika, as the case may be;

actual or threatened litigation by stockholders of Stellent or Optika relating to the announcement or completion of the offer or the merger (unless the offer or the merger is enjoined);

any disruption of customer, business partner, supplier or employee relationships that resulted from the announcement of the merger agreement or the completion of the merger; and

changes in Stellent's or Optika's common stock market price or trading volume, in and of themselves.

If material adverse changes occur but we must still complete the merger, Stellent's stock price may suffer. This in turn may reduce the value of the merger to Stellent's and Optika's shareholders.

Our focus on integrating the combined companies may divert us from other potential transactions.

Our industry has experienced recent consolidation. Even after the merger, many competitors of the combined company will have substantially more resources than it has. Management's focus on realizing the benefits of the merger for the combined companies may divert us from pursuing other potential transactions that could further increase the resources and marketing opportunities of the combined companies.

There is a risk of potentially unfavorable United States federal income tax consequences to Optika stockholders.

Optika stockholders may be subject to potentially material adverse United States federal income tax consequences if the Internal Revenue Service were to successfully contend that the consideration transferred by Stellent to the Optika common and preferred stockholders should be treated not as it was actually received, but rather as it would have been received by such stockholders prior to the amendment of the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, pursuant to which the stated liquidation preference of the Optika preferred stock will be terminated. To review the material United States federal income tax consequences to stockholders in greater detail, see "The Merger - Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger" beginning on page 72.

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Risks Relating to Stellent's Business

If the merger is successfully completed, holders of Optika common stock will become holders of Stellent common stock. Stellent's business differs from Optika's business, and Stellent's results of operations, as well as the price of Stellent common stock, may be affected by factors different than those affecting Optika's results of operations and the price of Optika common stock before the merger. In this section, we means Stellent and our means Stellent's.

Fluctuations in our operating results may make it difficult to predict our future performance.

While our products and services are not seasonal, our revenues and operating results are difficult to predict and may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter. If our quarterly revenues or operating results fall below the expectations of investors or securities analysts, the price of our common stock could fall substantially. A large part of our sales typically occurs in the last month of a quarter, frequently in the last week or even the last days of the quarter. If these sales were delayed from one quarter to the next for any reason, our operating results could fluctuate dramatically. In addition, our sales cycles may vary, making the timing of sales difficult to predict. Furthermore, our infrastructure costs are generally fixed. As a result, modest fluctuations in revenues between quarters may cause large fluctuations in operating results. These factors all tend to make the timing of revenues unpredictable and may lead to high period-to-period fluctuations in operating results.

Our quarterly revenues and operating results may fluctuate for several additional reasons, many of which are outside of our control, including the following:

- demand for our products and services;
- the timing of new product introductions and sales of our products and services;
- unexpected delays in introducing new products and services;
- increased expenses, whether related to sales and marketing, research and development or administration;
- changes in the rapidly evolving market for Web content management solutions;
- the mix of revenues from product licenses and services, as well as the mix of products licensed;
- the mix of services provided and whether services are provided by our staff or third-party contractors;
- the mix of domestic and international sales;
- costs related to possible acquisitions of technology or businesses;
- general economic conditions; and
- public announcements by our competitors.

Potential acquisitions may be difficult to complete or to integrate and may divert management's attention.

We may seek to acquire or invest in businesses, products or technologies that are complementary to our business. If we identify an appropriate acquisition opportunity, we may be unable to negotiate favorable terms for that acquisition, successfully finance the acquisition or integrate the new business or products into our existing business and operations. In addition, the negotiation of potential acquisitions and the integration of acquired businesses or products may divert management time and resources from our existing business and operations. To finance acquisitions, we may use a substantial portion of our available cash or we may issue additional securities, which would cause dilution to our shareholders.

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We may not be profitable in the future.

Our revenues may not grow in future periods and we may not achieve profitability. If we do not achieve profitability, the market price of our stock may fall. Our ability to achieve profitable operations depends upon many factors beyond our direct control. These factors include, but are not limited to:

the demand for our products;

our ability to quickly introduce new products;

the level of product and price competition;

our ability to control costs; and

general economic conditions.

The intense competition in our industry may reduce our future sales and profits.

The market for our products is highly competitive and is likely to become more competitive. We may not be able to compete successfully in our chosen marketplace, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition. Additional competition may cause pricing pressure, reduced sales and margins, or prevent our products from gaining and sustaining market acceptance. Many of our current and potential competitors have greater name recognition, access to larger customer bases, and substantially more resources than we have. Competitors with greater resources than ours may be able to respond more quickly than we can to new opportunities, changing technology, product standards or customer requirements.

We depend on the continued service of our key personnel.

We are a small company and depend greatly on the knowledge and experience of our senior management team and other key personnel. If we lose any of these key personnel, our business, operating results and financial condition could be materially adversely affected. Our success will depend in part on our ability to attract and retain additional personnel with the highly specialized expertise necessary to generate revenue and to engineer, design and support our products and services. Like other software companies, we face intense competition for qualified personnel. We may not be able to attract or retain such personnel.

We have relied and expect to continue to rely on sales of our universal content management software and content component software products for our revenues.

We currently derive all of our revenues from product licenses and services associated with our system of content management and viewing software products. The market for content management and viewing software products is new and rapidly evolving. We cannot be certain that a viable market for our products will continue or that it will be sustainable. If we do not increase employee productivity and revenues related to our existing products or generate revenues from new products and services, our business, operating results and financial condition may be materially adversely affected. We will continue to depend on revenues related to new and enhanced versions of our software products for the foreseeable future. Our success will largely depend on our ability to increase sales from existing products and generate sales from product enhancements and new products. We cannot be certain that we will be successful in upgrading and marketing our existing products or that we will be successful in developing and marketing new products and services. The market for our products is highly competitive and is subject to rapid technological change. Technological advances could make our products less attractive to customers and adversely affect our business. In addition, complex software product development involves certain inherent risks, including risks that errors may be found in a product enhancement or new product after its release, even after extensive testing, and the risk that discovered errors may not be corrected in a timely manner.

Our success depends on our ability to protect our proprietary technology.

If we are unable to protect our intellectual property, or incur significant expense in doing so, our business, operating results and financial condition may be materially adversely affected. Any steps we take to protect our intellectual property may be inadequate, time consuming and expensive. We currently have

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one pending patent application; but, no patent has yet been issued. Without significant patent or copyright protection, we may be vulnerable to competitors who develop functionally equivalent products. We may also be subject to claims that our current products infringe on the intellectual property rights of others. Any such claim may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

We anticipate that software product developers will be increasingly subject to infringement claims due to growth in the number of products and competitors in our industry, and the overlap in functionality of products in different industries. Any infringement claim, regardless of its merit, could be time-consuming, expensive to defend, or require us to enter into royalty or licensing agreements. Such royalty or licensing agreements may not be available on commercially favorable terms, or at all.

We rely on trade secret protection, confidentiality procedures and contractual provisions to protect our proprietary information. Despite our attempts to protect our confidential and proprietary information, others may gain access to this information. Alternatively, other companies may independently develop substantially equivalent information.

Our products may not be compatible with commercial Web browsers and operating systems.

Our products utilize interfaces that are compatible with commercial Web browsers. In addition, our Stellent Content Management System is a server-based system written in Java that functions in both Windows NT and UNIX environments. We must continually modify our products to conform to commercial Web browsers and operating systems. If our products were to become incompatible with commercial Web browsers and operating systems, our business would be harmed. In addition, uncertainty related to the timing and nature of product introductions or modifications by vendors of Web browsers and operating systems may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

We could be subject to product liability claims if our products fail to perform to specifications.

If software errors or design defects in our products cause damage to customers' data and our agreements do not protect us from related product liability claims, our business, operating results and financial condition may be materially adversely affected. In addition, we could be subject to product liability claims if our security features fail to prevent unauthorized third parties from entering our customers' intranet, extranet or Internet Web sites. Our software products are complex and sophisticated and may contain design defects or software errors that are difficult to detect and correct. Errors, bugs or viruses spread by third parties may result in the loss of market acceptance or the loss of customer data. Our agreements with customers that attempt to limit our exposure to product liability claims may not be enforceable in certain jurisdictions where we operate.

Future regulations could be adopted that restrict our business.

Federal, state or foreign agencies may adopt new legislation or regulations governing the use and quality of Web content. We cannot predict if or how any future laws or regulations would impact our business and operations. Even though these laws and regulations may not apply to our business directly, they could indirectly harm us to the extent that they impact our customers and potential customers.

We have been named a defendant in securities class-action lawsuits and we may in the future be named in additional litigation, which may result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources.

Shareholder class-action suits have been filed naming Stellent and certain of our current and former officers and directors as co-defendants. We intend to vigorously defend ourselves against the suits and seek the suits' dismissal at the appropriate time. However, it is possible that the litigation could be resolved adversely, could result in substantial costs and/or could divert management's attention and resources, which could seriously harm our business.

More generally, securities class-action litigation has often been brought against companies following periods of volatility in the price of their securities. This risk is greater for technology companies, which

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have experienced greater-than-average stock price volatility in recent years and, as a result, have been subject to, on average, a greater number of securities class-action claims than companies in other industries. We may in the future be the target of this kind of litigation, and such litigation could also result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources.

The market price of our common stock could fluctuate significantly.

The market price of our common stock has fluctuated significantly in the past and may do so in the future. The market price of our common stock may be affected by each of the following factors, many of which are outside of our control:

- variations in quarterly operating results;
- changes in estimates by securities analysts;
- changes in market valuations of companies in our industry;
- announcements of significant events, such as major sales;
- acquisitions of businesses or losses of major customers;
- additions or departures of key personnel; and
- sales of our equity securities.

Our performance will depend on the continuing growth and acceptance of the Web.

Our products are designed to be used with intranets, extranets and the Internet. If the use of these methods of electronic communication does not grow, our business, operating results and financial condition may be materially adversely affected. Continued growth in the use of the Web will require ongoing and widespread interest in its capabilities for communication and commerce. Its growth will also require maintenance and expansion of the infrastructure supporting its use and the development of performance improvements, such as high speed modems. The Web infrastructure may not be able to support the demands placed on it by continued growth. The ongoing development of corporate intranets depends on continuation of the trend toward network-based computing and on the willingness of businesses to reengineer the processes used to create, store, manage and distribute their data. All of these factors are outside of our control.

Our existing shareholders have significant influence over us.

As of December 31, 2003, Robert F. Olson, our President, Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of our Board of Directors, holds approximately 10.2% of our outstanding common stock. Accordingly, Mr. Olson is able to exercise significant control over our affairs. As a group, our directors and executive officers beneficially own approximately 13.3% of our common stock. These persons have significant influence over our affairs, including approval of the acquisition or disposition of assets, future issuances of common stock or other securities and the authorization of dividends on our common stock. Our directors and executive officers could use their stock ownership to delay, defer or prevent a change in control of our company, depriving shareholders of the opportunity to sell their stock at a price in excess of the prevailing market price.

We can issue shares of preferred stock without shareholder approval, which could adversely affect the rights of common shareholders.

Our articles of incorporation permit us to establish the rights, privileges, preferences and restrictions, including voting rights, of unissued shares of our capital stock and to issue such shares without approval from our shareholders. The rights of holders of our common stock may suffer as a result of the rights granted to holders of preferred stock that may be issued in the future. In addition, we could issue preferred stock to prevent a change in control of our company, depriving shareholders of an opportunity to sell their stock at a price in excess of the prevailing market price.

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Our shareholder rights plan and certain provisions of Minnesota law may make a takeover of Stellent difficult, depriving shareholders of opportunities to sell shares at above-market prices.

Our shareholder rights plan and certain provisions of Minnesota law may have the effect of discouraging attempts to acquire Stellent without the approval of our board of directors. Consequently, our shareholders may lose opportunities to sell their stock for a price in excess of the prevailing market price.

Risks Relating to Optika s Business

In this section, we means Optika and our means Optika s.

A significant portion of our revenues has been, and we believe will continue to be, derived from a limited number of orders, and the timing of such orders and their fulfillment have caused, and are expected to continue to cause, material fluctuations in our operating results.

A significant portion of our revenues has been, and we believe will continue to be, derived from a limited number of orders, and the timing of such orders and their fulfillment have caused, and are expected to continue to cause, material fluctuations in our operating results. Revenues are also difficult to forecast because the markets for our products are rapidly evolving, and our sales cycle and the sales cycle of our value added resellers is lengthy and varies substantially from end-user to end-user. To achieve our quarterly revenue objectives, we depend upon obtaining orders in any given quarter for shipment in that quarter. Product orders are typically shipped shortly after receipt. Consequently, order backlog at the beginning of any quarter has in the past represented only a small portion of that quarter s revenues. Furthermore, we have often recognized most of our revenues in the last month, or even in the last weeks or days, of a quarter. Accordingly, a delay in shipment near the end of a particular quarter may cause revenues in a particular quarter to fall significantly below our expectations and may materially adversely affect our operating results for such quarter. Conversely, to the extent that significant revenues occur earlier than expected, operating results for subsequent quarters may fail to keep pace with results of previous quarters or even decline. We also have recorded generally lower sales in the first quarter than in the immediately preceding fourth quarter, as a result of, among other factors, end-users purchasing and budgeting practices and our sales commission practices. To the extent that future international operations constitute a higher percentage of total revenues, we anticipate that we may also experience relatively weaker demand in the third quarter as a result of reduced sales in Europe during the summer months. Significant portions of our expenses are relatively fixed in the short term. Accordingly, if revenue levels fall below expectations, operating results are likely to be disproportionately and adversely affected. As a result of these and other factors, we believe that our quarterly operating results will vary in the future, and that period-to-period comparisons of our results of operations are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as indications of future performance. Furthermore, due to all of the foregoing factors, it is likely that in some future quarter our operating results will be below the expectations of public market analysts and investors. In such event, the price of our common stock would likely decline and such decline could be significant.

Substantially all of our current license revenue is derived from one product.

The Optika Acorde family of products accounts for substantially all of our current license revenue. Our future financial performance will depend in general on the acceptance of our product offerings, and in particular on the successful development, introduction and customer acceptance of new and enhanced versions of our products.

Capital market conditions could materially and adversely affect our ability to raise additional needed capital.

Current capital market conditions have materially and adversely affected the ability of many technology companies to raise additional capital in both private and public markets. Although we believe that our existing cash balances and liquid resources will be sufficient to fund our operating activities, capital expenditures and other obligations through at least the next twelve months, if market conditions do not improve and we are not successful in generating sufficient cash flow from operations or in raising

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additional capital when required in sufficient amounts and on terms acceptable to us, we may be required to reduce our planned expenditures and scale back the scope of our business plan.

Our ability to compete effectively and to manage any future growth will require that we continue to attract and assimilate new personnel and to train and manage our work force.

Most of our senior management team has joined us within the last five years. These individuals may not be able to achieve and manage growth, if any, or build an infrastructure necessary for us to operate. Our ability to compete effectively and to manage any future growth will require that we continue to assimilate new personnel and to train and manage our work force. Our future performance depends to a significant degree upon the continuing contributions of our key management, sales, marketing, customer support, and product development personnel. We have at times experienced, and continue to experience, difficulty in recruiting qualified personnel, particularly in sales, software development and customer support. We believe that there may be only a limited number of persons with the requisite skills to serve in those positions, and that it may become increasingly difficult to hire such persons. Competitors and others have in the past, and may in the future, attempt to recruit our employees. We have from time to time experienced turnover of key management, sales and technical personnel. The loss of key management, sales or technical personnel, or the failure to attract and retain key personnel, could harm our business.

Our future results of operations will depend on the success of our marketing and distribution strategy, which relies, to a significant degree, upon third parties.

Our future results of operations will depend on the success of our marketing and distribution strategy, which relies, to a significant degree, upon value added resellers to sell and install our software, and provide post-sales support. These relationships are usually established through formal agreements that generally do not grant exclusivity, do not prevent the distributor from carrying competing product lines and do not require the distributor to purchase any minimum dollar amount of our software. Some value added resellers may not continue to represent us or sell our products. Other value added resellers, some of which have significantly greater financial, marketing and other resources than we have, may develop or market software products that compete with our products or may otherwise discontinue their relationship with, or support of, us. Some of our value added resellers are small companies that have limited financial and other resources that could impair their ability to pay us. Selling through indirect channels may hinder our ability to forecast sales accurately, evaluate customer satisfaction or recognize emerging customer requirements. Our future results of operations also depend on the success of our continuing efforts to build a direct sales force.

Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to respond effectively to rapid technological change and changes in customer requirements.

The markets for our products are characterized by rapid technological change, changes in customer requirements, frequent new product introductions and enhancements, and emerging industry standards. Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to respond effectively to these developments. The introduction of products embodying new technologies and the emergence of new industry standards can render existing products obsolete, unmarketable or noncompetitive. We are unable to predict the future impact of such technology changes on our products. Moreover, the life cycles of our products are difficult to estimate. Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to enhance current products, and to develop and introduce new products and enhancements that respond to evolving customer requirements. The inability, for technological or other reasons, to develop and introduce new products or enhancements in a timely manner in response to changing customer requirements, technological change or emerging industry standards, or maintain compatibility with heterogeneous computing environments, would have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We rely on third-party software licenses, the loss of which could materially and adversely affect our business and financial condition.

We license software from third parties, which is incorporated into our products. These licenses expire from time to time. These third-party software licenses may not continue to be available to us on

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commercially reasonable terms. The loss of, or inability to maintain, any such software licenses could result in shipment delays or reductions until equivalent software could be developed, identified, licensed and integrated, which in turn could materially and adversely affect our business and financial condition. In addition, we generally do not have access to source code for the software supplied by these third parties. Certain of these third parties are small companies that do not have extensive financial and technical resources. If any of these relationships were terminated or if any of these third parties were to cease doing business, we may be forced to expend significant time and development resources to replace the licensed software.

Licensing our software products requires a lengthy and complex sales cycle.

The license of our software products is typically an executive-level decision by prospective end-users, and generally requires our value added resellers and us to engage in a lengthy and complex sales cycle (typically between six and twelve months from the initial contact date). In addition, the implementation by customers of our products may involve a significant commitment of resources by such customers over an extended period of time. For these and other reasons, the sales and customer implementation cycles are subject to a number of significant delays over which we have little or no control. Our future performance also depends upon the capital expenditure budgets of our customers and the demand by such customers for our products. Certain industries to which we sell our products, such as the financial services industry, are highly cyclical. Our operations may in the future be subject to substantial period-to-period fluctuations as a consequence of such industry patterns, domestic and foreign economic and other conditions, and other factors affecting capital spending. Such factors may have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

The market for our product offerings is intensely competitive.

The market for our product offerings is intensely competitive and can be significantly affected by new product introductions and other market activities of industry participants. Our competitors offer a variety of products and services to address the electronic content management market and the emerging market for e-business solutions. Because our products are designed to operate in non-proprietary computing environments and because of low barriers to entry in the marketplace, we expect additional competition from established and emerging companies, as the market for our products continues to evolve. Current and potential competitors have established or may establish cooperative relationships among themselves or with third parties, to increase the ability of their products to address the needs of our prospective customers. In addition, several competitors have recently made, or attempted to make, acquisitions to enter the market or increase their market presence. Accordingly, new competitors or consolidation and alliances among competitors may emerge and rapidly acquire significant market share. Increased competition may result in price reductions, reduced gross margins and loss of market share.

Many of our current and potential competitors are substantially larger than we are, have significantly greater financial, technical and marketing resources and have established more extensive channels of distribution. As a result, such competitors may be able to respond more rapidly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements, or to devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we can. We expect our competitors to continue to improve the performance of their current products and to introduce new products or new technologies that provide added functionality and other features. Our failure to keep pace with our competitors through new product introductions or enhancements could cause a significant decline in our sales or loss of market acceptance of our products and services, result in continued intense price competition, or make our products and services or technologies obsolete or noncompetitive. To be competitive, we will be required to continue to invest significant resources in research and development, and in sales and marketing.

We rely on our ability to protect our proprietary rights to the technologies used in our principal products.

Our performance depends in part on our ability to protect our proprietary rights to the technologies used in our principal products. We rely on a combination of copyright and trademark laws, trade secrets, confidentiality provisions and other contractual provisions to protect our proprietary rights, which are

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measures that afford only limited protection. Despite our efforts to protect our proprietary rights, unauthorized parties may attempt to copy aspects of our products, or to obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect our proprietary rights as fully as do the laws of the United States. Our means of protecting our proprietary rights in the United States or abroad may not be adequate, and competitors may independently develop similar technologies. Third parties may claim infringement by our products of their intellectual property rights. We expect that software product developers will increasingly be subject to infringement claims if the number of products and competitors in our industry segment grows and the functionality of products in different industry segments overlaps. Any such claims, with or without merit, and regardless of the outcome of any litigation, will be time-consuming to defend, result in costly litigation, divert management's attention and resources, cause product shipment delays, or require us to enter into royalty or licensing agreements. Such royalty or licensing agreements, if required, may not be available on terms acceptable to us, if at all. A successful claim of infringement against our products and failure or inability to license the infringed or similar technology may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Our inability to successfully expand our international operations in a timely manner, or at all, could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Sales outside the United States accounted for approximately 10%, 9% and 12% of our revenues in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. We have only limited experience in developing localized versions of our products and we may not be able to successfully localize, market, sell and deliver our products internationally. Our inability to successfully expand our international operations in a timely manner, or at all, could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations. Our international revenues may be denominated in foreign currencies or the U.S. dollar. We do not currently engage in foreign currency hedging transactions; as a result, a decrease in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar could result in losses from transactions denominated in foreign currencies and could make our software less price-competitive.

A successful product liability claim against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations.

Our license agreements typically contain provisions designed to limit our exposure to potential product liability claims. These limitations of liability provisions may not be effective under the laws of certain jurisdictions. The sale and support of our products may entail the risk of such claims, and we could be subject to such claims in the future. A successful product liability claim against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations. Software products such as those we offer frequently contain errors or failures, especially when first introduced or when new versions are released. We have in the past released products that contained defects, and have discovered software errors in certain of our new products and enhancements after introduction. We could in the future lose or delay recognition of revenues as a result of software errors or defects, the failure of our products to meet customer specifications or otherwise. Our products are typically intended for use in applications that may be critical to a customer's business. As a result, we expect that our customers and potential customers have a greater sensitivity to product defects than the market for general software products. Despite our testing and testing by current and potential customers, errors or defects may be found in new products or releases after commencement of commercial shipments, and our products may not meet customer specifications, resulting in loss or deferral of revenues, diversion of resources, damage to our reputation, or increased service and warranty and other costs.

We must continue to successfully integrate the people, products and business lines of our acquisitions.

We have acquired, and we may in the future acquire, businesses, products or technologies that we believe complement or expand our existing business. For example, in May 2003, we acquired Select Technologies, Inc., a records management software company based in Boise, Idaho. Our ability to achieve favorable results in 2004 and beyond will be dependent in part upon our ability to continue to successfully integrate the people, products and business lines of our acquisitions. In addition, we will need to work with our acquired companies' customers and business partners, as well as our current customers and business

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partners, to expand relationships based upon the broader range of products and services available from us. In some instances, we may need to discontinue relationships with business partners whose interests are no longer aligned with ours. We must accomplish the synergies we identified during the acquisition process. Failure to execute on any of these elements and accomplish the favorable financial results from the integration process could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

The market price of our shares of common stock has been, and is likely to continue to be, highly volatile.

Effective February 4, 2003, our common stock began trading on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market under the symbol OPTK. Previously, our stock was traded on the Nasdaq National Market under the same symbol. The market price of our shares of common stock has been, and is likely to continue to be, highly volatile and may be significantly affected by factors such as:

- Actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results;
- Announcements of technological innovations;
- New products or new contracts by us or our competitors;
- Sales of common stock by management, directors or other related parties;
- Sales of significant amounts of common stock into the market;
- Developments with respect to proprietary rights;
- Conditions and trends in the software and other technology industries;
- Adoption of new accounting standards affecting the software industry;
- Changes in financial estimates by securities analysts and others;
- General market conditions; and
- Other factors that may be unrelated to us or our performance.

In addition, the stock market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have particularly affected the market prices for the common stock of technology companies. These broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock. In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a particular company's securities, securities class-action litigation has often been brought against such company. Such litigation may be brought against us in the future. Such litigation, regardless of its outcome, would result in substantial costs and a diversion of management's attention and resources that could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, equity incentive plans, bylaws, and Delaware law may discourage certain transactions involving a change in control of Optika.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, equity incentive plans, bylaws, and Delaware law may discourage certain transactions involving a change in control of our company, even if such a transaction would be in the best interest of our stockholders. Our classified board of directors and the ability of the board of directors to issue blank check preferred stock without further stockholder approval, may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in our control and may also affect the market price of our stock. We also have a stockholders rights plan under which all stockholders of record as of July 18, 2001 received one right for each share of common stock then owned by them to purchase, upon the occurrence of certain triggering events, one one-hundredth of a share of Series B preferred stock at a price of \$30, subject to adjustment. The rights are exercisable only if a person or group acquires 15% or more of our common stock in a transaction not approved by our board of directors. These provisions, and certain other provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and certain provisions of our amended and restated bylaws and of Delaware law, could delay or make more difficult a merger, tender offer or proxy contest.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This joint proxy statement/ prospectus contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with respect to the merger and financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance, and business of Stellent and Optika, which are usually identified by the use of words such as will, may, anticipates, believes, estimates, expects, projects, plans, predicts, continues, intends, should, would, or similar expressions. We intend for these forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe-harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are including this statement for purposes of complying with these safe-harbor provisions.

These forward-looking statements reflect current views and expectations about the relevant company's plans, strategies, and prospects, which are based on the information currently available and on current assumptions.

Although each company believes that its plans, intentions and expectations as reflected in or suggested by these forward-looking statements are reasonable, it can give no assurance that the plans, intentions, or expectations will be achieved. Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties and actual results may differ materially from those discussed as a result of various factors including those factors described in the Risk Factors section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. Listed below and discussed elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus are some important risks, uncertainties, and contingencies that could cause actual results, performances or achievements of Stellent, Optika, or the combined company to be materially different from the forward-looking statements made in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. These risks, uncertainties and contingencies include, but are not limited to, the following:

the risk that the merger may not be completed due to the failure to obtain necessary shareholder approvals or other conditions to completion of the transaction not being satisfied;

the possibility that the combined company will be unable to realize the anticipated benefits and synergies of the merger;

difficulties associated with successfully integrating Stellent's and Optika's businesses and technologies and the costs associated with this integration;

the possible failure of the combined company to retain and hire key executives, technical personnel, and other employees;

difficulties associated with the combined company managing its growth and the difficulty of successfully managing a larger organization;

the possible failure of the combined company to successfully manage its changing relationships with customers, suppliers, distributors, and strategic partners;

risks relating to Stellent's and Optika's businesses and how they could affect the operations of the combined company;

the combined company's ability to maintain customer acceptance of its products by meeting shifting consumer demands and changing requirements;

government laws and regulations affecting domestic and foreign operations, including those relating to trade, monetary and fiscal policies, and taxes;

competitive factors and industry trends, technological advances achieved, and intellectual property protections obtained by competitors and the relevant company's ability to respond to those actions; and

economic factors, including inflation and fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates and the potential effect of these fluctuations on revenues, expenses, and resulting margins.

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In addition, events may occur in the future that we are not able to accurately predict or control and that may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations described in the forward-looking statements.

Readers should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which the statements were made. In evaluating forward-looking statements, you should consider these risks and uncertainties, together with the other risks described from time to time in Stellent's and Optika's reports and documents filed with the SEC.

Neither Stellent nor Optika assumes any obligation to update any of these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

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THE STELLENT SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

Time and Place

The special meeting of Stellent shareholders will be held on 11/11/2004 at 10:00 a.m., Central Time, at Stellent's headquarters at 7777 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

Matters to Be Considered

The purpose of the meeting is to consider and vote upon

the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock in the merger, as more fully discussed elsewhere in this document; and

any other and further business as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournments or postponements of the special meeting, including potential adjournments or postponements for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies in order to approve the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock in the merger.

The Stellent board of directors unanimously recommends that Stellent shareholders vote FOR the share-issuance proposal.

Record Date

Only holders of record of Stellent common stock at the close of business on 11/11/2004 are entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Stellent shareholders meeting. As of that time, there were 1,000,000 shares of Stellent common stock entitled to vote, held by approximately 1,000 holders of record. Each share of Stellent common stock is entitled to one vote.

Quorum

Holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the meeting.

Vote Required

The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the number of shares of Stellent common stock present in person or by proxy at the meeting is required to approve the share-issuance proposal.

Votes at the meeting will be tabulated by an independent inspector of election appointed by Stellent or by Stellent's transfer agent.

Share Ownership as of the Record Date

As of the close of business on 11/11/2004, directors and executive officers of Stellent owned and were entitled to vote 1,000,000 shares of Stellent common stock. Those shares represented 1% percent of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock as of that time. All of the directors and executive officers of Stellent have entered into a voting agreement with Optika in which they have agreed to vote all of their shares of Stellent common stock in favor of the issuance of shares in connection with the merger.

How to Vote by Proxy

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If your shares are registered in your name, there are three ways to vote your shares by proxy: by telephone, through the internet, or by mail.

Vote by Telephone Toll-free (800) 560-1965.

Use any touch-tone telephone to vote your proxy 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 1 (Central Time) on 1 , 2004.

Please have your proxy card and the last four digits of your social security number available. Follow the simple instructions the voice provides you.

Vote Through the Internet <http://www.eproxy.com/STEL/>

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Use the Internet to vote your proxy 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 11:59 p.m. (Central Time) on August 11, 2004.

Please have your proxy card and the last four digits of your social security number available. Follow the simple instructions to obtain your records and create an electronic ballot.

Vote by Mail

Mark, sign, and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope that we have provided or return it to Stellent, Inc. c/o Wells Fargo Shareowner Services, P.O. Box 64873, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0873.

If your shares are held in street name through a broker, bank, or other nominee, then you may receive a separate voting-instruction form with voting instructions, or you may need to contact your broker, bank, or other nominee to determine whether you will be able to vote electronically using the telephone or the Internet.

If you vote by telephone or through the Internet, please do not mail your proxy card.

How Proxies Will Be Voted

Robert Olson and Gregg Waldon, both of whom are executive officers of Stellent, have been named as proxies in the Stellent proxy. Shares represented by proxy will be voted at the special shareholders meeting as specified in the proxy. Properly executed proxies that do not contain voting instructions will be voted **FOR** the approval of the issuance of shares in the merger. The proxies will be entitled to vote in their discretion on any other matters that may properly come before the meeting, such as adjournment.

Treatment of Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes

If you submit a proxy that indicates an abstention from voting, your shares will be counted as present for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum and they will have the effect of votes against the share-issuance proposal.

Under NASD rules, if you hold your shares in street name, your bank or broker cannot vote your shares of Stellent common stock without specific instructions from you. If you do not provide instructions with your proxy, your bank or broker may deliver a proxy card expressly indicating that it is NOT voting your shares; this indication that a bank or broker is not voting your shares is referred to as a broker non-vote. Broker non-votes will not be counted for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum and will have no effect on the determination of whether the share-issuance proposal is approved.

How to Revoke Your Proxy

You may revoke your proxy and change your vote by:

delivering a written notice to any corporate officer of Stellent, before the vote on the share-issuance proposal, stating that you are revoking your proxy;

completing and signing a later-dated proxy card and returning it by mail before the Stellent shareholder meeting or by voting again by telephone or through Internet before the deadline described in this document; or

attending the Stellent shareholders meeting and voting in person after having delivered to any corporate officer of Stellent a written notice revoking your proxy.

If your shares are held in an account at a brokerage firm or a bank, you should contact your brokerage firm or bank to change your vote.

Solicitation of Proxies

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Each of Stellent and Optika will bear its own cost of soliciting proxies from its shareholders, except that the cost of printing and mailing this document to Stellent and Optika shareholders is being shared by the companies equally.

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In addition to solicitation by mail, Stellent directors, officers, and employees may solicit proxies from shareholders by telephone, in person, or through other means. Stellent will not compensate these people for this solicitation, but we will reimburse them for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses that they have incurred in connection with this solicitation. Stellent will also arrange for brokerage firms, fiduciaries, and other custodians to send solicitation materials to the beneficial owners of shares held of record by those persons. Stellent will reimburse these brokerage firms, fiduciaries, and other custodians for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. Stellent has retained to assist it in the solicitation of proxies, using the means referred to above, at an anticipated cost of \$, plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

No Other Business; Adjournments

Under Minnesota law and Stellent's bylaws, the business to be conducted at the meeting will be limited to considering and voting on the share-issuance proposal.

Adjournments may be made for the purpose of, among other things, soliciting additional proxies. Any adjournment of up to 120 days in the aggregate may be made from time to time by the chairman or otherwise with the approval of the holders of shares representing the greater of (a) a majority of the votes present in person or by proxy at the time of the vote, whether or not a quorum exists, or (b) a majority of the minimum number of votes that would constitute a quorum, without further notice other than by an announcement made at the original meeting of the date, time, and place of the adjourned meeting.

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THE OPTIKA STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Time and Place; Matters to be Considered

The special meeting of Optika Inc. stockholders will be held on _____, 2004 at _____ a.m., Mountain Time, at _____, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. At the meeting, Optika stockholders will be asked to consider and vote upon:

a proposal to approve the merger agreement, a copy of which is attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, and the merger of Optika with and into a subsidiary of Stellent upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the merger agreement;

a proposal to amend and restate the certificate of designation of Optika's preferred stock in connection with and as a condition precedent to the merger, as described in Annex I to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus; and

to transact any other and further business as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournments or postponements of the special meeting, including potential adjournments or postponements for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies in order to approve the merger agreement and merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation.

If the merger is consummated, Optika will effectively become a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent.

The matters to be considered at the special meeting are of great importance to the stockholders of Optika. Accordingly, you are urged to read and carefully consider the information presented in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, and to complete, date, sign and promptly return your proxy via mail, telephone or the Internet, as described below.

Record Date; Quorum

Only holders of record of Optika common stock and preferred stock at the close of business on _____, 2004 are entitled to receive notice of and vote at the special meeting of Optika stockholders or any adjournments or postponements of the special meeting. As of that date, there were _____ shares of Optika common stock outstanding held by approximately _____ holders of record, and 731,851 shares of Optika preferred stock outstanding (representing 1,097,777 shares of common stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis). Each common share is entitled to one vote and each preferred share is entitled to one vote per share of common stock represented by such preferred share on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis. Holders of at least a majority of the outstanding voting power of shares of Optika capital stock (consisting of shares of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis) entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Optika meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes count as being present to establish a quorum. If a quorum is not present at the Optika special meeting, we expect that the meeting will be adjourned or postponed to solicit additional proxies.

Votes Required

The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding voting power of shares of Optika capital stock entitled to vote at the special meeting is required to approve the Optika merger proposals. **If you abstain or fail to vote your shares on a proposal, it will have the same effect as voting against the proposal.**

On _____, 2004, directors and executive officers of Optika owned and were entitled to vote _____ shares of Optika common stock. These shares represented approximately _____ % of the outstanding voting power of shares of Optika capital stock on the record date. Eleven directors and officers of Optika have agreed to vote any Optika shares owned by them on the record date for the approval of the Optika merger proposals. On _____, 2004, TWCP and its affiliates owned 695,258 shares of Optika preferred stock and were entitled to vote 1,042,887 shares of Optika common stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis. These shares represented approximately _____ % of the outstanding voting power of shares of Optika capital stock on the record date. TWCP and each of its affiliates has agreed to vote their shares of Optika capital stock for the approval of the Optika merger proposals. Consequently, holders

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of approximately 1 % of the outstanding voting power of shares of Optika capital stock who are not party to a voting agreement must vote in favor of the Optika merger proposals in order for stockholder approval to be obtained.

Recommendation of Optika's Board of Directors

The Optika board of directors has unanimously approved the merger agreement, the merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation and recommends that you vote FOR the adoption of the merger agreement and the merger and FOR the adoption of the amendment to the certificate of designation.

In considering the recommendation of the Optika board of directors with respect to the Optika merger proposals, you should be aware that some of the directors and officers of Optika have interests in the merger that are different from, or are in addition to, the interests of Optika stockholders generally. Please see the section entitled Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger on page *[] of this proxy statement/ prospectus.

How Shares Will Be Voted; Proxies

If you are a record holder of shares of Optika common stock or Optika preferred stock, in order for your shares to be included in the vote, you must vote your shares in person or by proxy. There are three ways to vote your shares by proxy: by telephone, through the Internet or by mail.

Vote by Telephone Toll-free (1) 1 .

Use any touch-tone telephone to vote your proxy, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 1 (Mountain Time) on 1 , 2004.

Have your proxy card in hand when you call and follow the simple instructions provided.

Vote Through the Internet <http://www.proxyvote.com>

Use the Internet to vote your proxy, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 1 (Mountain Time) on 1 , 2004.

Have your proxy card in hand when you access the Web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

Vote by Mail

Mark, sign, and date the enclosed proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope provided.

Please note, however, that if your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee and you wish to vote at the meeting, you must bring to the meeting a letter from the broker, bank or other nominee confirming your beneficial ownership of the shares. Brokers who hold shares of Optika common stock in street name for customers who are the beneficial owners of those shares may not give a proxy to vote those shares without specific instructions from those customers.

Mark K. Rupert and Steven M. Johnson, both of whom have been named as proxies in the Optika proxy, are directors and/or executive officers of Optika. Shares represented by a proxy will be voted at the special meeting as specified in the proxy. Properly executed proxies that do not contain voting instructions will be voted **FOR** each of the Optika merger proposals to be considered at the special meeting, and the proxy holder may vote the proxy in its discretion as to any other matter which may properly come before the meeting. Only shares affirmatively voted for the adoption of the Optika merger proposals, including properly executed proxies that do not contain voting instructions, will be counted as votes in favor of the adoption of the Optika merger proposals. The persons named as proxies by an Optika stockholder may propose and vote for one or more adjournments of its special meeting, including adjournments to permit further solicitations of proxies. No proxy voted against the proposal to adopt the merger agreement will be voted in favor of any such adjournment or postponement. Optika does not expect that any matter other than the Optika merger proposals will be brought before its special meeting. If, however, other matters are properly presented, the persons named as proxies will vote in accordance with their judgment.

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Treatment of Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes

If you submit a proxy that indicates an abstention from voting on any of the proposals being submitted to stockholders for a vote, your shares will be counted as present for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum, but they will not be voted on the proposal or proposals as to which you are abstaining from voting. An abstention from voting on a proposal will have the same effect as a vote against the proposal.

Under NASD rules, your broker cannot vote your shares of Optika common stock without specific instructions from you. If you do not provide instructions with your proxy, your bank or broker may deliver a proxy card expressly indicating that it is not voting your shares; this indication that a broker is not voting your shares is referred to as a broker non-vote. Broker non-votes will be counted for the purpose of determining the existence of a quorum but will not be voted on any of the proposals. A broker non-vote will therefore have the same effect as a vote against the proposals.

How to Revoke Your Proxy

You may revoke or change your proxy at any time before the meeting by filing with Steven M. Johnson, Optika's corporate secretary, at Optika's principal executive offices, Optika Inc., 7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920, a notice of revocation or another signed proxy with a later date or by voting again by telephone or through the Internet before the deadline described in this document. Mere attendance at the special meeting will not in and of itself revoke a proxy, unless you actually vote in person at the meeting. Stockholders that have instructed a broker to vote their shares must follow directions received from their broker in order to change their vote, revoke their proxy or vote at the special meeting.

Solicitation of Proxies

Each of Optika and Stellent will bear the cost of soliciting proxies from its own stockholders, except that the cost of printing and mailing this joint proxy statement/prospectus to each company's stockholders is being shared by the companies equally. In addition to solicitation by mail, Optika's directors, officers, and employees may solicit proxies from stockholders by telephone, in person, or through other means. Optika will not compensate these people for this solicitation, but Optika will reimburse them for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses they have incurred in connection with this solicitation. Optika will also arrange for brokerage firms, fiduciaries, and other custodians to send solicitation materials to the beneficial owners of shares held of record by those persons. Optika will reimburse these brokerage firms, fiduciaries, and other custodians for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. Optika has retained to assist it in the solicitation of proxies, using the means referred to above, at an anticipated cost of \$, plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

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THE MERGER

This section of the joint proxy statement/prospectus describes the material aspects of the proposed merger and the related transactions, but it may not contain all of the information that is important for you to know. For a more complete understanding of the merger, you should carefully read this entire joint proxy statement/prospectus, the Annexes and the other documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. You may obtain the information incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus without charge by following the instructions in the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page 109 of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

General

The Stellent board of directors and the Optika board of directors each have approved, each by unanimous vote, the merger agreement pursuant to which the businesses of Stellent and Optika will be combined. At the effective time of the merger, Optika will merge with and into STEL Sub, Inc., a newly formed, wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent, with STEL Sub, Inc. surviving the merger and continuing as a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent under the name Optika Inc.

What Optika Stockholders Will Receive in the Merger

Upon completion of the merger:

each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into the right to receive 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, subject to adjustment described below; and

all outstanding shares of Optika preferred stock will be converted into the right to receive a total of \$10 million in cash and, in certain circumstances described below, shares of Stellent common stock.

If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average Stellent closing price over a period ending shortly before the merger is consummated, is greater than \$4.00, then:

80 percent of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of Optika common stock; and

20 percent of the per-share value in excess of \$4.00 will be allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.

This allocation will be accomplished by reducing the total number of Stellent shares to be issued to holders of Optika common stock and by issuing those shares to the holders of the Optika preferred stock. The total number of shares to be issued by Stellent will not change. As a result, if there is such an allocation, the exchange ratio per share of Optika common stock will be reduced to something less than 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock for each outstanding share of Optika common stock.

Also upon completion of the merger, each outstanding Optika stock option will be converted into an option to purchase a number of shares of Stellent common stock that is equal to the product of the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock (as described above) multiplied by the number of shares of Optika common stock that would have been obtained before the merger upon the exercise of the option, rounded to the nearest whole share. The exercise price per share will be equal to the exercise price per share of Optika common stock subject to the option before the conversion divided by the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock, rounded to the nearest whole cent.

Promptly upon completion of the merger, Stellent's exchange agent will mail to each Optika stockholder of record a letter of transmittal containing instructions on how to surrender Optika stock certificates in exchange for Stellent stock certificates. Upon surrendering their Optika common stock, the letter of transmittal and any other documents required by the exchange agent, the holders of Optika stock certificates will be entitled to receive a certificate representing that number of whole shares of Stellent common stock which that holder has the right to receive and cash in lieu of any fractional share of Stellent common and stock.

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Holders of Optika common stock should not send in their certificates until they receive a letter of transmittal from the exchange agent.

Ownership of Stellent Following the Merger

We anticipate that former Optika stockholders will own approximately 1 % of the outstanding shares of Stellent common stock following the merger.

Background of the Merger

The Optika board of directors has from time to time considered the desirability of exploring strategic alternatives with potential business partners. Among the reasons for this were:

the relatively small size of Optika;

its needs for expansion in certain key business areas, including direct sales and marketing, would be difficult for Optika to achieve on a stand-alone basis;

a trend of increasing consolidation in its industry resulting in larger, better-financed competitors with increasingly broad and deep product lines and increasing demands by customers for fewer suppliers of more comprehensive solutions;

the instability of the financial markets and the anticipated difficulty that Optika would have in raising outside capital; and

the potential dilution and liquidation preference associated with the Optika preferred stock.

On August 28, 2003, Robert F. Olson, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Stellent, called Mark K. Rupert, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Optika, to express Stellent's interest in exploring a potential business combination between the two companies. Mr. Rupert and Mr. Olson agreed to meet at Stellent's Minneapolis headquarters the following week.

On September 3, 2003, Mr. Olson and Mr. Rupert met at Stellent's headquarters in Minneapolis for strategic discussions regarding the possibility of a business combination between the two companies. Daniel P. Ryan, Executive Vice President of Marketing and Business Development of Stellent, also participated in the meetings. The parties agreed that further discussions were warranted.

On September 18, 2003, Mr. Rupert, Steven M. Johnson, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President of Optika, Mr. Olson, Mr. Ryan and representatives of RBC held a teleconference. During the teleconference, Mr. Rupert provided the group with an overview of Optika's business. At the conclusion of this teleconference, both parties agreed that further discussions under a confidentiality agreement were warranted.

On September 21, 2003, Stellent and Optika entered into a confidentiality agreement pursuant to which each of them agreed to treat confidentially certain information provided by the other in connection with determining whether a transaction between them would be desirable. Stellent and Optika thereafter exchanged confidential information relating to their business and strategic initiatives.

On October 9, 2003, Frank A. Radichel, Vice President of Research and Development of Stellent, Mr. Rupert, William J. Kearney, Vice President of Strategic Relationships of Optika, and Randall S. Weakly, Vice President of Research and Development of Optika, met at Optika's offices in Colorado Springs, Colorado. During the meeting, Mr. Weakly and Mr. Kearney provided Mr. Radichel with an overview of Optika's technology and its software architecture.

On October 14, 2003, Mr. Rupert, Mr. Olson and Mr. Ryan had a brief teleconference to discuss the announcement of EMC Corporation acquiring Documentum, Inc. The parties agreed that this was further evidence of the current opportunity for consolidation of the content management software market.

On October 15, 2003, the Optika board of directors held a regularly scheduled meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The meeting was also attended by members of Optika's senior management, and representatives of E*Law Group, Optika's legal counsel, and Revolution Partners, an investment banking firm. At the meeting, senior management briefed the Optika board of directors regarding the status of the ongoing

exchange of information between Stellent and Optika, as well as ongoing discussions with other

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third parties that had expressed recent interest in exploring a potential business combination with Optika. After reviewing a detailed presentation by Revolution Partners, Optika's board of directors unanimously authorized the retention of Revolution Partners to act as Optika's investment banker and assist management in identifying and considering strategic transactions involving Optika. Optika's board of directors also unanimously authorized Revolution Partners to negotiate with TWCP, which is, together with its affiliates, the principal holder of Optika's preferred stock, as the approval of the holders of a majority of the preferred stock would be necessary for Optika to consummate a transaction with Stellent where less than the stated liquidation preference would be paid to holders of Optika's preferred stock.

On October 16, 2003, Optika entered into an engagement letter with Revolution Partners.

On October 20, 2003 representatives of RBC provided representatives of Revolution Partners with a preliminary due diligence request list for Optika.

On October 22, 2003, representatives of Revolution Partners met with representatives of TWCP at TWCP's offices in New York, New York to update TWCP on the status of Optika's strategic discussions through that date, and to discuss the consideration that would be paid to holders of the Optika preferred stock in connection with a proposed transaction with Stellent.

On October 23, 2003, Mr. Rupert, Mr. Johnson, Patrick M. Donovan, Director of Finance of Optika, representatives of RBC, representatives of Revolution Partners and Mr. Olson met at Optika's Colorado Springs headquarters to review Optika's initial response to Stellent's preliminary due diligence request. Optika management also made a presentation regarding Optika's operations, sales processes and finances. Mr. Rupert and Mr. Olson held further discussions regarding their visions for a combined company and how the combined company would be managed.

On October 30, 2003, Mr. Rupert and Mr. Olson talked telephonically. They both reiterated their desire to pursue a combination. Mr. Olson informed Mr. Rupert that a non-binding term sheet would be delivered to Optika's representatives within a few days.

On November 3, 2003, representatives of RBC provided representatives of Revolution Partners with a preliminary proposed non-binding term sheet for Stellent to acquire Optika, which included the financial terms of the proposed transaction.

On November 4, 2003, representatives of Revolution Partners discussed the terms of the Stellent term sheet with representatives of TWCP. In that meeting, TWCP (as holder, together with certain of its affiliates, of a majority of the Optika preferred stock) indicated that the implied consideration proposed to be paid to the holders of Optika preferred stock in the Stellent term sheet would likely not be sufficient to induce TWCP and certain of its affiliates to consent to the proposed transaction.

On November 4, 2003, Mr. Rupert and Mr. Johnson, along with representatives of Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel, met telephonically with the Optika board of directors to present and discuss the initial proposal from Stellent. The Optika board of directors unanimously authorized senior management and Revolution Partners to continue negotiations with Stellent to improve both the financial and non-financial terms of the proposal. The Optika board of directors also directed Revolution Partners to contact a number of other companies that senior management had identified as potential acquirers to determine whether any of such parties had a serious interest in making a proposal to acquire Optika. The Optika board of directors also directed Revolution Partners to accelerate its discussions with TWCP.

On November 12, 2003, at a regularly scheduled meeting, Stellent's board of directors discussed a possible transaction with Optika. Officers of Stellent, representatives of RBC and representatives of Faegre & Benson LLP, Stellent's legal counsel, attended the meeting. Stellent's officers summarized Optika's business and explained the strategic and marketing benefits of a potential transaction. Representatives of RBC presented initial valuation analyses of Optika. Stellent's board of directors unanimously authorized Stellent's management to continue its discussions with Optika regarding a potential acquisition of Optika. In addition, Stellent's board of directors unanimously ratified the selection of RBC as Stellent's financial advisor in the transaction and authorized Stellent's management to enter into an engagement letter with RBC.

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On November 14, 2003, after continued discussions among Stellent, Optika, RBC and Revolution Partners, representatives of RBC provided representatives of Revolution Partners with a revised proposal pursuant to which Stellent would acquire Optika, and which included financial terms of the proposed transaction.

On November 14, 2003, and again on November 20, 2003, Mr. Ruport and Mr. Johnson, along with representatives of Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel, met telephonically with the Optika board of directors to discuss the status of ongoing negotiations between Optika and Stellent regarding the terms of Stellent's revised proposal, as well as the status of Revolution Partners' discussions with other potential acquirers and TWCP. The Optika board of directors unanimously authorized senior management and Revolution Partners to continue negotiations with Stellent to improve both the financial and non-financial terms of the proposal, and to determine whether the terms of the revised proposal would be acceptable to TWCP.

On November 17, 2003, representatives of Revolution Partners and TWCP continued their negotiations. TWCP (as holder, together with certain of its affiliates, of a majority of the Optika preferred stock) advised Revolution Partners that the consideration proposed to be paid to the holders of Optika's preferred stock set forth in Stellent's November 14 proposal would not likely be sufficient to induce TWCP and certain of its affiliates to consent to the proposed transaction.

On November 24, 2003, at a special telephonic meeting, Stellent's management provided its board of directors with a report on the status of the possible transaction with Optika. Officers of Stellent, representatives of RBC and representatives of Stellent's legal counsel participated on the call. Representatives of RBC presented revised analyses regarding the valuation of Optika and a potential transaction. Stellent's board of directors unanimously authorized Stellent's management to continue its discussions with Optika regarding a potential acquisition of Optika, to express to Optika an indication of interest in acquiring Optika on terms consistent with the valuation analyses presented to the board of directors and to enter into an agreement for mutual due diligence and exclusive negotiations between Stellent and Optika.

On November 24, 2003, representatives of RBC provided representatives of Revolution Partners with a revised proposal pursuant to which Stellent would acquire Optika. The basic terms of the revised proposal were that each share of Optika common stock outstanding as of the closing date of the merger would be exchanged for a fixed fraction of a share of Stellent common stock. The fixed exchange ratio would be determined based on the average price of Stellent's common stock during a period shortly prior to announcement of the merger, subject to a minimum and a maximum exchange ratio. Based on the proposal, and the trading price of Stellent's common stock at the time, if the price of Stellent's common stock remained constant, the fixed exchange ratio would result in 0.43 of a share of Stellent common stock being issued in exchange for each outstanding share of Optika common stock. The merger agreement would provide for a cash payment of \$10 million to the holders of Optika's preferred stock and the assumption of all Optika stock options by Stellent in accordance with the exchange ratio. The closing prices of Optika common stock and Stellent common stock on November 24, 2003 were \$4.00 and \$9.39, respectively.

On November 25, 2003, representatives of Revolution Partners discussed the terms of the most recent Stellent proposal with representatives of TWCP. In that meeting, TWCP (as holder, together with certain of its affiliates, of a majority of the Optika preferred stock) indicated that the consideration to be paid to the holders of Optika's preferred stock was generally acceptable to it in circumstances where the common stockholders would otherwise receive \$4.00 per share or less at closing, but that the preferred stockholders should also receive 20% of any consideration to the Optika common stockholders in excess of \$4.00 per share. Revolution Partners conveyed this position to RBC.

On November 26, 2003, Mr. Ruport and Mr. Johnson, along with representatives of Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel, met telephonically with the Optika board of directors to present and discuss the most recent proposal from Stellent. Revolution Partners advised the Optika board of directors of the conditions under which TWCP had indicated that it would consent to the revised Stellent proposal. Revolution Partners also advised the Optika board of directors that, despite making a number of contacts

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with potential third-party acquirers, there were no third parties that were reasonably likely to make an offer that would be superior to the one proposed by Stellent or within a time frame that would not jeopardize the board of directors' ability to accept the Stellent offer. The Optika board of directors also considered the absence of price protection in the Stellent proposal and the adequacy of the proposed exchange ratio. Representatives from Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel advised the board of directors that they had discussed with RBC and Stellent's legal counsel the possibility of including in the merger agreement a price-protection provision to ensure that the value of the merger would remain the same in the event of fluctuations within defined parameters in the price of Stellent stock, commonly known as a collar provision, or a clause allowing Optika to "walk away" if the consideration to be received by the Optika common stockholders fell below a predetermined price at closing, and that Stellent had expressed an unwillingness to proceed with a transaction that included such provisions.

On November 28, 2003, representatives of RBC provided representatives of Revolution Partners with a revised draft of a preliminary term sheet pursuant to which Stellent would acquire Optika. The basic terms of the deal were unchanged from the term sheet provided on November 26, 2003, except that the revised term sheet provided that any consideration received by the holders of Optika's common stock in excess of \$4.00 per share would be allocated 20% to the holders of Optika's preferred stock and 80% to the holders of Optika's common stock. The total number of shares of common stock that Stellent would issue in the transaction for the outstanding shares of Optika common stock did not change. The closing prices of Optika common stock and Stellent common stock on November 28, 2003 were \$4.35 and \$9.87, respectively.

On December 1, 2003, Mr. Rupert and Mr. Johnson, along with representatives of Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel, met telephonically with the Optika board of directors to present and discuss the revised proposal from Stellent. The Optika board of directors reviewed the financial and legal terms of the Stellent proposal in detail with senior management and representatives from Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel.

On December 2, 2003, Mr. Rupert and Mr. Johnson, along with representatives of Revolution Partners and Optika's legal counsel, met telephonically with the Optika board of directors. The Optika board of directors unanimously authorized senior management to enter into a non-binding letter of intent, including exclusive negotiation provisions with Stellent through December 22, 2003, and a term sheet with Stellent, and to proceed expeditiously to negotiate a definitive merger agreement with Stellent and complete financial and legal due diligence on Stellent. The Optika board of directors also unanimously authorized management to enter into a binding agreement with TWCP and certain of its affiliates pursuant to which TWCP and certain of its affiliates would consent to the proposed merger. On that date, management of Optika and Stellent executed the non-binding letter of intent and term sheet.

From December 2, 2003 through December 3, 2003, Mr. Olson, Gregg A. Waldon, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer of Stellent, representatives of Stellent's legal counsel and representatives from RBC performed legal and financial due diligence on Optika in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

On December 5, 2003, TWCP and Optika entered into a letter of intent pursuant to which TWCP agreed to enter into an agreement to consent to the proposed merger on the condition that, among other things, the consideration to be paid to the holders of Optika's preferred stock and the common stock would be as set forth in the Stellent term sheet approved by the Optika board of directors. This letter of intent would automatically terminate in the event that a definitive merger agreement was not executed on or before January 8, 2004.

From December 8, 2003 through December 9, 2003, Mr. Rupert, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Donovan, representatives of Optika's legal counsel and representatives from Revolution Partners and KPMG LLP, Optika's independent accountants, performed legal and financial due diligence on Stellent in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

From December 9, 2003 through December 10, 2003, representatives of Grant Thornton, Stellent's independent accountants, performed financial due diligence on Optika in Denver, Colorado.

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The companies and their legal representatives thereafter engaged in additional due diligence exchanges, which included interviews of persons responsible for the financial affairs of Stellent and Optika, respectively, as well as due diligence regarding strategic, management, legal, financial, accounting and business issues.

On December 10, 2003, counsel for Stellent provided counsel for Optika with a first draft of a proposed form of merger agreement, in accordance with the terms of the non-binding term sheet executed by the parties.

Between December 10, 2003 and December 22, 2003, the parties continued their respective due diligence investigations and exchanged comments on the merger agreement and certain ancillary documents circulated by counsel to Stellent, including a proposed voting agreement to be entered into by TWCP at the time the merger agreement was executed, pursuant to which TWCP would agree to vote all of its shares of capital stock of Optika in favor of the merger and deliver an irrevocable proxy to Stellent in favor of the merger agreement and the merger.

On December 22, 2003, the exclusivity period in the letter of intent expired, but the parties orally agreed to continue working on the proposed merger agreement.

On January 2, 2004, senior management of Optika and Stellent exchanged preliminary summary financial information related to the quarter ended December 31. In connection with these discussions, Optika's management noted that, based on the method of determining the base exchange ratio set forth in the term sheet and the recent relative prices of Optika's and Stellent's stock, the value of the consideration to be received by Optika's stockholders in the proposed transaction was likely to be at a discount to the market price of Optika's common stock. The closing prices of Optika common stock and Stellent common stock on January 2, 2004 were \$4.67 and \$10.029, respectively.

Between January 2, 2004 and January 5, 2004, the parties continued to discuss potential ways to reduce the likelihood that the consideration in the proposed transaction would represent a discount to the market price of Optika's common stock and other open legal and business issues in the merger agreement.

On January 5, 2004, management of both companies and their respective financial advisors discussed the issue of adjusting the fixed base exchange ratio contemplated by the letter of intent and the value of the per share consideration that would be issued to holders of Optika common stock. Based on the trading price of Stellent's common stock at the time, the base exchange ratio determined in accordance with the term sheet would have been 0.40 of a share of Stellent common stock for each outstanding share of Optika common stock. Based on the prices of the common stock of Stellent and Optika at the time, and the allocation of consideration between the holders of Optika's common stock and Optika's preferred stock, the value of the consideration to be offered under the term sheet for outstanding shares of Optika's common stock would have represented a discount to the market price of Optika's common stock. The parties agreed to recommend to their respective boards of directors that the exchange ratio be adjusted to be 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock in exchange for each outstanding share of Optika common stock. The adjustment to allocate 20% of the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock in excess of \$4.00 to the holders of the Optika preferred stock would remain unchanged. The closing prices of Optika common stock and Stellent common stock on January 5, 2004 were \$4.35 and \$10.18, respectively.

On January 6, 2004, at a special telephonic meeting, Stellent's management provided its board of directors with an update regarding the possible transaction with Optika. Officers of Stellent, representatives of RBC and representatives of Stellent's legal counsel participated on the call. Representatives of RBC reviewed the trading history of Optika's common stock and Stellent's common stock since the meeting of Stellent's board of directors on November 24, 2003. Representatives of RBC presented financial analyses of a merger with Optika at a fixed exchange ratio of 0.44 shares of Stellent common stock for each outstanding share of Optika common stock, and \$10 million in cash to the holders of Optika's preferred stock. Stellent's management reviewed the terms of Mr. Rupert's employment agreement with Optika and presented terms of a proposed employment agreement between Mr. Rupert and Stellent, to become effective upon the closing of a merger with Optika. Stellent's board of directors unanimously authorized Stellent's management to continue its discussions with Optika regarding a potential acquisition of Optika

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on terms consistent with the term sheet delivered to Optika, but with an exchange ratio of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika common stock. Stellent's board of directors also unanimously authorized Stellent's management to create STEL Sub, Inc.

On January 7, 2004, the expiration date of the letter of intent between Optika and TWCP was extended from January 8, 2004 to January 14, 2004.

On January 10, 2004, a proposed form of merger agreement and related ancillary agreements were forwarded by Optika's legal counsel to the Optika board of directors for review and consideration. In addition, Revolution Partners forwarded a copy of its financial presentation to the Optika board of directors for review and consideration.

On January 10, 2004, a proposed form of merger agreement and related ancillary agreements were forwarded to the Stellent board of directors for review and consideration. In addition, RBC forwarded a draft copy of its financial presentation to the Stellent board of directors for review and consideration.

On January 11, 2004, the boards of directors of each of Stellent and Optika held separate special telephonic meetings to consider the proposed merger. Officers of Stellent, representatives of RBC and representatives of Stellent's legal counsel participated in the Stellent board of directors meeting. Stellent's officers discussed with its board of directors the strategic rationale for a combination of the two companies and the results of Stellent's due diligence investigation of Optika. Representatives of Stellent's legal counsel then discussed with the board of directors the proposed terms of the merger agreement and the ancillary agreements and the board's fiduciary duties in considering approval of the proposed merger. RBC then presented its financial analysis to the Stellent board of directors relating to the proposed merger and delivered both an oral and written opinion to the board of directors that, based upon and subject to the matters described in the opinion, the consideration proposed to be issued in the merger was fair, from a financial point of view, to Stellent. After deliberations, the Stellent board of directors unanimously approved the proposed merger, declared it to be advisable and in the best interest of Stellent's shareholders, and resolved to recommend that Stellent's shareholders vote in favor of the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock in the merger, and authorized senior management to proceed with the transaction.

Members of Optika's management, Optika's legal counsel, and representatives of Revolution Partners participated in the meeting of the Optika board of directors. Optika's officers discussed with the board Stellent's and Optika's separate and pro forma combined financial and business information, the strategic rationale for a combination of the two companies, and the results of Optika's due diligence investigation of Stellent. Revolution Partners then presented its financial analysis to the Optika board relating to the proposed merger and delivered both an oral and written opinion to the board that, based upon and subject to the matters described in the opinion, the consideration proposed to be issued in the merger was fair, from a financial point of view, to Optika's stockholders. Optika's legal counsel then discussed with the board the proposed terms of the merger agreement and the ancillary agreements referred to therein, the proposed amendment and restatement of the certificate of designation of Optika's preferred stock and the board's fiduciary duties in considering approval of the proposed merger and related proposals. After deliberations, the Optika board of directors unanimously approved the proposed merger, declared it to be advisable and in the best interest of Optika's stockholders, and resolved to recommend that Optika's stockholders vote in favor of the merger and the proposed amendment and restatement of the certificate of designation of the preferred stock effective upon the closing of the merger, and authorized senior management to proceed with the transaction. The Optika board of directors also unanimously authorized an amendment to the Optika rights agreement, exempting the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement from the rights agreement. The closing price of Optika common stock and Stellent common stock on January 9, 2004, the last trading day prior to January 11, was \$4.279 and \$10.29, respectively.

On January 11, 2004, the parties executed the merger agreement and various related agreements, including voting agreements whereby certain directors and executive officers of each company and TWCP and certain of its affiliates agreed to vote all of their shares of capital stock in favor of the merger. The transaction was announced through a joint press release preceding the opening of the market on January 12, 2004.

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Stellent's Reasons for the Merger

Stellent's board of directors has unanimously approved the merger agreement and the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement. In reaching its decision, the Stellent board of directors identified several reasons for, and potential benefits of, the merger to Stellent shareholders. These potential benefits include the following:

combining Stellent's strength in content management with Optika's strength in business process automation will enable Stellent to create a platform of products that encompasses content management, integrated document management, document imaging, content distribution, business process management, collaboration and record management;

combining Optika's product offering with Stellent's product offering will provide marketing opportunities by enabling customers to satisfy multiple facets of their content management and document processing needs with a single vendor;

greater entity size and marketing resources may present improved opportunities for marketing the products of the combined company;

combined technological resources may allow Stellent to compete more effectively by enhancing its ability to develop new products and add functionality to existing products;

the combined and, in large part, non-overlapping customer base of the two companies may present new sales opportunities;

the particular strength that Optika has in the manufacturing, retail, distribution, state and local government and financial services markets could enable Stellent to better serve these markets;

the opportunity to leverage Stellent's existing international sales and marketing infrastructure to expand the distribution of Optika's products;

the ability to eliminate, as combined companies, Optika's expenses of being a public reporting company;

Stellent's expectation that the transaction would be immediately accretive on a pro forma basis, excluding the effects of non-cash or non-recurring charges related primarily to expenses such as amortization of intangible assets and acquisition costs; and

the increased float of Stellent common stock resulting from the merger may afford shareholders of the combined companies an opportunity to benefit from greater trading liquidity and may, with the greater size of the combined companies, increase research coverage.

Recommendation of the Merger by the Stellent Board of Directors

At a meeting held on January 11, 2004, the Stellent board of directors unanimously:

determined that the merger is advisable and in the best interests of Stellent and its shareholders;

approved the merger agreement, the merger and the cash payment and issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger;

directed that the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger be presented for approval by Stellent shareholders at the Stellent special meeting; and

resolved to recommend that the Stellent shareholders approve the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger.

In the course of reaching its unanimous decision to approve the merger agreement, Stellent's board of directors consulted with Stellent's senior management, legal counsel and financial advisor, and reviewed a significant amount of information and considered the following factors:

the strategic reasons for the merger (described in the section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled "Stellent's Reasons for the Merger" beginning on page 50);

general market conditions and the competitive environment for Stellent's products and services;

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the potential benefits to Stellent shareholders as a result of growth opportunities following the acquisition;

financial market conditions, historical market prices, volatility and trading information with respect to Stellent's common stock and Optika's common stock;

historical and current information about Stellent's and Optika's businesses, prospects, financial performance and condition, operations, technology, management and competitive position, including public reports concerning results of operations during the most recent fiscal year and fiscal quarter of each company filed with the SEC, analyst estimates, market data and management's knowledge of the industry;

the opinion of RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. dated January 11, 2004 that, as of that date, the consideration to be paid in the merger was fair to Stellent from a financial point of view. A copy of the RBC opinion is attached to this proxy statement as Annex D. This written opinion should be read in its entirety for a description of the procedures followed, assumptions and qualifications made, matters considered and limitations of the review undertaken by RBC (described in the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus entitled "Opinion of Financial Advisor to Stellent" beginning on page 55);

the potential impact of the merger on Stellent's customers;

the fact that the shareholders of Stellent will have the opportunity to vote upon the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger;

the likelihood that Stellent and Optika will be able to complete the transaction;

reports from Stellent's management, legal advisors and financial advisors about the results of the due diligence investigation of Optika;

the terms and conditions of the merger agreement, including:

the prohibition on Optika's ability to solicit an alternative acquisition proposal and the limitations on Optika's ability to engage in negotiations with, provide any confidential information or data to, and otherwise have certain discussions with any person relating to an alternative acquisition proposal,

the conditions to each party's obligation to effect the merger,

the definition of "material adverse effect," and

the limited ability of Optika to terminate the merger agreement;

Stellent's prospects going forward without the combination with Optika; and

the potential for other third parties to enter into strategic relationships with or to acquire Optika.

In reaching its determination, the Stellent board of directors believes that the factors described above generally figured positively with respect to the acquisition, as advantages or opportunities to be derived from the merger, except for the last three factors above, which figured both positively and negatively. The Stellent board of directors also considered the following potentially negative factors in its deliberations concerning the merger:

the possibility that the merger might not be consummated and the effect of a public announcement of the merger on:

Stellent's revenues and other operating results,

Stellent's ability to attract and retain key management, marketing and technical personnel, and

customer relationships;

the risk that the potential benefits sought in the merger might not be realized;

the substantial expenses to be incurred in connection with the merger, including costs of integrating the businesses and transaction expenses arising from the merger;

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the risk that key technical and management personnel might not remain employed by the combined company and key customers might terminate their relationships with the combined company;

various other risks associated with the merger and the business of Optika described in the section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled Risk Factors beginning on page 21.

The above discussion of the material factors is not intended to be exhaustive, but does set forth the principal factors considered by the Stellent board of directors. After due consideration, the Stellent board of directors unanimously concluded that the potential benefits of the merger outweighed the risks associated with the merger.

In view of the wide variety of factors considered by the Stellent board of directors in connection with the evaluation of the merger and the complexity of these matters, the Stellent board of directors did not consider it practical to quantify, rank or otherwise assign relative weights to the foregoing factors, and it did not attempt to do so. Rather, the Stellent board of directors made its recommendation based on the totality of the information presented to it, and the investigation conducted by it. The Stellent board of directors considered all these factors and determined that these factors, as a whole, supported the conclusions and recommendations described above.

Taking into account all of the material facts, matters and information, including those described above, the Stellent board of directors believes that the merger and the other transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable and in the best interests of Stellent and its shareholders. **The Stellent board of directors unanimously recommends that the Stellent shareholders vote FOR approval of the issuance of Stellent shares pursuant to the merger agreement.**

Optika's Reasons for the Merger

In unanimously approving the merger agreement and the merger and in recommending that Optika's stockholders approve the Optika merger proposals, the Optika board consulted with Optika's management, as well as its financial and legal advisors, and considered a number of factors. The material factors considered by the Optika board of directors in approving and recommending adoption of the Optika merger proposals are described below.

combining Stellent's strength in content management with Optika's strength in business process automation will enable the combined company to create a platform of products that encompasses content management, integrated document management, document imaging, content distribution, business process management, collaboration and record management;

combining Optika's product offering with Stellent's product offering will provide marketing opportunities for the combined company by enabling customers to satisfy multiple facets of their content management and document processing needs with a single vendor;

greater entity size and marketing resources may present improved opportunities for marketing the products of the combined company;

combined technological resources may allow the combined company to compete more effectively by enhancing its ability to develop new products and add functionality to existing products;

the combined and, in large part, non-overlapping customer base of the two companies may present new sales opportunities;

the opportunity to leverage Stellent's existing international sales and marketing infrastructure to expand the distribution of Optika's products;

through the receipt of Stellent common stock in the merger, Optika's stockholders will have the opportunity to participate in the potential for the greater growth, operational efficiencies, financial strength, and earning power of the combined company after the merger without the liquidation preference of the Optika preferred stock; and

the increased float of Stellent common stock resulting from the merger may afford shareholders of the combined companies an opportunity to benefit from greater trading liquidity and may, with the greater size of the combined companies, increase research coverage.

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Recommendation of the Merger by the Optika Board of Directors

At a meeting held on January 11, 2004, the Optika board of directors unanimously:

determined that the merger is advisable, fair to and in the best interests of Optika and its stockholders;

approved the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation;

directed that the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation be presented for approval by Optika stockholders at the Optika special meeting; and

resolved to recommend that the Optika stockholders approve the Optika merger proposals.

In the course of reaching its unanimous decision to approve the Optika merger proposals, Optika's board of directors consulted with Optika's senior management, legal counsel and financial advisor, and reviewed a significant amount of information and considered the following factors:

the strategic reasons for the merger (described in the section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled "Optika's Reasons for the Merger" beginning on page 52);

general market conditions and the competitive environment for Optika's products and services;

the near- and long-term prospects of Optika as an independent company;

financial market conditions, historical market prices, volatility and trading information with respect to Stellent's common stock and Optika's common stock;

historical and current information about Stellent's and Optika's businesses, prospects, financial performance and condition, operations, technology, management and competitive position, including public reports concerning results of operations during the most recent fiscal year and fiscal quarter of each company filed with the SEC, analyst estimates, market data and management's knowledge of the industry;

the consideration to be received by Optika's stockholders in the merger and the relationship between the market value of Stellent common stock to be issued in exchange for shares of Optika common stock and the market value of Optika common stock;

data involving a comparison of comparable merger transactions;

the fact that representatives of Revolution Partners, on behalf of Optika, had solicited interest in a possible acquisition of Optika from third parties that Optika senior management and representatives of Revolution Partners believed were likely to have an interest in a potential transaction and that Optika had not received any offers from any of such other parties;

the fact that the holders of a majority of the Optika preferred stock had agreed to enter into the TWCP written consent and voting agreement to facilitate the transaction and to accept the consideration set forth in the merger agreement;

the oral and written opinion of Revolution Partners, LLC that, as of January 11, 2004, the consideration to be paid in the merger was fair to the stockholders of Optika from a financial point of view. A copy of the Revolution Partners opinion is attached to this proxy statement as Annex F. This written opinion should be read in its entirety for a description of the procedures followed, assumptions and qualifications made, matters considered and limitations of the review undertaken by Revolution Partners (described in the section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled "Opinion of Financial Advisor to Optika" beginning on page 61);

the potential impact of the merger on Optika's customers, employees and strategic partners;

the fact that the stockholders of Optika will have the opportunity to vote upon the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation;

the likelihood that Stellent and Optika will be able to complete the transaction;

reports from Optika's management, legal advisors and financial advisors about the results of the due diligence investigation of Stellent;

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the terms and conditions of the merger agreement, including:

the ability of the Optika board of directors, under the merger agreement, to respond to unsolicited requests for nonpublic information, to participate in discussions and negotiations with unsolicited potential third-party acquirors under certain circumstances, and to terminate the merger agreement under certain circumstances in order to accept third-party offers, subject to the payment of a termination fee,

the conditions to each party's obligation to effect the merger,

the representations and warranties made by Stellent, and

the limited ability of Stellent to terminate the merger agreement;

the parties' intent to treat the merger as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes; and

the fact that Delaware law entitles Optika stockholders who do not vote in favor of the merger and who file a written objection with Optika to obtain the fair value of their shares, as determined by a Delaware court, if the merger is completed.

In reaching its determination, the Optika board of directors believes that the factors described above generally figured positively with respect to the merger, as advantages or opportunities to be derived from the merger. The Optika board of directors also considered the following potentially negative factors in its deliberations concerning the merger:

the possibility that the merger might not be consummated and the effect of a public announcement of the merger on:

Optika's revenues and other operating results,

Optika's ability to attract and retain key management, sales and technical personnel, and

customer and strategic partner relationships;

the risk that the potential benefits sought in the merger might not be realized;

the substantial expenses to be incurred in connection with the merger, including costs of integrating the businesses and transaction expenses arising from the merger;

the risk that key technical and management personnel might not remain employed by the combined company and key customers and business partners might terminate their relationships with the combined company;

that a termination fee of \$1.6 million and up to a \$750,000 expense reimbursement required to be paid by Optika under the merger agreement under certain circumstances might discourage a third party from seeking to acquire Optika;

risks associated with fluctuations in Stellent's common stock price due to the fixed exchange ratio;

risks associated with an unfavorable outcome to various shareholder litigation proceedings presently pending against certain current and former officers and directors of Stellent;

risks associated with the treatment of the transaction for United States federal income tax purposes to Optika's stockholders as described in the section of this joint proxy statement/prospectus entitled "Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger" beginning on page 72;

the fact that the sole consideration to be received by the holders of the Optika common stock was Stellent common stock, which was subject to market risk, while the consideration to be received by the holders of the preferred stock would consist primarily of cash, which was not subject to market risk; and

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various other risks associated with the merger and the business of Stellent described in the section of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 21.

The above discussion of the material factors is not intended to be exhaustive, but does set forth the principal factors considered by the Optika board of directors. After due consideration, the Optika board of

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directors unanimously concluded that the potential benefits of the merger outweighed the risks associated with the merger.

In view of the wide variety of factors considered by the Optika board of directors in connection with the evaluation of the merger and the complexity of these matters, the Optika board of directors did not consider it practical to quantify, rank or otherwise assign relative weights to the foregoing factors, and it did not attempt to do so. Rather, the Optika board of directors made its recommendation based on the totality of the information presented to it, and the investigation conducted by it. The Optika board of directors considered all these factors and determined that these factors, as a whole, supported the conclusions and recommendations described above.

Taking into account all of the material facts, matters and information, including those described above, the Optika board of directors believes that the merger and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement are advisable, fair to, and in the best interests of, Optika and its stockholders. **The Optika board of directors unanimously recommends that the Optika stockholders vote FOR approval of the merger agreement and the merger and FOR the approval of the amendment to the certificate of designation.**

In considering the recommendation of the Optika board of directors with respect to the Optika merger proposals, you should be aware that certain directors and officers of Optika have certain interests in the merger that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of Optika stockholders generally. These interests are discussed in more detail in the section entitled Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger on page 69 of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Opinion of Financial Advisor to Stellent

Pursuant to an engagement letter dated as of October 17, 2003, RBC was retained by Stellent to furnish an opinion as to the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the total consideration to be paid pursuant to the terms of the proposed merger agreement.

On January 11, 2004, RBC rendered its opinion to Stellent's board of directors, that, as of such date and based on the procedures followed, factors considered and assumptions made by RBC and certain other limitations, the total consideration to be paid was fair, from a financial point of view, to Stellent. A copy of RBC's written opinion is attached as Annex E to this document and is incorporated into this document by reference. Stellent shareholders are urged to read the opinion of RBC carefully and in its entirety.

RBC's opinion was provided for the information and assistance of Stellent's board of directors in connection with its consideration of the merger. RBC's opinion does not constitute a recommendation to any shareholder as to how such shareholder should vote with respect to the merger. RBC's opinion related solely to the total consideration to be paid. RBC did not review, nor did its opinion in any way address, other merger terms or arrangements, including, without limitation, the financial or other terms of any employment or non-competition agreement with Optika management or any break-up or termination fee. Further, RBC's opinion did not address, nor should it be construed to address, the relative merits of the underlying decision by Stellent to engage in the merger compared to any alternative business strategies or transaction in which Stellent might engage. RBC was not authorized to, and did not solicit any other potential participants relative to a business combination with Stellent. RBC was not engaged as an agent or fiduciary of Stellent's shareholders or any other third party.

In rendering its opinion, RBC assumed and relied upon the accuracy and completeness of the financial, legal, tax, operating and other information provided by Stellent and Optika (including, without limitation, the financial statements and related notes thereto of Stellent and Optika, as well as other publicly available information with respect to Stellent and Optika). RBC did not assume responsibility for independently verifying and did not independently verify this information. With respect to the data and discussions relating to the business prospects and financial outlook of Stellent and Optika, upon advice of Stellent, RBC assumed that such data was reasonably prepared on a basis reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the management of Stellent and Optika as to the future financial performance of Stellent and Optika, respectively, and that Stellent and Optika will perform substantially in accordance with such financial data and estimates. RBC expressed no opinion as to such financial data and

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estimates or the assumptions on which they were based. RBC was not provided sufficient long-term projections on Optika's business; thus, RBC could not prepare a discounted cash flow analysis as a means to value Optika.

RBC did not assume responsibility for, and did not perform, any independent evaluation or appraisal of any of the respective assets or liabilities of Stellent or Optika, nor was RBC furnished with any evaluations or appraisals. RBC expressed no opinion regarding the liquidation value of any entity. RBC did not assume any obligation to conduct, and did not conduct, any physical inspection of the property or facilities of Stellent or Optika. Additionally, RBC was not asked to and did not consider the possible effects of any litigation or other contingent matters.

RBC's opinion speaks only as of the date of such opinion, and is based on market conditions as they existed as of January 9, 2004 (the last trading day preceding the finalization of the analysis) and the information supplied to RBC as of the date of its opinion, and is without regard to market, economic, financial, legal or other circumstances or events of any kind or nature which may exist or occur after such date. RBC has not undertaken to reaffirm or revise its opinion or otherwise comment upon events occurring after the date of the opinion and RBC does not have any obligation to update, revise or reaffirm its opinion. RBC expressed no opinion as to the price at which shares of Stellent common stock have traded or at which such shares may trade following the announcement or consummation of the merger.

For purposes of its opinion, RBC assumed that the merger will qualify as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes. RBC assumed that the executed Agreement will be in all material respects identical to the last draft reviewed by RBC. RBC also assumed that the merger will be consummated pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, without amendments thereto and without waiver by any party of any material conditions or obligations thereunder.

In arriving at its opinion, RBC:

reviewed and analyzed the financial terms of a draft dated as of January 11, 2004 of the Agreement;

reviewed and analyzed certain publicly available financial and other data with respect to Stellent and Optika and certain other historical operating data relating to Stellent and Optika made available to RBC from published sources and from the internal records of Stellent and Optika;

conducted discussions with members of the senior management of Optika with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of Optika independently and as combined;

conducted discussions with members of the senior management of Stellent with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of Stellent independently and as combined;

received and reviewed financial forecasts prepared by Optika's management on the potential future performance of Optika as a stand alone entity;

reviewed publicly available materials and analysts' reports with respect to the business and financial outlook of Stellent;

reviewed the reported prices and trading activity for Stellent common stock and Optika common stock;

compared the implied historical exchange ratios between Stellent's common stock and Optika's common stock with the Base Exchange Factor and Common Stock Conversion Factor, as defined in the Agreement; and

reviewed selected market valuation metrics of Optika, Stellent and other comparable publicly traded companies and their securities.

In arriving at its opinion, in addition to reviewing the matters listed above, RBC performed the following analyses:

reviewed the financial terms and valuation metrics, to the extent publicly available, of certain comparable merger transactions with those stated or implied by the Agreement;

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compared selected valuation metrics of comparable publicly traded companies with those implied by the Agreement;

compared the premiums implied by the Common Stock Per Share Consideration and Common Stock Conversion Factor with those paid in selected precedent transactions;

compared the relative contribution to selected income statement items for each of Stellent and Optika with their pro forma ownership in the combined company; and

considered the projected pro forma effect of the merger on the combined company's earnings per share.

In addition, RBC conducted such other analyses and examinations and considered such other financial, economic and market criteria as RBC deemed necessary in arriving at its opinion.

In delivering its opinion to the Stellent board of directors, RBC prepared and delivered to Stellent's board of directors written materials containing various analyses and other information material to the opinion. The following is a summary of these materials, including information presented in tabular format. To understand fully the summary of the financial analyses used by RBC, the tables must be read together with the text of each summary. The tables alone do not constitute a complete description of the financial analysis.

Transaction Overview

Giving effect to the Base Exchange Factor of 0.44, the implied value of the consideration offered to common and preferred shareholders of Optika was determined to be \$42.3 million in Stellent common stock, \$6.6 million in options valued using the treasury stock method of accounting (based on the closing price for Stellent common stock on January 9, 2004) and \$10 million in cash consideration to Optika preferred shareholders for a total consideration of \$58.8 million. RBC calculated the implied enterprise value of Optika, including the estimated value of the new Stellent options, to be approximately \$49.6 million. Based on the Base Exchange Factor, the common shares issued to current holders of Optika common shares would represent 15.6% of the Stellent common shares outstanding on a pro forma combined basis. Taking into account common shares, options and other dilutive securities on a fully diluted basis using the treasury stock method of accounting, per the Base Exchange Factor, new securities issued by Stellent would represent 16.5% on a pro forma combined basis.

Historical Trading Analysis

RBC compared Optika's price performance to the Nasdaq and to a group of publicly traded content infrastructure companies over selected periods. RBC also reviewed the historical implied exchange ratio (as defined by Optika's closing price per share divided by Stellent's closing price per share) over selected time periods. RBC provided summaries of the average stock trading history of Optika common stock price and the average implied exchange ratios including:

	Optika Share Price	Implied Average Historic Exchange Ratio
Closing price on January 9, 2004	\$4.28	0.416
One week average	4.36	0.426
One month average	4.61	0.457
Three month average	4.17	0.432
Six month average	3.13	0.352
One year average	2.20	0.307
52 week high	5.11	
52 week low	0.98	

Precedent Transaction Analysis

RBC compared (i) implied enterprise values to revenue multiples, (ii) equity values to net income and (iii) equity values to tangible book value multiples relating to the proposed merger of Stellent and

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Optika with multiples of operating data from eight selected merger and acquisition precedent transactions. These precedent transactions involved companies in the content infrastructure market that were completed since January 1, 2002 where the target's last twelve months revenue was greater than \$10 million, which RBC deemed comparable to the transaction between Stellent and Optika. Financial data regarding the precedent transactions was taken from SEC filings, press releases, public databases, RBC institutional research and other Wall Street sources. The selected precedent transactions were as follows: Open Text Corp.'s acquisition of IXOS Software AG; EMC Corp.'s acquisition of Documentum, Inc.; Vignette Corp.'s acquisition of Intraspect Software, Inc.; Open Text Corp.'s acquisition of Gauss Interprise AG; Interwoven, Inc.'s acquisition of iManage, Inc.; Vignette Corp.'s acquisition of Epicentric Inc.; Documentum, Inc.'s acquisition of eRoom Technology, Inc.; and Standard Register's acquisition of InSystems Technologies, Inc. The following presents the resulting selected transaction multiples:

	Comparable Companies				Optika(1)
	Low	Median	Mean	High	
Enterprise value to last twelve months revenue	0.6x	2.2x	2.5x	6.1x	2.5x
Equity value to last twelve months net income	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
Equity value to tangible book value	3.9x	6.8x	7.6x	12.0x	NM

- (1) Enterprise values based on the value implied by the total consideration and per share amounts based on the Common Stock Conversion Factor.

Comparable Company Analysis

RBC analyzed selected valuation metrics implied by the total consideration relative to corresponding metrics observed in a selected group of publicly traded companies in the content infrastructure market that RBC deemed for purposes of its analysis to be comparable to Optika. The group of comparable companies for Optika included: FileNet Corp., Open Text Corp., Verity, Inc., Vignette Corp., Interwoven, Inc., Hummingbird Ltd., Plumtree Software, Inc., and Captiva Software Corp. In this analysis, RBC compared the (i) enterprise value of Optika, expressed as a multiple of estimated revenue in calendar year 2003 and 2004, to the low, median, mean and high multiples of enterprise values of the comparable companies implied by the public trading price of their common stock, expressed as a multiple of the same operating data, (ii) share price of Optika expressed as a multiple of net income per share in estimated net income per share in calendar year 2003 and 2004, to the low, median, mean and high multiples of share prices of the comparable companies, expressed as a multiple of the same operating data, and (iii) equity value of Optika, expressed as a multiple of tangible book value, to the low, median, mean and high multiples of equity values of the comparable companies, expressed as a multiple of the same operating data. Multiples of future revenue and net income data for Optika were based on projections provided by the management of Optika and, for the comparable companies, from publicly available research analyst estimates. The following table presents the resulting selected valuation data:

	Comparable Companies				Optika(1)
	Low	Median	Mean	High	
Enterprise value to estimated 2003 revenue	1.6x	2.8x	3.1x	5.1x	2.5x
Enterprise value to estimated 2004 revenue	1.5x	2.6x	2.7x	3.9x	2.1x
Share price to estimated 2003 net income per share	19.9x	39.7x	42.7x	75.4x	NM
Share price to estimated 2004 net income per share	16.6x	34.8x	45.1x	88.3x	44.1x
Equity value to tangible book value	2.7x	5.1x	6.9x	21.5x	NM

- (1) Enterprise values based on the value implied by the total consideration and per share amounts based on the Common Stock Conversion Factor.

Table of Contents**Premiums Paid Analysis**

Stock Price Premiums: RBC conducted an analysis of stock price premiums in 25 selected acquisitions of publicly traded businesses in the software and services industries from 2002 through 2003, having transaction values between \$10 million and \$100 million, which RBC considered reasonably comparable to the transaction. RBC compared the proposed Common Stock Per Share Consideration to Optika's stock price one day prior, one week prior, one month prior and one week average and one month average prior to public announcement.

As presented below, the low, median, mean and high results for these transactions are compared to the implied premium for Optika over a corresponding time period:

	Implied Premiums (Discount)				
	Comparable Companies				
	Low	Median	Mean	High	Optika(1)
Spot premium, one day prior to announcement	(19.5)%	30.7%	50.2%	243.8%	3.3%
Spot premium, one week prior to announcement	(26.8)%	36.5%	61.0%	261.4%	(5.3)%
Spot premium, one month prior to announcement	(42.0)%	44.2%	73.1%	298.0%	(8.6)%
Average premium, one week prior to announcement	(24.2)%	29.6%	53.9%	254.3%	1.5%
Average premium, one month prior to announcement	(32.9)%	40.6%	58.6%	225.0%	(4.1)%

(1) Based on the value implied by the Common Stock Conversion Factor.

Exchange Ratio Premiums: RBC conducted an analysis of exchange ratio premiums paid for eight acquisitions of publicly traded businesses that included stock consideration in the software and services industries from 2002 through 2003, having transaction values between \$10 million and \$100 million, which RBC considered reasonably comparable to the transaction. RBC compared the proposed Common Stock Conversion Factor to the implied exchange ratios one day prior, one week prior, one month prior and one week average and one month average prior to public announcement. Whereas the stock price premiums described above take into account the historical changes in only Optika's stock price, the exchange ratio premiums take into account changes in the historical implied exchange ratio, which is derived from the historical stock prices of both Stellent and Optika.

The low, median, mean and high results for the comparable transactions are compared to the implied premiums of Optika as follows:

	Implied Premiums (Discount)				
	Comparable Companies				
	Low	Median	Mean	High	Optika(1)
One day before announcement	5.2%	25.5%	38.2%	147.3%	3.3%
One week before announcement	(9.5)%	17.8%	33.9%	143.9%	(7.7)%
One month before announcement	(34.6)%	14.8%	43.4%	246.4%	(10.8)%
Average of one week before announcement	(4.7)%	18.1%	34.3%	145.6%	0.8%
Average of one month before announcement	(23.9)%	13.5%	27.6%	145.6%	(5.9)%

(1) Based on the value implied by the Common Stock Conversion Factor.

Pro Forma Analyses

Contribution Analysis: RBC analyzed the relative contribution of each of Optika and Stellent in terms of various financial statement metrics relative to the pro forma metrics for the combined company for the full calendar years 2002, 2003 and 2004. The financial statement categories

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included revenue, gross profit, earnings before interest and taxes, and net income. RBC observed that, based upon the stock consideration payable pursuant to the Agreement, Optika stockholders (on a fully-diluted basis using the

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treasury stock method of accounting) will receive 16.5% of the shares of the combined company. The following is a summary of this analysis for calendar years 2002, 2003 and 2004:

	Calendar Year 2002		Estimated Calendar Year 2003		Estimated Calendar Year 2004	
	Stellent	Optika	Stellent(1)	Optika(2)	Stellent(3)	Optika(2)
Revenue	77.8%	22.2%	78.3%	21.7%	78.4%	21.6%
Gross Profit	76.3%	23.7%	76.7%	23.3%	77.6%	22.4%
Earnings before interest and taxes	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
Net Income	NM	NM	NM	NM	34.4%	65.6%

- (1) Estimated data per Stellent management and SEC filings.
- (2) Estimated data per Optika management and SEC filings.
- (3) Source: Published RBC research.

Accretion/ Dilution: RBC analyzed the pro forma effects resulting from the proposed transaction on the projected earnings per share of the combined company for 2004 using quarterly profit and loss estimates provided by Optika management and estimates for Stellent provided by publicly available research which Stellent management confirmed was appropriate for this analysis. For purposes of this analysis, RBC assumed that the transaction would close on March 31, 2004. In addition, based on Stellent management estimates, RBC included adjustments to the pro forma combined model to account for lost interest income due to cash costs associated with the transaction. Based on this analysis, excluding the impact of one-time and non-cash items, the transaction would not delay Stellent's profitability and would be accretive to pro forma earnings for calendar year 2004 relative to the projected stand-alone earnings per share of Stellent.

Other Considerations

The preparation of a fairness opinion is a complex process that involves the application of subjective business judgment in determining the most appropriate and relevant methods of financial analysis and the application of those methods to the particular circumstances and, therefore, is not necessarily susceptible to partial consideration of the analyses or summary description. RBC believes that its analyses must be considered as a whole and that selecting portions of the analyses and of the factors considered, without considering all factors and analyses, could create an incomplete or misleading view of the processes underlying its opinion.

In view of the wide variety of factors considered in connection with its evaluation of the fairness of the total consideration to be paid from a financial point of view, RBC did not find it practicable to assign relative weights to the factors considered in reaching its opinion. No single company or transaction used in the above analyses as a comparison is identical to Stellent or Optika or the proposed merger. The analyses were prepared solely for purposes of RBC providing an opinion as to the fairness of the total consideration to be paid, from a financial point of view, to Stellent and do not purport to be appraisals or necessarily reflect the prices at which businesses or securities actually may be sold, which are inherently subject to uncertainty.

In connection with its analyses, RBC made, and was provided by Stellent's management, numerous assumptions with respect to industry performance, general business and economic conditions and other matters, many of which are beyond Stellent's or Optika's control. Analyses based upon forecasts of future results are not necessarily indicative of actual future results, which may be significantly more or less favorable than suggested by these analyses. Because these analyses are inherently subject to uncertainty, and are based upon numerous factors or events beyond the control of Stellent, Optika, or their advisors, none of Stellent, Optika, RBC, or any other person assumes responsibility if future results or actual values are materially different from these forecasts or assumptions.

Stellent selected RBC to render its opinion based on RBC's experience in mergers and acquisitions and in securities valuation generally. RBC is a nationally recognized investment banking firm and is

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regularly engaged in the valuation of businesses and securities in connection with mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings, underwritings, secondary distributions of listed and unlisted securities, private placements and valuations for corporate and other purposes. RBC provides research coverage on Stellent's common stock. In both 1999 and 2000, RBC acted as the lead manager of the Stellent's two common stock public offerings. In 1999, RBC acted as financial advisor to Stellent in its acquisition InfoAccess, Inc. and in 2000, RBC acted as financial advisor to Stellent in its acquisition of the Information Exchange Division of INSO Corporation. In 2002, RBC assisted Stellent in its implementation of its shareholder rights plan. In the ordinary course of business, RBC acts as a market maker and broker in the publicly traded securities of Stellent and receives customary compensation in connection therewith. RBC and its affiliates also actively trade securities of Stellent for their own accounts or the accounts of their customers and, accordingly, may from time to time hold a long or short position in those securities. In its capacity as a broker of publicly traded securities, RBC may, for its own account or for the accounts of its customers, hold a long or short position in the securities of Optika.

Pursuant to the engagement letter, Stellent is to pay RBC a customary, nonrefundable fee upon the rendering of its opinion. Payment of this fee to RBC was not contingent upon the closing of the merger. Whether or not the transaction closes, Stellent has agreed to reimburse RBC for its out-of-pocket expenses and to indemnify RBC against certain liabilities relating to or arising out of services performed by RBC in connection with the merger. The terms of the engagement letter were negotiated at arm's-length between Stellent and RBC, and Stellent's board of directors was aware of this fee arrangement at the time of its approval of the merger agreement.

Opinion of Financial Advisor to Optika

Revolution Partners, LLC has acted as financial advisor to Optika in connection with the merger pursuant to an engagement letter dated as of October 16, 2003.

On January 11, 2004, Revolution Partners rendered its opinion to Optika's board of directors that, as of such date and based on the procedures followed, factors considered and assumptions made by Revolution Partners and certain other limitations, the consideration to be paid was fair, from a financial point of view, to the stockholders of Optika. A copy of Revolution Partners' written opinion is attached as Annex F to this document and is incorporated into this document by reference. Optika stockholders are urged to read the opinion of Revolution Partners carefully and in its entirety.

Revolution Partners' opinion was provided for the information and assistance of Optika's board of directors in connection with its consideration of the merger. Revolution Partners' opinion does not constitute a recommendation to any Optika stockholder as to how such stockholder should vote with respect to the merger. Revolution Partners' opinion addresses only the fairness of the consideration to be received by stockholders of Optika from a financial point of view. Revolution Partners did not review, nor did its opinion in any way address, other merger terms or arrangements, including, without limitation, the financial or other terms of any employment or non-competition agreement with Optika management or any break-up or termination fee. Further, Revolution Partners' opinion did not address, nor should it be construed to address, the relative merits of the underlying decision by Optika to engage in the merger compared to any alternative business strategies or transaction in which Optika might engage. Revolution Partners was not engaged as an agent or fiduciary of Optika's stockholders or any other third party. In furnishing its opinion, Revolution Partners did not admit that it is an expert within the meaning of the term "expert" as used in the Securities Act of 1933, nor did it admit that its opinion constitutes a report or valuation within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933. Revolution Partners' opinion includes statements to this effect.

In rendering its opinion, Revolution Partners assumed and relied upon the accuracy and completeness of the financial, legal, tax, operating and other information provided by Optika and Stellent (including, without limitation, the financial statements and related notes thereto of Optika and Stellent, as well as other publicly available information with respect to Optika and Stellent). Revolution Partners did not assume responsibility for independently verifying and did not independently verify this information. With respect to the data and discussions relating to the business prospects and financial outlook of Optika and

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Stellent, upon advice of Optika, Revolution Partners assumed that such data was reasonably prepared on a basis reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the management of Optika and Stellent as to the future financial performance of Optika and Stellent, respectively, and that Optika and Stellent will perform substantially in accordance with such financial data and estimates. Revolution Partners expressed no opinion as to such financial data and estimates or the assumptions on which they were based.

Revolution Partners did not assume responsibility for, and did not perform, any independent evaluation or appraisal of any of the respective assets or liabilities of Stellent or Optika, nor was Revolution Partners furnished with any evaluations or appraisals. Revolution Partners expressed no opinion regarding the liquidation value of any entity. Revolution Partners did not assume any obligation to conduct, and did not conduct, any physical inspection of the property or facilities of Stellent or Optika. Additionally, Revolution Partners was not asked to and did not consider the possible effects of any litigation or other contingent matters.

Revolution Partners' opinion speaks only as of the date of such opinion, and is based on market conditions as they existed as of January 9, 2004 (the last trading day preceding the finalization of the analysis) and the information supplied to Revolution Partners as of the date of its opinion, and is without regard to market, economic, financial, legal or other circumstances or events of any kind or nature which may exist or occur after such date. Revolution Partners has not undertaken to reaffirm or revise its opinion or otherwise comment upon events occurring after the date of the opinion and Revolution Partners does not have any obligation to update, revise or reaffirm its opinion. Revolution Partners expressed no opinion as to the price at which shares of Optika common stock have traded or at which such shares may trade following the announcement or consummation of the merger.

For purposes of its opinion, Revolution Partners assumed that the merger will qualify as a reorganization for United States federal income tax purposes. Revolution Partners assumed that the executed Agreement will be in all material respects identical to the last draft reviewed by Revolution Partners. Revolution Partners also assumed that the merger will be consummated pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, without amendments thereto and without waiver by any party of any material conditions or obligations thereunder. Revolution Partners assumed that there have been no material changes in Optika's or Stellent's assets, financial condition, results of operations, business or prospects since the respective dates of their last financial statements made available to Revolution Partners, and that the merger will be consummated in a manner that complies in all material respects with the applicable provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and all other applicable federal and state statutes, rules and regulations.

In arriving at its opinion, Revolution Partners:

reviewed and analyzed the financial terms of a draft merger agreement dated as of January 10, 2004;

reviewed and analyzed certain publicly available financial and other data with respect to Optika and Stellent and certain other historical operating data relating to Optika and Stellent made available to Revolution Partners from published sources and from the internal records of Optika and Stellent, including in the case of Optika and Stellent, preliminary results for the quarter ended December 31, 2003;

conducted discussions with members of the senior management of Optika with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of Optika independently and as combined;

conducted discussions with members of the senior management of Stellent with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of Stellent independently and as combined;

received and reviewed financial forecasts prepared by Optika's management on the potential future performance of Optika as a stand alone entity;

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reviewed publicly available materials and analysts' reports with respect to the business and financial outlook of Stellent and certain financial forecasts prepared by Stellent's management on the potential future performance of Stellent as a stand alone entity;

reviewed the reported prices and trading activity for Stellent common stock and Optika common stock;

compared the implied historical exchange ratios between Stellent's common stock and Optika's common stock with the Base Exchange Factor and Common Stock Conversion Factor, as defined in the merger agreement; and

reviewed selected market valuation metrics of Optika, Stellent and other comparable publicly-traded companies and their securities.

In arriving at its opinion, in addition to reviewing the matters listed above, Revolution Partners performed the following analyses:

reviewed the financial terms and valuation metrics, to the extent publicly available, of certain comparable merger transactions with those stated or implied by the merger agreement;

compared selected valuation metrics of comparable publicly-traded companies with those implied by the merger agreement;

compared the premiums implied by the Common Stock Per Share Consideration and Common Stock Conversion Factor, as defined in the merger agreement, with those paid in selected precedent transactions;

participated in discussions and negotiations among representatives of Optika and Stellent and their financial and legal advisors;

participated in discussions among Optika, Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P. and its legal counsel regarding the consideration to be received by the holders of Optika's preferred stock; and

compared the relative contribution to selected income statement items for each of Optika and Stellent with their pro forma ownership in the combined company.

In addition, Revolution Partners conducted such other analyses and examinations and considered such other financial, economic and market criteria as Revolution Partners deemed necessary in arriving at its opinion.

The following represents a brief summary of the material financial analyses performed by Revolution Partners in connection with providing its opinion to the board of directors of Optika. Some of the summaries of financial analyses performed by Revolution Partners include information presented in tabular format. In order to fully understand the financial analyses performed by Revolution Partners, you should read the tables together with the text of each summary. The tables alone do not constitute a complete description of the financial analyses. Considering the data set forth in the tables without considering the full narrative description of the financial analyses, including the methodologies and assumptions underlying the analyses, could create a misleading or incomplete view of the financial analyses performed by Revolution Partners.

Additionally, Revolution Partners noted that Optika has preferred stock with a preferred liquidation preference, and thus the consideration to be received by the holders of Optika preferred stock and the holders of Optika common stock in the merger would be divided up between them based on the liquidation preference of the Optika preferred stock or, in this case, upon a preferred liquidation preference that was acceptable to a majority of the holders of the Optika preferred stock. Revolution Partners was not asked to, and did not, evaluate the consideration to be received by any particular class of Optika's securities but rather, opined on the fairness of the consideration received by the common and preferred stockholders in the aggregate.

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Based on public and other available information, Revolution Partners calculated the enterprise value of Optika, (i) as a multiple of estimated revenue for calendar year 2003 for companies in the enterprise content management software industry with enterprise values of less than \$200 million, and (ii) as a multiple of estimated revenue for calendar years 2003 and 2004 for companies in the enterprise content management software industry with enterprise values of greater than \$250 million and less than \$1 billion. Revolution Partners defined enterprise value as equity market value plus total debt, less net cash and cash equivalents. For purposes of calculating net cash, Revolution Partners assumed an estimated \$3 million in transaction related costs. Revolution Partners believes that the following 14 companies listed below have operations similar to some of the operations of Optika, but noted that none of these companies has the same management, composition, size or combination of businesses as Optika. Revolution Partners noted, however, that the smaller capitalization comparable companies in the enterprise content management software industry were most similar to Optika in terms of annual revenue, cash reserves, market capitalization and average trading volumes.

Optika Comparable Companies Smaller Capitalization:

Mobius
Stellent
Optio
Document Sciences
INSCI
Omtool

The following table sets forth the multiples indicated by this analysis and the enterprise values implied by the proposed merger:

	Valuation Range			Implied Enterprise Value Range		
	Low	Median	High	Low	Median	High
2003	0.4x	0.9x	2.2x	\$7.9	\$17.8	\$43.4

Revolution Partners noted that the enterprise value to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million as of January 11, 2004, is higher than the range indicated by this analysis. Revolution Partners was not able to perform any analysis using estimated 2004 revenue numbers provided by Optika management due to insufficient market data for the smaller capitalization comparable companies.

Optika Comparable Companies Larger Capitalization:

Ascential
FileNet
Open Text
Verity
Interwoven
Vignette
Hummingbird
Dicom

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The following table sets forth the multiples indicated by this analysis and the enterprise values implied by the proposed merger:

	Valuation Range			Implied Enterprise Value Range		
	Low	Median	High	Low	Median	High
2003	0.9x	3.4x	5.9x	\$ 17.8	\$ 67.1	\$ 116.5
2004	2.4x	3.1x	4.0x	\$ 55.7	\$ 72.1	\$ 92.8

Revolution Partners noted that the enterprise value to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million as of January 11, 2004, with respect to 2003 estimated revenue is within the range indicated by this analysis. Revolution Partners performed a similar analysis using estimated 2004 revenue numbers provided to Revolution Partners by Optika management. Revolution Partners noted that the enterprise value with respect to 2004 estimated revenue fell below the range indicated by this analysis. Revolution noted this fact, but as discussed below, the comparable companies analysis was just one of several analyses used by Revolution Partners to reach its fairness determination. No company used in the comparable company analyses is identical to Optika or Stellent, and the larger capitalization comparable companies typically have greater revenue, higher cash reserves, greater market capitalization and larger average trading volumes than Optika or Stellent. Accordingly, an analysis of the results of the foregoing is not mathematical, rather it involves complex considerations and judgments concerning differences in financial and operating characteristics of the companies to which Optika and Stellent are being compared.

While the comparable company valuation analysis compared Optika to 14 public companies in the enterprise content management software industry, Revolution Partners did not include every company that could be deemed to be a participant in this same industry, or in the specific sectors of this industry.

Comparable Company Valuation Analysis – Micro-Cap Technology Companies.

Based on public and other available information, Revolution Partners calculated the enterprise value as a multiple of revenue for the last 12 months, or LTM, for all Nasdaq traded companies with market capitalizations of less than \$100 million. Revolution Partners believes that these companies have similar market and trading statistics as Optika, but noted that none of these companies has the same management, composition, size or combination of businesses as Optika.

The following table sets forth the multiples indicated by this analysis and the enterprise value implied by the proposed merger:

	Median Multiple	Implied Enterprise Value
2003	1.3x	\$ 25.7M

Revolution Partners noted that the enterprise value to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million as of January 11, 2004, is higher than the value indicated by this analysis. Revolution Partners was not able to perform any analysis using estimated 2004 revenue numbers provided by Optika management due to insufficient market data for the Micro-Cap technology comparable companies.

Comparable Transactions Analysis

Based on public and other available information, Revolution Partners calculated enterprise value as a multiple of LTM, and for the next 12 months, or NTM, for 16 transactions in particularly comparable

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acquisitions of enterprise content management software companies that have been announced since January 1, 2003:

Announcement Date	Name of Acquiror	Name of Target Company
10/21/03	Open Text	IXOS
10/14/03	EMC	Documentum
9/16/03	Xpedite (PTEK)	MediaLinq (CAPA)
9/15/03	Vignette	Intraspect
9/2/03	ZixCorp	Elron Software
8/27/03	Open Text	Gauss
8/6/03	Interwoven	iManage
7/1/03	Hummingbird	Valid Information Systems
4/1/03	FileNet	Shana
3/26/03	Hummingbird	Key Automation
3/17/03	Stellent	Active IQ
3/12/03	Hummingbird	LegalKEY
3/3/03	Kinkos	ImageX
2/26/03	Open Text	Corechange
2/18/03	Tumbleweed	Valicert
1/9/03	Open Text	Eloquent

The following table sets forth the multiples indicated by this analysis and the enterprise values implied by the proposed merger:

	Valuation Range			Implied Enterprise Value Range		
	Low	Median	High	Low	Median	High
2003	0.1x	1.3x	5.5x	\$2.0	\$25.7	\$108.6
2004	0.1x	1.3x	4.9x	\$2.3	\$30.2	\$113.7

Revolution Partners observed that the enterprise value of the consideration to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million as of January 11, 2004, with respect to 2003 and 2004 estimated revenue was within the ranges indicated by comparable transactions. Revolution Partners noted that the comparable transactions analysis was just one of several analyses used by Revolution Partners to reach its fairness determination. No transaction used in the comparable transactions analysis is identical to the merger. Accordingly, an analysis of the results of the foregoing is not mathematical, rather it involves complex considerations and judgments concerning differences in financial and operating characteristics of the constituent companies and other factors that could affect the value of the transactions to which the merger is being compared.

Premiums Analysis

Revolution Partners calculated the premiums paid in 20 transactions involving acquired technology companies with enterprise values of less than \$100 million, which Revolution Partners considered reasonably comparable to the transaction, over the share price of the acquired company as of one trading day, 4-week trading day and 12-week trading day prior to the announcement of the acquisition offer.

The following table shows the premiums paid over the share price of the acquired company with respect to these comparable acquisition transactions:

	Optika Stock Price	Median Premiums Paid	Implied Per Share Value
1 Day (1/9/03)	\$4.28	23.4%	\$5.28
4-week spot	\$4.92	42.3%	\$7.00

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12-week spot	\$3.85	57.7%	\$6.07
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Revolution Partners noted that the per share value of the consideration to be received by the common stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$4.42 as of January 11, 2004, fell below the per share value indicated by this analysis. Revolution noted this fact, but also noted that this analysis fails to account for the estimated \$10.9 million in cash and securities paid to the holders of Optika's preferred stock (assuming the transaction was completed on January 11, 2004 based on the Optika common stock price as of that date). Revolution Partners calculated that, if the total per share consideration to be received by Optika's preferred and common stockholders was paid to such shareholders on an as if converted basis, converting all 731,851 shares of Optika preferred stock into 731,851 shares of Optika common stock, without accounting for the preferred stock liquidation preference, the per share value to be received by such shareholders would have been approximately \$5.00 per share. Revolution Partners noted, as discussed below, that the premiums paid analysis was just one of several analyses used by Revolution Partners to reach its fairness determination. No company used in the premiums paid analysis is identical to Optika or Stellent. Accordingly, an analysis of the results of the foregoing is not mathematical, rather it involves complex considerations and judgments concerning differences in financial and operating characteristics of the companies to which Optika and Stellent are being compared.

Contribution Analysis

Based on public and other available information, Revolution Partners reviewed the estimated contribution of each of Optika and Stellent to estimated total revenues for the combined company for the twelve month period beginning April 1, 2004, which corresponds to Stellent's fiscal year 2005. Revolution Partners then compared these contributions to the pro forma share ownership of the combined company to be owned by the stockholders of Optika as of January 11, 2004, assuming consummation of the merger as described in the merger agreement. This analysis indicated an implied percentage revenue contribution for Optika of approximately 21% of the combined company, as compared to the pro forma share ownership by the stockholders of Optika of approximately 16.5% in the combined company as of January 11, 2004, based on the exchange ratio. Revolution Partners noted that this percentage ownership is lower than the percentage ownership suggested by this analysis. Revolution Partners further noted, however, that the contribution analysis did not include the cash payment of \$10 million to Optika's preferred stockholders because it did not have an effect on equity ownership. Revolution Partners observed that if the \$10 million cash payment to be paid to Optika's preferred stockholders was issued in the form of additional shares of Stellent common stock based on the exchange ratio, the pro forma share ownership by all Optika stockholders would be 19.3% of the combined company.

Revolution Partners noted that with respect to this revenue contribution analysis, the implied enterprise value for Optika was \$43.3 million, calculated as 21% of Stellent's enterprise value as of January 9, 2004. Revolution Partners observed that the enterprise value of the consideration to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million, exceeded the value suggested by this analysis.

Discounted Cash Flow

Revolution Partners performed an analysis of the implied present value of Optika on a standalone basis based on Optika's projected future equity value using the calendar year 2004 estimates from Optika's management, assuming annual growth rates of 20% to extrapolate estimates through 2007. Revolution Partners also used an illustrative discount rate of 15%, which reflected an estimate of the average expected rate of return for growth companies, and a terminal revenue multiple of 1.3x based on the Comparable Transaction Analysis described above. Revolution Partners observed the following:

Present Value of Free Cash Flows	\$ 8.5M
Present Value of Terminal Value	\$29.9M
Enterprise Value	\$38.4M

Revolution Partners noted that with respect to this discounted cash flow analysis, the implied enterprise value for Optika was \$38.4 million. Revolution Partners observed that the enterprise value of the

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consideration to be received by the stockholders of Optika in connection with the merger, \$52.9 million, exceeded the implied enterprise value suggested by this analysis.

Other Considerations

The preparation of a fairness opinion is a complex process that involves the application of subjective business judgment in determining the most appropriate and relevant methods of financial analysis and the application of those methods to the particular circumstances and, therefore, is not necessarily susceptible to partial consideration of the analyses or summary description. Revolution Partners believes that its analyses must be considered as a whole and that selecting portions of the analyses and of the factors considered, without considering all factors and analyses, could create an incomplete or misleading view of the processes underlying its opinion.

In view of the wide variety of factors considered in connection with its evaluation of the fairness of the consideration to be paid from a financial point of view, Revolution Partners did not find it practicable to assign relative weights to the factors considered in reaching its opinion. No single company or transaction used in the above analyses as a comparison is identical to Optika or Stellent or the proposed merger. In addition, Revolution Partners may have given various analyses more or less weight than other analyses, and may have deemed various assumptions more or less probable than other assumptions. The fact that any specific analysis has been referred to in the summary above is not meant to indicate that this analysis was given greater weight than any other analysis. Accordingly, the ranges of valuations resulting from any particular analysis described above should not be taken to be the view of Revolution Partners with respect to the actual value of Optika. The analyses were prepared solely for purposes of Revolution Partners providing an opinion as to the fairness of the consideration to be received by the stockholders of Optika, from a financial point of view, and do not purport to be appraisals or necessarily reflect the prices at which businesses or securities actually may be sold, which are inherently subject to uncertainty.

In connection with its analyses, Revolution Partners made, and was provided by Optika's management, numerous assumptions with respect to industry performance, general business and economic conditions and other matters, many of which are beyond Optika's or Stellent's control. Analyses based upon forecasts of future results are not necessarily indicative of actual future results, which may be significantly more or less favorable than suggested by these analyses. Because these analyses are inherently subject to uncertainty, and are based upon numerous factors or events beyond the control of Optika, Stellent, or their advisors, none of Optika, Stellent, Revolution Partners, or any other person assumes any responsibility if future results or actual values are materially different from these forecasts or assumptions.

As described above, Revolution Partners' opinion and presentation were among the many factors that the board of directors of Optika took into consideration in making its determination to approve, and to recommend that Optika's stockholders approve, the merger agreement and the merger.

Pursuant to the terms of the aforementioned engagement letter, Optika agreed to pay to Revolution Partners a customary financial advisory fee, a substantial portion of which will be received upon the consummation of the merger. The board of directors of Optika was aware of this fee structure and took it into account in considering Revolution Partners' opinion and in approving the merger. Optika is to pay Revolution Partners a customary, nonrefundable fee upon the rendering of its opinion. Optika has also agreed to reimburse Revolution Partners for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and to indemnify Revolution Partners, its affiliates, and their respective, directors, officers, agents, consultants, employees and controlling persons against specific liabilities, including liabilities under the federal securities laws.

Optika selected Revolution Partners to act as its financial advisor in connection with the merger based on Revolution Partners' experience, expertise and reputation, and its familiarity with Optika's business. Revolution Partners is regularly engaged in the valuation of businesses and securities in connection with mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, private placements and valuations for corporate and other purposes.

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Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger

In considering the recommendations of the Optika board of directors regarding the Optika merger proposals, Optika stockholders should be aware that the directors and officers of Optika have interests in the merger that differ from those of other stockholders of Optika, as described below. The Optika board of directors was aware of these matters and considered them in approving the Optika merger proposals and recommending that the Optika stockholders approve the merger and the merger agreement, and the amendment to the certificate of designation.

Voting Agreements

In connection with the merger agreement, each of the directors and officers of Optika entered into a voting agreement with Stellent and STEL Sub, Inc. in which he has agreed, among other things, to vote all shares of Optika common stock beneficially owned by him in favor of, among other things, the merger agreement and the merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation, and against other acquisition proposals.

Management Employment Agreements

Mr. Rupert, the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Optika, entered into an employment agreement with Optika on October 15, 2003, which provides that, if he is involuntarily terminated without cause within an eighteen month period following a change of control of Optika, he would be entitled to receive severance payments equal to the greater of (i) \$672,000 or (ii) 33 months of his then-current base salary, 70% of which would be payable on the date his employment terminated and 30% of which would be payable on the first anniversary of his termination date. In addition, Mr. Rupert would be entitled to continuing health benefits paid by Optika during the twelve-month period following the termination date and he would be treated as in service to Optika during such period so any and all stock options held by him would continue to vest and would not have to be exercised. Mr. Rupert is subject to a noncompetition and nonsolicitation agreement for the twelve-month period following the termination of his employment under circumstances where he would be entitled to receive the foregoing compensation. A change in control under Mr. Rupert's employment agreement includes the consummation of a merger or consolidation with another company, and would include the proposed merger between Stellent and Optika described in this document.

In connection with the execution of the merger agreement, Mr. Rupert entered into a new employment agreement with Stellent, effective upon the closing of the merger, that amends, supercedes and replaces the Optika employment agreement in all respects. We have attached a copy of Mr. Rupert's employment agreement as Annex J and we encourage you to read it in its entirety. Under the Stellent employment agreement, Mr. Rupert will serve as Executive Vice President of Operations of Stellent. The salary and benefits provided to Mr. Rupert under the Stellent employment agreement are substantially similar to the Optika employment agreement, except that at the effective time of the merger Mr. Rupert will receive a grant of (i) options to purchase 200,000 shares of Stellent common stock that will vest ratably over a three-year period and (ii) options to purchase 50,000 shares of Stellent common stock that will vest one year following the effective time of the merger if certain performance objectives are achieved or, if not achieved, on the ninth anniversary of the effective date of the merger. During the initial twelve months of the Stellent employment agreement, Mr. Rupert will receive no severance payments if he voluntarily terminates his employment with Stellent. After twelve months, but prior to the eighteen month anniversary of the Stellent employment agreement, Mr. Rupert may terminate his employment with Stellent and receive, as a severance payment from Stellent, a lump sum amount equivalent to his monthly base salary for 33 months less the number of months he was actually employed by Stellent. In addition, Mr. Rupert would be entitled to continuing health benefits paid by Stellent during the twelve-month period following the termination date and any and all stock options held by him at the time of the merger will become fully vested, and could be exercised during the twelve-month period following the termination date, during which time any additional grants of Stellent options at or subsequent to the effective time of the merger would continue to vest. If at any time during the eighteen-month term of the Stellent employment agreement, Mr. Rupert terminates his employment with Stellent with good reason (defined in

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the Stellent employment agreement as (i) any material diminution in Mr. Ruport's duties, responsibilities or authority, (ii) any material reduction in his level of compensation or (iii) any request or requirement that he relocate outside of Colorado Springs), or Stellent terminates Mr. Ruport's employment without cause, Mr. Ruport would receive from Stellent, as a severance payment, a lump sum amount equivalent to his monthly base salary for 33 months and the other severance benefits that he otherwise would have been entitled to receive if he had terminated his employment with Stellent after twelve months, but prior to the eighteen-month anniversary of the Stellent employment agreement. Following the eighteen-month term of the new Stellent employment agreement, Stellent is required to make a good faith offer to enter into a new employment agreement with Mr. Ruport with terms substantially similar to those employment agreements currently existing with other members of Stellent's management team. The failure to offer Mr. Ruport continued employment under such an agreement would also permit Mr. Ruport to terminate his employment with Stellent and receive the severance pay and other severance benefits that he otherwise would have been entitled to receive if he had terminated his employment with Stellent after twelve months, but prior to the eighteen-month anniversary of the Stellent employment agreement. Mr. Ruport will receive no severance payments if Stellent terminates his employment for cause at any time during the term of the Stellent employment agreement. Mr. Ruport will be subject to a non-competition and non-solicitation agreement for the twelve-month period following his termination under circumstances where he is eligible to receive the aforementioned severance payments, and Stellent may elect to impose a twelve-month non-competition period on Mr. Ruport in circumstances where he is not entitled to receive any severance payments by paying him an additional \$50,000.

Mr. Johnson, the Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of Optika, entered into an employment agreement with Optika on October 15, 2003 similar in all material respects to Mr. Ruport's employment agreement with Optika, except that upon the involuntary termination of his employment following a change in control of Optika, Mr. Johnson will be entitled to receive the greater of (i) \$448,000 or (ii) 33 months of his then-current base salary. As in the case of Mr. Ruport, Mr. Johnson would be entitled to continuing health benefits paid by Optika during the twelve month period following the termination date and he would be treated as "in service" to Optika during such period so any and all stock options held by him at the time of the merger will become fully vested, and would not have to be exercised. Mr. Johnson will be subject to a non-competition and non-solicitation agreement for the twelve-month period following the termination of his employment under circumstances where he is eligible to receive the aforementioned severance benefits. Mr. Johnson is expected to resign from the combined company following an as yet undetermined transition period under circumstances that would entitle him to receive all of the severance benefits provided by his employment agreement with Optika.

Acceleration of Stock Options

Under the Optika 1994 Stock Option/ Stock Issuance Plan, the Optika 2000 Non-Officer Stock Incentive Plan, and the Optika 2003 Equity Incentive Plan, if any option holder is involuntarily terminated other than for "misconduct" (as such term is defined under the terms of the applicable plan) within an eighteen-month period following the closing of the merger, the awards granted to that individual under the plan are accelerated in full and becomes 100% vested. As a result of the operation of these provisions, as well as provisions in the 1994 plan governing the automatic vesting upon a change of control with respect to formula stock option grants to Optika's non-employee directors, all options issued to the non-employee directors of Optika are expected to vest in full at or within a short period of time following the effective time of the merger since, according to the terms of the merger agreement, none of such individuals will remain as continuing directors of Optika.

Post-Merger Board Membership

As of the effective time of the merger, it is expected that Alan B. Menkes will be appointed to serve on the board of directors of Stellent. Mr. Menkes will be eligible to receive non-employee director compensation in the same manner as the other outside directors of Stellent.

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Indemnification

The merger agreement provides that, after the effective time of the merger, to the extent not covered by insurance and as permitted by law, Stellent shall, or shall cause the surviving corporation to, indemnify and hold harmless persons who were directors or officers of Optika prior to the effective time of the merger against all liabilities or losses arising out of or in connection with any claim, demand, action, suit, proceeding or investigation based or arising in whole or in part out of the fact that the person was a director or officer of Optika (whether or not relating to any matter existing or occurring at or prior to the effective time of the merger and whether or not asserted or claimed prior to, at or after the effective time of the merger), including, to the extent not prohibited by law, indemnification for negligent acts or omissions by an indemnified person. In addition, Stellent has agreed to cause the surviving corporation to fulfill and honor all obligations of Optika under any indemnification agreements between Optika and its directors and officers and the indemnification provisions of Optika's certificate of incorporation and bylaws as in effect immediately before the merger. Stellent also agreed not to permit the surviving corporation to merge or consolidate with any other person unless the surviving corporation will ensure that the surviving or resulting entity assumes the indemnification obligations in the merger agreement.

Stellent has agreed to maintain in effect, or cause the surviving corporation to maintain in effect, for a period of six years after the effective time of the merger if available, directors' and officers' liability insurance covering those persons who are covered by Optika's directors' and officers' liability insurance policy as of immediately prior to the effective time of the merger on terms no less favorable to those persons than those of Optika's existing directors' and officers' liability insurance policy. However, neither Stellent nor the surviving corporation, as the case may be, is required to expend an amount in excess of \$850,000 in the aggregate over the duration of the six-year tail period.

Transfers Under Rule 144

The issuance of Stellent common stock in connection with the merger will increase the number of shares of Stellent's outstanding common stock and is expected to result in greater share trading volume, which will affect the Rule 144 volume limitations that apply to affiliates of the combined company and former affiliates of Optika. This increase in the number of shares of Stellent's outstanding common stock may facilitate broader transfers of shares by affiliates.

As a result of these interests, Optika's directors and officers may have reasons for voting to adopt the merger agreement and approve the merger, and the required certificate amendment, that are not the same as your interests. Optika stockholders should consider whether these interests may have influenced these directors and officers to support or recommend the offer and the merger, and the amendment to the certificate of designation.

Accounting Treatment

The merger will be accounted for as a purchase for financial reporting purposes. After the completion of the merger, the results of operations of Optika will be included in the consolidated financial statements of Stellent. The purchase price will be allocated to the acquired assets and liabilities based on their fair values. Any excess of cost over the fair value of the net tangible and identifiable intangible assets of Optika acquired will be recorded as goodwill. No amortization expense will be recognized for the goodwill generated as a result of the merger, although such goodwill will be subject to periodic reviews for impairment. A final determination of the intangible asset lives and required purchase accounting adjustments, including the allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their respective fair values, has not yet been made. Accordingly, the purchase accounting adjustments made in connection with the development of the unaudited pro forma financial information appearing elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus are preliminary and have been made solely for purposes of developing the unaudited pro forma financial information. For financial reporting purposes, the results of operations of Optika will be included in Stellent's statement of operations following the effective time of the merger and Stellent's historical statements of operations will not be restated.

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Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

The following discussion summarizes the material United States federal income tax consequences of the merger to holders of Optika common stock and preferred stock, who are referred to as holders, and to Stellent and Optika. The discussion is based on the current provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, permanent and temporary Treasury regulations, interpretive rulings of the Internal Revenue Service and court decisions, all of which are subject to change at any time, possibly with retroactive effect. Any such change could affect the continuing validity of this summary.

Holders should be aware that this discussion does not deal with all United States federal income tax considerations that may be relevant to them in light of their particular circumstances. For example, the discussion may not be applicable to insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, mutual funds or those who are not United States persons for United States federal income tax purposes. Others with special considerations include those who are subject to the alternative minimum tax provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, who acquired their shares in connection with stock options or in other compensatory transactions, who hold shares in a hedging transaction or as part of a straddle or conversion transaction, who have a functional currency other than the United States dollar, who are dealers in securities, who are traders in securities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting, who hold Optika stock options to be assumed by Stellent in the merger, who hold Optika common stock or preferred stock as qualified small business stock under the Internal Revenue Code or who are members of a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes that holds Optika common stock or preferred stock. In addition, the following discussion does not address the tax consequences of the merger under foreign, state, local and other tax laws. This discussion assumes that the Optika common stock or preferred stock is a capital asset in the hands of the holder. Furthermore, this discussion assumes that a holder holds either Optika common stock or preferred stock, but not both.

Accordingly, holders are urged to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the specific tax consequences of the merger to them, in view of their particular circumstances.

Neither Stellent nor Optika will request a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service in connection with the merger. The merger agreement provides that the obligation of Optika and Stellent to complete the merger is subject to the receipt of a written opinion from their respective special tax counsel generally to the effect that the merger will constitute a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The condition regarding the receipt of the tax opinions may be waived, but neither Optika nor Stellent has any current intention to do so.

The tax opinions will not bind the Internal Revenue Service or any court, and the Internal Revenue Service may assert a contrary position, which could be sustained. The tax opinions will be subject to assumptions and qualifications, including the truth and accuracy of representations made by Optika and Stellent in certificates to be delivered to special tax counsel.

Subject to the limitations and qualifications referred to in this section and assuming that the merger will constitute a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the merger generally will result in the following United States federal income tax consequences:

A holder of Optika common stock generally will not recognize gain or loss with respect to shares of Stellent common stock received in the merger.

The tax basis of the Stellent common stock, including any fractional share that is deemed to be issued, received by a holder of Optika common stock will be equal to the tax basis of the Optika common stock surrendered in the merger.

A holder of Optika preferred stock receiving solely cash in the merger generally will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received in the merger and such holder's tax basis in such holder's Optika preferred stock.

If a holder of Optika preferred stock receives not only cash but also shares of Stellent common stock in the merger, the holder generally will recognize gain, but not loss, equal to the lesser of the gain realized or the cash received in the merger, other than cash received in lieu of a fractional

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share. The gain realized will equal the excess of the fair market value of the total consideration received over such holder's tax basis in such holder's Optika preferred stock.

The tax basis of any Stellent common stock received by a holder of Optika preferred stock, including any fractional share that is deemed to be issued, will be equal to the tax basis of the Optika preferred stock surrendered in the merger, decreased by the cash received in the merger and increased by the amount of gain recognized as a result of the merger.

The holding period of the Stellent common stock received by a holder will include the holding period for the Optika common stock or preferred stock exchanged therefor.

A holder who receives cash in lieu of a fractional share of Stellent common stock will be treated as having received such fractional share in the merger and then as having received cash in exchange for a redemption of such fractional share. As a result, the holder generally will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received in lieu of the fractional share and the holder's tax basis in the fractional share treated as having been redeemed.

If a holder acquired different blocks of Optika common stock or preferred stock at different times and at different prices, any gain or loss the holder recognizes will be determined separately with respect to each block of Optika common stock or preferred stock, and the cash and Stellent common stock the holder receives will be allocated pro rata to each such block of stock.

A holder who perfects appraisal rights generally will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received, other than any amounts treated as interest, and the holder's tax basis in such holder's common stock or preferred stock.

In general, the gain or loss recognized by a holder in the merger described above will be capital gain or loss, and long-term capital gain or loss if such holder has held his, her or its Optika common stock or preferred stock for more than one year on the effective date of the merger. However, to the extent of applicable current and accumulated earnings and profits, if any, the gain could be treated as ordinary dividend income, generally taxed to individuals at a maximum United States federal income tax rate of 15%, rather than as capital gain if (i) such holder is a significant holder of Stellent common stock or (ii) if taking into account certain constructive ownership rules, such holder's percentage ownership in Stellent after the merger is not less than what the holder's percentage ownership would have been if the holder received Stellent common stock rather than cash in the merger. This could happen, for example, because of the holder's purchase of additional shares of Stellent common stock, a purchase of Stellent common stock by a person related to the holder, or a share repurchase by Stellent from other Stellent shareholders. In addition, other factors, such as the number of Optika stockholders who perfect appraisal rights, may also affect the determination of whether a holder's gain is taxed as ordinary dividend income. Because the possibility of dividend treatment may depend upon each holder's particular circumstances, including the application of certain constructive ownership rules, each holder should consult the holder's own tax advisers regarding the potential tax consequences of the merger to the holder.

Certain noncorporate holders may be subject to backup withholding at a 28% rate on reportable payments received in exchange for Optika common stock or preferred stock. Backup withholding generally will not apply, however, to a holder who furnishes a correct taxpayer identification number and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that such number is correct and that he or she is not subject to backup withholding on the substitute Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 included in the enclosed letter of transmittal, or is otherwise exempt from backup withholding. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or credit against a holder's United States federal income liability, provided such holder provides the required information to the Internal Revenue Service.

Gain or loss generally will not be recognized by Stellent, STEL Sub, or Optika as a result of the merger.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, there is a risk, based on Internal Revenue Service Revenue Ruling 73-233, 1973-1 C.B. 179, and Revenue Ruling 79-10, 1979-1 C.B. 140, that even if the Internal Revenue

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Service agrees that the merger qualifies as a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the Internal Revenue Service will contend that the consideration that is paid pursuant to the merger should not be allocated as it is actually paid to the holders, but rather should be allocated to each holder in accordance with his, her or its interests in Optika prior to the adoption of the amendment to the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, pursuant to which the stated liquidation preference of the Optika preferred stock will be terminated. Under this theory, the amounts received by the holders of Optika common stock would be considered to have been received in two separate transactions. In the first transaction, the holders of Optika common stock would be deemed to have received their pro rata share of the merger consideration to which they would have been entitled prior to the adoption of the amendment, and in the second transaction, the holders of Optika common stock would be treated as having received from the holders of the Optika preferred stock the merger consideration that they actually receive that is in excess of such pro rata share. Based on the terms of the merger agreement, under this theory, a maximum of \$12.5 million worth of shares of Stellent common stock, in the aggregate, could be treated as having been received by the holders of Optika common stock from the holders of the preferred stock and as constituting income. Such income would presumably be treated as ordinary income taxable at ordinary income tax rates, rather than capital gain.

Also, under this theory, the holders of the Optika preferred stock may be deemed to have received shares of Stellent common stock in the merger with a maximum value of \$12.5 million and as having transferred such shares to the holders of the Optika common stock. If the holders of the Optika preferred stock receive only cash in the merger, the deemed receipt of Stellent common stock under this theory generally should not result in adverse United States federal income tax consequences to them. By contrast, if the holders of the Optika preferred stock actually receive both Stellent common stock and cash in the merger, the holders may be treated, under this theory, as disposing of the additional shares of Stellent common stock deemed received to the holders of Optika common stock at the fair market value of such stock. As a result, a holder of Optika preferred stock may recognize gain or loss on the deemed disposition equal to the difference between the fair market value on the effective date of such holder's portion of such Stellent common stock and the holder's tax basis in such portion, although the holder may also be permitted to increase his, her or its tax basis in the Optika common stock actually received in the merger by such fair market value.

It is not certain that the Internal Revenue Service would take the positions described above or that if it did, it would prevail. Holders are urged to consult with their tax advisers regarding this matter.

If the merger fails to qualify as a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, each holder would recognize a taxable gain or loss with respect to his, her or its Optika common stock or preferred stock surrendered equal to the difference between the holder's tax basis in such shares and the sum of the cash, if any, and the fair market value, as of the effective date of the merger, of the Stellent common stock, if any, received in exchange for Optika stock. In general, such gain or loss would be capital gain or loss. However, if the treatment described above, based on Internal Revenue Service Revenue Ruling 73-233, 1973-1 C.B. 179, and Revenue Ruling 79-10, 1979-1 C.B. 140, were to apply, the portion of the merger consideration that the holders of Stellent common stock were deemed to receive from the holders of Optika preferred stock would presumably constitute ordinary income taxable at ordinary income tax rates, and not capital gain. A holder's aggregate tax basis in the Stellent common stock actually received would equal its fair market value on the effective date and the holder's holding period for that stock would begin on the day after the effective date of the merger. In addition, Optika would be treated as if it had made a taxable sale or exchange of its assets.

Each holder who participates in the merger will be required to incorporate in the holder's federal income tax return for the taxable year that includes the effective date of the merger a complete statement of facts relating to the merger and to retain permanent records showing the holder's tax basis in the Optika common stock or preferred stock exchanged in the merger and the amount of Stellent common stock and cash received therefor.

The preceding discussion is not a complete analysis of all potential tax effects relevant to the merger. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisers as to the specific tax consequences of the

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merger to them, including tax return reporting requirements, the applicability and effect of federal, state, local, and other tax laws, and the effects of any changes in the tax laws.

Regulatory Matters

Under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, known as the HSR Act, if the amount of consideration to be paid by Stellent to the common and preferred stockholders of Optika were valued at \$50 million or more for the entire 45-day period prior to the effective date of the merger, Stellent and Optika would not be allowed to complete the merger until they had furnished information required by the HSR Act to the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission and the applicable HSR Act waiting period had expired or been terminated. At any time before or after the effective time of the merger, and notwithstanding that the waiting period has terminated or the merger may have been consummated, the Federal Trade Commission, the Antitrust Division or any state could take such action under the applicable antitrust or competition laws as it deems necessary or desirable. This action could include seeking to enjoin the completion of the merger. Private parties may also institute legal actions under the antitrust laws under some circumstances. Based on the number of shares of common stock of Optika outstanding at January 30, 2004, as long as the price of Stellent's common stock closes below approximately \$9.73 on at least one day during the 45-day period prior to the effective date of the merger Stellent and Optika would not be required to furnish information under the HSR Act or wait for HSR Act waiting period to expire or be terminated.

Federal Securities Laws Consequences; Stock Transfer Restrictions

All shares of Stellent common stock received by Optika stockholders in the merger are registered under the Securities Act and will be freely tradable without restriction by people who will not be affiliates of Stellent after the merger or who were not affiliates of Optika on the date of the Optika stockholders meeting. Any of these affiliates may resell the Stellent common stock received by him in the merger only if the shares are registered for resale under the Securities Act or an exemption from registration under the Securities Act is available. Those people may be permitted to effect resales under the safe-harbor provisions of Rule 145 under the Securities Act, or Rule 144 in the case of persons who become affiliates of Stellent, or as otherwise permitted under the Securities Act. People who may be deemed to be affiliates of Optika or Stellent generally include individuals or entities that control, are controlled by, or are under common control with, Optika or Stellent, as applicable, and may include some officers and all directors of that party as well as principal shareholders of Optika or Stellent, as applicable. We recommend that any of those people obtain advice of securities counsel before making any resale.

The merger agreement provides that,

on or before the date of the Optika stockholders meeting, Optika will deliver to Stellent a letter identifying all people who may be deemed to be affiliates of Optika for purposes of Rule 145 under the Securities Act; and

on or before the date of the Optika stockholders meeting, Optika will use reasonable best efforts to cause each of its affiliates to deliver a written agreement to the effect that the affiliate will not offer or sell or otherwise dispose of any shares of Stellent common stock received in the merger in violation of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations under the Securities Act.

This joint proxy statement/ prospectus does not cover resales of Stellent common stock received by any person who may be deemed to be an affiliate of Stellent or Optika.

Table of Contents**THE MERGER AGREEMENT**

The following is a summary of the material terms of the merger agreement. The complete text of the merger agreement is incorporated by reference and attached as Annex A to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. We encourage you to read the merger agreement in its entirety. In the event of any discrepancy between the terms of the merger agreement and the following summary, the merger agreement will control.

Structure of the Merger

Under the merger agreement, Optika will merge with and into STEL Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent. As a result of the merger, Optika effectively will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Stellent.

Closing; Effective Time

The merger will become effective when we file a certificate of merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. However, we may agree to a later effective time and specify that time in the certificate of merger. We expect to file the certificates of merger and to complete the merger shortly after the shareholders meetings of Stellent and Optika, assuming the shareholders of both companies approve the merger and the other conditions in the merger agreement are satisfied or waived. See Conditions to the Completion of the Merger on page 82 for a discussion of these conditions.

Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger

Upon completion of the merger, Optika common stockholders who do not perfect appraisal rights under Delaware law will be entitled to receive for each share of Optika common stock, 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, subject to adjustment based on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing date of the merger. If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average closing price during that period, is greater than \$4.00, a portion of the shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to holders of Optika common stock instead will be allocated to holders of the Optika preferred stock. If any shares of Stellent common stock are allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, the total number of shares so allocated, will be equal to:

the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by the difference between the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock and \$4.00, multiplied again by 20%; divided by

the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing date of the merger.

For example, if the 10-day average closing price for Stellent common stock for the relevant period were \$12.00, the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock would be \$5.28 for purposes of calculating the allocation of Stellent common stock to holders of the Optika preferred stock. If there were 9.3 million shares of Optika common stock outstanding at the effective time of the merger, the total number of shares of Stellent common stock allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock would be determined as follows:

$9,300,000 \times (\$5.28 - \$4.00) \times 0.2$	=	$\$2,380,800$	=	198,400 shares of Stellent common stock
$\$12.00$		$\$12.00$		

Based on the calculation above, 198,400 shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to the holders of Optika common stock instead would be allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.

If any shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to the holders of Optika common stock are allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, Optika stockholders who

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do not perfect appraisal rights under Delaware law will be entitled to receive for each share of Optika common stock, a portion of a share of Stellent common stock equal to:

the product of the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock multiplied by 0.44, less the number of shares of Stellent common stock allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock; divided by

the number of outstanding shares of Optika common stock.

For example, if, based on the assumptions in the earlier example above, 198,400 shares of Stellent common stock were allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock and there were 9.3 million shares of Optika common stock outstanding at the effective time of the merger, Optika common stockholders would be entitled to receive 0.41867 of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika common stock, calculated as follows:

$(9,300,000 \times 0.44) - 198,400$	=	$3,893,600$	=	0.41867 of a share of Stellent common stock
$9,300,000$		$9,300,000$		

Conversion of Optika Preferred Stock in the Merger

Upon completion of the merger, holders of the Optika preferred stock who do not perfect appraisal rights under Delaware law will be entitled to receive for each share of the Optika preferred stock, \$13.664 in cash (assuming that there continues to be 731,851 shares of Optika preferred stock outstanding as of the effective time of the merger), and in some cases, shares or a portion of a share of Stellent common stock. If the value of 0.44 of a share of Stellent common stock, based on the average closing price of a share of Stellent common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the closing date of the merger, is greater than \$4.00, a portion of the shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to holders of Optika common stock instead will be allocated to holders of the Optika preferred stock, as described under [Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger](#) above.

If any shares of Stellent common stock that otherwise would have been issued to the holders of Optika common stock are allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, holders of the Optika preferred stock who do not perfect appraisal rights under Delaware law will be entitled to receive for each share of Optika preferred stock, in addition to \$13.664 in cash, shares, or a portion of a share, of Stellent common stock equal to:

the number of shares of Stellent common stock allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock (determined as described under [Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger](#) above); divided by

the number of outstanding shares of the Optika preferred stock.

For example, if, based on assumptions and calculations described under [Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger](#) above, 198,400 shares of Stellent common stock were to be allocated to the holders of the Optika preferred stock, and there were 731,851 shares of Optika preferred stock outstanding at the effective time of the merger, holders of those shares would be entitled to receive, in addition to \$13.664 in cash per share, 0.27109 of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika preferred stock.

Optika Stock Options and Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Upon completion of the merger, each outstanding Optika stock option will be converted into an option to purchase a number of shares of Stellent common stock that is equal to the product of the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock (as described under [Conversion of Optika Common Stock in the Merger](#) above) multiplied by the number of shares of Optika common stock that would have been obtained before the merger upon the exercise of the option, rounded to the nearest whole share. The exercise price per share will be equal to the exercise price per share of Optika common stock subject to the option before the conversion divided by the ratio at which each outstanding share of Optika common stock will be converted into Stellent common stock,

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rounded to the nearest whole cent. The conversion of incentive stock options will be effected in a manner that is consistent with section 424(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The other terms of each outstanding Optika option will continue to apply.

Stellent has agreed to file a registration statement on Form S-8 for the shares of Optika common stock issuable with respect to the converted Optika stock options within five business days after the effective time of the merger, and Stellent will maintain the effectiveness of the registration statement for so long as any such converted Optika stock options remain outstanding.

Immediately prior to the completion of the merger, each outstanding purchase right under the Optika 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan will automatically be exercised as provided by that plan. The plan will terminate in its entirety upon completion of the merger and there will be no further rights to purchase shares of Optika common stock or Stellent common stock under the plan.

Exchange of Certificates

Promptly upon completion of the merger, Stellent's exchange agent will mail to each Optika stockholder of record a letter of transmittal containing instructions on how to surrender Optika stock certificates in exchange for Stellent stock certificates.

Holders of Optika common stock should not send in their certificates until they receive a letter of transmittal from the exchange agent.

If any Optika stock certificate is lost, stolen or destroyed, an Optika stockholder must provide an appropriate affidavit of that fact. Stellent may require an Optika stockholder to deliver a bond as indemnity against any claim that may be made against Stellent with respect to any lost, stolen or destroyed certificate.

Stellent will not issue any fractional shares in the merger. Instead of issuing fractional shares of Stellent common stock, the holders of shares of Optika capital stock who would otherwise have been entitled to a fraction of a share of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger agreement will receive cash in an amount equal to the product of the fractional interest of Stellent common stock the Optika stockholder would have been entitled to receive multiplied by the market value of a share of Stellent common stock. No interest will be paid or accrued on cash in lieu of fractional shares, if any. Optika and Stellent currently estimate that not more than \$50,000 in the aggregate will likely be paid to holders of Optika capital stock in lieu of fractional shares.

If, after twelve months from the effective time of the merger, a holder of shares of Optika common stock has not surrendered the stock certificates representing such shares to the exchange agent, then the holder of stock certificates representing Optika common stock may look only to Stellent to receive its shares of Stellent common stock, cash in lieu of fractional shares and any unpaid dividends and distributions on shares of Stellent common stock.

None of Stellent, STEL Sub, Optika or the exchange agent will be liable to any holder of a certificate formerly representing shares of Optika common stock for Stellent common stock, cash in lieu of fractional shares properly delivered to a public official pursuant to applicable abandoned property, escheat or similar laws.

Transfer of Shares

The stock transfer books of Optika will be closed immediately upon the completion of the merger and no transfers of shares of Optika common stock will be made or recorded on the stock transfer books after the completion of the merger.

Representations and Warranties

The merger agreement contains customary reciprocal representations and warranties by each of us to the other relating to:

corporate organization, standing, and qualification;

capitalization;

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authorization, execution, and enforceability of the merger agreement;

whether entering into the merger agreement will conflict with our charter or bylaws, require consents or governmental approvals, or violate any laws, regulations or existing agreements;

documents filed by each of us with the SEC, including financial statements, and the disclosure of liabilities;

the accuracy of information supplied by the parties in connection with the registration statement and this joint proxy statement/ prospectus;

the absence of material changes or events;

tax matters;

owned property;

material contracts;

intellectual property matters;

litigation;

compliance with applicable laws, and permitting and licensing requirements;

brokers and finders fees with respect to the merger;

employee benefit plans;

environmental matters;

insurance;

opinions of financial advisors;

related-party transactions;

the voting agreements entered into in connection with the merger;

approval of the merger by our boards of directors;

in the case of Optika, the amendment of its rights agreement to exempt the merger;

in the case of Optika, its bank accounts; and

in the case of Optika, the employment and non-compete agreement between Stellent and Mark K. Rupert.

The representations and warranties contained in the merger agreement are subject to materiality qualifications in many respects, and they do not survive the merger.

Conduct of Business

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During the period from the date of the merger agreement to the consummation of the merger, each of us must comply with agreements relating to the conduct of our respective businesses, except as otherwise permitted by the merger agreement or as consented to by the other party.

Each of us has agreed that we will:

use our reasonable best efforts to preserve our assets, technology, and business organizations and to maintain our respective rights and franchises;

use our reasonable best efforts to keep available the services of our officers and key employees;

use our reasonable best efforts to maintain our existing relationships with customers, suppliers, and others having significant business relationships with us; and

conduct our business and operations in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice.

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The merger agreement prohibits each of us, except as otherwise permitted by the merger agreement or as consented to by the other party, from taking specific actions, including:

making any changes in our equity capital structure;

purchasing any shares of our capital stock, with specific permitted exceptions, or any options to purchase our capital stock or any securities convertible into our capital stock;

declaring any dividend or making any other distribution with respect to shares of our capital stock;

amending our organizational documents;

leasing, encumbering or otherwise disposing of our assets, except in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

changing or modifying existing accounting methods, principles, or practices, other than as required by generally accepted accounting principles; or

taking or omitting to take actions that would be reasonably likely to result in any of the conditions to the merger not being satisfied, or preventing, materially delaying, or materially impeding the consummation of the merger, with specified permitted exceptions.

In addition, Optika is prohibited from taking the following actions, except as permitted by the merger agreement or as consented to by Stellent:

issuing shares of Optika capital stock or options to purchase its capital stock or securities convertible into its capital stock, with specified permitted exceptions, or designating any class or series of capital stock from its authorized but undesignated preferred stock;

purchasing capital assets or making capital expenditures, with specified permitted exceptions;

purchasing any business or the stock of any corporation, or merging or consolidating with any person;

incurring, assuming, or guaranteeing indebtedness for money borrowed, with specified permitted exceptions;

entering into new benefit plans or programs or severance or employment agreements;

granting increases in compensation or benefits to employees, officers, or directors, except as required by existing agreements or in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

entering into or negotiating collective bargaining agreements, except as required by law;

entering into or adversely modifying material contracts;

paying or satisfying any material claims, with specified permitted exceptions;

releasing, granting, or transferring rights of material value, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

entering into agreements or arrangements with affiliates, other than Optika's wholly owned subsidiaries;

relinquishing material contractual or other rights or claims, with specified permitted exceptions; or

knowingly disposing of or permitting to lapse any of Optika's material proprietary rights, with specified permitted exceptions.

Also, Stellent is prohibited from taking the following actions, except as permitted by the merger agreement or as consented to by Optika:

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purchasing any material business or a material amount of assets or stock of any corporation, or merging or consolidating with any person;

knowingly taking any action that would result in a failure to maintain trading of Stellent's common stock on the Nasdaq National Market; or

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issuing or entering into an agreement to issue, a material amount of debt or equity securities in any transaction that would be reasonably likely to materially delay the closing of the merger.

Each of us has also agreed that we will not, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, make any material tax election or settle or compromise any tax liability, and that we will notify each other of any request to extend the time to file any of our tax returns.

In addition, we have each agreed to use reasonable efforts to obtain any third-party consents necessary to consummate the merger, and to notify each other of the failure to obtain any necessary consents.

Additional Agreements

Board of Directors Covenant to Recommend Optika has agreed that its board of directors will recommend approval of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation, by the Optika stockholders and will use its reasonable best efforts to solicit proxies in connection with the Optika stockholders meeting in favor of the Optika merger proposals. However, Optika's board need not recommend approval of the Optika merger proposals nor need it solicit those proxies if Optika has received a superior acquisition proposal and the board determines that it wishes to recommend approval of the superior acquisition proposal. The concept of a superior acquisition proposal is explained below under *No Solicitation*.

Stellent has agreed that its board of directors will recommend approval by shareholders of Stellent of the issuance of common stock in the merger and will use its reasonable best efforts to solicit proxies in connection with the Stellent shareholders meeting in favor of approval of the stock issuance.

No Solicitation. Optika may not, and may not permit any of its officers, directors, financial advisors, or other agents or representatives to, take any action to solicit any third-party acquisition offer. In the merger agreement, we define a third-party acquisition offer as any offer to:

acquire any shares of capital stock of Optika or its subsidiaries;

merge or consolidate with Optika or any of its subsidiaries; or

otherwise acquire, except to the extent not prohibited by the merger agreement, any significant portion of the assets of Optika and its subsidiaries, taken as whole.

If Optika receives such a third-party acquisition offer, Optika and its officers, directors, financial advisors, or other agents or representatives, may, directly or indirectly:

engage in discussions or negotiations concerning the offer;

disclose non-public financial information, or any confidential or proprietary trade or business information, relating to Optika;

afford access to its properties, books or records; or

otherwise cooperate in any way with any person or group that it has reason to believe is considering a third-party acquisition offer; only if Optika has received from the offeror an executed confidentiality agreement that is no less favorable to Optika than the Mutual Non-Disclosure Agreement dated September 21, 2003, between Optika and Stellent, and Optika must provide to Stellent all information provided to the offeror on a substantially concurrent basis and, before entering into discussions with such an offeror, the Optika board determines in good faith, after consulting with its outside legal counsel and financial advisor, that the offer is reasonably likely to be more favorable to Optika's stockholders than the merger with Stellent and that financing, to the extent required, is committed or, in the good-faith judgment of Optika's board, is reasonably capable of being obtained by the offeror. We sometimes refer to a third-party acquisition offer that meets this requirement as a superior acquisition proposal.

Optika also has agreed to advise Stellent promptly of any third-party acquisition offer or any inquiry or request for information that Optika reasonably believes could lead to or contemplates a third-party acquisition offer and the terms and conditions of any offer, including the identity of the person making the

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offer, request or inquiry. Optika is required to keep Stellent informed in all material respects of the status and details of any third-party acquisition offer.

Optika also has agreed not to release any party from, or waive any provision of, any standstill agreement or any confidentiality agreement between it and another person who has made, or who is reasonably likely to make, a third-party acquisition offer, unless its board of directors determines in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, that the action is necessary for it to comply with its fiduciary duties under Delaware law. Optika is not required to refuse a request from any person who has signed a standstill agreement with Optika to make a third-party acquisition offer to the Chief Executive Officer or the board of directors of Optika if the board of directors determines in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, that the action is necessary for it to comply with its fiduciary duties under Delaware law.

Employee Benefit Arrangements. Stellent has agreed that, following the consummation of the merger, for purposes of determining eligibility, vesting, and entitlement to vacation and severance benefits for employees actively employed full time by Optika or its subsidiaries before the merger, all active Optika employees employed full time by Stellent or its subsidiaries after the merger will receive credit for all pre-merger service with Optika or any subsidiary under any compensation, severance, welfare, pension, benefit, or savings plan of the surviving company, Stellent, or any of its subsidiaries.

Indemnification and Insurance. Stellent has agreed that all rights to indemnification, expense advancements, and exculpation existing in favor of present or former directors, officers, or employees of Optika or any of its subsidiaries under the charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents of Optika or any of its subsidiaries or by law as in effect on the date of the merger agreement will continue in effect for a period of at least six years after the effective time of the merger. Stellent has also agreed, for at least six years following the merger, to cause the surviving company to maintain in effect either:

the current policy of directors and officers liability insurance maintained by Optika with respect to claims arising from facts or events that occurred at or before the merger; or

a run-off policy or endorsement with respect to the current policy maintained by Optika for claims asserted within six years after the merger arising from facts or events that occurred at or before the merger.

However, if the amount of the insurance coverage required to maintain the current Optika policy exceeds \$850,000 in total for the six-year period after the effective date of the merger, Stellent is required to maintain or provide only the most advantageous policies obtainable for a total premium equal to \$850,000 for the six-year period after the effective date of the merger. In each case, the policy will name as insureds all present and former directors and officers of Optika and its subsidiaries.

Satisfaction of Conditions to the Merger; Notification. Each of us has agreed to use our reasonable efforts to take all actions necessary or advisable under applicable laws and regulations to complete the merger, including using reasonable efforts to cause the conditions precedent set forth under Conditions to the Completion of the Merger below to be satisfied.

Listing of Stellent Common Stock. Stellent is required to prepare and submit a listing application with respect to the shares of Stellent common stock to be issued in connection with the merger and to use reasonable efforts to obtain approval for the listing of those shares of Stellent common stock on the Nasdaq National Market System.

Governance. Stellent has agreed that, at the closing of the merger, it will appoint Alan B. Menkes as a member of the board of directors of Stellent.

Conditions to the Completion of the Merger

We are required to complete the merger only if the following conditions are met:

Optika stockholders have approved the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation, and Stellent shareholders have approved the issuance of Stellent common stock in the merger;

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the registration statement, of which this joint proxy statement/ prospectus is a part, is effective under the Securities Act;

the shares of Stellent common stock to be issued in the merger are authorized for listing on the Nasdaq National Market System, subject to official notice of issuance;

all waiting periods, if any, under the HSR Act have expired or been terminated and all material foreign antitrust approvals, if any, have been obtained;

there is no pending litigation or administrative proceeding by any governmental, regulatory or administrative entity requesting an injunction, writ, order, judgment, or decree that is reasonably likely to result in an order that restrains or prohibits the completion of the merger or would have a material adverse effect on the combined company if the merger is completed; and

there is no injunction, writ, order, judgment, or decree directing that any of the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement not be completed.

The conditions described above may be waived by both Stellent and Optika together, to the extent permitted under applicable law.

In addition, the obligations of each party to effect the merger are subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the following additional conditions:

the representations and warranties of the other party contained in the merger agreement are true and correct in all material respects both as of the date of the merger agreement and immediately before the merger, as if made on the date of the merger;

all obligations and agreements required to be performed and complied with by the other party on or before the date of the merger have been performed and complied with in all material respects;

neither the other party nor any of its subsidiaries having, since the date of the merger agreement, suffered any business interruption, damage or destruction of its properties, or other event that would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on that party and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole;

each party receives an opinion of its counsel to the effect that the matters submitted for approval of the other party's shareholders related to the merger have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the other party; and

each party receives an opinion of counsel to the effect that the merger will be treated as a reorganization for federal income tax purposes.

These conditions may be waived by either Stellent or Optika, as applicable.

Also, the obligations of Stellent to effect the merger are subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the following additional conditions:

no rights have become exercisable under Optika's stockholder rights agreement;

holders of no more than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of Optika have taken action to entitle them to demand payment for their shares under the appraisal rights provisions of Delaware law;

Stellent has received all material consents necessary to effect the merger without the breach of any material contract of Optika or the imposition of any encumbrance on any asset of Optika; and

each of the directors of Optika has delivered to Stellent his resignation from the board of directors of the surviving corporation effective as of the date on which the registration statement related to the options issued by Stellent to replace the Optika options assumed pursuant to the merger agreement becomes effective.

Any of these conditions may be waived by Stellent.

For purposes of the merger agreement, a material adverse effect means, with respect to Optika or Stellent, as applicable, a material adverse effect upon the business, assets, results of operations, prospects,

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or financial condition of that party and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, or on that party's ability to complete the merger, other than any such effect resulting from:

any change, event, occurrence, or condition generally applicable to the industry in which the party and its subsidiaries operate;

general economic or market conditions;

the public announcement of the merger agreement; or

any disruption of customer, business partner, supplier or employee relationships that result from the announcement of the merger agreement or the consummation of the merger.

Termination

We may agree in writing to terminate the merger agreement at any time without completing the merger, even after the shareholders of both companies have approved it. In addition, either of us may terminate the merger agreement if:

the merger has not been completed by May 31, 2004, provided that the failure to complete the merger is not due to the terminating party's failure to comply in all material respects with its obligations under the merger agreement;

any of the conditions set forth above in the first paragraph of the section entitled "Conditions to the Completion of the Merger" become impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004, provided that the condition has not been waived pursuant to the merger agreement and that the failure to fulfill the condition is not due to the terminating party's failure to comply in all material respects with its obligations under the merger agreement;

any of the conditions set forth above in the third paragraph of the section entitled "Conditions to the Completion of the Merger" become, with respect to the other party, impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004, provided that the condition has not been waived pursuant to the merger agreement and that the failure to fulfill the condition is not due to the terminating party's failure to comply in all material respects with its obligations under the merger agreement;

the shareholders of either party fail to approve the merger-related proposals on which they are voting;

the other party's board of directors withdraws or adversely modifies its recommendation that its shareholders vote in favor of the merger-related proposals on which they are voting;

the other party has materially breached any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the consummation of the merger and the breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from the terminating party; or

there has been a material adverse effect on the other party that has continued unabated for five consecutive business days.

Stellent may terminate the merger agreement if any of the conditions set forth above in the fifth paragraph of the section entitled "Conditions to the Completion of the Merger" become impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004, provided that the condition has not been waived pursuant to the merger agreement and that the failure to fulfill the condition is not due to Stellent's failure to comply in all material respects with its obligations under the merger agreement.

Optika may terminate the merger agreement if, at any time before the Optika special stockholders meeting, the board of directors of Optika approves a transaction other than the merger that it determines is a superior acquisition proposal. However, before terminating the agreement:

Optika must have complied with the provisions of the merger agreement relating to not soliciting alternative proposals to acquire Optika discussed under "Additional Agreements - No Solicitation," above;

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Optika's board must have determined in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel and financial advisors, that consideration of the superior acquisition proposal and termination of the merger agreement is necessary to comply with its fiduciary duties; and

Optika must have provided Stellent with five business days' prior notice of its intention to enter into an alternative transaction, during which time Stellent may make any adjustments to the terms and conditions of the merger agreement that would enable Optika to proceed with the merger.

The notice of termination will not be effective if Stellent submits to Optika, within this five-day period, a legally binding offer to enter into an amendment to the merger agreement within the five-day period, unless the Optika board of directors determines in good faith, after consultation with its advisors, that Stellent's proposed amendment is not as favorable to Optika's stockholders as the alternative transaction.

Termination Fee and Expenses. Optika has agreed that it will pay Stellent a \$1.6 million termination fee and reimburse up to \$750,000 of Stellent's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement if:

Stellent terminates the agreement as a result of the Optika board of directors having withdrawn or adversely modified its recommendation of approval of the merger agreement and the merger;

Optika terminates the merger agreement in order to enter into an alternative transaction under the circumstances described in the second paragraph under "Termination," above; or

if the following conditions occur:

an alternative transaction is proposed to Optika and becomes publicly known before the termination of the merger agreement,

either party terminates the merger agreement as a result of the merger not having been completed by May 31, 2004, the conditions to the completion of the merger become impossible to fulfill on or before May 31, 2004 (with limited exceptions), or the shareholders of either party having failed to approve merger agreement and the merger, and

within six months after termination, Optika enters into an agreement with respect to or completes an alternative transaction with a third-party.

For purposes of determining whether a termination fee will apply, an alternative transaction means:

a transaction in which any third party acquires at least 50% of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock, either by tender offer, exchange offer, or otherwise;

a merger or other business combination in which stockholders other than stockholders of Optika own at least 50% of the surviving entity immediately after the merger; or

any transaction in which a third party acquires assets of Optika having a fair market value equal to at least 50% of all of the assets of Optika and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

If the merger agreement is terminated by either party because the other party has materially breached any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the consummation of the merger and the breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from the terminating party, the terminating party may require the other party to reimburse up to \$750,000 of the terminating party's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement, and the terminating party may seek additional remedies.

Expenses

Whether or not the merger is completed, Optika and Stellent will each pay its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement and the merger, except:

expenses (excluding legal, accounting, and other advisors' fees and expenses) incurred in connection with the filing and printing of the registration statement and the mailing of this joint proxy statement/prospectus will be shared equally by Optika and Stellent with the exception of HSR Act filing fees and expenses which, if any, will be borne entirely by Stellent; and

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as otherwise provided in the merger agreement, including the termination provisions described above.

Amendments

We may amend the merger agreement at any time before the merger. However, after the Optika stockholders meeting, the amount and form of consideration to be received by Optika stockholders may not be decreased or altered from that provided in the merger agreement without the approval of the Optika stockholders.

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AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

The following is a summary of the proposed amendments to the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock. Annex I to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus contains the complete text of the amended and restated certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, as proposed to be amended by the amendment to the certificate of designation. We urge you to read Annex I in its entirety.

General

The following discussion describes the amendments to the amended and restated certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock that are being proposed for approval by the Optika stockholders. The purpose of the amendment to the certificate of designation is to ensure that, as of the effective time of the merger, the sole consideration to which the holders of the Optika preferred stock are entitled to receive is as set forth in the merger agreement and as described in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. In order for the merger to occur, the Optika stockholders must approve the amendment described in this section, sometimes referred to as the amendment to the certificate of designation. Holders of a majority of the Optika preferred stock have already consented to the approval of this proposal as described below under TWCP Written Consent and Voting Agreement.

Ranking of Preferred Stock

The amendment to the certificate of designation will cause the Optika preferred stock to rank equal with the common stock with respect to rights upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

Dividends

The amendment to the certificate of designation will prohibit the payment of any dividends or distributions on any shares of the Optika preferred stock.

Liquidation Preference

The amendment to the certificate of designation will cause the Optika preferred stock to have no liquidation preference.

Voting Rights

The amendment to the certificate of designation will cause the Optika preferred stock to have no right to vote on any matters to be submitted for stockholder approval, except as required by Delaware law.

Status of Converted Shares

The amendment to the certificate of designation will cause all shares of Optika preferred stock that have been converted, purchased, or otherwise acquired by Optika to be retired and cancelled.

Conversion

The amendment to the certificate of designation will cause each share of the Optika preferred stock to be convertible at any time and from time to time at the option of the holder into one share of Optika common stock and the procedures for such conversion.

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THE VOTING AGREEMENTS

The following is a summary of the material provisions of the voting agreements. The complete text of the voting agreements is incorporated by reference and attached as Annexes B and C to this joint proxy statement/prospectus. We encourage you to read the voting agreements in their entirety.

As an inducement to Optika to enter into the merger agreement, each of the nine directors and executive officers of Stellent have entered into a voting agreement with Optika under which they have agreed to vote all of the shares of Stellent common stock owned by them in favor of the issuance of Stellent common stock in connection with the merger. These Stellent shareholders own a total of 1 shares of Stellent common stock, representing approximately 1% of the Stellent common stock outstanding as of February 1, 2004.

In addition, as an inducement to Stellent to enter into the merger agreement, eleven Optika stockholders, each a director or officer of Optika, have entered into a voting agreement with Stellent under which they have agreed to vote all of the shares of Optika common stock owned by them in favor of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation. Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P., and certain of its affiliates, in their capacities as holders of Optika preferred stock, also have entered into a written consent and voting agreement under which they have agreed to vote all of the shares of Optika capital stock owned by them in favor of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation. These Optika stockholders own shares of capital stock of Optika equivalent to 1 shares of common stock of Optika for voting purposes (on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis), representing approximately 1% of the voting power of shares of the Optika capital stock outstanding as of February 1, 2004.

Each of these shareholders has agreed that, during the term of the voting agreement, at each meeting of his company's shareholders convened to consider and vote upon the merger-related proposals, the shareholder will vote, to the extent not voted by the person or persons appointed under the proxy granted pursuant to the voting agreement, all shares of capital stock of the company owned of record by the shareholder at the record date in favor of the merger-related proposals. These shareholders have also agreed not to transfer or encumber any of the shares owned by them unless they give the other company prior written notice and the intended transferee agrees in writing to be bound by the voting agreement (or in the case of TWCP, the written consent and voting agreement, without the prior written consent of Optika and Stellent, except if such transfers are to affiliates).

Pursuant to the voting agreements, each of the shareholders granted an irrevocable proxy to certain executive officers of the other company, the power to vote, at any time before the termination of the voting agreement, all shares of common stock owned by the shareholder in accordance with the voting agreement.

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TWCP WRITTEN CONSENT AND VOTING AGREEMENT

The following is a summary of the material provisions of the TWCP written consent and voting agreement. The complete text of the TWCP written consent and voting agreement is incorporated by reference and attached as Annex D to this joint proxy statement/prospectus. We encourage you to read the written consent and voting agreement in its entirety.

In connection with the execution of the merger agreement, Stellent and Optika entered into a written consent and voting agreement with Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P., or TWCP, and certain related entities, which hold as of the date of the joint proxy statement/prospectus approximately 95% of the outstanding shares of Optika's preferred stock. In that agreement, the TWCP entities agreed, among other things, to:

consent to the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation, in each case, in accordance with the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, subject to the right of the TWCP entities to approve any amendment to the merger agreement;

vote all of their shares of capital stock of Optika in favor of the merger agreement, the merger and the amendment to the certificate of designation (and the TWCP entities have delivered irrevocable proxies to this effect to Stellent);

exchange their shares of Optika's preferred stock for their pro rata share of \$10 million in cash plus any adjustment shares of Stellent common stock, as calculated pursuant to the merger agreement;

consent to the amendment of the rights and preferences of the Optika preferred stock as set forth in the amendment to the certificate of designation, as well as the termination of the registration rights agreement and certain other agreements relating to the Optika preferred stock; and

refrain from transferring, in any way, the shares of Optika preferred stock held by them without the consent of the Optika and Stellent during the term of the written consent and voting agreement, except to affiliates of the TWCP entities.

The written consent and voting agreement also contains certain representations and warranties of the TWCP entities made to Optika and Stellent as to authority, title and non-contravention. In addition, the TWCP entities have agreed to a non-solicitation clause with respect to any third-party acquisition offer, as described in the merger agreement.

Pursuant to the written consent and voting agreement:

Optika and Stellent have given certain representations and warranties to the TWCP entities;

each of Optika, Stellent and STEL Sub have agreed to indemnify the TWCP entities and their affiliates against any damages suffered by such persons or arising out of:

the performance by such persons of their obligations under the written consent and voting agreement; and

any action, suit or proceeding brought by any stockholder of Optika in connection with the merger; and

Optika has agreed to reimburse the TWCP entities for their fees and expenses incurred in connection with their participation in the negotiation of the merger, regardless of whether the merger agreement is terminated, up to \$100,000 plus 50% of any such fees and expenses in excess of \$100,000, up to a maximum of \$175,000.

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Subject to the survival of certain provisions of the written consent and voting agreement, the agreement will terminate automatically upon the earliest to occur of:

the effective time of the merger;

the termination of the merger agreement;

an amendment to the merger agreement made without the consent of TWCP; or

the date on which any representation and warranty made in the written consent and voting agreement by Optika and Stellent becomes untrue in any material respect.

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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet combines the December 31, 2003 unaudited consolidated condensed combined balance sheet of Stellent with the December 31, 2003 audited balance sheet of Optika after giving effect to the terms of the merger agreement, under the assumptions set forth in the accompanying notes.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the year ended March 31, 2003 reflect the audited consolidated results of operations of Stellent for the year ended March 31, 2003 with those of Optika for the year ended December 31, 2002 after giving effect to the terms of the merger agreement, under the assumptions set forth in the accompanying notes. In addition, the following unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 reflect the pro forma consolidated results of operations of Stellent for the nine months ended December 31, 2003 with those of Optika for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 after giving effect to the terms of the merger agreement, under the assumptions set forth in the accompanying notes. The pro forma statements of operations give effect to the merger as if it occurred at the beginning of the periods presented.

The pro forma unaudited condensed combined financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying explanatory notes, the merger agreement, the historical financial statements and the related notes of Stellent and Optika previously filed and incorporated by reference into this document.

The pro forma adjustments are preliminary, and revisions to the preliminary purchase price allocations and financing of the transactions may have a significant impact on the pro forma adjustments. A final valuation of the net assets to be acquired from Optika, which will be conducted by Stellent's independent valuation specialists, has not been made prior to the completion of this prospectus. The consideration of this final valuation may result in a change in the value assigned to the intangible assets acquired and to the amounts of the future amortization expense.

The unaudited condensed pro forma combined financial data is for comparative purposes only and does not purport to represent what Stellent's financial position or results of operations would actually have been had the events noted above in fact occurred on the assumed dates or to project the financial position or results of operations of Stellent for any future date or future period. The unaudited condensed pro forma combined financial data should be read in conjunction with the notes hereto and other information included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Table of Contents**STELLENT, INC.****UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET****December 31, 2003**

	Historical		Pro Forma	
	Stellent	Optika	Adjustments	Combined
(In thousands) (Unaudited)				
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash, restricted cash, cash equivalents, and short-term marketable securities	\$ 62,215	\$ 9,182	\$(11,500)(a)	\$ 59,897
Accounts receivable, net	18,067	4,696		22,763
Prepaid royalties	2,005			2,005
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,253	523		4,776
Total current assets	86,540	14,401	(11,500)	89,441
Other assets:				
Long-term marketable securities	11,113			11,113
Property and equipment, net	4,537	683		5,220
Prepaid royalties, net of current	526			526
Goodwill	14,735	1,166	45,220(b)	61,121
Acquired intangible assets, net	2,716	584	6,100(b)	9,400
Investments and notes in other companies	1,136			1,136
Other	1,247	221		1,468
Total other assets	36,010	2,654	51,320	89,984
Total assets	\$ 122,550	\$ 17,055	\$ 39,820	\$ 179,425
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 2,162	\$ 510	\$	\$ 2,672
Deferred revenues	9,154	6,358		15,512
Accrued expenses and other	6,741	2,253		8,994
Total current liabilities	18,057	9,121		27,178
Shareholders' equity:				
Common stock	222	9	(9)(c) 41 (d)	263
Preferred stock		5,199	(5,199)(c)	
Additional paid-in capital	189,256	30,491	(30,491)(c) 49,869 (d)	239,125
Unearned compensation			(2,156)(e)	(2,156)
Accumulated deficit	(84,985)	(27,765)	27,765 (c)	(84,985)
Total shareholders' equity	104,493	7,934	39,820	152,247
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 122,550	\$ 17,055	\$ 39,820	\$ 179,425



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	Historical		Pro Forma	
	Stellent	Optika	Adjustments	Combined
(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)				
Revenues:				
Product licenses	\$ 40,364	\$ 5,655	\$	\$ 46,019
Services	25,070	12,218		37,288
Total revenues	65,434	17,873		83,307
Cost of revenues:				
Product licenses	6,480	575		7,055
Amortization of capitalized software from acquisitions	1,892		1,133(f)	3,025
Services	12,146	3,674		15,820
Total cost of revenues	20,518	4,249	1,133	25,900
Gross profit	44,916	13,624	(1,133)	57,407
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing	38,343	7,533		45,876
General and administrative	11,301	1,612		12,913
Research and development	15,766	5,128		20,894
Acquisition and related costs	1,127			1,127
Amortization of acquired intangible assets, unearned compensation and other	6,635		1,107(f)	7,742
Restructuring charges	4,368			4,368
Total operating expenses	77,540	14,273	1,107	92,920
Operating loss	(32,624)	(649)	(2,240)	(35,513)
Other income (expense):				
Interest and other income, net	1,957	131		2,088
Investment impairment	(1,733)			(1,733)
Total other income (expense)	224	131		355
Net loss	\$ (32,400)	\$ (518)	\$ (2,240)	\$ (35,158)
Net loss per common share basic and diluted	\$ (1.45)	\$ (0.06)		\$ (1.35)
Weighted average shares outstanding				
Basic and diluted	22,345	8,292	(g)	25,993

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Nine Months Ended December 31, 2003

	Historical		Pro Forma	
	Stellent	Optika	Adjustments	Combined
(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)				
Revenues:				
Product licenses	\$ 30,239	\$ 4,750	\$	\$ 34,989
Services	24,891	9,600		34,491
Total revenues	55,130	14,350		69,480
Cost of revenues:				
Product licenses	3,392	547		3,939
Amortization of capitalized software from acquisitions	1,205		850(f)	2,055
Services	12,405	2,724		15,129
Total cost of revenues	17,002	3,271	850	21,123
Gross profit	38,128	11,079	(850)	48,357
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing	29,905	6,860		36,765
General and administrative	6,929	1,369		8,298
Research and development	9,843	3,563		13,406
Amortization of acquired intangible assets, unearned compensation and other	1,888		835(f)	2,723
Restructuring charges	812			812
Total operating expenses	49,377	11,792	835	62,004
Operating loss	(11,249)	(713)	(1,685)	(13,647)
Other income:				
Interest and other income, net	778	50		828
Investment gain on sale	388			388
Total other income	1,166	50		1,216
Net loss	\$(10,083)	\$ (663)	\$(1,685)	\$(12,431)
Net loss per common share basic and diluted	\$ (0.46)	\$ (0.08)		\$ (0.48)
Weighted average shares outstanding				
Basic and diluted	21,949	8,601	(g)	25,733

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The unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Consolidated Financial Statements reflect an estimated purchase price of approximately \$61 million. The preliminary fair value of the approximately 4.1 million shares of Stellent common stock assumed to be issued in the transaction was determined using an average price of \$9.96, which was the average of the closing prices two days before and after the terms of the merger were agreed and announced. The estimated purchase price also includes Stellent's assumption of Optika's outstanding stock options, which are recorded at their fair value as if converted to Stellent options at the exchange ratio contemplated in the merger agreement. The estimated direct acquisition costs include accounting, legal and investment banker fees. The final purchase price is dependent, among other things, on the actual shares issued, the actual Optika options assumed and the final Stellent merger costs. The estimated total purchase price is as follows:

Cash	\$ 10,000
Value of shares anticipated to be issued by Stellent	40,910
Fair value of Optika option plan assumed by Stellent	9,000
Stellent estimated direct acquisition costs	1,500
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Total estimated purchase price	\$61,410
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The above estimated purchase price calculation does not include an estimated \$2 million of costs incurred by Optika in connection with the merger. These estimated costs include accounting, legal and investment banker fees as well as continuation coverage on the directors and officers insurance policy of Optika.

2. Purchase Price Allocation

Under the purchase method of accounting, the total estimated purchase price would be allocated to Optika's net tangible and identifiable intangible assets based upon their estimated fair values as of the date of completion of the merger. The excess of the purchase price over the net tangible and identifiable intangible assets will be recorded as goodwill. Based upon the estimated purchase price and preliminary valuation, the following represents the preliminary allocation of the aggregate purchase price to the acquired net assets of Optika as of January 11, 2004:

Net tangible assets	\$ 7,934
Goodwill	45,220
Identifiable intangible assets	6,100
Unearned compensation	2,156
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Total estimated purchase price	\$61,410
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The preliminary allocation of the purchase price was based upon a preliminary valuation, as described below, and management's estimates and assumptions are subject to change upon the finalization of the valuation. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated statements of operations do not reflect the amortization of goodwill acquired in the merger consistent with the guidance in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142 *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, Stellent's management

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valued the identifiable intangible assets to be acquired using a preliminary appraisal. Identifiable intangible assets consist of:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Amortization</u>
Developed software	\$3,400	3 years	\$1,133
Contractual customer relationships	2,700	10 years	270
	<u>\$6,100</u>		<u>\$1,403</u>

3. Pro Forma Adjustments

The following pro forma adjustments are based on preliminary estimates which may change as additional information is obtained:

- (a) To record cash paid by Stellent in the merger as part of purchase price and for direct acquisition costs
- (b) To record goodwill and identifiable intangible assets in the proposed merger
- (c) To eliminate Optika's stockholders' equity accounts
- (d) To record stockholders' equity for the approximately 4.1 million shares issued by Stellent in the merger valued at \$9.96 per share and assumption of the Optika option plan
- (e) To record unearned compensation for unvested Optika stock options assumed
- (f) To record amortization of intangible assets and compensation costs
- (g) Basic and diluted shares outstanding assume the conversion of the Optika weighted average shares for the period at the 0.44 conversion ratio.

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Stellent's common stock is listed on the Nasdaq National Market System under the symbol STEL, and Optika's common stock is listed on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market System under the symbol OPTK. The table below sets forth, for the calendar periods indicated, the high and low sale prices of Optika's common stock and Stellent's common stock as reported on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market System and the National Market System, respectively, in each case based on published financial sources. Neither company has ever paid dividends on its common stock.

	Stellent Common Stock		Optika Common Stock	
	High	Low	High	Low
Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2002:				
First Quarter	\$42.90	\$14.75	\$1.45	\$0.93
Second Quarter	\$38.02	\$13.33	\$1.30	\$0.72
Third Quarter	\$31.65	\$13.24	\$1.29	\$0.69
Fourth Quarter	\$34.72	\$9.51	\$2.74	\$1.00
Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2003:				
First Quarter	\$8.85	\$3.94	\$2.34	\$1.47
Second Quarter	\$5.50	\$3.32	\$1.68	\$0.85
Third Quarter	\$5.85	\$3.14	\$1.20	\$0.64
Fourth Quarter	\$5.82	\$3.75	\$1.53	\$0.98
Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2004:				
First Quarter	\$6.22	\$3.75	\$1.58	\$1.09
Second Quarter	\$9.19	\$5.63	\$2.62	\$1.42
Third Quarter	\$10.75	\$8.49	\$5.11	\$2.08
Fourth Quarter (through February 1, 2004)	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1

On January 9, 2004, the last trading day before the public announcement of the execution of the merger agreement, the closing price of Stellent common stock was \$10.29 per share, and the closing price of Optika common stock was \$4.28 per share. On February 1, 2004, the last trading date before the printing of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, the closing price of Stellent common stock was \$1 per share, and the closing stock price of Optika common stock was \$1 per share. You should obtain current market quotations before making any decisions with respect to the merger.

Post-Merger Dividend Policy

Stellent has never declared or paid any cash dividends on its common stock and does not anticipate declaring or paying dividends on its common stock in the foreseeable future.

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APPRAISAL RIGHTS

The following includes a summary of the material provisions of dissenters' appraisal rights under Delaware law. The complete text of Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law which addresses appraisal rights is incorporated by reference and attached as Annex G to this joint proxy statement/prospectus. We encourage you to read Annex G in its entirety.

Stellent Shareholders

Under Minnesota law, Stellent's shareholders will not have any appraisal rights in connection with the merger.

Optika Stockholders

Under Delaware law, dissenters' appraisal rights are available to a corporation's stockholders in connection with certain mergers and consolidations. Under Delaware law, any Optika stockholder who does not wish to accept the consideration provided for in the merger agreement has the right to demand appraisal of, and to be paid the fair market value for, his or her shares of Optika common stock or preferred stock, as the case may be, as determined by a Delaware court. The value of the Optika common stock or preferred stock for this purpose will exclude any element of value arising from the consummation of the merger.

In order for any Optika stockholder to exercise his or her right to an appraisal, the stockholder must deliver to Optika a written demand for an appraisal of his or her shares of Stellent common stock as provided by Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Optika stockholders should particularly note the following:

simply voting against the approval and adoption of the merger agreement will not be considered a demand for appraisal rights;

any Optika stockholder who fails to send a written demand to Steven M. Johnson, Optika's corporate secretary, at Optika Inc., 7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920, within the time frames and otherwise meeting the requirements set forth in Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, will lose his or her right to an appraisal; and

stockholders who vote for the approval and adoption of the merger agreement will not have appraisal rights.

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The following table describes the rights of Optika stockholders under Delaware law and Optika's certificate of incorporation and bylaws before the merger and compares them to the rights of Stellent shareholders under Minnesota law and Stellent's articles of incorporation and bylaws, which will govern Optika stockholders who receive Stellent common stock in the merger. You might regard as important other differences that we do not include here. You should refer to the documents and statutes we mention in this section if you want more information. This summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to Delaware and Minnesota law and the governing corporate instruments of Optika and Stellent.

	Optika Stockholder Rights	Stellent Shareholder Rights
<i>General:</i>	The rights of Optika stockholders are governed by Delaware law and Optika's certificate of incorporation and bylaws.	The rights of Stellent shareholders are governed by Minnesota law and Stellent's articles of incorporation bylaws.
<i>Authorized Capital Stock:</i>	The authorized capital stock of Optika consists of 25 million shares of common stock and 2 million shares of preferred stock.	The authorized capital stock of Stellent consists of 90 million shares of common stock and 10 million shares of preferred stock.
<i>Voting Stock:</i>	The outstanding voting securities of Optika are shares of common stock and Series A-1 convertible preferred stock.	The outstanding voting securities of Stellent are shares of common stock.
<i>Number of Directors:</i>	Optika's bylaws provide that the number of directors is fixed by resolution of the board of directors, and is currently fixed at eight directors. The holders of Optika's preferred stock are entitled to designate one member of Optika's board of directors.	Stellent's bylaws set the number of directors at five. The shareholders may increase or decrease the number, and the board of directors may only increase the number.
<i>Classification of Board of Directors:</i>	Optika's certificate of incorporation provides that Optika's board of directors is divided into three classes, with the terms of office of one class of directors expiring each year, resulting in each class serving a staggered three-year term.	Stellent does not have a classified board. Each director is elected to serve a term that expires at the next regular annual meeting of shareholders and when a successor is elected and has qualified (or at the time the director dies, resigns, or is removed or disqualified).
<i>Removal of Directors:</i>	Under Delaware law, stockholders may remove a director by action of holders of a majority of shares entitled to vote on the election of directors. If a corporation has a classified board of directors, as Optika does, then stockholders may remove a director whose term is not up for reelection only (i) for cause or (ii) without cause by amendment of the certificate of incorporation to remove the classified board of directors provisions.	Minnesota law allows the removal of a director from office, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of all shares entitled to vote at an election of directors. If a director has been appointed to fill a vacancy and the shareholders have not subsequently elected directors, then the board may remove that director by majority vote of those directors present at a meeting.

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	Optika Stockholder Rights	Stellent Shareholder Rights
<i>Vote Required for Certain Shareholder Actions:</i>	Under Delaware law, the approval of a merger, consolidation, or a sale of all or substantially all of a corporation's assets requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power represented by the outstanding stock entitled to vote on the matter. Under Optika's certificate of incorporation, Optika may not take certain extraordinary corporate actions without the consent of holders of a majority of Optika's preferred stock, including entering into any change of control where the holders of the preferred stock would not receive an amount equal to the stated liquidation preference of the preferred stock.	Under Minnesota law, the approval of a merger, share exchange, or a sale of all or substantially all of a corporation's assets requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power represented by the outstanding stock entitled to vote on the matter.
<i>Shareholder Action by Written Consent:</i>	Optika's certificate of incorporation does not permit stockholders to take action by written consent without a meeting.	Minnesota law permits shareholder approval to be obtained by written action without a meeting only by unanimous consent.
<i>Amendment of Charter:</i>	Under Delaware law, the board of directors must approve any amendment to the certificate of incorporation. The amendment must also be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding voting stock entitled to vote on the amendment and a majority of the outstanding stock of any class of shares entitled to vote on the amendment as a class. A class of stock is entitled to class-voting rights if the amendment would increase or decrease the number of authorized shares of the class, increase or decrease the par value of the shares of the class, or alter the powers, preferences, or special rights of the shares of the class so as to affect them adversely. Under Optika's certificate of incorporation, certain changes to the certificate of incorporation affecting the Optika preferred stock must be approved by holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of that stock.	Under Minnesota law, a resolution to amend the articles of incorporation may be brought by a majority of the board of directors or by shareholders holding 3% or more of the voting power of all voting shares. An amendment to the articles must be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power of the shares present and entitled to vote on the matter at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Under Minnesota law, holders of each class or series of stock are entitled to class- or series-voting rights in connection with certain amendments to the articles of incorporation and certain transactions that would have the same effect as such amendments.

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	Optika Stockholder Rights	Stellent Shareholder Rights
<i>Amendment of Bylaws:</i>	Under Delaware law and Optika's certificate of incorporation, Optika's board of directors may amend, alter, or repeal the bylaws. Optika's stockholders may also amend, alter, or repeal the bylaws by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power of the shares present and entitled to vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.	Minnesota law provides that, unless reserved by the articles to shareholders, the power to adopt, amend, or repeal a corporation's bylaws is vested in the board of directors. The power of the board of directors is subject to the right of shareholders holding 3% or more of the voting power of the outstanding shares to propose a resolution to adopt, amend, or repeal the bylaws, which must be approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares present and entitled to vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Only the shareholders may adopt, amend, or repeal bylaws fixing a quorum for meetings of shareholders, prescribing procedures for removing directors or filling vacancies in the board of directors, or fixing the number of directors or their classifications, qualifications, or terms of office.
<i>Dividends and Repurchase of Shares:</i>	Under Delaware law, a corporation may pay dividends out of surplus or, if there is no surplus, out of net profits for the current year or the prior year. A corporation may not repurchase its own shares if the capital of the corporation is impaired or if the repurchase would impair the capital of the corporation. Under Optika's certificate of incorporation, Optika may not pay dividends with respect to, or repurchase any shares of, common stock if Optika is in default with respect of any of its obligations to the holders of the Optika preferred stock.	Under Minnesota law, a corporation may generally pay dividends or acquire its own shares if the corporation will be able to pay its debts in the ordinary course of business after paying the dividend or repurchasing the shares. The ability of a corporation to pay dividends or acquire its own shares is also subject to a restriction providing that all amounts payable to any shares having a preference for that kind of distribution must have been paid.

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	<u>Optika Stockholder Rights</u>	<u>Stellent Shareholder Rights</u>
<i>Limitation of Liability of Directors and Officers:</i>	<p>Optika’s certificate of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, Optika’s directors have no personal liability to either Optika or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty. Delaware law prohibits this limitation of liability in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a breach of the director’s duty of loyalty to the corporation or its shareholders; acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; payment of unlawful dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions; any transaction in which the director derived an improper personal benefit; and any act or omission occurring before the date when the provision in the certificate of incorporation eliminating or limiting liability became effective. 	<p>Stellent’s articles of incorporation provide that, to the fullest extent permitted by Minnesota law, Stellent’s directors have no personal liability to either Stellent or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty. Minnesota law prohibits this limitation of liability in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a breach of the director’s duty of loyalty to the corporation or its shareholders; acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; payment of unlawful dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions; any transaction in which the director derived an improper personal benefit; certain violations of the Minnesota securities laws; and any act or omission occurring before the date when the provision in the articles of incorporation eliminating or limiting liability became effective.
<i>Shareholder Rights Plan:</i>	<p>Optika has adopted a shareholder rights plan that generally is triggered if a shareholder acquires, or announces a tender offer to acquire, 15% or more of Optika’s common stock.</p>	<p>Stellent has adopted a shareholder rights plan that generally is triggered if a shareholder acquires, or announces a tender offer to acquire, 15% or more of Stellent’s common stock.</p>

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	Optika Stockholder Rights	Stellent Shareholder Rights
<i>Dissenters Appraisal Rights:</i>	<p>Under Delaware law, the rights of dissenting shareholders to obtain a judicial appraisal of the fair value of their shares arises in connection with certain mergers and consolidations. Appraisal rights do not arise when a corporation is the surviving corporation in a merger and no vote of its stockholders is required to complete the merger.</p> <p>In addition, no appraisal rights are given to holders of shares of class of stock that is either (a) listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national-market-system security by the NASD or (b) held of record by more than 2,000 stockholders, unless the holders are required in the merger to accept for their shares anything other than (1) shares of the surviving corporation, (2) shares of stock of another corporation of the kind described either (a) or (b) above, (3) cash instead of fractional shares, or (4) any combination of (1) through (3).</p> <p>Appraisal rights are not available under Delaware law in connection with a sale of all or substantially all the assets of a corporation.</p>	<p>Under Minnesota law, dissenters' rights are available in connection with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an amendment to the articles that materially and adversely affects the rights or preferences of shares held by the dissenting shareholder in the context of preferential, redemption, preemptive, or voting rights; a plan of merger or exchange; or disposition of all or substantially all of a corporation's property and assets other than in the usual and regular course of business (other than a disposition for cash on terms requiring pro rata distribution of the net proceeds to shareholders within one year). <p>Dissenters' rights are not available under Minnesota law to a shareholder of a (a) surviving corporation with respect to a merger if the shareholder's shares are not entitled to be voted on the merger and the shareholder's shares are not canceled or exchanged in the merger or (b) corporation that will acquire shares in a plan of exchange or a shareholder whose shares will be acquired in a plan of exchange if the shareholder was not entitled to vote on the plan of exchange and the shareholder's shares are not exchanged.</p>

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	Optika Stockholder Rights	Stellent Shareholder Rights
<i>Anti-Takeover Statutes:</i>	<p>Delaware law provides that, if a person acquires 15% or more of the stock of a corporation, that person may not engage in certain business-combination transactions with the corporation for a period of three years, unless one of the following three exceptions applies:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">the board of directors approved the acquisition of stock or the transaction before the time that the person crossed the 15% level;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">upon consummation of the transaction in which the person crossed the 15% level, the person became the holder of at least 85% of the voting stock, excluding voting stock held by employee directors and certain employee stock plans; or</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">the transaction is approved by the board of directors and by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the 15% shareholder.</p>	<p>Stellent is subject to the following provisions of Minnesota law that may have anti-takeover effects:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a control-share-acquisition statute, which provides that a person acquiring 20% or more of the voting power of a corporation may not vote those shares in excess of the 20% level unless and until approved by holders of (a) a majority of the voting power of the corporation's shares, including those held by the acquiring person and (b) a majority of the voting power of the corporation's shares held by disinterested shareholders;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a provision that prohibits business-combination transactions with a shareholder for four years after the shareholder acquires 10% of the voting power of the corporation unless, before the share acquisition, the transaction or share acquisition receives the majority approval of a committee consisting of one or more disinterested directors;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a provision that prohibits corporations from purchasing any voting shares owned for less than two years from a greater-than-5% shareholder for more than the market value of those shares, unless the transaction has been approved by a majority of the voting power of all shares entitled to vote or unless the corporation makes an offer of at least equal value per share to all holders of shares of the class or series of stock held by the greater-than-5% shareholder and to all holders of any class or series into which those securities may be converted; and</p>

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	<u>Optika Stockholder Rights</u>	<u>Stellent Shareholder Rights</u>
		a fair price provision, which provides that no person may acquire shares of a Minnesota corporation within two years following the person's last purchase of shares in a takeover offer, unless the shareholders are given a reasonable opportunity to dispose of their shares to the person on terms substantially equivalent to those provided in the takeover offer. The provision does not apply if the acquisition is approved by a committee consisting of disinterested directors before the person acquires any shares in the takeover offer.
<i>Annual Meeting Proposals:</i>	Optika's bylaws provide that at any annual meeting the only business to be conducted (including shareholder nominations for director) must have been brought before the meeting by the board or by any shareholder who provided notice to the corporation not less than 20 nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting.	Stellent's bylaws provide that at any annual meeting the only business to be conducted (including shareholder nominations for director) must have been brought before the meeting by the board or by any shareholder who provided notice to the corporation at least 90 days before the first anniversary date of the prior year's annual meeting. If the date of the annual meeting is more than 30 days before or after the anniversary date, then the notice must be provided not less than 90 days before the meeting or, if later, 10 days after public announcement of the meeting date.
<i>Special Meetings:</i>	Optika's bylaws provide that a special meeting of shareholders may be called by the president or demanded by stockholders owning 50% of Optika's voting stock.	Minnesota law provides that a special meeting of shareholders may be called at any time by the chief executive officer, the chief financial officer, by two or more directors, by a person authorized in the articles or by-laws of the corporation, or by shareholders holding 10% or more of the voting power of all shares entitled to vote (except that a special meeting called by shareholders for the purpose of considering any action to directly or indirectly facilitate or effect a business combination must be called by 25% or more of the voting power of all shares entitled to vote).

Table of Contents**SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF BENEFICIAL****OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT****Stellent**

The following table sets forth, as of January 30, 2004, the beneficial ownership of Stellent common stock by each director and executive officer of Stellent, by all directors and executive officers as a group, and by each shareholder who is known by Stellent to own beneficially more than 5% of the outstanding Stellent common stock. On January 30, 2004, there were 22,196,514 shares of Stellent common stock outstanding. Unless otherwise indicated in a footnote below, the listed beneficial owner has sole voting power and investment power with respect to such shares and the mailing address for each person listed in the table is 7777 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Shares
Directors and executive officers:		
Robert F. Olson(1)	2,255,764	10.2%
David S. Batt(2)	52,256	*
Frank A. Radichel(3)	129,813	*
Daniel P. Ryan(4)	184,477	*
Gregg A. Waldon(5)	232,810	1.0%
Kenneth H. Holec(6)	166,980	*
Philip E. Soran(7)	20,000	*
Raymond A. Tucker(8)	69,999	*
Steven C. Waldron(9)	86,655	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (9 persons)(10)	3,198,764	13.9%
Other beneficial owners:		
Becker Capital Management, Inc.(11)	2,109,900	9.5%
SAFECO Common Stock Trust(12)	1,409,003	6.3%
SAFECO Asset Management Company(12)	2,207,503	9.9%
SAFECO Corporation(12)	2,207,503	9.9%
Optika Inc.(13)	3,198,764	13.9%

* Less than one percent

- (1) Includes 85,714 shares owned by Mr. Olson's spouse, of which Mr. Olson disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (2) Includes 50,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (3) Includes 109,563 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 20,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (4) Includes 146,664 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 27,813 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (5) Includes 194,997 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 27,813 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (6) Includes 71,665 shares covered by currently exercisable options, 5,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004, 875 shares owned by Mr. Holec's spouse and 9,440 shares owned by Mr. Holec's children.
- (7) Includes 15,000 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 5,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.

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- (8) Includes 54,999 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 5,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (9) Includes 81,665 shares covered by currently exercisable options and 5,000 shares covered by options that are exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.

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- (10) Includes the shares issuable upon the exercise of the options described in the footnotes above.
- (11) Based on information reported to Stellent on June 30, 2003. The principal business address of Becker Capital Management, Inc. is 1211 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 2185, Portland, Oregon 97204. Becker Capital Management, Inc. has sole voting and investment power with respect to all of the shares.
- (12) Based on information reported to the Commission in a Schedule 13G filed by SAFECO Common Stock Trust, SAFECO Asset Management Company and SAFECO Corporation on July 9, 2003. The principal business address of SAFECO Common Stock Trust is 4854 154th Place NE, Redmond, Washington 98052. The principal business address of SAFECO Asset Management Company is 601 Union Street, Suite 2500, Seattle, Washington 98101. The principal business address of SAFECO Corporation is Safeco Plaza, Seattle, Washington 98185.

Each of SAFECO Asset Management Company and SAFECO Corporation share beneficial ownership over the same 1,409,003 shares listed as beneficially owned by SAFECO Common Stock Trust, which 1,409,003 shares are included in the 2,207,503 shares listed as beneficially owned by each of SAFECO Asset Management Company and SAFECO Corporation. Each of SAFECO Common Stock Trust, SAFECO Asset Management Company and SAFECO Corporation has shared voting power and shared investment power with respect to all of the shares listed above next to their respective names. Both SAFECO Asset Management Company and SAFECO Corporation disclaim beneficial ownership of all of the shares.

- (13) The principal business address of Optika Inc. is 7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920. Optika Inc. is deemed to have beneficial ownership of such shares as a result of a voting agreement entered into on January 11, 2004, as amended January 27, 2004, with certain of our officers and directors in connection with the proposed merger. The shares listed as beneficially owned by Optika are the same as the shares listed as beneficially owned by all directors and executive officers of Stellent, as a group.

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The following table sets forth, as of January 30, 2004, the beneficial ownership of Optika common stock by each director and executive officer of Optika, by all directors and executive officers as a group, and by each stockholder who is known by Optika to own beneficially more than 5% of the outstanding Optika common stock. On January 30, 2004, there were 9,341,561 shares of Optika common stock outstanding and an additional 1,042,887 shares of Optika common stock issuable upon conversion of Optika's outstanding preferred stock. The shares of Optika preferred stock are deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of the person holding such shares, but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of any other person. Unless otherwise indicated in a footnote below, the listed beneficial owner has sole voting power and investment power with respect to such shares and the mailing address for each person listed in the table is 7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Shares
Directors and executive officers:		
Mark K. Ruport(1)	560,636	5.7%
Steven M. Johnson(2)	272,285	2.8%
Randall S. Weakly(3)	52,500	*
Christopher J. Ryan(4)	51,916	*
James A. Franklin(5)	42,250	*
Edwin C. Winder(6)	101,000	1.1%
James T. Rothe Ph.D.(7)	77,000	*
Alan B. Menkes(8)	17,500	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (10 persons)(9)	1,253,187	12.0%
Other beneficial owners:		
Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P.(10)	1,042,887	10.0%
Stellent, Inc.(11)	2,316,324	20.2%
Baldwin Brothers, Inc.(12)	500,758	5.4%

* Less than one percent.

- (1) Includes 503,136 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (2) Includes 242,585 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (3) Includes 48,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (4) Includes 46,916 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (5) Includes 42,250 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004.
- (6) Includes 20,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options granted by Optika that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004, 10,000 of which shares are unvested and subject to a repurchase right of Optika.
- (7) Includes 70,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options granted by Optika that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004, 25,000 of which shares are unvested and subject to a repurchase right of Optika.
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Includes 57,500 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options granted by Optika that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004, 2,500 of which shares are unvested and subject to a repurchase right of Optika.

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- (9) Includes 1,068,387 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options granted by Optika that are currently exercisable or will become exercisable within 60 days of January 30, 2004, 37,500 of which shares are unvested and subject to a repurchase right of Optika.
- (10) Assuming conversion of all shares of Optika preferred stock owned by Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P. and certain of its affiliates (referred to herein as TWCP) which in the aggregate are immediately convertible into 1,042,887 shares of common stock as reported on a Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 13, 2004. Voting and investment power with respect to the securities reported are shared among certain entities affiliated with TWCP. The business address for TWCP is One Montgomery Street, Suite 3700, San Francisco, California 94104.
- (11) Stellent, Inc. is deemed to have beneficial ownership of such shares as a result of the voting agreements entered into on January 11, 2004 with certain of Optika's officers and directors in connection with the proposed merger. The principal business address of Stellent, Inc. is 7777 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344.
- (12) As reported on a Schedule 13F filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 7, 2003. The principal business address of Baldwin Brothers, Inc. is 3 Barnabas Road, Boston, Massachusetts 02738.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

Stellent and Optika file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports, statements or information that Stellent and Optika file with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room in Washington, D.C. located at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. The SEC also maintains an Website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers, including Stellent and Optika, who file electronically with the SEC. The address of that site is <http://www.sec.gov>.

Stellent filed a registration statement on Form S-4 to register with the SEC the shares of Stellent common stock to be issued to Optika stockholders in the merger. This joint proxy statement/ prospectus is a part of that registration statement and constitutes a prospectus of Stellent and a proxy statement of Stellent for the Stellent special meeting of shareholders, as well as a proxy statement of Optika for the Optika special meeting of stockholders.

As allowed by SEC rules, this joint proxy statement/ prospectus does not contain all the information you can find in the Stellent registration statement or the exhibits to the registration statement.

The SEC allows Stellent to incorporate by reference information into this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, which means that Stellent may disclose important information to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is deemed to be part of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. This joint proxy statement/ prospectus incorporates by reference the documents set forth below that Stellent has previously filed with the SEC. These documents contain important information about Stellent and its financial condition.

Stellent SEC Filings (File No. 0-19817)

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2003

Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on July 22, 2003

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for period ended June 30, 2003

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for period ended September 30, 2003

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for period ended December 31, 2003

Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 16, 2004

Description of Stellent's Common Stock as set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on January 28, 1992, including any amendments or reports filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating such description

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Description of Stellent's preferred share purchase rights as set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on June 3, 2002, including any amendments or reports filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating such description

All additional documents that Stellent files with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus and prior to the date of the Stellent and Optika special meetings or the earlier termination of the merger agreement shall also be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/ prospectus.

You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference through Stellent, the SEC or the SEC's Website as described above. Documents incorporated by reference are available from Stellent without charge, excluding all exhibits unless Stellent has specifically incorporated by reference an exhibit in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. You may obtain documents incorporated by reference in this proxy statement/ prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from Stellent at the following address:

Stellent, Inc.
7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
(952) 903-2000

If you would like to request documents from Stellent, please do so by 1 , 2004 to receive them before the special meetings of shareholders of Stellent and Optika. If you request any incorporated documents from Stellent, Stellent will mail them to you by first-class mail, or other equally prompt means, within one business day of receipt of your request.

Similarly, the SEC allows Optika to incorporate by reference information into this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. The information incorporated by reference by Optika is deemed to be part of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. This joint proxy statement/ prospectus incorporates by reference the documents set forth below that Optika has previously filed with the SEC. These documents contain important information about Optika and its financial condition.

Optika SEC Filings (File No. 0-28672)

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003

Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 12, 2004 (only with respect to Items 5 and 7)

Description of Optika's Common Stock as set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on July 19, 1996, including any amendments or reports filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating such description

Description of Optika's Series B Preferred Stock as set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on July 18, 2001, including any amendments or reports filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating such description

You can obtain any of the Optika documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/ prospectus from Optika, the SEC or the SEC's Website as described above. Documents incorporated by reference are available from Optika without charge, excluding all exhibits unless Optika has specifically incorporated by reference an exhibit in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. You may obtain documents incorporated by reference in this proxy statement/ prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from Optika at the following address:

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
(719) 548-9800

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If you would like to request documents from Optika, please do so by 1 , 2004 to receive them before the special meetings of shareholders of Stellent and Optika. If you request any incorporated documents from Optika, Optika will mail them to you by first-class mail, or other equally prompt means, within one business day of receipt of your request.

As allowed by the SEC, a copy of Optika's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, as filed with the SEC on February 6, 2004, is attached to this joint proxy statement/ prospectus as Annex H. The attached 10-K of Optika includes important business and financial information about Optika that is not included in this document.

Stellent has supplied all information contained or incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus relating to Stellent. Optika has supplied all information contained or incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus relating to Optika.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus to vote on the merger. Neither company has authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different from what is contained in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. This joint proxy statement/ prospectus is dated 1 , 2004 and is being first mailed to shareholders on 1 , 2004. You should not assume that the information contained in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus is accurate as of any date other than that date, and neither the mailing of this joint proxy statement/ prospectus to the shareholders nor the issuance of Stellent shares in the merger shall create any implication to the contrary.

EXPERTS

The audited consolidated financial statements of Stellent incorporated by reference in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus have been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent certified public accountants, to the extent and for the periods set forth in their report incorporated herein by reference, and are incorporated herein in reliance upon such report given upon the authority of Grant Thornton LLP as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of Optika Inc. as of December 31, 2002 and 2003 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent accountants, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of Stellent common stock to be issued in the merger will be passed upon for Stellent by Faegre & Benson LLP, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Tax consequences of the merger will be passed upon for Stellent by Faegre & Benson LLP and for Optika by Morrison & Foerster, LLP.

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL MEETINGS

Stellent

Stellent. Any shareholder proposals intended to be presented at the 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and desired to be included in Stellent's Proxy Statement for that meeting must be received by Stellent at its principal executive office no later than March 30, 2004 in order to be included in such proxy statement. Any other shareholder proposal intended to be presented at Stellent's 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must be received by Stellent at its principal executive office on or before May 29, 2004.

Optika

Due to the contemplated completion of the merger, Optika does not currently expect to hold a 2004 annual meeting of stockholders. If the merger is not completed and an annual meeting is held, stockholder proposals for inclusion in proxy materials for the meeting must be received at Optika's principal executive offices a reasonable time before Optika begins to print and mail its proxy materials, pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and must otherwise comply with the requirements of Optika's certificate of incorporation and bylaws and applicable law.

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**among
STELLENT, INC.,
STEL SUB, INC.
and
OPTIKA INC.
Dated as of January 11, 2004**

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AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER

This AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER (this Agreement) among Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (Buyer), STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation formed and wholly owned by Buyer (Buyer Subsidiary), and Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company and, together with Buyer Subsidiary, sometimes referred to as the Constituent Corporations) is dated as of January 11, 2004.

WHEREAS, the respective Boards of Directors of the Company, Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary have determined that it is advisable and in the best interests of their respective shareholders to consummate, and have approved, the merger of the Company with and into Buyer Subsidiary (the Merger) and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement;

WHEREAS, for federal income tax purposes, it is intended that the Merger shall qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and, with respect to the Merger, each of Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary and the Company will be a party to a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(b) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the Company, Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary desire to make certain representations, warranties and agreements in connection with, and to prescribe various conditions to, the Merger.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the respective representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement, the parties, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

THE MERGER

SECTION 1.1 *The Merger.* Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Effective Time (defined in Section 1.3), the Company shall be merged with and into Buyer Subsidiary in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware. Buyer Subsidiary shall be the surviving corporation in the Merger. Throughout this Agreement, the term Surviving Corporation shall refer to Buyer Subsidiary in its capacity as the surviving corporation in the Merger. The effects and the consequences of the Merger shall be as set forth in Section 1.4.

SECTION 1.2 *Closing.* The closing of the Merger (the Closing) will take place at 10:00 a.m. (Central Time), on the business day following the date on which the last of the closing conditions set forth in Article VIII have been met or waived in accordance with this Agreement (other than those that by their terms cannot be satisfied until the time of the Closing), or on such other date or at such other time as is agreed to in writing by the parties (the date of the Closing is referred to as the Closing Date). The Closing shall take place at the offices of Faegre & Benson LLP, 90 South Seventh Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3901, or at such other location as is agreed to in writing by the parties.

SECTION 1.3 *Effective Time of the Merger.* Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, an appropriate officer of Buyer Subsidiary shall execute and acknowledge a duly prepared certificate of merger, which shall be filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the Certificate of Merger). The Certificate of Merger shall be filed as soon as practicable on the Closing Date following the Closing. The Merger shall become effective upon the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in accordance with Section 251 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the DGCL) or at such time thereafter as is agreed by the parties and provided in the Certificate of Merger (the date and time the Merger becomes effective is referred to as the Effective Time).

SECTION 1.4 *Effects of the Merger.* At the Effective Time:

(a) The Company shall be merged with and into Buyer Subsidiary, the separate corporate existence of the Company shall cease, and Buyer Subsidiary shall be the Surviving Corporation;

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(b) the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of Buyer Subsidiary shall be the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Surviving Corporation until thereafter amended as provided by law or by the Certificate of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Surviving Corporation; and

(c) the Merger shall have all the effects prescribed in Sections 259 and 261 of the DGCL.

SECTION 1.5 *Directors and Officers.* As of the Effective Time, the directors of the Company immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be the directors of the Surviving Corporation, and the officers of Buyer Subsidiary immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be the officers of the Surviving Corporation, in each case until the earlier of the resignation or removal of such person or until his or her successor is duly elected or appointed and qualified, as the case may be.

SECTION 1.6 *Intent to Qualify as Reorganization.* The parties intend that the Merger qualify as a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Code.

ARTICLE II

EFFECT OF THE MERGER ON THE CAPITAL STOCK OF THE
CONSTITUENT CORPORATIONS; EXCHANGE OF CERTIFICATES

SECTION 2.1 *Certain Definitions.*

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following definitions:

(a) Adjustment Shares means (i) if the Base Per Share Value is less than or equal to \$4.00, 0, or (ii) if the Base Per Share Value is greater than \$4.00, an aggregate number of shares (rounded to the nearest whole share) of Buyer Common Stock equal to:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Outstanding Company Common Shares} \times (\text{Base Per Share Value} - \$4.00) \times 0.2}{\text{Buyer's Average Price}}$$

(b) Base Exchange Factor means 0.44;

(c) Base Per Share Value means Buyer's Average Price multiplied by the Base Exchange Factor;

(d) Buyer Common Stock means the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Buyer;

(e) Buyer's Average Price means the average per-share closing price of Buyer Common Stock on the Nasdaq National Market System during the period of ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the Closing Date;

(f) Cash Consideration Per Share means \$13.664 per share of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock;

(g) Common Stock Conversion Factor means the number (rounded to five decimal places) equal to the following ratio:

$$\frac{(\text{Outstanding Company Common Shares} \times \text{Base Exchange Factor}) - \text{Adjustment Shares}}{\text{Outstanding Company Common Shares}}$$

(h) Common Stock Per Share Consideration means a fraction of a share of Buyer Common Stock in an amount equal one share of Buyer Common Stock multiplied by the Common Stock Conversion Factor;

Exhibit A sets forth illustrative examples of the calculation of the Common Stock Per Share Consideration.

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(i) Company Common Stock means common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company, including the associated Company Right;

(j) Company Right means the right to purchase one one-hundredth of a share of Company Series B Preferred Stock of the Company issued pursuant to the Company Rights Agreement;

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(k) **Company Rights Agreement** means the Amended and Restated Rights Agreement, dated as of July 29, 2002, between the Company and Computershare Trust Company, Inc., as Rights Agent;

(l) **Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock** means the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company;

(m) **Company Series B Preferred Stock** means Series B Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company;

(n) **Dissenting Share** means an outstanding share of capital stock of the Company the holder or beneficial owner of which has properly asserted the right, if any, to appraisal of such share in accordance with Section 262 of the DGCL, and has not effectively withdrawn or lost such right as of the Effective Time;

(o) **Excluded Common Shares** means (i) shares of Company Common Stock held of record immediately before the Effective Time by Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary or any direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary of Buyer or shares of Company Common Stock that are owned by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company and in each case not held on behalf of third parties and (ii) shares of Company Common Stock that are Dissenting Shares;

(p) **Excluded Preferred Shares** means (i) Preferred Shares held of record immediately before the Effective Time by Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary or any direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Buyer or shares of Company Common Stock that are owned by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company and in each case not held on behalf of third parties and (ii) shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock that are Dissenting Shares;

(q) **Outstanding Company Common Share** means a share of Company Common Stock other than Excluded Common Shares, issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time;

(r) **Outstanding Preferred Share** means a Preferred Share, other than Excluded Preferred Shares, issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time;

(s) **Preferred Share** means a share of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock;

(t) **Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration** means (i) the Cash Consideration Per Share and (ii) in the event that there are any Adjustment Shares, a fraction of a share of Buyer Common Stock in an amount equal to the following ratio (rounded to five decimal places):

Adjustment Shares

(Outstanding Preferred Shares + Shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock that are Dissenting Shares)

Exhibit A sets forth illustrative examples of the calculation of the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration; and

(u) **Subsidiary** means, with respect to any corporation or other entity, any corporation or other entity in which the first entity owns, directly or indirectly, fifty percent or more of the securities or other ownership interests having by their terms ordinary voting power to elect at least a majority of the board of directors or other persons performing similar functions.

SECTION 2.2 Manner of Converting Shares. As of the Effective Time, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder of any shares of capital stock of the Constituent Corporations, the shares of capital stock of the Constituent Corporations shall be converted or cancelled as follows:

(a) **Buyer Subsidiary's Common Stock.** Each share of common stock of Buyer Subsidiary issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall remain outstanding as one share of common stock of the Surviving Corporation and shall not be converted into any other securities or cash in the Merger. The certificates for such shares shall not be surrendered or in any way modified by reason of the Merger. No stock of Buyer Subsidiary will be issued in the Merger.

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(b) Conversion of Company Common Stock. Subject to the other provisions of this Section 2.2, each Outstanding Company Common Share shall, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on

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the part of the holder thereof, be converted into the right to receive the Common Stock Per Share Consideration.

(c) Conversion of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock. Subject to the other provisions of this Section 2.2, each Outstanding Preferred Share shall, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof, be converted into the right to receive the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration.

(d) Anti-Dilution Provisions. If Buyer changes (or establishes a record date for changing) the number of shares of Buyer Common Stock issued and outstanding prior to the Effective Time as a result of a stock split, stock dividend, stock combination, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to the outstanding Buyer Common Stock and the record date therefor or the effective time thereof shall be prior to the Effective Time, the Base Exchange Factor, the Base Per Share Value and the number of Adjustment Shares, if any, shall be adjusted appropriately so as to provide the holders of the Company Common Stock and the Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock with the same economic consideration as they would have received as contemplated by this Agreement prior to such transaction. If, between the date of this Agreement and the Effective Time, Buyer shall merge or consolidate with or into any other corporation, or enter into any agreement to merge or consolidate with or into any other corporation, and the terms of that transaction provide that Buyer Common Stock shall be converted into or exchanged for the shares of any other corporation or entity, then provision shall be made so that stockholders of the Company who would be entitled to receive shares of Buyer Common Stock pursuant to this Agreement shall be entitled to receive, in lieu of each share of Buyer Common Stock issuable to that stockholder as provided in this Agreement, the same kind and amount of securities or assets as shall be distributable upon that merger or consolidation with respect to one share of Buyer Common Stock. Nothing stated in this Section 2.2(d) shall permit Buyer to take any action that is not permitted under Section 6.3 hereof without the written consent of the Company.

(e) Dissenting Shares. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, each Dissenting Share shall not be converted into or represent a right to receive the Common Stock Per Share Consideration or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration, and the holder thereof shall be entitled only to those rights as are granted by the DGCL. If, after the Effective Time, a holder or beneficial owner of Dissenting Shares withdraws or effectively loses the right to appraisal, such Dissenting Shares shall be deemed to be converted into, as of the Effective Time, the right to receive the Common Stock Per Share Consideration or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration, as applicable, without interest thereon, upon surrender, in accordance with Section 2.3 of the certificates previously constituting Dissenting Shares. The Company shall give Buyer (i) prompt notice upon receipt by the Company of any notice of intent to assert the right to appraisal of any shares of capital stock of the Company and of withdrawals of any of those notices of intent and any other instruments provided pursuant to the DGCL and received by the Company that relate to any such demand for appraisal and (ii) the opportunity to participate, at Buyer's expense, in all negotiations and proceedings with respect to the exercise of appraisal rights under the DGCL. The Company shall not, except with the prior written consent of Buyer, voluntarily make any payment with respect to any exercise of appraisal rights or settle or offer to settle any demands for fair value of Dissenting Shares under Section 262 of the DGCL. Any payments made in respect of Dissenting Shares shall be made by the Surviving Corporation.

SECTION 2.3 *Exchange of Certificates.*

(a) Deposit with Exchange Agent. As soon as practicable after the Effective Time, Buyer and the Surviving Corporation jointly and severally agree to deposit with Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., transfer agent for Buyer Common Stock, or such other paying and exchange agent (which shall be a commercial bank or trust company) as Buyer may appoint (which shall be reasonably acceptable to the Company) (the Exchange Agent) an amount of cash and certificates representing the shares of Buyer Common Stock required to effect the conversion of Outstanding Company Common Shares, Outstanding Preferred Shares and the Dissenting Shares (presuming that they will lose the right to dissent) into Buyer

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Common Stock and cash in accordance with Section 2.2. Buyer and the Surviving Corporation jointly and severally agree promptly to deposit with the Exchange Agent additional amounts of cash, if any, needed from time to time by the Exchange Agent to make payments for fractional shares of Buyer Common Stock (the Fractional Shares) or Dissenting Shares and to effect the conversion of the Outstanding Company Common Shares and Outstanding Preferred Shares, which payments shall be made by the Exchange Agent. The cash and Buyer Common Stock deposited with the Exchange Agent pursuant to this Section 2.3(a) may not be used for any other purpose, except as provided in this Agreement. All cash deposited with the Exchange Agent pursuant to this Section 2.3(a) shall be invested in obligations of or guaranteed by the United States of America, in commercial paper obligations receiving the highest rating from either Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or Standard & Poor's Corporation, or in certificates of deposit, bank repurchase agreements or bankers' acceptances of commercial banks with capital, surplus and undivided profits exceeding \$50 million. Any net profit resulting from, or interest or income produced by, such investments shall be distributed to Buyer by the Exchange Agent upon Buyer's request.

(b) Company Common Stock Exchange and Payment Procedures. Upon surrender of a certificate representing shares of Company Common Stock (a Common Stock Certificate) for cancellation to the Exchange Agent or to another agent or agents as may be appointed by Buyer for that purpose, together with a letter of transmittal, duly executed, the holder of the Common Stock Certificate (other than a Common Stock Certificate representing Dissenting Shares) shall be entitled to receive in exchange therefor (x) a certificate representing that number of shares of Buyer Common Stock (Buyer Shares) into which the shares of Company Common Stock previously represented by the Common Stock Certificate are converted in accordance with Section 2.2(b), and (y) any cash in lieu of Fractional Shares that the holder has the right to receive pursuant to Section 2.3(f) (with respect to any person receiving the same, the consideration referred to in clauses (x) and (y) above are referred to collectively, as the Common Stock Consideration). If the Common Stock Consideration is to be delivered to any person who is not the person in whose name the Common Stock Certificate surrendered in exchange therefor is registered in the transfer records of the Company, the Common Stock Consideration may be delivered to a transferee if the Common Stock Certificate is presented to the Exchange Agent, accompanied by all documents reasonably required to evidence and effect that transfer and by evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Exchange Agent that any applicable stock transfer taxes have been paid. Until surrendered as contemplated by this Section 2.3, each Common Stock Certificate (other than a Common Stock Certificate representing Excluded Common Shares, which shall be canceled) shall be deemed at any time after the Effective Time to represent only the right to receive upon surrender the Common Stock Consideration contemplated by this Section 2.3. No interest will be paid or will accrue on any cash payable to holders of the Common Stock Certificates pursuant to provisions of this Article II.

(c) Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock Exchange and Payment Procedures. Upon surrender of a certificate representing shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock (a Preferred Stock Certificate) for cancellation to the Exchange Agent or to another agent or agents as may be appointed by Buyer for that purpose, together with a letter of transmittal, duly executed, the holder of the Preferred Stock Certificate (other than a Preferred Stock Certificate representing Dissenting Shares) shall be entitled to receive in exchange therefor (x) cash to which that holder is entitled in accordance with Section 2.2(c), (y) a certificate representing that number of Buyer Shares, if any, into which the shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock previously represented by the Preferred Stock Certificate are converted in accordance with Section 2.2(c), and (z) any cash in lieu of Fractional Shares that the holder has the right to receive pursuant to Section 2.3(f) (with respect to any person receiving the same, the cash and the Buyer Shares described in clauses (x), (y) and (z) above being referred to collectively, as the Preferred Stock Consideration). If the Preferred Stock Consideration is to be delivered to any person who is not the person in whose name the Preferred Stock Certificate surrendered in exchange therefor is registered in the transfer records of the Company, the Preferred Stock Consideration may be delivered to a transferee if the Preferred Stock Certificate is presented to the Exchange Agent, accompanied by all documents reasonably required to evidence and effect that transfer and by evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Exchange Agent that any applicable stock transfer taxes have been paid. Until surrendered as contemplated by this Section 2.3, each Preferred Stock Certificate (other than a Preferred Stock

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Certificate representing Excluded Preferred Shares, which shall be canceled) shall be deemed at any time after the Effective Time to represent only the right to receive upon surrender the aggregate Preferred Stock Consideration contemplated by this Section 2.3. No interest will be paid or will accrue on any cash payable to holders of the Preferred Stock Certificates pursuant to provisions of this Article II.

(d) Distributions with Respect to Unexchanged Shares. No dividends or other distributions declared or paid after the Effective Time with respect to Buyer Shares with a record date after the Effective Time shall be paid to the holder of any unsurrendered Common Stock Certificate or Preferred Stock Certificate (each a Company Certificate) with respect to the Buyer Shares represented thereby and no cash payment in lieu of fractional shares shall be paid to any such holder pursuant to Section 2.3(f) until the holder of record of such Company Certificate shall surrender such Company Certificate. Subject to the effect of unclaimed property, escheat and other applicable laws, following surrender of any such Company Certificate, there shall be paid to the record holder of the certificates representing whole Buyer Shares issued in exchange therefor (or the person who would be the record holder of the certificates representing fractional Buyer Shares if fractional Buyer Shares were issued in exchange therefor), without interest, (i) at the time of such surrender, the amount of any cash payable in lieu of Fractional Shares to which such holder is entitled pursuant to Section 2.3(f) and the amount of dividends or other distributions with a record date after the Effective Time theretofore paid with respect to such whole Buyer Shares and (ii) at the appropriate payment date, the amount of dividends or other distributions with a record date after the Effective Time but prior to surrender and a payment date subsequent to surrender payable with respect to such whole Buyer Shares.

(e) No Further Ownership Rights in Company Capital Stock.

(i) After the Effective Time, there shall be no further registration or transfers of shares of Company Common Stock or Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock.

(ii) The payment of the aggregate Common Stock Consideration to be made to holders of Common Stock Certificates upon conversion of shares of Company Common Stock in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been issued and paid in full satisfaction of all rights pertaining to those shares of Company Common Stock.

(iii) The payment of the aggregate Preferred Stock Consideration to be made to holders of Preferred Stock Certificates upon conversion of shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been issued and paid in full satisfaction of all rights pertaining to those shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock.

(iv) If, after the Effective Time, Company Certificates are presented to Buyer for any reason, they shall be canceled and exchanged as provided in this Article II.

(f) No Fractional Shares.

(i) No certificates or scrip representing Fractional Shares of Buyer Common Stock shall be issued upon the surrender for exchange of Company Certificates, and those Fractional Shares will not entitle the owner thereof to vote or to any rights of a shareholder of Buyer.

(ii) To the extent a holder of Company Common Stock or Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock would otherwise have been entitled to receive a Fractional Share of Buyer Common Stock, that holder shall be entitled to receive in lieu thereof a payment in cash, without interest, in an amount equal to (x) such fraction multiplied by (y) Buyer's Average Price. The Fractional Shares of Buyer Common Stock shall be aggregated and no holder of Company Common Stock or Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive cash in lieu of Fractional Shares in an amount equal to or greater than the value of one full share of Buyer Common Stock as calculated above.

(g) Termination of Exchange Agent. Any certificates representing Buyer Shares deposited with the Exchange Agent pursuant to Section 2.3(a) and not exchanged within six months after the Effective Time pursuant to this Section 2.3 shall be returned by the Exchange Agent to Buyer, which shall thereafter act as Exchange Agent. All funds held by the Exchange Agent for payment to the holders of unsurrendered Company Certificates and Dissenting Shares and unclaimed at the end of six months from the Effective

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Time shall be returned to Buyer, after which time any holder of unsurrendered Company Certificates shall look, as a general creditor only, to Buyer for payment of those funds to which the holder may be due, subject to applicable law.

(h) Withholding Rights. Buyer shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from the consideration otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement to any holder of Company Common Stock or Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock (or to any person pursuant to Section 2.3(j)) those amounts as it is required to deduct and withhold with respect to the making of that payment under the Code, or any provision of state, local or foreign tax law. To the extent that amounts are so withheld by Buyer, the withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to the holder of the shares of Company Common Stock or Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock (or to any person pursuant to Section 2.3(j)) in respect of which the deduction and withholding was made by Buyer.

(i) Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Certificates. If any Company Certificate shall have been lost, stolen or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming such Company Certificate to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, the amount to which such person would have been entitled under Section 2.3 but for failure to deliver such certificate or certificates to the Exchange Agent shall nevertheless be paid to such person; provided, however, that the Surviving Corporation may, in its sole discretion and as a condition precedent to such payment, require such person to give the Surviving Corporation a written indemnity agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Surviving Corporation and, if reasonably deemed advisable by the Surviving Corporation, a bond in such sum as it may reasonably direct as indemnity against any claim that may be had against the Surviving Corporation or Buyer with respect to the certificate or certificates alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed.

(j) Stock Option Plans of the Company. Each unexpired and unexercised option to purchase Company Common Stock (a Company Stock Option) granted under the Company's stock option plans (each a Company Option Plan) outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (whether vested or unvested) shall be converted at the Effective Time into an option to acquire, on the same terms and conditions as were applicable under such Company Stock Option, the number of shares of Buyer Common Stock equal to (I) the number of shares of Company Common Stock subject to the Company Stock Option, multiplied by (II) the Common Stock Conversion Factor (such product to be rounded up (or down as provided below with respect to incentive stock options) to the nearest whole number) (all such new options of an option holder, a Replacement Option), at an exercise price per share (rounded up or down to the nearest whole cent) equal to (x) the exercise price per share for the shares of Company Common Stock that were purchasable pursuant to such Company Stock Option divided by (y) the Common Stock Conversion Factor.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Company Stock Option that is intended to be an incentive stock option (as defined in Section 422 of the Code) will be adjusted in accordance with the requirements of Section 424 of the Code. At the Effective Time, Buyer will assume the Company Option Plans; provided, that such assumption will be only in respect of the Replacement Options resulting from the conversion of Company Stock Options issued under such plans and that Buyer will have no obligation with respect to any awards under the Company Option Plans other than the Replacement Options and will have no obligation to make any additional grants or awards under such assumed Company Option Plans. The Company will not, and will cause any plan committee or administrator not to, take any action prior to the Effective Time that will extend the exercise period of any Company Stock Option or cause the vesting period of any Company Stock Option to accelerate under any circumstances, regardless of whether such circumstances are to occur before or after the Effective Time, or otherwise amend the terms of outstanding Company Stock Options without the prior written consent of Buyer.

As soon as practicable following the date of this Agreement, the Company's Board of Directors (or, if appropriate, a committee administering the Company Option Plans) will (A) use its reasonable best efforts, by adopting such resolutions or taking such other actions (if any) as may be required, to provide that each Company Stock Option granted under the Company Option Plans outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (whether vested or unvested) will be converted as set forth in this Section 2.3(j) and (B) make such other changes to the Company Option Plans as the Company and the Buyer may

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agree are appropriate to give effect to the Merger. As soon as reasonably practicable following the Effective Time, Buyer will issue to each person who receives a Replacement Option pursuant to this Section 2.3(j) a document evidencing such option.

Buyer will take all corporate action necessary to reserve for issuance a sufficient number of shares of Buyer Common Stock for delivery upon the exercise of Replacement Options and will maintain such reservation for so long as any of the Replacement Options remain outstanding. As soon as reasonably practicable and not later than five business days (subject to extension for circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Buyer) following the Effective Time, Buyer will cause the shares of Buyer Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Replacement Options to be registered or to be issued pursuant to an effective registration statement on Form S-8 (or successor form) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), and will use reasonable efforts to maintain the effectiveness of such registration statement or registration statements for so long as such Replacement Options remain outstanding and shares of Buyer Common Stock are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Buyer will take such actions as are reasonably necessary to enable any shares issued upon the exercise of Replacement Options issued to the non-employee directors of the Company to be issued pursuant to such registration statement.

(k) ESPP of the Company. Immediately prior to the Effective Time, each outstanding purchase right under the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP") will automatically be exercised as set forth in Section VII(G) of the ESPP. The Company will provide such notice and take such other actions (if any) as may be required to provide that each outstanding purchase right under the ESPP is exercised in accordance with Section VII(G) of the ESPP. The ESPP will terminate in its entirety at the Effective Time and no employees of the Company will have any further purchase rights under the ESPP.

(l) No Liability. No party to this Agreement shall be liable to any holder of shares of Company Common Stock for payment of the Common Stock Per Share Consideration or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration (or dividends or distributions relating thereto) delivered to a public official pursuant to the requirements of any applicable abandoned property, escheat or similar law.

(m) Shares Held by Company Affiliates. Anything to the contrary in this Agreement notwithstanding, no shares of Buyer Common Stock shall be issued in exchange for any Company Certificate to any person who is expected to be an affiliate of the Company at the Effective Time (identified pursuant to Section 7.12) until such person shall have delivered to Buyer a duly executed letter agreement as contemplated by Section 7.12; provided, that, for the sake of clarity, no Voting Preferred Holder (defined in Section 3.22) shall be deemed to be an affiliate of the Company. Such person shall be subject to the restrictions described in such letter agreement, and the certificates for such shares shall bear a legend describing such restrictions. Buyer will provide written instructions to each such person prior to the Effective Time, specifying the procedures, to be in effect immediately after the Effective Time, with which such persons must comply to have such restrictive legends removed from such certificates.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COMPANY

Except as otherwise set forth in the disclosure schedule delivered by the Company to Buyer concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "Company Disclosure Schedule") or as otherwise described in the Company SEC Reports (defined in Section 3.5(a) below) filed on or prior to the date of this Agreement, the Company represents and warrants to Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary as follows:

SECTION 3.1 *Organization, Standing, Qualification.* Each of the Company's Subsidiaries is listed in the Company Disclosure Schedule under the heading "Subsidiaries." Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries is a corporation duly incorporated, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation (as identified in the Company Disclosure Schedule) and has the requisite corporate power and corporate authority to own, lease, and operate its properties and assets and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted. Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified or

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licensed as a foreign corporation to do business, and is in good standing, in each jurisdiction where the character of the properties owned, operated, or leased by it, or the nature of its business, makes such qualification or licensing necessary, except such jurisdictions where failure to be so qualified, licensed, or in good standing would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect (defined below). Material Adverse Effect means, with respect to the Company, Buyer or the Surviving Corporation, as applicable, any circumstance, change in, or effect on that party and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole that is or is reasonably likely in the future to be, materially adverse to the business, assets, results of operations, prospects or financial condition of that party and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or on that party's ability to consummate the Merger, other than any such effect resulting from (a) any change, event, occurrence, or condition generally applicable to the industry in which the party and its Subsidiaries operate, or (b) general economic or market conditions (which in the case of (a) or (b), does not have a materially disproportionate effect, relative to other industry participants), (c) the public announcement of this Agreement (including any litigation brought or threatened by stockholders of a party in respect of the announcement of this Agreement or the consummation of the Merger), or (d) any disruption of customer, business partner, supplier or employee relationships that result from the announcement of this Agreement or the consummation of the Merger. Any decrease from the date hereof in the market price of shares of Buyer Common Stock shall not be relevant to a determination of whether a Material Adverse Effect on Buyer has occurred (it being understood that the foregoing shall not prevent the Company from asserting that any underlying cause of such reduction independently constitutes such a Material Adverse Effect on Buyer). Any decrease from the date hereof in the market price of shares of Company Common Stock shall not be relevant to a determination of whether a Material Adverse Effect on the Company has occurred (it being understood that the foregoing shall not prevent Buyer from asserting that any underlying cause of such reduction independently constitutes such a Material Adverse Effect on the Company). A Material Adverse Effect on the Company, the Buyer or the Surviving Corporation is referred to as a Company Material Adverse Effect, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect or a Surviving Corporation Material Adverse Effect, as applicable. The copies of the charter and bylaws (or similar organizational documents) of the Company and each of its Subsidiaries provided to Buyer are complete and correct as of the date of this Agreement. All of the directors and officers of each subsidiary of the Company are listed accurately in the Company Disclosure Schedule.

SECTION 3.2 *Capitalization.* The authorized capital stock of the Company consists of (i) 25,000,000 shares of Company Common Stock, of which, as of the date of this Agreement, 9,335,061 shares are issued and outstanding, and (ii) 2,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which (a) 731,851 shares have been designated as Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock, of which, as of the date of this Agreement, 731,851 shares are issued and outstanding, and (b) 200,000 shares have been designated as Company Series B Preferred Stock, none of which, as of the date of this Agreement, is issued and outstanding. All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company and of each of its Subsidiaries have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable, were issued in compliance with applicable federal and state securities laws and were not granted in violation of any statutory or other preemptive rights. There are no outstanding subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, rights or other agreements, arrangements or commitments under which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is or may become obligated to issue, sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, or purchase, redeem, or otherwise acquire, any shares of capital stock of, or other equity or voting interests in, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, and there are no outstanding securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock or other equity or voting interests, except for (a) options to purchase up to 2,897,922 shares of Company Common Stock (as of the date of this Agreement) at the exercise prices set forth in the Company Disclosure Schedule, (b) the Company Rights Agreement, under which each outstanding share of Company Common Stock has attached to it the Company Rights, including rights under certain circumstances to purchase one one-hundredth of a share of Company Series B Preferred Stock at \$30 per right, subject to adjustment, (c) 345,025 shares of Company Common Stock issuable pursuant to the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, and (d) 731,851 shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock. There are no voting trusts, proxies or other agreements or understandings to which the Company is a party with respect to the voting of capital stock of the

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Company. The Company owns, directly or indirectly, all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of every class of each of its Subsidiaries, free and clear of all liens, security interests, pledges, charges, and other encumbrances. The Company Disclosure Schedule contains a complete and correct list of each corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, or other business association or entity in which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has any direct or indirect equity ownership interest and the nature and amount of such interest (other than the Subsidiaries listed in the Company Disclosure Schedule).

SECTION 3.3 *Authorization and Execution.* The Company has the corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and, subject to the approval of Company Stockholder Proposals (defined in Section 7.1) in accordance with Section 7.1, to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. The execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement by the Company have been duly authorized by the Board of Directors of the Company, and no further corporate action of the Company, other than the approval of Company Stockholder Proposals in accordance with Section 7.1 and the filing of the Articles of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, is necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Company and, assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary set forth in Article IV, constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, and subject, as to enforceability, to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in a court of law or equity) (collectively, the Enforcement Exceptions).

SECTION 3.4 *No Conflicts.* Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company nor the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated hereby, will (a) conflict with or result in a breach of the charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents, as currently in effect, of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (b) except for (i) compliance with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, including the filing with, and to the extent applicable, the declaration of effectiveness by, the SEC of the Joint Proxy Statement and the Registration Statement (each defined in Section 7.1(b)) and such reports and other filings under the Securities Act or Exchange Act as may be required in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, (iii) any filings required by the pre-merger notification requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 and the rules and regulations thereunder (the HSR Act) and comparable filings, if any, in foreign jurisdictions and (iv) the filings required under the rules and regulations of Nasdaq Stock Market System, require any filing with, or consent or approval of, any governmental, administrative or regulatory body or authority having jurisdiction over any of the business or assets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (c) violate any statute, law, ordinance, permit, license, rule, or regulation applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any injunction, judgment, order, writ, decision or decree applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective properties or assets, (d) result in a breach of, or constitute a default or an event that, with or without the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default, give rise to a right of termination, cancellation, or acceleration, create any entitlement of any third party to any material payment or benefit, require notice to, approval of, or the consent of, any third party under, and for the survival of, any Company Material Contract (defined in Section 3.10), or (e) result in the creation of any lien or encumbrance on the assets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in the case of clauses (b), (c), (d) and (e), where such violation, breach, default, termination, cancellation, acceleration, payment, benefit, or lien, or the failure to make such filing, give such notice, or obtain such consent or approval, would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably likely to have a Company Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.5 *SEC Reports; Financial Statements; No Undisclosed Liabilities.*

(a) The Company has made available to Buyer, in the form filed with the SEC, all reports, registration statements, and other filings (including amendments to previously filed documents) filed by the Company with the SEC since January 1, 2003 (all such reports, registration statements, and other

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filings are collectively called the Company SEC Reports and each is individually called a Company SEC Report). No Company SEC Report, as of its filing date, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and each Company SEC Report at the time of its filing complied as to form in all material respects with all applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder. The representation in the immediately preceding sentence does not apply to any misstatement or omission in any Company SEC Report filed before the date of this Agreement that has been superseded by a subsequent Company SEC Report filed before the date of this Agreement. Since January 1, 2003, the Company has filed all reports and other filings that it was required to file with the SEC under the Exchange Act, Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC.

(b) The consolidated financial statements contained in the Company SEC Reports were prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto) and fairly present, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company and its Subsidiaries at the respective dates thereof and the consolidated results of operations and the consolidated cash flows of the Company and its Subsidiaries for the periods indicated and are consistent with the books and records of the Company and its Subsidiaries, subject, in the case of interim financial statements, to normal year-end adjustments, and except that the interim financial statements do not contain all of the footnote disclosures required by GAAP to the extent permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC.

(c) Except as and to the extent reflected or reserved against on the most recent balance sheet contained in the Company SEC Reports filed on or before the date of this Agreement (the Company Balance Sheet), neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries had, as of the date of such Company Balance Sheet, any material obligations or liabilities of any nature that as of such date would have been required to be included on a consolidated balance sheet of the Company prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect on such date (without regard to any events, incidents, assertions, or state of knowledge occurring after such date). Since the date of the Company Balance Sheet, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has incurred any obligations or liabilities of any nature that are currently outstanding that would be required to be reflected on, or reserved against in, a consolidated balance sheet of the Company prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect on the date of this Agreement (without regard to any events, incidents, assertions, or state of knowledge occurring subsequent to such date), other than those arising in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice (including trade indebtedness) since the date of the Company Balance Sheet and those that would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably likely to have a Company Material Adverse Effect.

(d) Since January 1, 2003, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries nor, to the Company s knowledge, any director, officer, employee, auditor, accountant or representative of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has received or otherwise had or obtained knowledge of any complaint, allegation, assertion or claim, whether written or oral, regarding the accounting or auditing practices, procedures, methodologies or methods of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective internal controls, including any complaint, allegation, assertion or claim that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has engaged in questionable accounting or auditing practices. No attorney representing the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, whether or not employed by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, has reported evidence of a material violation of securities laws, breach of fiduciary duty or similar violation by the Company or any of its officers, directors, employees or agents to the Company s Board of Directors or any committee thereof or to any director or officer of the Company.

(e) Each required form, report and document containing financial statements that has been filed with or submitted to the SEC since July 31, 2002, was accompanied by the certifications required to be filed or submitted by the Company s chief executive officer and chief financial officer pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the Sarbanes-Oxley Act), and at the time of filing or submission of each such certification was true and accurate and complied with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

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(f) To the knowledge of the Company, no employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has provided or is providing information to any law enforcement agency regarding the commission or possible commission of any crime or possible violation of any applicable law by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or by any of its directors, officers or employees with respect to the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

SECTION 3.6 *Registration Statement; Joint Proxy Statement.* The Joint Proxy Statement will comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act applicable to the Company. None of the information supplied by the Company for inclusion or incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement or the Joint Proxy Statement will (in the case of the Registration Statement, at the time it is filed with the SEC and, after giving effect to all supplements and amendments thereto (if any), at the time it becomes effective under the Securities Act; and, in the case of the Joint Proxy Statement, at the date mailed to stockholders of the Company and Buyer and, after giving effect to all supplements and amendments thereto (if any), at the time of the meetings of such stockholders to be held in connection with the Merger) contain any untrue statement of a material fact, or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company makes no representation, warranty or covenant with respect to any information supplied or required to be supplied by Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary that is contained in or omitted from any of the foregoing documents or that is incorporated by reference therein.

SECTION 3.7 *Absence of Certain Changes or Events.* From the date of the Company Balance Sheet to and including the date of this Agreement, the Company and its Subsidiaries have conducted their respective businesses and operations in the ordinary course consistent with past practice and neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has:

- (a) split, combined, or reclassified any shares of its capital stock or made any other changes in its equity capital structure;
- (b) purchased, redeemed, or otherwise acquired, directly or indirectly, any shares of its capital stock or any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock;
- (c) declared, set aside, or paid any dividend or made any other distribution in respect of shares of its capital stock, except for dividends or distributions by any of the Company's Subsidiaries to the Company or another of the Company's Subsidiaries;
- (d) issued any shares of its capital stock or granted any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock, except for issuances of shares of Company Common Stock upon the exercise of options granted on or before the date of the Company Balance Sheet;
- (e) purchased any business, purchased any stock of any corporation other than the Company, or merged or consolidated with any person;
- (f) sold, leased, licensed or encumbered or otherwise disposed of any assets or properties, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, which sales, leases, licenses, encumbrances or other dispositions of assets other than inventory, in any event, were not material to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (g) incurred, assumed, or guaranteed any indebtedness for money borrowed, other than intercompany indebtedness;
- (h) changed or modified in any material respect any existing accounting method, principle or practice, other than as required by GAAP;
- (i) except for normal increases in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice that, in the aggregate, do not result in a material increase in benefits or compensation expense to the Company, increased in any manner the compensation or benefits of any employee (who is not a

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director or officer), former employee, or independent contractor providing personal services of the Company or its Subsidiaries (Company Employee);

(j) increased the compensation or benefits of any officer or director of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, other than consistent with past practice;

(k) entered into or amended any contract, agreement, employment, severance or special pay arrangement with any Company Employee, except in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

(l) except for this Agreement, entered into any commitment to do any of the foregoing; or

(m) suffered any business interruption, damage to or destruction of its properties, or other incident, occurrence, or event that has had or would be reasonably likely to have (after giving effect to any insurance coverage reasonably likely to be received), individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.8 Tax Matters.

(a) The Company and its Subsidiaries have timely filed (or received appropriate extensions of time to file) all material federal, state, local, and foreign Tax Returns required to be filed by them with respect to income, gross receipts, withholding, social security, unemployment, payroll, franchise, personal property, unclaimed property, real property, excise, sales, use, license, employment, severance, stamp, occupation, premium, windfall profits, environmental (including taxes under Section 59A of the Code), customs duties, capital stock, profits, disability, transfer, registration, value added, alternative, or add-on minimum, estimated, or other tax of any kind whatsoever, including any interest, penalty, or addition thereto, whether disputed or not, and including any liability for the taxes of any person under Treas. Reg. Section 1.1502-6 (or any similar provision of state, local, or foreign law), as a transferee or successor, by contract or otherwise (collectively, Taxes). Tax Return means any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, or information return or statement relating to Taxes, including any schedule or attachment thereto, and including any amendment thereof. All such Tax Returns were correct and complete in all material respects. The Company and its Subsidiaries have paid or accrued in accordance with GAAP all Taxes owed by any of them for all fiscal periods to and including the date of this Agreement.

(b) There is no material dispute or claim concerning the Tax liability of any of the Company or its Subsidiaries claimed or raised by any authority in writing and no Tax Returns of the Company or its Subsidiaries are the subject of pending audits. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has extended the period for assessment or payment of any Tax, which extension has not since expired.

(c) The Company and its Subsidiaries have withheld and paid over to the appropriate governmental authorities all Taxes required by law to have been withheld and paid in connection with amounts paid or owing to any employee and in connection with any transaction subject to any sales or use Tax, except for any such Taxes that are immaterial in amount.

(d) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a member of an affiliated group (as such term is defined in Section 1504 of the Code) filing a consolidated federal income tax return for any tax year, other than a group the common parent of which was the Company.

(e) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has filed a consent under Code Section 341(f) concerning collapsible corporations.

(f) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a United States real property holding corporation within the meaning of Section 897(c)(2) of the Code during the applicable period specified in Section 897(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Code.

(g) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to or bound by any Tax-indemnity, Tax-allocation or Tax-sharing agreement other than between or among the Company and its Subsidiaries.

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(h) The Company has delivered or made available to the Buyer true and complete copies of all requested federal, state, local, and foreign income tax returns with respect to the Company and each of its Subsidiaries.

(i) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has made any payments, is obligated to make any payments, or is a party to any agreement, including this Agreement, that individually or collectively could obligate it to make any payment that is not deductible under Section 280G of the Code.

(j) No written claims that, in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Company Material Adverse Effect have been made by an authority in a jurisdiction where any of the Company or its Subsidiaries does not file Tax Returns that it is or may be subject to taxation by that jurisdiction.

(k) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has distributed the stock of a controlled corporation (within the meaning of that term as used in Section 355(a) of the Code) in a transaction subject to Section 355 of the Code within the past two years.

(l) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries will be required to include any material item of income in, or exclude any item of deduction from, taxable income for any taxable period (or portion thereof) ending after the Closing Date as a result of any (A) change in method of accounting for a taxable period ending on or prior to the Closing Date under Code Section 481(c) (or any corresponding or similar provision of state, local or foreign income Tax law); (B) closing agreement as described in Section 7121 of the Code (or any corresponding or similar provision of state, local or foreign income Tax law) executed on or prior to the Closing Date; (C) installment sale or open transaction disposition made on or prior to the Closing Date; or (D) prepaid amount received on or prior to the Closing Date.

(m) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has any excess loss accounts or deferred gains with respect to any deferred intercompany transactions within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Sections 1.1502-19 and 1.1502-13, respectively.

(n) Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to a Tax lien on any of its property or assets, except for current liens for Taxes nor yet due.

(o) The reserve for Taxes set forth on the financial statements of the Company contained in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K is adequate for the payment of all material Taxes through the date thereof, and no material Taxes have been incurred since January 1, 2003 that were not incurred in the ordinary course of business.

SECTION 3.9 *Owned Property.* Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries owns any real property. The Company and its Subsidiaries have sufficient title to, or the right to use, all tangible properties and assets necessary to conduct their respective businesses as currently conducted, with such exceptions as, individually or in the aggregate, would not interfere with the current use of such properties or assets in such a manner as to be reasonably likely to have a Company Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.10 *Material Contracts.* Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to or bound by any (whether written or oral):

(a) employment, severance or non-competition agreements;

(b) operating lease, whether as lessor or lessee, with respect to any real property;

(c) contract, whether as licensor or licensee, for the license of any patent, know-how, trademark, trade name, service mark, copyright, or other intangible asset (other than (i) non-negotiated licenses of commercially available computer software, and (ii) commercial software licenses related to the Company Software (as defined in Section 3.11(a)) entered into the ordinary course of business);

(d) loan or guaranty agreement, indenture, or other instrument, contract, or agreement under which any money has been borrowed or loaned, which has not yet been repaid, or any note, bond, or other evidence of indebtedness has been issued and remains outstanding;

(e) mortgage, security agreement, conditional sales contract, capital lease, or similar agreement that effectively creates a lien on any assets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (other than any

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conditional sales contract, capital lease, or similar agreement that creates a lien only on tangible personal property);

(f) contract restricting the Company or any of its Subsidiaries in any material respect from engaging in business or from competing with any other parties;

(g) plan of reorganization;

(h) partnership or joint venture agreement;

(i) collective bargaining agreement or agreement with any labor union or association representing the Company Employees;

(j) contracts and other agreements for the sale of any of its material assets or properties or for the grant to any person of any preferential rights to purchase any of its material assets or properties other than in the ordinary course of business, except for contracts or agreements pursuant to which the sale or purchase has been completed and there are no material obligations of the Company remaining;

(k) material warehousing, distributorship, representative, marketing, sales agency or advertising agreements; or

(l) material contract (as defined in Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K of the SEC).

All of the foregoing are collectively called Company Material Contracts. To the extent Company Material Contracts are evidenced by documents, true and complete copies have been delivered or made available to Buyer. To the extent Company Material Contracts are not evidenced by documents, written summaries have been delivered or made available to Buyer. Each Company Material Contract is in full force and effect, unless the failure of any Company Material Contracts to be in full force and effect has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any other party is in breach of or in default under any of the Company Material Contracts, except for breaches or defaults that have not had and would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.11 *Intellectual Property.*

(a) Certain Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following definitions:

(i) Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property means all Intellectual Property that is licensed to Buyer or its Subsidiaries and used in, related to, necessary for, or arising from the operation of the business of the Buyer or its Subsidiaries in any material respect.

(ii) Buyer Owned Intellectual Property means all Intellectual Property that is owned by Buyer or its Subsidiaries and used in, related to, necessary for, or arising from the operation of the business of the Buyer or its Subsidiaries in any material respect.

(iii) Buyer Proprietary Software Products means all versions (whether or not released) of the object code, source code and scripts and any software or firmware, prebuilt solutions, or scripts conceived, created, reduced to practice, developed or under development by or on behalf of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, together with all documentation related thereto.

(iv) Buyer Software means the Buyer Proprietary Software Products together with any transferable rights Buyer or its Subsidiaries may have in any third-party computer software and firmware incorporated therein, or necessary for the development, operation, maintenance or support thereof and all documentation related thereto.

(v) Company Licensed Intellectual Property means all Intellectual Property that is licensed to the Company or its Subsidiaries and used in, related to, necessary for, or arising from the operation of the business of the Company or its Subsidiaries in any material respect.

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(vi) Company Owned Intellectual Property means all Intellectual Property that is owned by the Company or its Subsidiaries and used in, related to, necessary for, or arising from the operation of the business of the Company or its Subsidiaries in any material respect.

(vii) Company Proprietary Software Products means all versions (whether or not released) of the object code, source code and scripts and any software or firmware, prebuilt solutions, or scripts conceived, created, reduced to practice, developed or under development by or on behalf of the Company or its Subsidiaries, together with all documentation related thereto.

(viii) Company Software means Company Proprietary Software Products together with any transferable rights the Company or its Subsidiaries may have in any third-party computer software and firmware incorporated therein, or necessary for the development, operation, maintenance or support thereof and all documentation related thereto.

(ix) Intellectual Property means any of the following:

(A) inventions (whether patentable or unpatentable and whether or not reduced to practice), all improvements thereto, and all patents, patent applications, and patent disclosures, together with all reissuances, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, revisions, extensions, reexaminations, and international and foreign counterparts thereof;

(B) trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, trade names, domain names, uniform resource locators, and corporate names, together with all translations, adaptations, derivations, and combinations thereof, including all goodwill associated therewith, and all applications, registrations, and renewals in connection therewith, moral rights, copyrightable works, all copyrights, and all applications, registrations, and renewals in connection therewith;

(C) mask works and all applications, registrations, and renewals in connection therewith;

(D) trade secrets and confidential business information, product specifications, data, know-how, formulas, compositions, processes, designs, sketches, photographs, graphs, drawings, samples, concepts or ideas, past, current and planned research and development, current and planned research and distribution methodologies and processes, customer lists, current and anticipated customer requirements, price lists, market studies, and business plans, however and whether or not documented;

(E) proprietary computer software and programs (including object code and source code) and other proprietary rights and copies and tangible embodiments thereof (in whatever form or medium);

(F) database technologies, systems, structures, and architectures (and related processes, formulas, compositions, improvements, devices, know-how, inventions, discoveries, concepts, ideas, designs, methods, and information) and any other related information, however and whether or not documented;

(G) all personnel-training techniques and materials;

(H) all notes, analyses, compilations, studies, summaries, and other materials prepared by or for a person containing or based, in whole or in part, on any information included in the foregoing, however documented;

(I) all industrial designs and any registrations and applications therefor;

(J) databases and data collections and all rights therein; and

(K) any similar or equivalent rights to any of the foregoing anywhere in the world.

(x) Buyer's Products means products and services offered by Buyer or its Subsidiaries as listed on Section 3.11(a)(x) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule.

(xi) Company's Products means products and services offered by the Company or its Subsidiaries as listed on Section 3.11(a)(xi) of the Company Disclosure Schedule.

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(b) Section 3.11(b) of the Company Disclosure Schedule contains a true, complete, and current list in all material respects of all of the patents and patent applications, invention disclosures, trademark/service mark applications and registrations, material common law marks, domain names, copyright applications and registrations, owned by or licensed to the Company or its Subsidiaries and included in the Company Owned Intellectual Property and the Company Licensed Intellectual Property. The Company or its Subsidiaries own all right, title, and interest in and to each item of Company Owned Intellectual Property, free and clear of any encumbrance, and the Company's or a Subsidiary's ownership of the items listed or required to be listed in Section 3.11(b) of the Company Disclosure Schedule as being owned by the Company or its Subsidiaries have been properly recorded (including (i) within the time periods set forth in the applicable laws, rules, or regulations that are required or recommended for achieving the maximum available benefit to the assignee and (ii) for all copyrights, in the manner required to give constructive notice under 17 U.S.C. § 205(c)) at the relevant patent, copyright, trademark, or other authority in all applicable jurisdictions.

(c) Section 3.11(c) of the Company Disclosure Schedule lists all proceedings or actions before any court, tribunal (including the United States Patent and Trademark Office or equivalent authority anywhere in the world), arbitrator, mediator, or other dispute-resolving entity related to any Company Owned Intellectual Property or, to the knowledge of the Company, any Company Licensed Intellectual Property. No Company Owned Intellectual Property or Company Product, or, to the knowledge of the Company, any Company Licensed Intellectual Property, is subject to any proceeding (excluding ex parte proceedings before examiners (i.e., not appeals) involving applications and rulemaking and similar administrative proceedings broadly applicable to similar intellectual property) or outstanding decree, order, judgment, agreement, or stipulation restricting in any manner the use, transfer, or licensing thereof by the Company, or that may affect the validity, use, or enforceability of the Company Owned Intellectual Property or Company Licensed Intellectual Property.

(d) Each item of Company Owned Intellectual Property is, and to the knowledge of the Company, each item of Company Licensed Intellectual Property is, valid, enforceable, and subsisting. For each item of Intellectual Property listed or required to be listed in Section 3.11(b) of the Company Disclosure Schedule, all necessary registration, maintenance, and renewal fees due and payable before the Effective Time have been made, and all necessary documents and certificates in connection therewith have been filed with the relevant patent, copyright, trademark, or other authority in the United States or foreign jurisdictions, as the case may be, for the purposes of maintaining such Intellectual Property.

(e) To the extent that any work, invention, data, information, or material has been developed or created by a third party for the Company or its Subsidiaries and incorporated into the Company's Products, Company Owned Intellectual Property or Company Licensed Intellectual Property, the Company or such Subsidiary has a written agreement with the third party with respect thereto, and thereby has obtained ownership of, and is the exclusive owner of, or has a valid license to use, all of the Company's Products, Company Owned Intellectual Property, and Company Licensed Intellectual Property in such work, invention, data, information, or material by such agreement, by operation of law, or by valid assignment.

(f) Except for commercial software licenses related to the Company's Products entered into in the ordinary course of business, none of the Company or its Subsidiaries has sold, assigned, conveyed or otherwise transferred, by oral or written agreement, expressly or impliedly, any rights, title or interest in or to the Company Owned Intellectual Property.

(g) Section 3.11(g) of the Company Disclosure Schedule lists all contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements to which the Company is a party that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement (i) with respect to Intellectual Property licensed or offered to any third party (other than standard commercial software licenses related to the Company's Products entered into the ordinary course of business) or (ii) pursuant to which a third party has licensed or transferred any Intellectual Property to the Company or its Subsidiaries, excluding off-the-shelf software purchased for less than \$250,000 in the aggregate. The contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements listed in Section 3.11(g) of the Company Disclosure Schedule are in full force and effect. The consummation of the transactions

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contemplated by this Agreement will neither violate nor result in the breach, modification, cancellation, termination, or suspension of those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements. The Company and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all of, and have not breached any term of, those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements and, to the knowledge of the Company, all other parties to those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements are in compliance with, and have not breached any term of, those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements. Following the Effective Time, Buyer will be permitted to exercise all of the Company's and its Subsidiaries' rights under the contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements listed in Section 3.11(g) of the Company Disclosure Schedule to the same extent that the Company or its Subsidiaries would have been able had the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not occurred and without the payment of any additional amounts or consideration other than ongoing fees, royalties, or payments that the Company or its Subsidiaries would otherwise be required to pay.

(h) Section 3.11(h) of the Company Disclosure Schedule lists all contracts, licenses, and agreements between the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and any third party as of the date of this Agreement wherein or whereby the Company or any of its Subsidiaries have agreed to, or assumed, any obligation or duty to warrant, indemnify, hold harmless or otherwise assume or incur any obligation or liability with respect to the infringement, misappropriation, or other violation by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or such third party of the Intellectual Property of any other third party (other than standard commercial software licenses entered into in the ordinary course of business).

(i) The operation of the Company's and its Subsidiaries' business as currently conducted does not infringe, misappropriate, or otherwise violate, or cause or induce customers of the Company or its Subsidiaries or users of the Company's Products to infringe, misappropriate, or otherwise violate, the Intellectual Property rights of any third party or constitute unfair competition or unfair trade practices under the laws of any jurisdiction. None of the Company or its Subsidiaries has, in the six years preceding the date hereof, received any communications alleging any interference, opposition, cancellation, reexamination or other contest, proceeding, action, suit, hearing, investigation, charge, complaint, demand, notice, claim, dispute nor is any claim of infringement, misappropriation or other violation by the Company or its Subsidiaries of any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of any other individual or entity pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. None of the Company or its Subsidiaries currently is evaluating any intellectual property of another person or entity (and has not conducted any such evaluations in the past) to determine whether a license thereof is necessary or desirable where the failure to obtain such a license would otherwise be reasonably expected to have a Company Material Adverse Effect. No governmental agency or authority has notified the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that it is disputing the Company's or any of its Subsidiaries' right to obtain or continue registration of any Company Intellectual Property where the Company or such Subsidiary has applied for such registration, except where such dispute has been resolved in favor of issuing or continuing such registration. All payments to governmental agencies required to maintain the effectiveness of any patents or any Company Owned Intellectual Property have been timely paid.

(j) To the knowledge of the Company, (i) no person is infringing, misappropriating, or otherwise violating any Company Owned Intellectual Property or, to the knowledge of the Company, any of the Company's or its Subsidiaries' exclusive rights to any Company Licensed Intellectual Property, and (ii) there are no claims asserted against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or against any customer of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, related to any product or service of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

(k) The Company and its Subsidiaries have taken reasonable steps to protect their rights in the confidential information and trade secrets included in the Company Owned Intellectual Property and the Company Licensed Intellectual Property and any trade secrets or confidential information of third parties provided to the Company or its Subsidiaries. Without limiting the foregoing, the Company and its Subsidiaries have and enforce a policy requiring each employee and contractor with access to any Company Owned Intellectual Property or Company Licensed Intellectual Property to execute a proprietary

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information/ confidentiality/ assignment of inventions agreement in the Company's standard form, which form has been provided to Buyer, and all current and former Employees and contractors of the Company have executed such an agreement without exception or modification. To the knowledge of the Company, no employee or consultant of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has caused any of the Company's or any of its Subsidiaries' trade secrets or confidential information included in the Company Owned Intellectual Property or the Company Licensed Intellectual Property to become part of the public knowledge or literature, nor has the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any of the employees or consultants of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, permitted any such trade secrets or confidential information to be used, divulged or appropriated for the benefit of persons to the material detriment of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(l) The use, maintenance, sale and licensing of the Company's Products do not require any intellectual property rights other than the Company Owned Intellectual Property and the Company Licensed Intellectual Property.

(m) The documentation and the source code with its embedded commentary, descriptions and indicated authorships, the specifications and the other informational materials that describe the operation, functions and technical characteristics applicable to the Company's Products have been accurately compiled in accordance with standards generally practiced by companies whose principal business is creation or development of software and are sufficient to permit persons who are reasonably skilled and proficient in the design, manufacture and sale of software products as now being produced to continue the same in the ordinary course of business and to support and maintain the products and services and enforce their rights to control or prevent use of such Company's Products by others. The Company's Products under development by the Company or any Subsidiary are being developed in accordance with standards generally practiced by companies whose principal business is creation or development of software.

(n) No Company Intellectual Property has been escrowed or stored, or is required to be escrowed or stored, on behalf of or for the benefit of any person or entity. No person or entity other than the Company and its Subsidiaries and its employees and consultants who have a need to know in connection with the performance of their duties to the Company or its Subsidiaries has access or rights to the source code of the Company Software.

SECTION 3.12 *Litigation.* The Company Disclosure Schedule sets forth a list of all material pending litigation, arbitration, or administrative proceedings against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries as of the date of this Agreement. No litigation, arbitration, or administrative proceeding is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries that, if decided adversely to such person, would be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect, or that seeks to enjoin or otherwise challenges the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is specifically identified as a party subject to any material restrictions or limitations under any injunction, writ, judgment, order, or decree of any arbitrator, court, administrative agency, commission, or other governmental authority.

SECTION 3.13 *Permits, Licenses, Authorizations; Compliance with Laws.* Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries has all licenses, franchises, permits, and other governmental authorizations and approvals necessary to conduct its business, and neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is in violation of any such license, franchise, permit, or other governmental authorization or approval, or any statute, law, ordinance, rule, or regulation applicable to it or any of its properties, except where the failure to have any such license, franchise, permit, or other governmental authorization or approval, or the existence of any such violation, has not had and would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect. No investigation or review by any governmental authority with respect to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is pending (other than with respect to Taxes, which are subject to the representations set forth in Section 3.8) or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened, and to the knowledge of the Company, no governmental authority has indicated an intention to conduct any such investigation or review.

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SECTION 3.14 *No Brokers or Finders.* Except for Revolution Partners, LLC (pursuant to an engagement letter, a true and complete copy of which has been delivered to Buyer), the Company has not engaged any investment banker, broker, or finder in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 3.15 *Benefit Plans.*

(a) Each employee pension benefit plan (*Pension Plan*), as defined in Section 3(2) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (*ERISA*), each employee welfare benefit plan (*Welfare Plan*), as defined in Section 3(1) of ERISA, and each deferred compensation, bonus, incentive, stock incentive, option, stock purchase, severance, or other employee benefit plan, agreement, commitment, or arrangement, funded or unfunded, written or oral (*Benefit Plan*), which is currently maintained by the Company or any of its ERISA Affiliates (defined in Section 3.15(o) below) or to which the Company or any of its ERISA Affiliates currently contributes, or is under any current obligation to contribute, or under which the Company or any of its ERISA Affiliates has any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any withdrawal liability within the meaning of Section 4201 of ERISA) (collectively, the *Company Employee Plans* and each, individually, a *Company Employee Plan*), and each management, employment, severance, consulting, non-compete or similar agreement or contract between the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and any Company Employee pursuant to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has or may have any liability, contingent or otherwise (*Company Employee Agreement*), is listed in the Company Disclosure Schedule. True and complete copies have been delivered or made available to Buyer of (i) all material documents embodying or relating to each Company Employee Plan and each Company Employee Agreement, including all amendments thereto, written interpretations thereof and trust or funding agreements or insurance policies with respect thereto; (ii) the two most recent annual actuarial valuations, if any, prepared for each Company Employee Plan; (iii) a statement of alternative form of compliance pursuant to U.S. Department of Labor (*DOL*) Regulation §2520.104-23, if any, filed for each Company Employee Plan which is an employee pension benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) for a select group of management or highly compensated employees; (iv) the most recent determination letter received from the Internal Revenue Service (*IRS*), if any, for each Company Employee Plan and related trust which is intended to satisfy the requirements of Section 401(a) of the Code; (v) if a Company Employee Plan is funded, the most recent annual and periodic accounting of the Company Employee Plan assets; (vi) the most recent summary plan description together with all subsequent summaries of material modifications, if any, required under ERISA with respect to each Company Employee Plan; (vii) the three most recent annual reports (Series 5500 and all schedules thereto), if any, filed as required under ERISA in connection with each Company Employee Plan or related trust; and (viii) a listing of each investment option offered to participants under each Pension Plan that allows for self-directed investments by participants. None of the Company, or any of its Subsidiaries or ERISA Affiliates has any plan or commitment, whether legally binding or not, to establish any new Company Employee Plan, to enter into any Company Employee Agreement or to modify or to terminate any Company Employee Plan or Company Employee Agreement (except to the extent required by law or to conform any such Company Employee Plan or Company Employee Agreement to the requirements of any applicable law, in each case as previously disclosed to Buyer, or as required by this Agreement), nor has any intention to do any of the foregoing been communicated to Company Employees.

(b) The Company and each of its ERISA Affiliates has made on a timely basis all contributions or payments required to be made by it under the terms of the Company Employee Plans, ERISA, the Code, or other applicable laws.

(c) Each Company Employee Plan intended to qualify under Section 401 of the Code is, and since its inception has been, so qualified and a determination letter has been issued by the IRS to the effect that each such Company Employee Plan is so qualified and that each trust forming a part of any such Company Employee Plan is exempt from tax pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Code and, to the knowledge of the Company, no circumstances exist which would be reasonably likely to affect adversely this qualification or exemption, including any failure to timely adopt any amendment required by the IRS as a condition of qualification under Section 401(a) of the Code.

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(d) Each Company Employee Plan (and any related trust or other funding instrument) has been established, maintained, and administered in all material respects in accordance with its terms and in both form and operation is in compliance in all material respects with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code, and other applicable laws, statutes, orders, rules and regulations (other than adoption of any plan amendments for which the deadline has not yet expired), and all reports required to be filed with any governmental agency with respect to each Company Employee Plan have been timely filed, other than filings that are inconsequential.

(e) There is no litigation, arbitration, audit or investigation or administrative proceeding pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened, against the Company or any of its ERISA Affiliates or, to the knowledge of the Company, any plan fiduciary by the IRS, the DOL, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), or any participant or beneficiary with respect to any Company Employee Plan as of the date of this Agreement. No event or transaction has occurred with respect to any Company Employee Plan that would result in the imposition of any material tax under Chapter 43, 46 or 47 of Subtitle D of the Code. Neither the Company nor any of its ERISA Affiliates nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any plan fiduciary of any Pension Plan or Welfare Plan maintained by the Company or its Subsidiaries has engaged in any transaction in violation of Section 406(a) or (b) of ERISA for which no exemption exists under Section 408 of ERISA (including any prohibited transaction class exemption issued by the DOL) or any prohibited transaction (as defined in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Code) for which no exemption exists under Section 4975(c)(2) or 4975(d) of the Code, or is subject to any material excise tax imposed by the Code or ERISA with respect to any Company Employee Plan.

(f) Each Company Employee Plan (other than Company Employee Agreements) can be amended, terminated or otherwise discontinued without liability to the Company, any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates, other than for benefits accrued to date and administrative costs.

(g) No liability under any Company Employee Plan has been funded, nor has any such obligation been satisfied with the purchase of a contract from an insurance company as to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has received notice that such insurance company is insolvent or is in rehabilitation or any similar proceeding.

(h) No liability for non-qualified deferred compensation under any Company Employee Plan or Company Employee Agreement is funded through any of (i) the purchase of corporate owned life insurance (COLI), (ii) a secular trust, (iii) a rabbi trust that is irrevocable or otherwise provides restrictions on the return of assets to the Company, or (iv) any off-shore funding arrangement. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries contributes to any split-dollar life insurance on the life of any Company Employee.

(i) Neither the Company nor any of its ERISA Affiliates currently maintains, nor at any time in the previous six calendar years maintained or had an obligation to contribute to, any defined benefit pension plan subject to Title IV of ERISA, or any multiemployer plan as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA.

(j) None of the Company, or any of its Subsidiaries or ERISA Affiliates (i) maintains or contributes to any Company Employee Plan which provides, or has any liability to provide, life insurance, medical, severance or other employee welfare benefits to any Company Employee (or beneficiary of such employee) upon his retirement or termination of employment, except as may be required by Section 4980B of the Code; or (ii) has ever represented, promised or contracted (whether in oral or written form) to any Company Employee (either individually or to Company Employees as a group) that such Company Employee(s) (or beneficiary of such employee) would be provided with life insurance, medical, severance or other employee welfare benefits upon their retirement or termination of employment, except to the extent required by Section 4980B of the Code.

(k) The execution of, and performance of the transactions contemplated in, this Agreement will not (either alone or upon the occurrence of any additional or subsequent events) (i) constitute an event under any Company Employee Plan, Company Employee Agreement, trust or loan that will or may result in aggregate payments in excess of \$25,000 (whether of severance pay or otherwise), acceleration, forgiveness of indebtedness, vesting, distribution, increase in benefits or obligation to fund benefits with respect to any

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Company Employee, or (ii) result in the triggering or imposition of any restrictions or limitations on the right of the Company or Buyer to amend or terminate any Company Employee Plan and receive the full amount of any excess assets remaining or resulting from such amendment or termination, subject to applicable taxes, or (iii) result in any rabbi trust becoming irrevocable or subject to any restrictions on the return of assets to the Company or the Buyer.

(l) There is no commitment covering any Company Employee that, individually or in the aggregate, would be reasonably likely to give rise to the payment of any amount that would result in a material loss of tax deductions pursuant to Section 162(m) of the Code.

(m) The Company and each of its Subsidiaries (i) is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations (domestic and foreign) respecting employment, employment practices, labor, terms and conditions of employment and wages and hours, in each case, with respect to Company Employees; (ii) is not liable for any arrears of wages or any penalty for failure to comply with any of the foregoing; and (iii) is not liable for any material past due payment to any trust or other fund or to any governmental or administrative authority, with respect to unemployment compensation benefits, social security or other benefits for Company Employees.

(n) No work stoppage or labor strike against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries by Company Employees is pending or threatened. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries (i) is involved in or threatened with any labor dispute, grievance, or litigation relating to labor matters involving any Company Employees, including violation of any federal, state or local labor, safety or employment laws (domestic or foreign), charges of unfair labor practices or discrimination complaints, other than such disputes, grievances or litigation that are inconsequential; (ii) is engaged in any unfair labor practices within the meaning of the National Labor Relations Act or the Railway Labor Act; or (iii) is presently, nor has been in the past six years, a party to, or bound by, any collective bargaining agreement or union contract with respect to Company Employees and no such agreement or contract is currently being negotiated by the Company or any of its affiliates. No Company Employees are currently represented by any labor union for purposes of collective bargaining and, to the knowledge of the Company, no activities the purpose of which is to achieve such representation of all or some of such Company Employees are threatened or ongoing.

(o) For purposes of this Agreement, ERISA Affiliate means, with respect to the Company and its Subsidiaries or Buyer and its Subsidiaries, as applicable, each trade, business or entity which is a member of a controlled group of corporations, under common control or an affiliated service group with the Company and its Subsidiaries or Buyer and its Subsidiaries, as applicable, within the meaning of Sections 414(b), (c) or (m) of the Code, or required to be aggregated with the Company and its Subsidiaries or Buyer and its Subsidiaries, as applicable, under Section 414(o) of the Code, or is under common control with the Company and its Subsidiaries or Buyer and its Subsidiaries, as applicable, within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

SECTION 3.16 *Environmental Matters.*

(a) No Hazardous Substances (defined below) have been released, emitted or disposed of, or otherwise deposited, on or in any of the real property in which the Company or its Subsidiaries has any interest, whether as fee owner, lessee or otherwise (Company Real Property), by the Company or its Subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company and its Subsidiaries, by any other person or entity that have been in quantities, or involved methods of containment or use, that violate any Environmental Laws (defined below), or that created any liability or other obligation of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

For purposes of this Agreement, Environmental Laws mean all federal, state, local and foreign statutes, laws, duties, regulations and ordinances (including common law) which relate to or deal with pollution, compensation for damage or injury caused by pollution or protection of human health or the environment as of the Closing.

For purposes of this Agreement, Hazardous Substance(s) means (i) any flammable substances, explosives, radioactive materials, hazardous wastes, toxic substances, pollutants and contaminants, and all other materials or substances identified in or regulated by any of the Environmental Laws, and

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(ii) asbestos, PCBs, urea formaldehyde, nuclear fuel or material, chemical waste, explosives, known carcinogens, petroleum products and by-products (including any fraction thereof), and radon.

(b) No Company Real Property is being used, or, to the knowledge of Company or its Subsidiaries, has ever been used, in connection with the business of manufacturing, storing, transporting, handling, disposing or treating Hazardous Substances.

(c) Company and its Subsidiaries have not generated or transported any Hazardous Substances at any time that have been transported to or disposed of in any landfill or other facility, which transportation or disposal (under laws applicable as of the date hereof to the landfill or other facility) could create liability to any unit of government or any third party.

(d) There is no Environmental Claim (defined below) pending or, to the knowledge of the Company or its Subsidiaries, threatened against the Company or its Subsidiaries or against any person or entity whose liability for such Environmental Claim the Company or its Subsidiaries have or may have retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law.

For purposes of this Agreement, Environmental Claim means any notice alleging the non-compliance with, or failure to perform any duty under, any Environmental Laws or potential liability (including, potential liability for investigatory costs, cleanup costs, governmental response costs, natural resources damages, property damages, personal injuries, or penalties) arising out of, based on or resulting from (i) the presence, or release into the environment, of any material or form of energy at any location, or (ii) circumstances forming the basis of any violation, or alleged violation, of any Environmental Law.

(e) The Company and its Subsidiaries are in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Environmental Laws. There are no circumstances that may prevent or interfere with compliance in all material respects in the future, including any failure to make a timely application or submission for renewal of a permit or other license. No permits or other governmental authorizations are currently held by the Company or its Subsidiaries pursuant to any Environmental Laws.

SECTION 3.17 *Insurance.* The Company Disclosure Schedule contains a list of all material insurance policies maintained by the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the date of this Agreement, together with a brief description of the coverages afforded thereby. All of such insurance policies are in full force and effect, and neither the Company nor its Subsidiaries have received any notice of cancellation or termination with respect to any material insurance policy of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

SECTION 3.18 *Amendment to Company Rights Agreement.* The Board of Directors of the Company has amended the Company Rights Agreement to provide that (a) neither Buyer nor Buyer Subsidiary will become an Acquiring Person (as defined in the Company Rights Agreement) as a result of the execution of this Agreement or the consummation of the Merger, (b) no Stock Acquisition Date, Distribution Date or Section 11(a)(ii) Event (as such terms are defined in the Company Rights Agreement) will occur as a result of the execution of this Agreement or the Voting Agreements (defined in Section 3.22(b)), or the consummation of the Merger, and (c) all outstanding Company Rights issued and outstanding under the Company Rights Agreement will expire immediately before the Effective Time.

SECTION 3.19 *Opinion of Financial Adviser.* The Company's Board of Directors has received the opinion of Revolution Partners, LLC to the effect that, as of the date of this Agreement, the consideration to be received by the Company's stockholders in the Merger is fair to such stockholders from a financial point of view.

SECTION 3.20 *Related-Party Transactions.* No stockholder, officer, director, or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries nor any member of any such person's immediate family (each, a Company Related Party) is presently, or within the past five years has been, a party to any transaction with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (a) providing for the furnishing of services by, (b) providing for the rental of real or personal property from, or (c) otherwise requiring payments to (other than for services as officers, directors, or employees the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) any such Company Related Party or any entity in which any such Company Related Party has an interest.

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Section 3.21 Bank Accounts. The Company Disclosure Schedule contains a true and complete list of the names of each bank or other financial institution in which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has an account or safe deposit boxes, and the names of all persons authorized to draw thereon or access thereto.

Section 3.22 Voting Agreements. The Company has delivered to Buyer:

(a) an agreement (the Preferred Share Voting Agreement), in substantially the form of Exhibit B, executed by each of Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P. (TWCP), TWP CEO Founders Circle (AI), L.P., TWP CEO Founders Circle (QP), L.P., Thomas Weisel Capital Partners Employee Fund, L.P., TWP 2000 Co-Investment Fund, L.P., Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch), L.P. and Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch II), L.P. (each a Voting Preferred Holder), dated the date of this Agreement, by which each Voting Preferred Holder, among other things, (i) consents to the execution of this Agreement by the Company, and (ii) agrees to vote any shares of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock for which it has voting power in favor of the Company Stockholder Proposals; and

(b) an agreement (each a Company Stockholder Agreement and together with the Preferred Share Voting Agreements, the Voting Agreements) in substantially the form of Exhibit C, executed by each of the persons owning shares of the Company listed on Section 3.22(b) of the Company Disclosure Schedule (the Named Company Stockholders), dated the date of this Agreement, and irrevocable proxies granting to Buyer, pursuant to the terms of the Company Stockholder Agreement, the right to vote all of the shares of Company Common Stock and of the Named Company Stockholders in favor of Company Stockholder Proposals.

Section 3.23 Employee Non-Compete. Mark K. Ruport has entered into an employment and non-compete agreement with Buyer, in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto, which agreement shall become effective, if ever, only at the Effective Time.

Section 3.24 Board Approval. The Board of Directors of the Company (i) has approved the Company Stockholder Proposals, (ii) has determined that this Agreement and the Merger are advisable and in the best interests of such stockholders of the Company and are on terms that are fair to the stockholders and (iii) will recommend that the stockholders of the Company approve the Company Stockholder Proposals. Section 203 of the DGCL will not apply to the Merger or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Section 3.25 Material Misstatements or Omissions. The representations and warranties made by the Company in this Agreement, the statements made in any Schedules, including the Company Disclosure Schedule, or certificates furnished by the Company pursuant to this Agreement, and the statements made by the Company in any documents mailed, delivered or furnished to the stockholders of Buyer or the Company in connection with soliciting their proxy or consent to the Company Stockholder Proposals, do not contain and will not contain, as of their respective dates and as of the Effective Time, any untrue statement of a material fact, nor do they omit nor will they omit, as of their respective dates and as of the Effective Time, to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained herein or therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER AND BUYER SUBSIDIARY

Except as otherwise set forth in the disclosure schedule delivered by Buyer to the Company concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement (the Buyer Disclosure Schedule) or as otherwise described in the Buyer SEC Reports (defined in Section 4.5(a)) filed on or prior to the date of this Agreement, Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary represent and warrant to the Company as follows:

SECTION 4.1 *Organization, Standing, Qualification.* Each of Buyer's Subsidiaries is listed in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule under the heading Subsidiaries. Buyer and each of its Subsidiaries (including Buyer Subsidiary) is a corporation duly incorporated, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws

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of the jurisdiction of its incorporation (as identified in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule) and has the requisite corporate power and corporate authority to own, lease, and operate its properties and assets and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted. Each of Buyer and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified or licensed as a foreign corporation to do business, and is in good standing, in each jurisdiction where the character of the properties owned, operated, or leased by it, or the nature of its business, makes such qualification or licensing necessary, except such jurisdictions where failure to be so qualified, licensed, or in good standing would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect. The copies of the charter and bylaws (or similar organizational documents) of Buyer and each of its Subsidiaries provided to the Company are complete and correct as of the date of this Agreement. Buyer Subsidiary is newly formed and wholly owned by Buyer, has no employees and no material assets or liabilities, and has not engaged in any business except in connection with this Agreement.

SECTION 4.2 Capitalization. The authorized capital stock of Buyer consists of (i) 90,000,000 shares of Buyer Common Stock, of which, as of the date of this Agreement, 22,192,264 shares are issued and outstanding, and (ii) 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 1,000,000 have been designated as Series A Junior Participating Preferred Shares (Buyer Series A Preferred Stock), none of which, as of the date of this Agreement, is issued and outstanding. The authorized capital stock of Buyer Subsidiary consists of 100 shares of common stock, of which, as of the date of this Agreement, 100 shares are issued and outstanding. All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Buyer and of each of its Subsidiaries have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable, were issued in compliance with applicable federal and state securities laws and were not granted in violation of any statutory or other preemptive rights. There are no outstanding subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, rights or other agreements, arrangements or commitments under which Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries is or may become obligated to issue, sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, or purchase, redeem, or otherwise acquire, any shares of capital stock of, or other equity or voting interests in, Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, and there are no outstanding securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock or other equity or voting interests, except for (a) options to purchase up to 5,622,784 shares of Buyer Common Stock (as of the date of this Agreement) at the exercise prices set forth in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule, (b) warrants to purchase up to 225,000 shares of Buyer Common Stock (as of the date of this Agreement) at the exercise prices set forth in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule and (c) the Rights Agreement dated as of May 29, 2002 between Buyer and Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., under which each outstanding share of Buyer Common Stock has attached to it certain rights, including rights under certain circumstances to purchase one one-hundredth of a share of Buyer Series A Preferred Stock at \$75 per right, subject to adjustment. There are no voting trusts, proxies or other agreements or understandings to which Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary is a party with respect to the voting of capital stock of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary. Buyer owns, directly or indirectly, all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of every class of each of its Subsidiaries, free and clear of all liens, security interests, pledges, charges, and other encumbrances. The Buyer Disclosure Schedule contains a complete and correct list of each corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, or other business association or entity in which Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has any direct or indirect equity ownership interest (other than the Subsidiaries listed in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule).

SECTION 4.3 Authorization and Execution. Each of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary has the corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and, subject to approval of the Share Issuance (defined in Section 7.1(a)) by the holders of the Buyer Common Stock at the Buyer Shareholders Meeting (defined in Section 7.1(a)), to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. The execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement by each of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary have been duly authorized by Buyer as sole stockholder of Buyer Subsidiary and by their respective Boards of Directors, and no further corporate action of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary, other than the approval of the Share Issuance and the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, is necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary and, assuming the accuracy of the representations

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and warranties of the Company set forth in Article III, constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of each of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary, enforceable against each of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary in accordance with its terms, except to the extent that enforceability may be limited by the Enforcement Exceptions. The shares of Buyer Common Stock to be issued in connection with the Merger (including upon the exercise of Replacement Options) will, when issued and delivered in accordance with this Agreement and assuming the accuracy of the Company's representations and warranties in this Agreement and the accuracy of the Company's disclosure in the Company SEC Reports and the Joint Proxy Statement, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and issued in compliance with all applicable federal and state securities laws. Buyer has reserved the shares of Buyer Common Stock to be issued upon exercise of Replacement Options.

SECTION 4.4 *No Conflicts.* Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary nor the consummation by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary of the transactions contemplated hereby, will (a) conflict with or result in a breach of the charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents, as currently in effect, of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, (b) except for (i) compliance with the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, including the filing with, and to the extent applicable, the declaration of effectiveness by, the SEC of the Joint Proxy Statement and the Registration Statement and such reports and other filings under the Securities Act or Exchange Act as may be required in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, (iii) any filings required by the pre-merger notification requirements of the HSR Act and comparable filings, if any, in foreign jurisdictions and (iv) the filings required under the rules and regulations of Nasdaq National Market System, require any filing with, or consent or approval of, any governmental, administrative or regulatory body or authority having jurisdiction over any of the business or assets of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, (c) violate any statute, law, ordinance, permit, license, rule, or regulation applicable to Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries or any injunction, judgment, order, writ, decision or decree applicable to Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective properties or assets, (d) result in a breach of, or constitute a default or an event that, with or without the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default, give rise to a right of termination, cancellation, or acceleration, create any entitlement of any third party to any material payment or benefit, require notice to, approval of, or the consent of, any third party under, and for the survival of, any Buyer Material Contract (defined in Section 4.10), or (e) result in the creation of any lien or encumbrance on the assets of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in the case of clauses (b), (c), (d) and (e), where such violation, breach, default, termination, cancellation, acceleration, payment, benefit, or lien, or the failure to make such filing, give such notice, or obtain such consent or approval, would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably likely to have a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 4.5 *SEC Reports; Financial Statements; No Undisclosed Liabilities.*

(a) Buyer has made available to the Company, in the form filed with the SEC, all reports, registration statements, and other filings (including amendments to previously filed documents) filed by Buyer with the SEC since January 1, 2003 (all such reports, registration statements, and other filings are collectively called the "Buyer SEC Reports" and each is individually called a "Buyer SEC Report"). No Buyer SEC Report, as of its filing date, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and each Buyer SEC Report at the time of its filing complied as to form in all material respects with all applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder. The representation in the immediately preceding sentence does not apply to any misstatement or omission in any Buyer SEC Report filed before the date of this Agreement that has been superseded by a subsequent Buyer SEC Report filed before the date of this Agreement. Since January 1, 2003, Buyer has filed all reports and other filings that it was required to file with the SEC under the Exchange Act, Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC.

(b) The consolidated financial statements contained in the Buyer SEC Reports were prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved (except as may be

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indicated in the notes thereto) and fairly present, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Buyer and its Subsidiaries at the respective dates thereof and the consolidated results of operations and consolidated cash flows of Buyer and its Subsidiaries for the periods indicated and are consistent with the books and records of Buyer and its Subsidiaries, subject, in the case of interim financial statements, to normal year-end adjustments, and except that the interim financial statements do not contain all of the footnote disclosures required by GAAP to the extent permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC.

(c) Except as and to the extent reflected or reserved against on the most recent balance sheet contained in the Buyer SEC Reports filed on or before the date of this Agreement (the Buyer Balance Sheet), neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries had, as of the date of such Buyer Balance Sheet, any material obligations or liabilities of any nature that as of such date would have been required to be included on a consolidated balance sheet of Buyer prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect on such date (without regard to any events, incidents, assertions, or state of knowledge occurring after such date). Since the date of the Buyer Balance Sheet, neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has incurred any obligations or liabilities of any nature that are currently outstanding that would be required to be reflected on, or reserved against in, a consolidated balance sheet of Buyer prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect on the date of this Agreement (without regard to any events, incidents, assertions, or state of knowledge occurring subsequent to such date), other than those arising in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice (including trade indebtedness) since the date of the Buyer Balance Sheet and those that would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably likely to have a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

(d) Since January 1, 2003, neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries nor, to Buyer's knowledge, any director, officer, employee, auditor, accountant or representative of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has received or otherwise had or obtained knowledge of any complaint, allegation, assertion or claim, whether written or oral, regarding the accounting or auditing practices, procedures, methodologies or methods of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective internal controls, including any complaint, allegation, assertion or claim that Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has engaged in questionable accounting or auditing practices. No attorney representing Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, whether or not employed by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, has reported evidence of a material violation of securities laws, breach of fiduciary duty or similar violation by Buyer or any of its officers, directors, employees or agents to Buyer's Board of Directors or any committee thereof or to any director or officer of Buyer.

(e) Each required form, report and document containing financial statements that has been filed with or submitted to the SEC since July 31, 2002, was accompanied by the certifications required to be filed or submitted by Buyer's chief executive officer and chief financial officer pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and at the time of filing or submission of each such certification was true and accurate and complied with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(f) To the knowledge of Buyer, no employee of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has provided or is providing information to any law enforcement agency regarding the commission or possible commission of any crime or possible violation of any applicable law by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, or by any of its directors, officers or employees with respect to the business of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries.

SECTION 4.6 Registration Statement; Joint Proxy Statement. The Registration Statement and the Joint Proxy Statement will comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act or of the Exchange Act, as the case may be, applicable to Buyer. None of the information supplied or to be supplied by Buyer for inclusion or incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement or the Joint Proxy Statement will (in the case of the Registration Statement, at the time it is filed with the SEC, after giving effect to all supplements and amendments thereto (if any), and at the time it becomes effective under the Securities Act; and, in the case of the Joint Proxy Statement, at the date mailed to the shareholders of the Company and Buyer, and after giving effect to all supplements and amendments thereto (if any), at the time of the meetings of such shareholders to be held in connection with the Merger) contain any untrue statement of a material fact, or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the

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circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary make no representation, warranty or covenant with respect to any information supplied or required to be supplied by the Company that is contained in or omitted from any of the foregoing documents or that is incorporated by reference therein.

SECTION 4.7 *Absence of Certain Changes or Events.* From the date of the Buyer Balance Sheet to and including the date of this Agreement, Buyer and its Subsidiaries have conducted their respective businesses and operations in the ordinary course consistent with past practice and neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has:

- (a) split, combined, or reclassified any shares of its capital stock or made any other changes in its equity capital structure;
- (b) purchased, redeemed, or otherwise acquired, directly or indirectly, any shares of its capital stock or any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock;
- (c) declared, set aside, or paid any dividend or made any other distribution in respect of shares of its capital stock, except for dividends or distributions by any of Buyer's Subsidiaries to Buyer or another of Buyer's Subsidiaries;
- (d) issued any shares of its capital stock or granted any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock, except for issuances of shares of Buyer Common Stock upon the exercise of options, granted on or before the date of the Buyer Balance Sheet;
- (e) purchased any business, purchased any stock of any corporation other than Buyer, or merged or consolidated with any person;
- (f) sold, leased, licensed or encumbered or otherwise disposed of any assets or properties, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, which sales, leases, licenses, encumbrances or other dispositions of assets other than inventory, in any event, were not material to Buyer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (g) incurred, assumed, or guaranteed any indebtedness for money borrowed other than intercompany indebtedness;
- (h) changed or modified in any material respect any existing accounting method, principle or practice, other than as required by GAAP;
- (i) except for normal increases in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice that, in the aggregate, do not result in a material increase in benefits or compensation expense to Buyer, increased in any manner the compensation or benefits of any employee (who is not a director or officer), former employee, or independent contractor providing personal services of Buyer or its Subsidiaries (Buyer Employee);
- (j) increased the compensation or benefits of any officer or director of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, other than consistent with past practice;
- (k) entered into or amended any contract, agreement, employment, severance or special pay arrangement with any Buyer Employee, except in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (l) except for this Agreement, entered into any commitment to do any of the foregoing; or
- (m) suffered any business interruption, damage to or destruction of its properties, or other incident, occurrence, or event that has had or would be reasonably likely to have (after giving effect to any insurance coverage reasonably likely to be received), individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

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SECTION 4.8 *Tax Matters.*

(a) Buyer and its Subsidiaries have timely filed (or received appropriate extensions of time to file) all material federal, state, local, and foreign Tax Returns required to be filed by them with respect to Taxes. All Tax Returns were correct and complete in all material respects. Buyer and its Subsidiaries have paid or accrued in accordance with GAAP all Taxes owed by any of them for all fiscal periods to and including the date of this Agreement.

(b) There is no material dispute or claim concerning the Tax liability of any of Buyer or its Subsidiaries claimed or raised by any authority in writing and no Tax Returns of Buyer or its Subsidiaries are the subject of pending audits. Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has extended the period for assessment or payment of any Tax, which extension has not since expired.

(c) Buyer and its Subsidiaries have withheld and paid over to the appropriate governmental authorities all Taxes required by law to have been withheld and paid in connection with amounts paid or owing to any employee and in connection with any transaction subject to any sales or use Tax, except for any such Taxes that are immaterial in amount.

(d) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a member of an affiliated group (as such term is defined in Section 1504 of the Code) filing a consolidated federal income tax return for any tax year, other than a group the common parent of which was Buyer.

(e) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has filed a consent under Code Section 341(f) concerning collapsible corporations.

(f) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a United States real property holding corporation within the meaning of Section 897(c)(2) of the Code during the applicable period specified in Section 897(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Code.

(g) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to or bound by any Tax-indemnity, Tax-allocation or Tax-sharing agreement other than between or among Buyer and its Subsidiaries.

(h) Buyer has delivered or made available to the Company true and complete copies of all requested federal, state, local, and foreign income tax returns with respect to Buyer and each of its Subsidiaries.

(i) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has made any payments, is obligated to make any payments, or is a party to any agreement, including this Agreement, that individually or collectively could obligate it to make any payment that is not deductible under Section 280G of the Code.

(j) No written claims that, in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Buyer Material Adverse Effect have been made by an authority in a jurisdiction where any of Buyer or its Subsidiaries does not file Tax Returns that it is or may be subject to taxation by that jurisdiction.

(k) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has distributed the stock of a controlled corporation (within the meaning of that term as used in Section 355(a) of the Code) in a transaction subject to Section 355 of the Code within the past two years.

(l) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries will be required to include any material item of income in, or exclude any item of deduction from, taxable income for any taxable period (or portion thereof) ending after the Closing Date as a result of any (A) change in method of accounting for a taxable period ending on or prior to the Closing Date under Code Section 481(c) (or any corresponding or similar provision of state, local or foreign income Tax law); (B) closing agreement as described in Section 7121 of the Code (or any corresponding or similar provision of state, local or foreign income Tax law) executed on or prior to the Closing Date; (C) installment sale or open transaction disposition made on or prior to the Closing Date; or (D) prepaid amount received on or prior to the Closing Date.

(m) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries has any excess loss accounts or deferred gains with respect to any deferred intercompany transactions within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Sections 1.1502-19 and 1.1502-13, respectively.

(n) Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to a Tax lien on any of its property or assets, except for current liens for Taxes not yet due.

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(o) The reserve for Taxes set forth on the financial statements of Buyer contained in Buyer's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K is adequate for the payment of all material Taxes through the date thereof, and no material Taxes have been incurred since April 1, 2003 that were not incurred in the ordinary course of business.

SECTION 4.9 *Owned Property.* Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries owns any real property. Buyer and its Subsidiaries have sufficient title to, or the right to use, all of their tangible properties and assets necessary to conduct their respective businesses as currently conducted, with such exceptions as, individually or in the aggregate, would not interfere with the current use of such properties or assets in such a manner as to be reasonably likely to have a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 4.10 *Material Contracts.* Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to or bound by any (whether written or oral):

- (a) employment, severance or non-competition agreements;
- (b) operating lease, whether as lessor or lessee, with respect to any real property;
- (c) contract, whether as licensor or licensee, for the license of any patent, know-how, trademark, trade name, service mark, copyright, or other intangible asset (other than (i) non-negotiated licenses of commercially available computer software, and (ii) commercial software licenses related to the Buyer Software (as defined in Section 3.11(a)(iv)) entered into the ordinary course of business);
- (d) loan or guaranty agreement, indenture, or other instrument, contract, or agreement under which any money has been borrowed or loaned, which has not yet been repaid, or any note, bond, or other evidence of indebtedness has been issued and remains outstanding;
- (e) mortgage, security agreement, conditional sales contract, capital lease, or similar agreement that effectively creates a lien on any assets of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries (other than any conditional sales contract, capital lease, or similar agreement that creates a lien only on tangible personal property);
- (f) contract restricting Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in any material respect from engaging in business or from competing with any other parties;
- (g) plan of reorganization;
- (h) partnership or joint venture agreement;
- (i) collective bargaining agreement or agreement with any labor union or association representing the Buyer Employees;
- (j) contracts and other agreements for the sale of any of its material assets or properties or for the grant to any person of any preferential rights to purchase any of its material assets or properties other than in the ordinary course of business except for contracts or agreements pursuant to which the sale or purchase has been completed and there are no material obligations remaining;
- (k) material warehousing, distributorship, representative, marketing, sales agency or advertising agreements; or
- (l) material contract (as defined in Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K of the SEC).

All of the foregoing are collectively called Buyer Material Contracts. To the extent Buyer Material Contracts are evidenced by documents, true and complete copies have been delivered or made available to the Company. To the extent Buyer Material Contracts are not evidenced by documents, written summaries have been delivered or made available to the Company. Each Buyer Material Contract is in full force and effect, unless the failure of any Buyer Material Contracts to be in full force and effect has not had and would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect. Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of Buyer, any other party is in breach of or in default under any of the Buyer Material Contracts, except for breaches or defaults that have not had and would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

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SECTION 4.11 *Intellectual Property.*

(a) Section 4.11(a) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule contains a true, complete, and current list in all material respects of all of the patents and patent applications, invention disclosures, trademark/service mark applications and registrations, material common law marks, domain names, copyright applications and registrations, owned by or licensed to Buyer or its Subsidiaries and included in the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property and the Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property. Buyer or its Subsidiaries own all right, title, and interest in and to each item of Buyer Owned Intellectual Property, free and clear of any encumbrance, and Buyer's or a Subsidiary's ownership of the items listed or required to be listed in Section 4.11(a) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule as being owned by Buyer or its Subsidiaries have been properly recorded (including (i) within the time periods set forth in the applicable laws, rules, or regulations that are required or recommended for achieving the maximum available benefit to the assignee and (ii) for all copyrights, in the manner required to give constructive notice under 17 U.S.C. § 205(c)) at the relevant patent, copyright, trademark, or other authority in all applicable jurisdictions.

(b) Section 4.11(b) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule lists all proceedings or actions before any court, tribunal (including the United States Patent and Trademark Office or equivalent authority anywhere in the world), arbitrator, mediator, or other dispute-resolving entity related to any Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or, to the knowledge of Buyer, any Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property. No Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or Buyer Product, or, to the knowledge of Buyer, any Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property, is subject to any proceeding (excluding ex parte proceedings before examiners (i.e., not appeals) involving applications and rulemaking and similar administrative proceedings broadly applicable to similar intellectual property) or outstanding decree, order, judgment, agreement, or stipulation restricting in any manner the use, transfer, or licensing thereof by Buyer, or that may affect the validity, use, or enforceability of the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property.

(c) Each item of Buyer Owned Intellectual Property is, and to the knowledge of Buyer, each item of Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property is, valid, enforceable, and subsisting. For each item of Intellectual Property listed or required to be listed in Section 4.11(a) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule, all necessary registration, maintenance, and renewal fees due and payable before the Effective Time have been made, and all necessary documents and certificates in connection therewith have been filed with the relevant patent, copyright, trademark, or other authority in the United States or foreign jurisdictions, as the case may be, for the purposes of maintaining such Intellectual Property.

(d) To the extent that any work, invention, data, information, or material has been developed or created by a third party for Buyer or its Subsidiaries and incorporated into the Buyer's Products, Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property, Buyer or such Subsidiary has a written agreement with the third party with respect thereto, and thereby has obtained ownership of, and is the exclusive owner of, or has a valid license to use, all of the Buyer's Products, Buyer Owned Intellectual Property and Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property in such work, invention, data, information, or material by such agreement, by operation of law, or by valid assignment.

(e) Except for commercial software licenses related to Buyer's Products entered into in the ordinary course of business, none of Buyer or its Subsidiaries has sold, assigned, conveyed or otherwise transferred, by oral or written agreement, expressly or impliedly, any rights, title or interest in or to the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property.

(f) Section 4.11(f) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule lists all contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements to which Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries is a party that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement (i) with respect to Intellectual Property licensed or offered to any third party (other than standard commercial software licenses related to the Buyer's Products entered into in the ordinary course of business) or (ii) pursuant to which a third party has licensed or transferred any Intellectual Property to Buyer or its Subsidiaries, excluding off-the-shelf software purchased for less than \$250,000 in the aggregate. The contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements listed in Section 4.11(f) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule are in full force and effect. The consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will neither violate nor result in the breach, modification, cancellation,

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termination, or suspension of those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements. Buyer and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all of, and have not breached any term of, those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements and, to the knowledge of Buyer, all other parties to those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements are in compliance with, and have not breached any term of, those contracts, licenses, covenants not to sue, and agreements.

(g) Section 4.11(g) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule lists all contracts, licenses and agreements between Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries and any third party as of the date of this Agreement wherein or whereby Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has agreed to, or assumed, any obligation or duty to warrant, indemnify, hold harmless or otherwise assume or incur any obligation or liability with respect to the infringement, misappropriation, or other violation by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries or such third party of the Intellectual Property of any other third party (other than standard commercial software licenses related to the Buyer Software entered into in the ordinary course of business).

(h) The operation of Buyer's and its Subsidiaries' business as currently conducted does not infringe, misappropriate, or otherwise violate, or cause or induce customers of Buyer or its Subsidiaries or its Subsidiaries or users of the Buyer's Products to infringe, misappropriate, or otherwise violate, the Intellectual Property rights of any third party or constitute unfair competition or unfair trade practices under the laws of any jurisdiction. None of Buyer or its Subsidiaries have, in the six years preceding the date hereof, received any communications alleging any interference, opposition, cancellation, reexamination or other contest, proceeding, action, suit, hearing, investigation, charge, complaint, demand, notice, claim, dispute nor is any claim of infringement, misappropriation or other violation by Buyer or its Subsidiaries of any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of any other individual or entity pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened against Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries. None of Buyer or its Subsidiaries currently is evaluating any intellectual property of another person or entity (and have not conducted any such evaluations in the past) to determine whether a license thereof is necessary or desirable where the failure to obtain such a license would otherwise be reasonably expected to have a Buyer Material Adverse Effect. No governmental agency or authority has notified Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries that it is disputing Buyer's or any of its Subsidiaries' right to obtain or continue registration of any Buyer Intellectual Property where Buyer or such Subsidiary has applied for such registration, except where such dispute has been resolved in favor of issuing or continuing such registration. All payments to governmental agencies required to maintain the effectiveness of any patents or any Buyer Owned Intellectual Property have been timely paid.

(i) To the knowledge of Buyer, (i) no person is infringing, misappropriating, or otherwise violating any Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or, to the knowledge of Buyer, any of Buyer's or its Subsidiaries' exclusive rights to any Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property, and (ii) there are no claims asserted against Buyer or its Subsidiaries or against any customer of Buyer, related to any product or service of Buyer or its Subsidiaries.

(j) Buyer and its Subsidiaries have taken reasonable steps to protect their rights in the confidential information and trade secrets included in the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or the Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property and any trade secrets or confidential information of third parties provided to Buyer or its Subsidiaries. Without limiting the foregoing, Buyer and its Subsidiaries have and enforce a policy requiring each employee and contractor with access to any Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property to execute a proprietary information/confidentiality/assignment of inventions agreement in Buyer's standard form, which form has been provided to Buyer, and all current and former Employees and contractors of Buyers have executed such an agreement without exception or modification. To the knowledge of Buyer, no employee or consultant of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has caused any of Buyer's or its Subsidiaries trade secrets or confidential information included in the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property or the Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property to become part of the public knowledge or literature, nor has Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, or any of the employees or consultants of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries permitted any such trade secrets or confidential information to be used, divulged or appropriated for the benefit of persons to the material detriment of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries.

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(k) The use, maintenance, sale and licensing of the Buyer's Products do not require any intellectual property rights other than the Buyer Owned Intellectual Property and the Buyer Licensed Intellectual Property.

(l) The documentation and the source code with its embedded commentary, descriptions and indicated authorships, the specifications and the other informational materials that describe the operation, functions and technical characteristics applicable to the Buyer's Products have been accurately compiled in accordance with standards generally practiced by companies whose principal business is creation or development of software and are sufficient to permit persons who are reasonably skilled and proficient in the design, manufacture and sale of software products as now being produced to continue the same in the ordinary course of business and to support and maintain the products and services and enforce their rights to control or prevent use of such Buyer's Products by others. The Buyer's Products under development by Buyer or its Subsidiaries are being developed in accordance with standards generally practiced by companies whose principal business is creation or development of software.

(m) No Buyer Owned Intellectual Property has been escrowed or stored, or is required to be escrowed or stored, on behalf of or for the benefit of any person or entity. No person or entity other than Buyer and its Subsidiaries and its employees and consultants who have a need to know in connection with the performance of their duties to the Buyer or its Subsidiaries has access or rights to the source code of the Buyer's Products.

SECTION 4.12 *Litigation.* The Buyer Disclosure Schedule sets forth a list of all material pending litigation, arbitration, or administrative proceedings against Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries as of the date of this Agreement. No litigation, arbitration, or administrative proceeding is pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened against Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries that, if decided adversely to such person, would be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect, or that seeks to enjoin or otherwise challenges the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries is specifically identified as a party subject to any material restrictions or limitations under any injunction, writ, judgment, order, or decree of any arbitrator, court, administrative agency, commission, or other governmental authority.

SECTION 4.13 *Permits, Licenses, Authorizations; Compliance with Laws.* Each of Buyer and its Subsidiaries has all licenses, franchises, permits, and other governmental authorizations and approvals necessary to conduct its business, and neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries is in violation of any such license, franchise, permit, or other governmental authorization or approval, or any statute, law, ordinance, rule, or regulation applicable to it or any of its properties, except where the failure to have any such license, franchise, permit, or other governmental authorization or approval, or the existence of any such violation, has not had and would not be reasonably likely to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Buyer Material Adverse Effect. No investigation or review by any governmental authority with respect to Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries is pending (other than with respect to Taxes, which are subject to the representations set forth in Section 4.8) or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened, and to the knowledge of Buyer, no governmental authority has indicated an intention to conduct any such investigation or review.

SECTION 4.14 *No Brokers or Finders.* Except for RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. (pursuant to an engagement letter, a true and correct copy of which has been delivered to the Company), Buyer has not engaged any investment banker, broker, or finder in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 4.15 *Benefit Plans.*

(a) Each Pension Plan, Welfare Plan and Benefit Plan, which is currently maintained by Buyer or any of its ERISA Affiliates or to which Buyer or any of its ERISA Affiliates currently contributes, or is under any current obligation to contribute, or under which Buyer or any of its ERISA Affiliates has any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any withdrawal liability within the meaning of Section 4201 of ERISA) (collectively, the Buyer Employee Plans and individually, a Buyer Employee Plan), and each management, employment, severance, consulting, non-compete, confidentiality, or similar agreement or contract between Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries and any Buyer Employee pursuant to which Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has or may have any liability, contingent or otherwise (Buyer Employee

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Agreement), is listed in the Buyer Disclosure Schedule. True and complete copies have been delivered or made available to the Company of (i) all material documents embodying or relating to each Buyer Employee Plan and each Buyer Employee Agreement, including all amendments thereto, written interpretations thereof and trust or funding agreements or insurance policies with respect thereto; (ii) the two most recent annual actuarial valuations, if any, prepared for each Buyer Employee Plan; (iii) a statement of alternative form of compliance pursuant to DOL Regulation §2520.104-23, if any, filed for each Buyer Employee Plan which is an employee pension benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) for a select group of management or highly compensated employees; (iv) the most recent determination letter received from the IRS, if any, for each Buyer Employee Plan and related trust which is intended to satisfy the requirements of Section 401(a) of the Code; (v) if a Buyer Employee Plan is funded, the most recent annual and periodic accounting of Buyer Employee Plan assets; (vi) the most recent summary plan description together with all subsequent summaries of material modifications, if any, required under ERISA with respect to each Buyer Employee Plan; (vii) the three most recent annual reports (Series 5500 and all schedules thereto), if any, filed as required under ERISA, in connection with each Buyer Employee Plan or related trust; and (viii) a listing of each investment option offered to participants under each Pension Plan that allows for self-directed investments by participants. None of Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary or any of Buyer's Subsidiaries or ERISA Affiliates has any plan or commitment, whether legally binding or not, to establish any new Buyer Employee Plan, to enter into any Buyer Employee Agreement or to modify or to terminate any Buyer Employee Plan or Buyer Employee Agreement (except to the extent required by law or to conform any such Buyer Employee Plan or Buyer Employee Agreement to the requirements of any applicable law, in each case as previously disclosed to the Company, or as required by this Agreement), nor has any intention to do any of the foregoing been communicated to Buyer Employees.

(b) Buyer and each of its ERISA Affiliates has made on a timely basis all contributions or payments required to be made by it under the terms of the Buyer Employee Plans, ERISA, the Code, or other applicable laws.

(c) Each Buyer Employee Plan intended to qualify under Section 401 of the Code is, and since its inception has been, so qualified and a determination letter has been issued by the IRS to the effect that each such Buyer Employee Plan is so qualified and that each trust forming a part of any such Buyer Employee Plan is exempt from tax pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Code and, to the knowledge of Buyer, no circumstances exist which would be reasonably likely to affect adversely this qualification or exemption, including any failure to timely adopt any amendment required by the IRS as a condition of qualification under Section 401(a) of the Code.

(d) Each Buyer Employee Plan (and any related trust or other funding instrument) has been established, maintained, and administered in all material respects in accordance with its terms and in both form and operation is in compliance in all material respects with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code, and other applicable laws, statutes, orders, rules and regulations (other than adoption of any plan amendments for which the deadline has not yet expired), and all reports required to be filed with any governmental agency with respect to each Buyer Employee Plan have been timely filed, other than filings that are inconsequential.

(e) There is no litigation, arbitration, audit or investigation or administrative proceeding pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened against Buyer or any of its ERISA Affiliates or, to the knowledge of Buyer, any plan fiduciary by the IRS, the DOL, the PBGC, or any participant or beneficiary with respect to any Buyer Employee Plan as of the date of this Agreement. No event or transaction has occurred with respect to any Buyer Employee Plan that would result in the imposition of any material tax under Chapter 43, 46 or 47 of Subtitle D of the Code. Neither Buyer nor any of its ERISA Affiliates nor, to the knowledge of Buyer, any plan fiduciary of any Pension Plan or Welfare Plan maintained by Buyer or its Subsidiaries has engaged in any transaction in violation of Section 406(a) or (b) of ERISA for which no exemption exists under Section 408 of ERISA (including any prohibited transaction class exemption issued by the DOL) or any prohibited transaction (as defined in Section 4975(c)(1) of the Code) for

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which no exemption exists under Section 4975(c)(2) or 4975(d) of the Code, or is subject to any material excise tax imposed by the Code or ERISA with respect to any Buyer Employee Plan.

(f) Each Buyer Employee Plan (other than Buyer Employee Agreements) can be amended, terminated or otherwise discontinued without liability to Buyer, any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates, other than for benefits accrued to date and administrative costs.

(g) No liability under any Buyer Employee Plan has been funded, nor has any such obligation been satisfied with the purchase of a contract from an insurance company as to which Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries has received notice that such insurance company is insolvent or is in rehabilitation or any similar proceeding.

(h) No liability for non-qualified deferred compensation under any Buyer Employee Plan or Buyer Employee Agreement is funded through any of (i) the purchase of corporate owned life insurance (COLI), (ii) a secular trust, (iii) a rabbi trust that is irrevocable or otherwise provides restrictions on the return of assets to the Buyer, or (iv) any off-shore funding arrangement. Neither the Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries contributes to any split-dollar life insurance on the life of any Buyer Employee.

(i) Neither the Buyer nor any of its ERISA Affiliates currently maintains, nor at any time in the previous six calendar years maintained or had an obligation to contribute to, any defined benefit pension plan subject to Title IV of ERISA, or any multiemployer plan as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA.

(j) None of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries or ERISA Affiliates (i) maintains or contributes to any Buyer Employee Plan which provides, or has any liability to provide, life insurance, medical, severance or other employee welfare benefits to any Buyer Employee (or beneficiary of such employee) upon his retirement or termination of employment, except as may be required by Section 4980B of the Code; or (ii) has ever represented, promised or contracted (whether in oral or written form) to any Buyer Employee (either individually or to Buyer Employees as a group) that such Buyer Employee(s) (or beneficiary of such employee) would be provided with life insurance, medical, severance or other employee welfare benefits upon their retirement or termination of employment, except to the extent required by Section 4980B of the Code.

(k) The execution of, and performance of the transactions contemplated in, this Agreement will not (either alone or upon the occurrence of any additional or subsequent events) (i) constitute an event under any Buyer Employee Plan, Buyer Employee Agreement, trust or loan that will or may result in aggregate payments in excess of \$25,000 (whether of severance pay or otherwise), acceleration, forgiveness of indebtedness, vesting, distribution, increase in benefits or obligation to fund benefits with respect to any Buyer Employee, or (ii) result in the triggering or imposition of any restrictions or limitations on the right of Buyer or the Company to amend or terminate any Buyer Employee Plan and receive the full amount of any excess assets remaining or resulting from such amendment or termination, subject to applicable taxes, or (iii) results in any rabbi trust becoming irrevocable or subject to any restrictions on the return of assets to the Buyer.

(l) There is no commitment covering any Buyer Employee that, individually or in the aggregate, would be reasonably likely to give rise to the payment of any amount that would result in a material loss of tax deductions pursuant to Section 162(m) of the Code.

(m) Buyer and each of its Subsidiaries (i) is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations (domestic and foreign) respecting employment, employment practices, labor, terms and conditions of employment and wages and hours, in each case, with respect to Buyer Employees; (ii) is not liable for any arrears of wages or any penalty for failure to comply with any of the foregoing; and (iii) is not liable for any material past due payment to any trust or other fund or to any governmental or administrative authority, with respect to unemployment compensation benefits, social security or other benefits for Buyer Employees.

(n) No work stoppage or labor strike against Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries by Buyer Employees is pending or threatened. Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries (i) is involved in or threatened with any labor dispute, grievance, or litigation relating to labor matters involving any Buyer Employees, including violation of any federal, state or local labor, safety or employment laws (domestic or foreign), charges of

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unfair labor practices or discrimination complaints, other than such disputes, grievances or litigation that are inconsequential; (ii) has engaged in any unfair labor practices within the meaning of the National Labor Relations Act or the Railway Labor Act; or (iii) is presently, nor has been in the past six years a party to, or bound by, any collective bargaining agreement or union contract with respect to Buyer Employees and no such agreement or contract is currently being negotiated by Buyer or any of its affiliates. No Buyer Employees are currently represented by any labor union for purposes of collective bargaining and, to the knowledge of Buyer, no activities the purpose of which is to achieve such representation of all or some of such Buyer Employees are threatened or ongoing.

SECTION 4.16 *Environmental Matters.*

(a) No Hazardous Substances have been released, emitted or disposed of, or otherwise deposited, on or in any of the real property in which Buyer or its Subsidiaries has any interest, whether as fee owner, lessee or otherwise (Buyer Real Property), by Buyer or its Subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of Buyer and its Subsidiaries, by any other person or entity that have been in quantities, or involved methods of containment or use, that violate any Environmental Laws (defined below), or that created any liability or other obligation of Buyer or its Subsidiaries.

(b) No Buyer Real Property is being used, or, to the knowledge of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, has ever been used, in connection with the business of manufacturing, storing, transporting, handling, disposing or treating Hazardous Substances.

(c) Buyer and its Subsidiaries have not generated or transported any Hazardous Substances at any time that have been transported to or disposed of in any landfill or other facility, which transportation or disposal (under laws applicable as of the date hereof to the landfill or other facility) could create liability to any unit of government or any third party.

(d) There is no Environmental Claim pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, threatened against Buyer or its Subsidiaries or against any person or entity whose liability for such Environmental Claim Buyer or its Subsidiaries have or may have retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law.

(e) Buyer and its Subsidiaries are in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Environmental Laws. There are no circumstances that may prevent or interfere with compliance in all material respects in the future, including any failure to make a timely application or submission for renewal of a permit or other license. No permits or other governmental authorizations are currently held by Buyer or its Subsidiaries pursuant to any Environmental Laws.

SECTION 4.17 *Insurance.* The Buyer Disclosure Schedule contains a list of all material insurance policies maintained by Buyer and its Subsidiaries as of the date of this Agreement, together with a brief description of the coverages afforded thereby. All of such insurance policies are in full force and effect and neither Buyer nor its Subsidiaries have received any notice of cancellation or termination with respect to any material insurance policy of Buyer or its Subsidiaries.

SECTION 4.18 *Opinion of Financial Adviser.* Buyer's Board of Directors has received the opinion of RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. to the effect that, as of the date of this Agreement, the consideration to be paid by Buyer in the Merger is fair to Buyer's shareholders from a financial point of view.

SECTION 4.19 *Related-Party Transactions.* No stockholder, officer, director, or employee of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries nor any member of any such person's immediate family (each, a Buyer Related Party) is presently, or within the past five years has been, a party to any transaction with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries (a) providing for the furnishing of services by, (b) providing for the rental of real or personal property from, or (c) otherwise requiring payments to (other than for services as officers, directors, or employees Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries) any such Buyer Related Party or any entity in which any such Buyer Related Party has an interest.

SECTION 4.20 *Voting Agreements.* Buyer has delivered to the Company an agreement (each a Buyer Stockholder Agreement), in substantially the form of Exhibit E, executed by each of the persons owning shares of Buyer Common Stock listed on Schedule 4.20 of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule (the

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Named Buyer Stockholders), dated the date of this Agreement, and irrevocable proxies granting to the Company, pursuant to the terms of the Buyer Stockholder Agreement, the right to vote all of the Buyer Common Stock of the Named Buyer Stockholders in favor of the Share Issuance.

Section 4.21 Board Approval. The Board of Directors of Buyer (i) has approved this Agreement and the Merger, (ii) determined that this Agreement and the Merger are advisable and in the best interests of its shareholders and are on terms that are fair to such shareholders and (iii) will recommend that the shareholders of Buyer approve the Share Issuance. The Board of Directors of Buyer Subsidiary (i) has approved this Agreement and the Merger and (ii) determined that this Agreement and the Merger are advisable and in the best interests of its shareholder and are on terms that are fair to such shareholder. Buyer, as the sole shareholder of Buyer Subsidiary, will vote its shares of Buyer Subsidiary common stock to approve this Agreement and the Merger.

Section 4.22 Material Misstatements or Omissions. The representations and warranties made by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary in this Agreement, the statements made in any Schedules, including the Buyer Disclosure Schedule, or certificates furnished by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary pursuant to this Agreement, and the statements made by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary in any documents mailed, delivered or furnished to the stockholders of Buyer or the Company in connection with soliciting their proxy or consent to this Agreement and the Merger, do not contain and will not contain, as of their respective dates and as of the Effective Time, any untrue statement of a material fact, nor do they omit or will they omit, as of their respective dates and as of the Effective Time, to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained herein or therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

ARTICLE V

OPERATION OF BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY UNTIL EFFECTIVE TIME

SECTION 5.1 *Preservation of Business.* From the date hereof to the Effective Time, the Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, exercise reasonable best efforts to preserve intact in all material respects its assets, technology and business organization, maintain its rights and franchises, keep available for itself and the Surviving Corporation the services of its present officers and key employees, and preserve its present relationships with customers, suppliers, regulators, licensors, licensees, lessors, distributors and other persons having significant business dealings with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, except as otherwise consented to in writing by Buyer (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld).

SECTION 5.2 *Ordinary Course.* From the date hereof to the Effective Time, the Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, conduct its business and operations in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice, except as otherwise required or expressly contemplated by this Agreement or consented to in writing by Buyer (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld).

SECTION 5.3 *Negative Covenants of the Company.* Except as otherwise required or expressly contemplated by this Agreement or consented to in writing by Buyer (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld), the Company will not and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries, from the date hereof until the Effective Time, to:

(a) split, combine, or reclassify any shares of its capital stock or make any other changes in its equity capital structure;

(b) purchase, redeem, or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, any shares of its capital stock or any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock, other than in connection with the repurchase at cost of unvested shares of restricted company stock issued pursuant to agreements in effect as of the date of this Agreement;

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(c) declare, set aside, or pay any dividend or make any other distribution in respect of shares of its capital stock;

(d) amend its charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents;

(e) issue any shares of its capital stock or any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock, except for issuances of shares of Company Common Stock upon the exercise of any options or of any Company Rights under the Company Rights Agreement or options granted under Company Option Plans at exercise prices not less than the closing price of the Company Common Stock on the date of grant to new hires or to existing employees in connection with any adjustments or promotions on a basis consistent with the past practices of the Company up to an aggregate maximum of 100,000 shares subject to such new options, or designate any class or series of capital stock from its authorized but undesignated preferred stock;

(f) purchase any capital assets or make any capital expenditures in excess of \$100,000 in the aggregate, purchase any business, purchase any stock of any corporation, or merge or consolidate with any person;

(g) sell, lease, license, encumber or otherwise dispose of any assets or properties, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, which sales, leases, licenses, encumbrances or other dispositions of assets, in any event, are not material to the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;

(h) incur, assume, or guarantee any indebtedness for money borrowed other than intercompany indebtedness or trade payables arising in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices;

(i) enter into any new Benefit Plan or program or severance or employment agreement, modify in any respect any existing Benefit Plan or program (except as required by law) or any existing employment or severance agreement, or, except as required under existing agreements or in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices, grant any increases in compensation or benefits to any Company Employee, officer or director;

(j) enter into any collective bargaining agreement or enter into any substantive negotiations with respect to any collective bargaining agreement, except as required by law;

(k) change or modify in any material respect any existing accounting method, principle, or practice, other than as required by GAAP;

(l) enter into any new Company Material Contract (other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice), or modify in any respect adverse to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries any existing Company Material Contract;

(m) (i) pay, discharge, settle or satisfy any material claims against the Company or its Subsidiaries (including claims of stockholders), liabilities or obligations (whether absolute, accrued, contingent or otherwise), other than (x) the payment, discharge, settlement or satisfaction of such claim, liability or obligation in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, (y) modifications, refinancings or renewals of existing indebtedness as permitted by the terms thereof as in effect on the date of this Agreement, or (z) the payment, discharge, settlement or satisfaction of claims, liabilities or obligations reflected or reserved against in the most recent audited financial statements (or the notes thereto) of the Company included in the Company SEC Reports (for amounts not in excess of such reserves) or incurred since the date of such financial statements in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, or (ii) waive, release, grant or transfer any right of material value, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

(n) enter into any agreement with any of their respective affiliates (other than wholly owned Subsidiaries of the Company);

(o) (i) relinquish, waive or release any material contractual or other right or claim of the Company or its Subsidiaries, or (ii) knowingly dispose of or permit to lapse any rights in any material Company Intellectual Property or knowingly disclose to any person not an employee of, or consultant

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or adviser to, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries of the Company or otherwise knowingly dispose of any trade secret, process or know-how not a matter of public knowledge prior to the date of this Agreement, except pursuant to judicial order or process or commercially reasonable disclosures in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice or pursuant to any existing contract or agreement;

(p) except pursuant to the fiduciary duties of the Board of Directors of the Company as set forth in Sections 7.1(a) and (b), or as expressly permitted pursuant to Sections 7.2 or 9.1, take any action or omit to take any action that would or is reasonably likely to (i) result in any of the conditions to the Merger set forth in Article VIII not being satisfied, or (ii) prevent, materially delay or materially impede the consummation of the Merger; or

(q) enter into any commitment to do any of the foregoing.

SECTION 5.4 *Tax Covenant.* From the date hereof to the Effective Time, the Company agrees, as to itself and its Subsidiaries, that each of them (i) will not, except in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, make any material Tax election or settle or compromise any Tax liabilities that, individually or in the aggregate, are material to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, and (ii) will promptly notify the Buyer of the making of any request for extension of the time within which to file any federal income Tax Return for that entity.

SECTION 5.5 *Third-Party Consents.* The Company shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, use reasonable efforts, consistent with United States and foreign laws, to obtain any third-party consents necessary or desirable to consummate the Merger. The Company shall promptly notify Buyer of any failure or prospective failure to obtain any such consents and, if requested, shall provide copies of all consents obtained to Buyer.

ARTICLE VI

OPERATION OF BUSINESS OF BUYER UNTIL EFFECTIVE TIME

SECTION 6.1 *Preservation of Business.* From the date hereof to the Effective Time, Buyer will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, exercise reasonable best efforts to preserve intact in all material respects its assets, technology and business organization, maintain its rights and franchises, keep available for itself the services of its present officers and key employees, and preserve its present relationships with customers, suppliers, regulators, licensors, licensees, lessors, distributors and other persons having significant business dealings with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, except as otherwise consented to in writing by the Company (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld).

SECTION 6.2 *Ordinary Course.* From the date hereof to the Effective Time, Buyer will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, conduct its business and operations in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice, except as otherwise required or expressly contemplated by this Agreement or consented to in writing by the Company (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld).

SECTION 6.3 *Negative Covenants of Buyer.* Except as otherwise required or expressly contemplated by this Agreement or consented to in writing by the Company (which consent or declination to consent shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld), Buyer will not and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries, from the date hereof until the Effective Time, to:

(a) split, combine, or reclassify any shares of its capital stock or make any other changes in its equity capital structure;

(b) purchase, redeem, or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, any shares of its capital stock or any options, rights, or warrants to purchase any such capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any such capital stock;

(c) declare, set aside, or pay any dividend or make any other distribution in respect of shares of its capital stock;

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(d) amend its charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents;

(e) purchase any material business, purchase a material amount of assets or stock of any corporation, or merge or consolidate with any person;

(f) sell, lease, license, encumber or otherwise dispose of any assets or properties, other than in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, which sales, leases, licenses, encumbrances or other dispositions of assets other than inventory, in any event, are not material to Buyer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;

(g) change or modify in any material respect any existing accounting method, principle, or practice, other than as required by GAAP;

(h) except as expressly permitted pursuant to Section 9.1, take any action or omit to take any action that would or is reasonably likely to (i) result in any of the conditions to the Merger set forth in Article VIII not being satisfied, or (ii) prevent, materially delay or materially impede the consummation of the Merger;

(i) knowingly take any action that would result in a failure to maintain trading of Buyer Common Stock on the Nasdaq National Market;

(j) issue, or enter into an agreement to issue, a material amount of debt or equity securities in any transaction that would be reasonably likely to materially delay the Closing; or

(k) enter into any commitment to do any of the foregoing.

SECTION 6.4 Tax Covenant. From the date hereof to the Effective Time, Buyer agrees, as to itself and its Subsidiaries, that each of them (i) will not, except in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, make any material Tax election or settle or compromise any Tax liabilities that, individually or in the aggregate, are material to Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, and (ii) will promptly notify the Company of the making of any request for extension of the time within which to file any federal income Tax Return for that entity.

SECTION 6.5 Third-Party Consents. Buyer shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, use reasonable efforts, consistent with United States and foreign laws, to obtain any third-party consents necessary or desirable to consummate the Merger. Buyer shall promptly notify the Company of any failure or prospective failure to obtain any such consents and, if requested, shall provide copies of all consents obtained to the Company.

ARTICLE VII

ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS

SECTION 7.1 Shareholders Meetings; Registration Statement and Joint Proxy Statement.

(a) The Company shall cause a special meeting of its stockholders (the Company Stockholders Meeting) to be duly called and held as soon as reasonably practicable after the effectiveness of the Registration Statement (as defined in Section 7.1(b)) under the Securities Act for the purpose of voting on the approval of (i) this Agreement and the Merger, and (ii) the amendment and restatement of the Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock relating to the Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock in the form of Exhibit F (together, the Company Stockholder Proposals) by (x) the holders of the Company Common Stock and the holders of the Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class, and (y) the holders of the Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, respectively. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Company may adjourn or postpone the Company Stockholders Meeting (i) to the extent necessary to ensure that any necessary supplement or amendment to the Registration Statement and/or the Joint Proxy Statement is provided to the Company's stockholders in advance of the vote on the Company Stockholder Proposals or (ii) if at the time for which the Company Stockholders Meeting is originally scheduled (as set forth in the Registration Statement and the Joint Proxy Statement) there are insufficient shares represented, either in person or by proxy, to constitute a quorum necessary to conduct the business of the

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Company Stockholders Meeting. Buyer shall cause a special meeting of its shareholders (the Buyer Shareholders Meeting) to be duly called and held as soon as reasonably practicable after the effectiveness of the Registration Statement for the purpose of voting on the approval of the issuance of shares of Buyer Common Stock in the Merger as contemplated by this Agreement (the Share Issuance). The Company Stockholders Meeting and the Buyer Shareholders Meeting are referred to together as the Shareholder Meetings. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Buyer may adjourn or postpone the Buyer Shareholders Meeting (i) to the extent necessary to ensure that any necessary supplement or amendment to the Registration Statement and/or the Joint Proxy Statement is provided to the Buyer s shareholders in advance of the vote on the Share Issuance or (ii) if at the time for which the Buyer Shareholders Meeting is originally scheduled (as set forth in the Registration Statement and the Joint Proxy Statement) there are insufficient shares represented, either in person or by proxy, to constitute a quorum necessary to conduct the business of the Buyer Shareholders Meeting. The Board of Directors of the Company shall recommend to the Company s stockholders that they vote in favor of approval of the Company Stockholder Proposals and shall not (i) withdraw, modify or qualify in any manner adverse to Buyer such recommendation or (ii) take any action or make any statement in connection with the Company Stockholder Meeting inconsistent with such recommendation; provided, however, that the Board of Directors of the Company (i) shall not be obligated to recommend approval of the Company Stockholder Proposals to its stockholders if the Company has received a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer (defined in Section 7.2(a)) and the Board of Directors of the Company, in the good faith exercise of its fiduciary duties, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, shall determine that it wishes to recommend approval of the Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer, and, therefore, that the recommendation of the Company Stockholder Proposals should not be made, and (ii) may make any statement required by Rules 14d-9 or 14e-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act with regard to any tender or exchange offer. Any disclosure that the Company s Board of Directors may be required to make in the good faith exercise of its fiduciary duties in connection with a Third-Party Acquisition Offer or otherwise in order to comply with Rules 14d-9 or 14e-2 will not constitute a violation of this Agreement. The Board of Directors of Buyer shall recommend to Buyer s shareholders that they vote in favor of approval of the Share Issuance and shall not (i) withdraw, modify or qualify in any manner adverse to the Company such recommendation or (ii) take any action or make any statement in connection with the Buyer Shareholder Meeting inconsistent with such recommendation; provided, however, that, with respect to clause (ii) of this sentence, Buyer s Board of Directors may evaluate whether to make and may make any statement required by Rules 14d-9 or 14e-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act with regard to any tender or exchange offer.

(b) The Company and Buyer, as promptly as reasonably practicable following the execution of this Agreement, shall prepare and file with the SEC a proxy statement, together with a form of proxy, with respect to the Company Stockholders Meeting and the Buyer Shareholders Meeting (such proxy statement, together with any amendments thereof or supplements thereto, being called the Joint Proxy Statement). Buyer, as promptly as reasonably practicable following the execution of this Agreement, shall prepare and file with the SEC a Registration Statement on Form S-4 in connection with the issuance of shares of Buyer Common Stock in the Merger (the Registration Statement), in which the Joint Proxy Statement will be included as a prospectus. The Company and Buyer (i) shall use reasonable best efforts to have the Joint Proxy Statement cleared by the SEC and the Registration Statement declared effective under the Securities Act as promptly as practicable after such filing, and (ii) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, shall cause copies of the Joint Proxy Statement and form of proxy to be mailed to their respective shareholders in accordance with applicable provisions of law. The Joint Proxy Statement and form of proxy shall comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder. Each of Buyer and the Company shall, as promptly as practicable after the receipt thereof, provide the other party with copies of any written comments and advise each other of any oral comments with respect to the Joint Proxy Statement or the Registration Statement received from the SEC. Each party shall cooperate and provide the other party with a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on any amendment or supplement to the Joint Proxy Statement and the Registration Statement prior to filing such with the SEC and will

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provide each other with a copy of all such filings with the SEC. Notwithstanding any other provision herein to the contrary, no amendment or supplement (including by incorporation by reference) to the Joint Proxy Statement or the Registration Statement shall be made without the approval of both Buyer and the Company; provided, however, that, with respect to documents filed by a party hereto that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement or Joint Proxy Statement, this right of approval shall apply only with respect to information relating to the other party or its business, financial condition or results of operations; and, provided further, that the Company, in connection with a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer, may amend or supplement the Joint Proxy Statement or Registration Statement (including by incorporation by reference) to reflect any change in the recommendation of the Company's Board of Directors in connection therewith, and in such event, this right of approval shall apply only with respect to information relating to the other party or its business, financial condition or results of operations, and shall be subject to the right of each party to have its Board of Directors' deliberations and conclusions accurately described. After the delivery to the Company's and Buyer's shareholders of copies of the Joint Proxy Statement and form of proxy, the Company and Buyer shall use reasonable best efforts to solicit proxies in connection with the Company Stockholders Meeting and the Buyer Shareholders Meeting, respectively, in favor of, in the case of the Company, approval of the Company Stockholder Proposals and, in the case of Buyer, approval of the Share Issuance, unless, in the case of the Company, the Company has received a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer and the Board of Directors of the Company determines, in the good-faith exercise of its fiduciary duties, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, that it wishes to recommend approval of the Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer, and, therefore, that such solicitation should not be made. The Registration Statement shall comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder. Each party hereto will advise the other party, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when the Registration Statement has become effective, the issuance of any stop order, the suspension of the qualification of the Buyer Common Stock issuable in connection with the Merger for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, or any request by the SEC for amendment of the Joint Proxy Statement or the Registration Statement. If, at any time prior to the Effective Time, any information relating to Buyer or the Company, or any of their respective Subsidiaries or affiliates, officers or directors, is discovered by Buyer or the Company and such information should be set forth in an amendment or supplement to any of the Registration Statement or the Joint Proxy Statement so that any of such documents would not include any misstatements of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, the party hereto discovering such information shall promptly notify the other parties hereto and, to the extent required by law, rules or regulations, an appropriate amendment or supplement describing such information shall be promptly filed with the SEC and disseminated to the shareholders of Buyer and the Company. Buyer shall also take any commercially reasonable action, if any, required to be taken under any applicable state securities laws in connection with the issuance of the Buyer Common Stock in the Merger and upon the exercise of Replacement Options, and the Company shall furnish all information concerning the Company and the holders of its equity securities as may be reasonably requested by Buyer in connection with any such action.

(c) The Company and Buyer each shall engage a nationally recognized proxy solicitor (that is reasonably acceptable to the other) to solicit proxies in connection with the special meeting of its shareholders in favor of approval of, in the case of the Company, the Company Stockholder Proposals, and, in the case of Buyer, the Share Issuance.

(d) The Company and Buyer will coordinate and cooperate with respect to the timing of the shareholder approvals and will use reasonable efforts to hold the Shareholder Meetings on the same day and to secure such approvals as soon as practicable after the date on which the Registration Statement becomes effective. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if (i) the Company Stockholders Meeting is scheduled to be held after the end of a fiscal quarter of Buyer, and (ii) Buyer has not publicly announced its financial results for such fiscal quarter, the Company may delay the Company Stockholders Meeting until it has received, in accordance with the Confidentiality Agreement (defined in Section 7.2(a)(ii)), reasonably detailed financial results of Buyer for such quarter. Notwithstanding any

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other provision of this Agreement, if (i) the Buyer Shareholders Meeting is scheduled to be held after the end of a fiscal quarter of the Company, and (ii) the Company has not publicly announced its financial results for such fiscal quarter, Buyer may delay the Buyer Shareholders Meeting until it has received, in accordance with the Confidentiality Agreement, reasonably detailed financial results of the Company for such quarter.

SECTION 7.2 *No Shopping.*

(a) From the date hereof until the Effective Time, the Company and its Subsidiaries will not, and will not permit any officer, director, financial adviser, or other agent or representative of the Company or its Subsidiaries, directly or indirectly, to:

(i) take any action to seek, encourage, initiate or solicit any offer from any person or group to acquire any shares of capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, to merge or consolidate with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or to otherwise acquire, except to the extent not prohibited by Section 5.3, any significant portion of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as whole (a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer), or

(ii) except to the extent the Board of Directors of the Company determines is required in the good faith exercise of its fiduciary duties after consultation with its outside legal counsel, engage in discussions or negotiations concerning a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer with any person or group, or disclose non-public financial information relating to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any confidential or proprietary trade or business information relating to the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or afford access to the properties, books, or records of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or otherwise cooperate in any way with, any person or group that the Company has reason to believe is considering a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer; provided that (A) before furnishing such non-public information or access to such person or group, the Company's Board of Directors shall receive from such person an executed confidentiality agreement that is no less favorable to the Company than the Mutual Non-Disclosure Agreement dated September 21, 2003 between the Company and Buyer (the Confidentiality Agreement), and all information provided to such person or group shall be provided on a substantially concurrent basis to Buyer, and (B) before entering into discussions or negotiations with such person or group, the Company's Board of Directors shall have determined in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel and financial adviser, that such Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer is reasonably likely to be more favorable to the Company's stockholders than the Merger and for which financing, to the extent required, is committed or, in the good-faith judgment of the Company's Board of Directors, is reasonably capable of being obtained by the third party (a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer).

(b) In addition to the obligations of the Company set forth above, the Company promptly shall advise Buyer orally and in writing of any Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer or any inquiry or request for information that the Company reasonably believes could lead to or contemplates a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer and the terms and conditions thereof, including the identity of the offeror or person making the request or inquiry, and the Company shall keep Buyer informed in all material respects of the status and details thereof (including changes or amendments thereto).

(c) Nothing in this Section 7.2 shall operate to hinder or prevent the Company from fully complying with Rule 14d-9 and Rule 14e-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act with regard to a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer.

(d) The Company shall not release any third party from, or waive any provision of, any standstill agreement to which it is a party or any confidentiality agreement between it and another person who has made, or who is reasonably likely to make, a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer, unless the Company's Board of Directors determines in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, that such action is necessary for the Board of Directors to comply with its fiduciary duties to Company stockholders under Delaware law. Notwithstanding anything stated in this Section 7.2(d), the Company need not refuse a request from any person who has signed a standstill agreement with the Company to

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make a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer to the Chief Executive Officer or the Board of Directors of the Company if the Board of Directors determines in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel, that such action is necessary for the Board of Directors to comply with its fiduciary duties to Company stockholders under Delaware law.

SECTION 7.3 *Access to Information.* From the date hereof until the Effective Time, the Company and Buyer will each give the other and its respective counsel, financial advisers, auditors, and other authorized representatives reasonable access to its and its Subsidiaries' offices, properties, books, and records at all reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, and will instruct its and its Subsidiaries' employees, counsel, financial advisers, and auditors to cooperate with the other and each such representative in all reasonable respects in its investigation of the business of Buyer and the Company, as the case may be, and each such representative will conduct such investigation in a manner as not to unreasonably interfere with the operations of the other and its Subsidiaries and will take all reasonable precautions to protect the confidentiality of any information of the other and its Subsidiaries disclosed to such persons during such investigation, in all cases in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Confidentiality Agreement.

SECTION 7.4 *Amendment of the Company's Employee Plans.* The Company will, effective at or immediately before the Effective Time, cause any Company Employee Plans that are required to be amended, to the extent, if any, reasonably requested by Buyer, for the purpose of permitting such Company Employee Plan to continue to operate in conformity with ERISA and the Code following the Merger or to terminate any such Company Employee Plans prior to the Merger if requested by Buyer.

SECTION 7.5 *Certain Resignations.* The Company will use reasonable efforts to assist Buyer in procuring the resignation, effective as of the Effective Time, of all of the members of the Boards of Directors of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

SECTION 7.6 *Confidentiality Agreements.* The Confidentiality Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the Effective Time. Until the Effective Time, the Company and Buyer shall comply with the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement.

SECTION 7.7 *Employee Benefits.* From and after the Effective Time, for purposes of determining eligibility, vesting, entitlement to any service-based matching contribution under any 401(k) plan and entitlement to vacation and severance benefits for employees actively employed full-time by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries immediately before the Effective Time under any compensation, stock purchase, severance, welfare, pension, benefit, or savings plan of the Surviving Corporation, Buyer, or any of its Subsidiaries in which active full-time employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries become eligible to participate, service with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (whether before or after the Effective Time) shall be credited as if such service had been rendered to the Surviving Corporation, Buyer, or such Subsidiary. Following the Effective Time, Buyer shall arrange for participants in the Company Employee Plans (the Company Participants) who become employees of the Buyer, or a Subsidiary of the Buyer, at the Effective Time, and their dependents, to participate in Buyer's Benefit Plans on, or as soon as reasonable practicable after, the Effective Time under the same terms and conditions as similarly situated persons who were employees of the Buyer or Subsidiary before the Effective Time. If applicable and to the extent possible under any Buyer Welfare Plan that provided any health benefit, Buyer shall cause any and all pre-existing condition limitations, actively at work or similar requirements, eligibility waiting periods and evidence of insurability requirements under such plan to be waived with respect to such Company Participants and their eligible dependents and shall provide them with credit for any co-payments, deductibles, and offsets (or similar payments) made during the plan year including the Effective Time for the purposes of satisfying any applicable deductible, out-of-pocket, or similar requirements under such Buyer Welfare Plan in which they are eligible to participate after the Effective Time.

SECTION 7.8 *Indemnification.* All rights to indemnification, expense advancement, and exculpation existing in favor of any present or former director, officer, or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries as provided in the charter, bylaws, or similar organizational documents of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or by law or written agreement or resolution as in effect on the date hereof shall survive the Merger for a period of six years after the Effective Time whether or not pertaining to any matter

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existing or occurring at or prior to the Effective Time and whether or not asserted or claimed prior to, or at, or after the Effective Time (or, in the event any relevant claim is asserted or made within such six-year period, until final disposition of such claim) , including claims based in whole or in part on or arising in whole or in part out of or pertaining to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, and no action taken during such period shall be deemed to diminish the obligations set forth in this Section 7.8.

SECTION 7.9 *Directors and Officers Liability Insurance.* For a period of six years after the Effective Time (the Tail Period), Buyer shall cause the Surviving Corporation to maintain in effect either (a) the current policy of directors and officers liability insurance maintained by the Company (provided that the Surviving Corporation may substitute therefor policies of at least the same coverage and amounts containing terms and conditions which are no less advantageous in any material respect to the insured parties thereunder) with respect to claims arising from facts or events that occurred at or before the Effective Time whether or not pertaining to any matter existing or occurring at or prior to the Effective Time and whether or not asserted or claimed prior to, or at, or after the Effective Time (including claims based in whole or in part on or arising in whole or in part out of or pertaining to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby), or (b) a run-off (*i.e.*, tail) policy or endorsement with respect to the current policy of directors and officers liability insurance covering claims asserted within the Tail Period arising from facts or events that occurred at or before the Effective Time whether or not pertaining to any matter existing or occurring at or prior to the Effective Time and whether or not asserted or claimed prior to, or at, or after the Effective Time (including claims based in whole or in part on or arising in whole or in part out of or pertaining to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby); and such policies or endorsements shall name as insureds thereunder all present and former directors and officers of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the cost to the Company of the insurance coverage required pursuant to this Section 7.9 exceeds \$850,000 in the aggregate for the duration of the Tail Period, Buyer shall maintain or provide the most advantageous policies of directors and officers liability insurance for all present and former directors and officers of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries obtainable for \$850,000 in the aggregate for the duration of the Tail Period. Buyer will not, nor will Buyer permit the Surviving Corporation to merge or consolidate with any other entity or sell all or substantially all of Buyer's or such subsidiary's assets unless Buyer or the Surviving Corporation will ensure that the surviving or resulting entity assumes the obligations imposed by Section 7.8 and this Section 7.9. Each of the current and former officers and directors of the Company are intended to be third-party beneficiaries of Sections 7.8 and 7.9 and may specifically enforce their respective terms.

SECTION 7.10 *Cooperation.* Prior to the Effective Time, to the extent permitted by law, each of Buyer and the Company shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, (i) confer on a regular and reasonably frequent basis as mutually agreed with one or more representatives of the other to discuss material operational matters and the general status of its ongoing operations; (ii) obtain consents of (a) all third parties and governmental entities required for the consummation of the Merger, and (b) all third parties required for the continued effectiveness of contracts of the Company after the Merger; (iii) promptly provide the other (or the other's counsel) with copies of all filings made by it or any of its Subsidiaries with any state, federal or foreign court, administrative agency, commission or other governmental authority in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and (iv) execute any such additional instruments necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 7.11 *Satisfaction of Conditions to the Merger; Notification; Additions to and Modification of Disclosure Schedules.*

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the fiduciary duties of the Boards of Directors of the Company and Buyer, each of the Company and Buyer agrees to use reasonable efforts promptly to take, or cause to be taken, all action and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable laws and regulations to consummate and make effective the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (subject to the appropriate vote of shareholders of Buyer and the Company, respectively, described in Section 7.1(a)), as promptly as practicable after the date of this Agreement, including using reasonable efforts to cause the conditions precedent set forth in Article VIII to

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be satisfied. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary agree to use all reasonable efforts to cause the Effective Time to occur as soon as practicable after the approval of the Company Stockholder Proposals by the Company's stockholders and the approval of the Share Issuance by Buyer's shareholders are obtained.

(b) Each of the Company and Buyer shall, as promptly as reasonably practicable, give written notice to the other of (i) any representation or warranty made by it contained in this Agreement becoming untrue or inaccurate such that the condition set forth in Section 8.2(a) or 8.3(a), as the case may be, would not be satisfied, or (ii) any material failure by the Company, Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary, as the case may be, to comply with or satisfy in any material respect any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied by it hereunder; provided, however, that no notification shall affect the representations, warranties, covenants or agreements of the parties or the conditions to the obligations of the parties under this Agreement.

(c) Each of the Company and Buyer shall, as promptly as reasonably practicable, give written notice to the other of any events or occurrences, of which its executive officers have knowledge, that would, or could reasonably be expected to, have a Company Material Adverse Effect or Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

(d) Each of the Company and Buyer shall, as promptly as reasonably practicable, provide the other party with any additions to or modifications to the Company Disclosure Schedule or the Buyer Disclosure Schedule, as the case may be, following the date of this Agreement such that the disclosures therein shall be true, correct and complete at all times subsequent to the date hereof; provided, however, that any such additions to or modifications shall not cure any earlier breach or non-compliance, be deemed to constitute an exception to the representations and warranties under Article III or Article IV, affect the conditions to the obligations of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary to effect the Merger under Section 8.2(a), affect the conditions to the obligation of the Company to effect the Merger under Section 8.3(a), or limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to the party receiving such notice, other than (i) Section 3.2 of the Company Disclosure Schedule and Section 4.2 of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule disclosing a subsidiary acquired or investment made subsequent to the date of this Agreement, (ii) Section 3.10 of the Company Disclosure Schedule and Section 4.10 of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule disclosing any Material Contracts entered into or modified subsequent to the date of this Agreement, and (iii) Sections 3.11(b) and (g) of the Company Disclosure Schedule and Sections 4.11(a) and (f) of the Buyer Disclosure Schedule relating to Company and Buyer Intellectual Property agreements, filings, or proceedings subsequent to the date of this Agreement.

SECTION 7.12 *Rule 145 Affiliates.* Prior to the date of the Company Stockholders Meeting, the Company shall deliver to Buyer a letter, substantially in the form of Exhibit G attached hereto, identifying all persons who are expected to be, at the time this Agreement is submitted for approval to such stockholders, affiliates of the Company for purposes of Rule 145 under the Securities Act (*Company Affiliates*). The list of Company Affiliates shall be updated as necessary to reflect changes from the date of the letter. The Company shall use reasonable efforts to cause to be delivered to Buyer on or prior to the date of the Company Stockholders Meeting a letter agreement from each of the Company Affiliates, substantially in the form of Exhibit H attached hereto.

SECTION 7.13 *Listing of Buyer Common Stock.* Buyer shall use reasonable efforts to cause the shares of Buyer Common Stock to be issued in the Merger and the shares of Buyer Common Stock to be issued upon the exercise of Replacement Options to be approved for listing on the Nasdaq National Market System, subject to official notice of issuance, prior to the Closing.

SECTION 7.14 *Section 16 Matters.*

(a) Prior to the Effective Time, the Board of Directors of Buyer, or an appropriate committee of non-employee directors thereof, shall adopt a resolution consistent with the interpretive guidance of the SEC so that (i) the assumption by Buyer of the Company Stock Options held by any officer or director of the Company who may become a covered person of Buyer for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act (*Company Insiders*) in the Merger and (ii) the receipt by Company Insiders of Buyer Common Stock

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in exchange for Company Common Stock in the Merger, shall in each case be an exempt transaction for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

(b) Prior to the Effective Time, the Board of Directors of the Company, or an appropriate committee of non-employee directors thereof, shall adopt a resolution consistent with the interpretive guidance of the SEC so that (i) the assumption by Buyer of the Company Stock Options held by any officer or director of the Company in the Merger and (ii) the exchange of Company Common Stock for Buyer Common Stock in the Merger, shall in each case be an exempt transaction for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

SECTION 7.15 *HSR Act Filings.*

(a) The Company shall: (i) as promptly as reasonably practicable following such time subsequent to the date of this Agreement that the parties determine that the Merger is subject to the notification requirements of the HSR Act, file the notification required under the HSR Act relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement with the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission; (ii) promptly file any required foreign competition law pre-merger notifications with respect to the Company; (iii) promptly respond to inquiries from the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission or any other governmental entity in connection with any such notification and promptly respond to any requests for information from any governmental entity, including any so-called second request under the HSR Act; (iv) request early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act; and (v) take all other commercially reasonable actions necessary or appropriate to gain all approvals necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement under the HSR Act or any other antitrust, competition, or trade regulatory laws, rules, or regulations of any governmental entity. Subject to such confidentiality restrictions as may be reasonably requested, the Company shall coordinate and cooperate with Buyer in preparing such notifications, responding to such inquiries, and taking all such other actions.

(b) Buyer shall: (i) as promptly as reasonably practicable following such time subsequent to the date of this Agreement that the parties determine that the Merger will be subject to the notification requirements of the HSR Act, file the notification required under the HSR Act relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement with the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission; (ii) promptly file any required foreign competition law pre-merger notifications with respect to Buyer; (iii) promptly respond to inquiries from the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission or any other governmental entity in connection with any such notification and promptly respond to any requests for information from any governmental entity, including any so-called second request under the HSR Act; (iv) request early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act; and (v) take all other commercially reasonable actions necessary or appropriate to gain all approvals necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement under the HSR Act or any other antitrust, competition, or trade regulatory laws, rules, or regulations of any governmental entity; provided that nothing in this Section 7.15(b) shall require Buyer to agree to the divestiture of any assets of Buyer or its Subsidiaries or to any limits or restrictions on the operations of the business of Buyer or its Subsidiaries. Subject to such confidentiality restrictions as may be reasonably requested, Buyer shall coordinate and cooperate with the Company in preparing such notifications, responding to such inquiries, and taking all such other actions.

(c) Any and all HSR filing fees paid or incurred by the Company in connection with the Merger (including any international notifications) shall be reimbursed by Buyer within five business days of payment thereof by the Company, or paid directly by Buyer in accordance with any applicable laws or regulations.

SECTION 7.16 *Tax-Free Reorganization.*

(a) Prior to the Effective Time, each party shall use its best efforts to cause the Merger to qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code, and will not take any action that would be reasonably expected to cause the Merger to not so qualify. Buyer shall not take, or cause any Subsidiary to take, any action after the Effective Time that would be reasonably expected to cause the

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Merger not to qualify as a reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Code. The parties shall use their best efforts to obtain the opinions described in Sections 8.2(d) and 8.3(d), including the provision of representations to Faegre & Benson LLP and Morrison & Foerster LLP by the Company and by Buyer required by Faegre & Benson LLP and Morrison & Foerster LLP to render the opinions described in Sections 8.2(d) and 8.3(d).

(b) Following the Merger, Buyer will comply with record-keeping and information filing requirements of Section 1.368-3 of the Treasury Regulations with respect to the Merger.

SECTION 7.17 *Buyer Board of Directors.* Buyer shall take all requisite action to appoint Alan B. Menkes to the Buyer's Board of Directors as of the Effective Time, provided that if Mr. Menkes is unable or unwilling to serve on the Buyer's Board of Directors at the Effective Time, Buyer shall instead take all requisite action to appoint such other person as the Company may designate, who is reasonably acceptable to Buyer.

ARTICLE VIII

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

SECTION 8.1 *Conditions to Each Party's Obligation to Effect the Merger.* The respective obligations of each party to effect the Merger shall be subject to the fulfillment at or before the Effective Time of the following conditions, any one or more of which, to the extent permitted by applicable law, may be waived in a writing signed by all of the parties to this Agreement:

(a) Shareholder Approvals. The Company Stockholder Proposals shall have been approved by the stockholders of the Company in accordance with the DGCL and the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, and the Share Issuance shall have been approved by the shareholders of Buyer in accordance with the Minnesota Business Corporation Act (the "MBCA") and Buyer's Articles of Incorporation.

(b) Registration Statement Effective. The Registration Statement shall have become effective under the Securities Act, no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall then be in effect, and no proceedings for that purpose shall then be threatened by the SEC or shall have been initiated by the SEC and not concluded or withdrawn.

(c) Listing. The shares of Buyer Common Stock issuable to holders of Company Common Stock and holders of Company Series A-1 Preferred Stock pursuant to this Agreement and such other shares required to be reserved for issuance in connection with the Merger or upon the exercise of Replacement Options shall have been authorized for listing on the Nasdaq National Market System, subject to official notice of issuance.

(d) HSR Act. All waiting periods, if any, under the HSR Act relating to the transactions contemplated hereby will have expired or been terminated early and all material foreign antitrust approvals required to be obtained prior to the Merger in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby shall have been obtained.

(e) Injunctions or Restraints. There shall not be pending any litigation or administrative proceeding brought by any governmental or other regulatory or administrative agency or commission requesting an injunction, writ, order, judgment or decree (each, an "Injunction") that is reasonably likely to result in an order to restrain or prohibit the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby or to require rescission of this Agreement or any such transactions or to have a Surviving Corporation Material Adverse Effect if the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated, nor shall there be in effect any Injunction directing that any of the transactions provided for herein not be consummated as so provided (it being agreed that each of the parties shall use all reasonable efforts to prevent the entry of any such Injunction and to appeal as promptly as possible any such Injunction that may be entered).

SECTION 8.2 *Conditions to the Obligations of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary.* The obligations of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary to effect the Merger shall be subject to the fulfillment at or before the

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Effective Time of the following conditions, any one or more of which, to the extent permitted by applicable law, may be waived in a writing signed by Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary:

(a) Representations, Warranties and Covenants. The representations and warranties of the Company contained in Article III of this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and immediately before the Effective Time as though made immediately before the Effective Time (except those representations and warranties that speak of an earlier date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date), except that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Company Material Adverse Effect or similar qualification shall be true and correct in all respects as of the applicable time; the Company shall have, in all material respects, performed and complied with the agreements and obligations contained in this Agreement required to be performed and complied with by it immediately before the Effective Time; and Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary shall have received a certificate signed by the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer of the Company to the effect set forth in this Section 8.2(a).

(b) Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries shall have, since the date of this Agreement, suffered any business interruption, damage to or destruction of its properties, or other incident, occurrence, or event that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or would be reasonably likely to have (after giving effect to any insurance coverage reasonably likely to be received) a Company Material Adverse Effect.

(c) Company Rights Agreement. No Company Rights shall have become exercisable under the Company Rights Agreement.

(d) Tax Opinion. Buyer shall have received from Faegre & Benson LLP, after providing appropriate representations to that firm, an opinion to the effect that the Merger will constitute a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code and that, with respect to the Merger, Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary and the Company will each be a party to a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(b) of the Code.

(e) Corporate Authority Opinion. Buyer shall have received a written opinion from E*Law Group to the effect that the Merger and the Company Stockholder Proposals have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company.

(f) Dissenting Shares. Holders of no more than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of Company Common Stock shall have taken such action as is necessary to entitle them to demand payment of the fair value of such shares as referred to in Section 2.2(e) of this Agreement.

(g) Consent of Third Parties. Buyer shall have received duly executed copies of all material consents necessary in order to effect the Merger without breach or default by the Company, any of its Subsidiaries, or the Surviving Corporation under any Company Material Contract or the imposition of any encumbrance on any asset of the Company, any of its Subsidiaries, or the Surviving Corporation.

(h) Board of Director Resignations. Each of the directors of the Company shall have delivered to Buyer, in a form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, their resignation from the Board of Directors of the Surviving Corporation effective as of the date on which the registration statement related to the Replacement Options called for by Section 2.3(j) becomes effective under the Securities Act.

SECTION 8.3 *Conditions to Obligation of the Company.* The obligation of the Company to effect the Merger shall be subject to the fulfillment at or before the Effective Time of the following conditions, any one or more of which, to the extent permitted by applicable law, may be waived in writing by the Company:

(a) Representations, Warranties and Covenants. The representations and warranties of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary contained in Article IV of this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and immediately before the Effective Time as though made immediately before the Effective Time (except those representations and warranties that speak of an earlier date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date), except

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that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Buyer Material Adverse Effect or similar qualification shall be true and correct in all respects as of the applicable time; Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary shall have, in all material respects, performed and complied with the agreements and obligations contained in this Agreement required to be performed and complied with by them immediately before the Effective Time; and the Company shall have received a certificate signed by the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer of Buyer to the effects set forth in this Section 8.3(a).

(b) Material Adverse Effect. Neither Buyer nor any of its Subsidiaries shall have, since the date of this Agreement, suffered any business interruption, damage to or destruction of its properties, or other incident, occurrence, or event that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or would reasonably be expected to have (after giving effect to any insurance coverage reasonably likely to be received) a Buyer Material Adverse Effect.

(c) Corporate Authority Opinion. The Company shall have received a written opinion from Faegre & Benson LLP, counsel to Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary, to the effect that the Merger and the Share Issuance have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of Buyer and Buyer Subsidiary.

(d) Tax Opinion. The Company shall have received from Morrison & Foerster LLP, after providing appropriate representations to that firm, an opinion to the effect that the Merger will constitute a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code and that, with respect to the Merger, Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary and the Company will each be a party to a reorganization within the meaning of Section 368(b) of the Code.

ARTICLE IX

TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

SECTION 9.1 *Termination.* This Agreement may be terminated at any time before the Effective Time, whether before or after approval of the Company Stockholder Proposal by the stockholders of the Company or approval of the Share Issuance by the shareholders of Buyer (except as provided otherwise in Section 9.1(e)):

(a) by written agreement of Buyer, Buyer Subsidiary and the Company;

(b) by Buyer or the Company, if the transactions contemplated hereby shall not have been consummated on or before May 31, 2004 (the End Date, as such date may be extended by written agreement of Buyer and the Company), provided that such failure is not due to the failure of the party seeking to terminate this Agreement (or, in the event Buyer is seeking to terminate this Agreement, of Buyer Subsidiary) to comply in all material respects with its obligations under this Agreement;

(c) by Buyer, if (i) any condition set forth in Section 8.1 or 8.2 shall become impossible to fulfill on or prior to the End Date (provided that such failure is not due to the failure of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary to comply in all material respects with its obligations under this Agreement), and such conditions shall not have been waived under Section 8.1 or 8.2, (ii) the stockholders of the Company shall fail to approve the Company Stockholder Proposals by the votes required by the DGCL and the Company's Certificate of Incorporation at the first stockholders meeting called for that purpose or any adjournment thereof, (iii) the shareholders of Buyer shall fail to approve the Share Issuance by the vote required by the MBCA and Buyer's Articles of Incorporation at the first shareholders meeting called for that purpose or any adjournment thereof (provided that such failure is not due to the failure of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary to comply in all material respects with its obligations under this Agreement), (iv) the Board of Directors of the Company withdraws or modifies, in any manner adverse to Buyer, its recommendation of approval of the Company Stockholder Proposals, (v) there shall have been a material breach of any representation or warranty on the part of the Company in this Agreement or there shall have been a material breach by the Company of any covenants or agreements materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the

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consummation of the Merger and such breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from Buyer, or (vi) there shall have been a Company Material Adverse Effect that has continued unabated for five consecutive business days;

(d) by the Company, if (i) any condition set forth in Section 8.1 or 8.3 shall become impossible to fulfill on or prior to the End Date (provided that such failure is not due to the failure of the Company to comply in all material respects with its obligations under this Agreement), and such conditions shall not have been waived under Section 8.1 or 8.3, (ii) the stockholders of the Company shall fail to approve the Company Stockholder Proposals by the votes required by the DGCL and the Company's Certificate of Incorporation at the first stockholders meeting called for that purpose or any adjournment thereof, (provided that such failure is not due to the failure of the Company to comply in all material respects with its obligations under this Agreement) (iii) the shareholders of Buyer shall fail to approve the Share Issuance by the vote required by the MBCA and Buyer's Articles of Incorporation at the first shareholders meeting called for that purpose or any adjournment thereof, (iv) there shall have been a material breach of any representation or warranty on the part of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary in this Agreement or there shall have been a material breach by Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary of any of their respective covenants or agreements materially adversely affecting (or materially delaying) the consummation of the Merger and such breach has not been cured within ten business days following written notice from the Company, or (v) there shall have been a Buyer Material Adverse Effect that has continued unabated for five consecutive business days; or

(e) by the Company, at any time prior to the Company Stockholders Meeting, upon written notice to Buyer, if the Board of Directors of the Company shall have approved a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer; provided, however, that, prior to termination, (i) the Company shall have complied in all material respects with Section 7.2(a), (ii) the Board of Directors of the Company shall have determined in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel and financial advisor, that consideration of such Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer and termination of this Agreement is necessary for the Board of Directors to comply with its fiduciary duties under Delaware law, and (iii) the Company shall have notified Buyer in writing at least five business days before termination of its intention to enter into an agreement with respect to a Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer (the Intention Notice) and shall have provided Buyer with the proposed definitive documentation for such transaction; and provided, further, that, during the period of five business days following the Intention Notice, the Company shall have afforded Buyer a reasonable opportunity to make such adjustments to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as would enable the Company to proceed with the transactions contemplated hereby, and the notice of termination shall not be effective if Buyer submits to the Company during such period a legally binding, executed unconditional offer to enter into an amendment to this Agreement, which amendment shall not contain conditions to Closing that are in addition to those set forth in this Agreement, within such period unless the Company's Board of Directors shall have determined in good faith, after consultation with its outside legal counsel and financial advisor, that the amendment to this Agreement that Buyer has agreed to enter into during such period is not at least as favorable to the Company's stockholders as the Company Superior Third-Party Acquisition Offer.

SECTION 9.2 *Procedure and Effect of Termination.* In the event of termination of this Agreement by the Company or Buyer under Section 9.1, written notice shall forthwith be given to the other parties identifying with reasonable particularity the applicable provisions of Section 9.1 and the basis therefor (provided that the failure to provide written notice with reasonable particularity shall not be a bar to any recovery of the fees and expenses set forth in Section 9.3), and this Agreement shall terminate and the Merger shall be abandoned without further action by any of the parties. If this Agreement is terminated as provided herein, no party hereto shall have any liability or further obligation to any other party to this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in Section 9.3 or to the extent that the termination is a result of a willful and material violation by such party of a representation, warranty, covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement. The Confidentiality Agreement will survive the termination of this Agreement in accordance with its terms.

Table of ContentsSECTION 9.3 *Termination Fee; Expenses.*

(a) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9.1(c)(iv) or 9.1(e); or (ii) (x) a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer shall have become known publicly prior to the termination of this Agreement, (y) this Agreement shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 9.1(b), 9.1(c)(i) or 9.1(d)(i) (in each case, other than by reason of the failure of the conditions set forth in any of Section 8.1(b), (c), (d) or (e) to be fulfilled or the failure of the conditions set forth in Section 8.3 to be fulfilled), or pursuant to Section 9.1(c)(ii) or 9.1(d)(ii) and (z) within six months after termination the Company shall have entered into an agreement with respect to, or consummated, any Company Third-Party Acquisition (defined below), and provided that the Company did not otherwise have the right to terminate the Agreement pursuant to Sections 9.1(d)(iv) or 9.1(d)(v), then the Company shall pay to Buyer a fee equal to \$1.6 million in cash (the *Termination Fee*), plus an amount, in cash (the *Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount*), not to exceed \$750,000, equal to all documented out-of-pocket expenses and fees incurred by Buyer (including fees and expenses payable to all legal, accounting, financial, public relations and other professional advisors) arising out of, in connection with or related to this Agreement, the Merger or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Termination Fee shall be paid by wire transfer of same day funds to an account designated by Buyer (x) in the case of Section 9.3(a)(i), upon termination of this Agreement, and (y) in the case of Section 9.3(a)(ii), upon the earlier of such entry into an agreement with respect to a Company Third-Party Acquisition or such consummation of a Company Third-Party Acquisition. It shall be a condition to termination of this Agreement by the Company pursuant to any paragraph of Section 9.1 that requires payment of the Termination Fee upon termination pursuant thereto, that such payment has been made. In no event shall more than one Termination Fee be payable under this Article IX. The Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount shall be paid in accordance with Section 9.3(b). As used in Section 9.3(a)(ii)(z), a *Company Third-Party Acquisition* means (i) a transaction pursuant to any Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer in which any third party acquires at least 50% of the outstanding shares of Company Common Stock by tender offer, exchange offer or otherwise, (ii) a merger or other business combination (other than with Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary) in which, immediately after giving effect thereto, stockholders other than the stockholders of the Company immediately prior thereto own at least 50% of the entity surviving such merger or business combination, or (iii) any transaction pursuant to which any third party acquires assets of the Company having a fair market value equal to at least 50% of all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, immediately prior to such transaction.

(b) If this Agreement is terminated by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.1(c)(v) under conditions that otherwise would not entitle Buyer to the Termination Fee and Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount pursuant to Section 9.3(a), and provided that the Company did not otherwise have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1(d), then the Company shall pay to Buyer the Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount. If this Agreement is terminated by the Company pursuant to Section 9.1(d)(iv) under conditions that otherwise would not entitle Buyer to the Termination Fee and Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount pursuant to Section 9.3(a), and provided that the Buyer did not otherwise have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1(c), then Buyer shall pay to the Company an amount, in cash, not to exceed \$750,000, equal to all documented out-of-pocket expenses and fees incurred by the Company (including fees and expenses payable to all legal, accounting, financial, public relations and other professional advisors) arising out of, in connection with or related to this Agreement, the Merger or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated under condition that entitle Buyer to receive the Buyer Expense Reimbursement Amount, or entitle the Company to receive a payment under this Section 9.1(b), then the party entitled to receive such payment shall provide the party required to make such payment with a reasonably detailed summary of the amount of such payment within 15 business days of such termination. Within three business days after the received of such summary, the party required to make such payment shall pay such amount by wire transfer of same day funds to an account designated by the party entitled to receive such payment.

(c) (i) The existence of the right to receive payment pursuant to this Section 9.3 shall not constitute an election of remedies or in any way limit or impair a party's right to pursue any other remedy against the other party to which it may be entitled under this Agreement, at law or in equity, or otherwise;

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provided, however, the successful exercise by Buyer of the right under Section 9.3(a) shall constitute an election of remedies and shall preclude Buyer from any other remedy against the Company to which Buyer may otherwise be entitled under this Agreement, at law or in equity or otherwise.

(ii) The parties agree that the agreements contained in this Section 9.3 are an integral part of the transactions contemplated by the Agreement and are an inducement to Buyer and the Company to enter into this Agreement and not a penalty.

(iii) If a party fails to pay promptly the other any amount due under this Section 9.3, such party shall pay the costs and expenses of the other (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) in connection with any action, including the filing of any lawsuit or other legal action, taken to collect payment, together with interest on the amount of any unpaid fee at the publicly announced prime or base rate of Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. from the date such fee was required to be paid.

ARTICLE X

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 10.1 *Termination of Representations and Warranties.* No investigation or due diligence findings made by or on behalf of any other party hereto, any person controlling any such party or any of their officers, directors, representatives or agents whether prior to or after the execution of this Agreement shall affect the representations and warranties of each party hereto. The representations and warranties of the parties set forth in this Agreement (including those set forth in the Company Disclosure Schedule and the Buyer Disclosure Schedule) or in any certificate furnished under this Agreement shall not survive the Effective Time.

SECTION 10.2 *Amendment and Modification.* To the extent permitted by applicable law, this Agreement may be amended, modified, or supplemented only by written agreement of the parties hereto at any time before the Effective Time with respect to any of the terms contained herein, except that after the Company Stockholders Meeting the amount of the Common Stock Per Share Consideration or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration shall not be decreased and the form of the Common Stock Per Share Consideration or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration shall not be altered from that provided for in this Agreement without the approval of the stockholders of the Company.

SECTION 10.3 *Waiver of Compliance; Consents.* Any failure of Buyer or Buyer Subsidiary, on the one hand, or the Company, on the other hand, to comply with any obligation, covenant, agreement, or condition herein may be waived in a writing signed by the other, but such waiver or failure to insist upon strict compliance with such obligation, covenant, agreement, or condition shall not operate as a waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any subsequent or other failure. Whenever this Agreement requires or permits consent by or on behalf of any party hereto, such consent shall be given in writing in a manner consistent with the requirements for a waiver of compliance as set forth in this Section 10.3.

SECTION 10.4 *Expenses.* All expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby shall be paid by the party incurring or required to pay such expenses as a matter of law, except (i) as otherwise provided in Section 9.3, (ii) all expenses (excluding legal, accounting and other advisors' fees and expenses) incurred in connection with the preparation, printing, filing and mailing of the Joint Proxy Statement and the Registration Statement shall be shared equally by the Company and Buyer.

SECTION 10.5 *Press Releases and Public Announcements.* The parties will make a mutually acceptable joint press release promptly after the execution and delivery hereof. Neither Buyer nor the Company shall issue any other press release or make any other public announcement relating to the subject matter of this Agreement without prior written approval of the other; provided, however, that each of the Company and Buyer may make any public disclosure it believes in good faith is required by applicable law or any listing or trading agreement concerning its publicly traded securities (in which case the disclosing party will advise the other parties to this Agreement and provide them with a reasonable period of time to comment before making the disclosure).

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SECTION 10.6 *Additional Agreements.* Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each of the parties agrees to use its reasonable efforts to take or cause to be taken all action, and do or cause to be done all things necessary, proper, or advisable under applicable laws and regulations, to ensure that the conditions set forth in Article VIII are satisfied and to consummate and make effective the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (subject to the Company's Board of Directors and Buyer's Board of Directors' right to exercise in good faith its fiduciary duties). If, at any time after the Effective Time, any further action is necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of this Agreement, the proper officers and directors of each corporation that is a party to this Agreement shall take all such necessary action.

SECTION 10.7 *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if delivered personally, effective when delivered, or if delivered by express delivery service, effective when delivered, or if mailed by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested), effective three business days after mailing, or if delivered by telecopy, effective when telecopied with confirmation of receipt, to the parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified by like notice):

(a) If to the Company, to it at:

Optika Inc.

7450 Campus Drive 2nd Floor
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Telecopy: (719) 531-0119
Telephone: (719) 548-9800
Attention: Mark K. Rupert

with a copy to:

E*Law Group

3555 West 110th Place
Westminster, Colorado 80031
Telecopy: (303) 410-0468
Telephone: (303) 410-8988
Attention: Jeremy W. Makarechian

(b) If to Buyer of Buyer Subsidiary, to it at:

Stellent, Inc.

7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
Telecopy: (952) 829-5424
Telephone: (952) 903-2000
Attention: Robert F. Olson

with a copy to:

Faegre & Benson LLP

2200 Wells Fargo Center
90 South Seventh Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3901
Telecopy: (612) 766-1600
Telephone: (612) 766-7000

Attention: W. Smith Sharpe
Gordon S. Weber

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SECTION 10.8 *Assignment.* This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, but neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by any party without the prior written consent of the other parties. This Agreement is not intended to confer upon any other person except the parties any rights or remedies hereunder.

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SECTION 10.9 *Rules of Interpretation.* As used in this Agreement,

- (a) including means including without limitation ;
- (b) includes means includes without limitation ;
- (c) person includes an individual, a partnership, a limited liability company, a joint venture, a corporation, a trust, an incorporated organization, and a government or any department or agency thereof;
- (d) affiliate has the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act;
- (e) business day means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day that is a statutory holiday under the laws of the United States or the States of Colorado and Minnesota;
- (f) all dollar amounts are expressed in United States funds;
- (g) defined terms include the singular and the plural;
- (h) the phrase to the knowledge of the Company or to the knowledge of the Buyer, or any similar phrase, means the actual knowledge of one or more of the executive officers of the Company or Buyer, as the case may be; and
- (i) all references to statutes or regulations are deemed to refer to such statutes and regulations as amended from time to time or as superseded by comparable successor statutory provisions.

SECTION 10.10 *Governing Law.* This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware (except to the extent such matter relates solely to the corporate governance or internal operations of Buyer or the approval of the Share Issuance, in which event the laws of the State of Minnesota shall govern) without giving effect to conflict-of-laws principles. The parties hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Court of Chancery of Delaware and the federal courts of the United States of America located in the State of Delaware solely in respect of the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and of the documents referred to in this Agreement, and in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby, and hereby waive, and agree not to assert, as a defense in any action, suit, or proceeding for the interpretation or enforcement hereof or of any such document, that it is not subject thereto or that such action, suit or proceeding may not be brought or is not maintainable in said courts or that the venue thereof may not be appropriate or that this Agreement or any such document may not be enforced in or by such courts, and the parties hereto irrevocably agree that all claims with respect to such action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in such a Delaware state or federal court. The parties hereby consent to and grant any such court jurisdiction over the person of such parties and over the subject matter of such dispute. Each party further acknowledges and agrees that any controversy which may arise under this Agreement is likely to involve complicated and difficult issues, and therefore each such party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives any right such party may have to trial by jury in respect of any litigation directly or indirectly arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

SECTION 10.11 *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute the same instrument.

SECTION 10.12 *Headings; Internal References.* The Article and Section headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, and are not part of the agreement of the parties and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

SECTION 10.13 *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement, including the Company Disclosure Schedule, the Buyer Disclosure Schedule and the Exhibits, the Confidentiality Agreement and the Preferred Share Voting Agreement, embodies the entire agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein and therein, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings among the parties with respect to such subject matter including, specifically, the letter agreement dated November 28, 2003 between Buyer and the Company. There are no restrictions, promises, representations, warranties (express or implied), covenants, or undertakings of the parties in respect of the subject matter

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set forth herein, other than those expressly set forth or referred to in this Agreement, or the Confidentiality Agreement.

SECTION 10.14 *Severability*. If any term of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms hereof will continue in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated.

SECTION 10.15 *Equitable Remedies*. The parties agree that money damages or another remedy at law would not be a sufficient or adequate remedy for any breach or violation of, or default under, this Agreement by them and that in addition to all other remedies available to them, each of them shall be entitled, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to an injunction restraining such breach, violation, or default or threatened breach, violation, or default and to any other equitable relief, including specific performance, without bond or other security being required in any federal court located in the State of Delaware or any Delaware state court.

SECTION 10.16 *Disclosure Schedules*. Matters reflected in the Company Disclosure Schedule or the Buyer Disclosure Schedule are not necessarily limited to matters required by this Agreement to be reflected in the Company Disclosure Schedule or the Buyer Disclosure Schedule. Such additional matters are set forth for informational purposes and do not necessarily include other matters of a similar nature that are not required to be reflected in the Company Disclosure Schedule or the Buyer Disclosure Schedule. A disclosure made by the Company or Buyer in any Section of this Agreement or its Disclosure Schedule that is sufficient to reasonably inform the other of information required to be disclosed in another Section of this Agreement or the Disclosure Schedule in order to avoid a misrepresentation thereunder shall be deemed to have been made with respect to such other Section of this Agreement or the Disclosure Schedule.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be signed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, all as of the date first above written.

STELLENT, INC.

By: _____
/s/ ROBERT F. OLSON
Robert F. Olson
President and Chief Executive Officer

OPTIKA INC.

By: _____
/s/ MARK K. RUPORT
Mark K. Ruport
President and Chief Executive Officer

STEL SUB, INC.

By: _____
/s/ ROBERT F. OLSON
Robert F. Olson
President and Chief Executive Officer

[Agreement and Plan of Merger]

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ANNEX B

VOTING AGREEMENT

This Voting Agreement (this *Agreement*) is dated as of January 11, 2004, among Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), and the persons listed on Annex A hereto, each of whom is a holder (a *Shareholder*) of shares of common stock of Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Buyer*).

Recitals

A. The Buyer, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Buyer (*Merger Sub*), and the Company are entering into an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of the date hereof (the *Merger Agreement*), pursuant to which (1) the Company will merge (the *Merger*) with and into Merger Sub, (2) the existing holders of shares of common stock of the Company will exchange such shares for shares of common stock of the Buyer (*Buyer Common Stock*) and (3) the existing holders Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock of the Company will exchange such shares for cash and, in certain circumstances, shares of Buyer Common Stock.

B. Each Shareholder is a director or executive officer of the Buyer.

C. The execution and delivery of this Agreement is a condition precedent to the Company entering into the Merger Agreement.

Agreement

Now, therefore, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. *Voting; Proxy.*

(a) During the term of this Agreement, at each meeting of the Buyer's shareholders convened to consider and vote upon the issuance of shares of Buyer Common Stock in the Merger, each Shareholder agrees to vote (to the extent not voted by the person or persons appointed under the proxy granted under Section 1(b)) all shares of Buyer Common Stock owned of record by the Shareholder at the record date for the vote (including, except for any shares for which the Shareholder's sole voting power results from his or her having been named as proxy pursuant to the proxy solicitation conducted by the Buyer's Board of Directors in connection with the meeting, any shares of Buyer Common Stock over which the Shareholder has voting power, by contract or otherwise) in favor of the approval of the stock issuance.

(b) Each Shareholder acknowledges that he or she has executed and delivered to the Company an irrevocable proxy in the form of *Annex B* hereto.

2. *No Transfer.* During the term of this Agreement, each Shareholder agrees that he or she will not sell, pledge, assign, or otherwise transfer, or authorize, propose, or agree to the sale, pledge, assignment, or other transfer of, any of his or her shares of Buyer Common Stock, unless (a) at least two business days' written notice of the proposed transfer is provided to the Company and (b) the intended transferee agrees in writing to be bound by this Agreement as if he or she were a Shareholder.

3. *Representations and Warranties.* Each Shareholder, severally and not jointly, represents and warrants to the Company with respect to himself or herself as follows:

(a) *Authority.* He or she has the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to perform his or her obligations hereunder, and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by him or her and constitutes his or her valid and binding obligation, enforceable against him or her in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability hereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, and except for judicial limitations on the enforcement of the remedy of specific performance and other equitable remedies.

(b) *Title; Authority to Vote Shares.* He or she owns of record and has voting power over the number of shares of Buyer Common Stock set forth beside his or her name on *Annex A* hereto; and

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such shares are held by him or her free and clear of all liens, charges, pledges, restrictions, and encumbrances that would prevent him or her from performing his or her obligations hereunder.

(c) *Noncontravention.* Neither his or her execution and delivery of this Agreement, nor his or her consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby, nor his or her compliance with any of the provisions hereof will violate, conflict with, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or result in the termination or suspension of, or accelerate the performance required by, or result in a right of termination or acceleration under, or result in the creation of any lien upon, any of his or her properties or assets under any agreement or instrument to which he or she is a party or any statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, decree, or other legal requirement applicable to him or her.

(d) *Litigation.* (i) There is no claim, action, proceeding, or investigation pending or, to his or her knowledge, threatened against or relating to him or her before any court or governmental or regulatory authority or body (including the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.), and (ii) he or she is not subject to any outstanding order, writ, injunction, or decree, that, in the case of clause (i) or (ii), if determined adversely, would prohibit him or her from performing his or her obligations hereunder.

4. *Termination.* This Agreement will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of any party at the earlier of (a) the Effective Time or (b) the date and time the Merger Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms. In the event of a termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 4, this Agreement will forthwith become void and there will be no liability or obligation on the part of any party; provided, that nothing herein will release any party from any liability for any breach of this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated, the proxies of the Shareholders delivered under Section 1(b) will also terminate and be of no further force or effect, and the Company will promptly return the proxies to the respective Shareholders.

5. *Director Matters Excluded.* The Company acknowledges and agrees that, with respect to each Shareholder that is a member of the Buyer's Board of Directors, no provision of this Agreement will limit or otherwise restrict such Shareholder with respect to any act or omission that he may undertake or authorize in his capacity as a member of the Buyer's Board of Directors, including, without limitation, any vote that such Shareholder may make as a director of the Buyer with respect to any matter presented to the Buyer's Board of Directors.

6. *Miscellaneous.*

(a) *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder will be in writing and will be deemed given if delivered personally, effective when delivered, or if delivered by express delivery service, effective when delivered, or if mailed by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested), effective three business days after mailing, or if delivered by telecopy, effective when telecopied with confirmation of receipt, to the parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as may be specified by like notice):

If to a Shareholder at the address and/or telecopy number set forth under his or her name on *Annex A* hereto;

If to Company to:

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Telecopy: (719) 531-0119
Telephone: (719) 548-9800
Attention: Chief Executive Officer

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with a copy to:

E* Law Group
3555 West 110th Place
Westminster, Colorado 80031
Telecopy: (303) 410-0468
Telephone: (303) 766-8988
Attention: Jeremy W. Makarechian

(b) *Interpretation.* The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and do not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

(c) *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed by facsimile signature and in one or more counterparts, all of which will be considered the same agreement.

(d) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement (along with the documents and instruments referred to herein, including the Merger Agreement), constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

(e) *Severability.* The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions of this Agreement. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law.

(f) *Governing Law.* This Agreement will be governed by Delaware law, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

(g) *Assignment.* Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests, or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any party, whether by operation of law or otherwise, without the express written consent of the other party. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors, heirs, legal representatives, and permitted assigns. The representations, agreements, and obligations of the Shareholders contained herein will survive the death or incapacity of any Shareholder and will be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each Shareholder.

(h) *Remedies.* In addition to all other remedies available, the parties agree that, in the event of a breach by a party of any of its obligations hereunder, the non-breaching party will be entitled to specific performance or injunctive relief.

(i) *Defined Terms.* All capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given them in the Merger Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties have signed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

OPTIKA INC.

By: */s/ MARK K. RUPORT*

Mark K. Ruport
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ ROBERT F. OLSON

Robert F. Olson

/s/ KENNETH H. HOLEC

Kenneth H. Holec

/s/ PHILIP E. SORAN

Philip E. Soran

/s/ RAYMOND A. TUCKER

Raymond A. Tucker

/s/ STEVEN C. WALDRON

Steven C. Waldron

/s/ GREGG A. WALDON

Gregg A. Waldon

/s/ DAVID S. BATT

David S. Batt

/s/ FRANK A. RADICHEL

Frank A. Radichel

/s/ DANIEL P. RYAN

Daniel P. Ryan

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TO BUYER STOCKHOLDER AGREEMENT**

Name	Number of Shares of Buyer Common Stock
Robert F. Olson	2,255,764
Kenneth H. Holec	90,315
Philip E. Soran	0
Raymond A. Tucker	10,000
Steven C. Waldron	0
Gregg A. Waldon	10,000
David S. Batt	0
Frank A. Radichel	250
Daniel P. Ryan	10,000

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**ANNEX B
TO BUYER STOCKHOLDER AGREEMENT**

IRREVOCABLE PROXY

The undersigned, revoking any proxy heretofore given, hereby constitutes and appoints each of Mark K. Ruport and Steven M. Johnson the true and lawful attorney, with full power of substitution, for and in the name of the undersigned to vote, at any time before the Termination (defined below), all shares of common stock of Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Buyer*), or other shares of capital stock of the Buyer entitled to vote on the business to be transacted, (1) registered in the name of the undersigned at the record date for such vote, or (2) except as set forth below, over which the undersigned has voting power by power of attorney or other contractual arrangements with the owner of record (collectively, the *Shares*), at any meeting of the shareholders of the Buyer, and at all adjournments thereof, and pursuant to any consent of the shareholders in lieu of a meeting or otherwise, in favor of approval of the Stock Issuance (defined below).

This Proxy is given with respect to the approval of the issuance of shares of common stock of the Buyer (the *Stock Issuance*) pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger among the Buyer, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Buyer, and Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), dated as of January , 2004 (the *Merger Agreement*). This Proxy is given to induce the Company to enter into the Merger Agreement, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable; provided, that this Proxy will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of the undersigned upon the termination of the Voting Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among the Company and each of the persons and entities listed on Annex A thereto (the *Termination*).

Notwithstanding clause (2) of the first paragraph above, this Proxy will not include any shares of capital stock of the Buyer that are not subject to clause (1) of the first paragraph above for which the undersigned's only voting power results from the undersigned having been named as proxy pursuant to the proxy solicitation conducted by the Buyer's Board of Directors in connection with a meeting of the shareholders of the Buyer and over which the undersigned does not otherwise have voting power with respect thereto.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that the proxies named herein may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his or her hand as of this January , 2004.

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AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO
VOTING AGREEMENT

This Amendment No. 1 (this *Amendment*) is entered into as of the 27th day of January, 2004 among Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), and the persons listed on the signature page hereto, each of whom is a holder (a *Shareholder*) of shares of common stock of Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Buyer*).

Recitals

- A. The Company and the Shareholders entered into a voting agreement dated as of January 11, 2004 (the *Original Agreement*).
- B. The Company and the Shareholders desire to amend the Original Agreement in certain respects.

Amendment

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. *Maximum Percentage of Shares Covered.* The Original Agreement is hereby amended by adding a new Section 1(c) thereto to read as follows:

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or the irrevocable proxies executed and delivered pursuant to Section 1(b), until such time as the Company's acquisition of beneficial ownership of shares of common stock of the Buyer under this Agreement and such proxies shall have received the approval required under Section 302A.673, subd. 1, of the Minnesota Statutes, neither this Agreement nor such proxies shall apply to shares representing, in the aggregate, more than 9.9% of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Buyer.

- 2. *Miscellaneous.* Except as specifically set forth herein, all terms and provisions of the Original Agreement remain in full force and effect with no other modification or waiver. This Amendment may be executed in two or more counterparts, each which shall be deemed an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

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The undersigned have executed this Amendment as of the date first written above.

OPTIKA INC.

By: /s/ MARK K. RUPORT

Mark K. Ruport
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ ROBERT F. OLSON

Robert F. Olson

/s/ KENNETH H. HOLEC

Kenneth H. Holec

/s/ PHILIP E. SORAN

Philip E. Soran

/s/ RAYMOND A. TUCKER

Raymond A. Tucker

/s/ STEVEN C. WALDRON

Steven C. Waldron

/s/ GREGG A. WALDON

Gregg A. Waldon

/s/ DAVID S. BATT

David S. Batt

/s/ FRANK A. RADICHEL

Frank A. Radichel

/s/ DANIEL P. RYAN

Daniel P. Ryan

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IRREVOCABLE PROXY

The undersigned, revoking any proxy heretofore given, hereby constitutes and appoints each of Mark K. Ruport and Steven M. Johnson the true and lawful attorney, with full power of substitution, for and in the name of the undersigned to vote, at any time before the Termination (defined below), all shares of common stock of Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Buyer*), or other shares of capital stock of the Buyer entitled to vote on the business to be transacted, (1) registered in the name of the undersigned at the record date for such vote, or (2) except as set forth below, over which the undersigned has voting power by power of attorney or other contractual arrangements with the owner of record (collectively, the *Shares*), at any meeting of the shareholders of the Buyer, and at all adjournments thereof, and pursuant to any consent of the shareholders in lieu of a meeting or otherwise, in favor of approval of the Stock Issuance (defined below); *provided, however*, that until such time as the Company's acquisition of beneficial ownership of Shares under this Proxy shall have received the approval required under Section 302A.673, subd. 1, of the Minnesota Statutes, this Proxy shall not apply to any Shares that would cause the proxies appointed hereby to have the right to vote, in the aggregate, more than 9.9% of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Buyer.

This Proxy is given with respect to the approval of the issuance of shares of common stock of the Buyer (the *Stock Issuance*) pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger among the Buyer, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Buyer, and Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), dated as of January 11, 2004 (the *Merger Agreement*). This Proxy is given to induce the Company to enter into the Merger Agreement, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable; provided, that this Proxy will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of the undersigned upon the termination of the Voting Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among the Company and each of the persons and entities listed on Annex A thereto (the *Termination*).

Notwithstanding clause (2) of the first paragraph above, this Proxy will not include any shares of capital stock of the Buyer that are not subject to clause (1) of the first paragraph above for which the undersigned's only voting power results from the undersigned having been named as proxy pursuant to the proxy solicitation conducted by the Buyer's Board of Directors in connection with a meeting of the shareholders of the Buyer and over which the undersigned does not otherwise have voting power with respect thereto.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that the proxies named herein may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his or her hand as of this January 27, 2004.

/s/ ROBERT F. OLSON

Robert F. Olson

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ANNEX C

VOTING AGREEMENT

This Voting Agreement (this *Agreement*) is dated as of January 11, 2004, among Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Company*), and the persons listed on Annex A hereto, each of whom is a holder (a *Stockholder*) of common stock of Optika, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Target*).

RECITALS

A. The Company, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (*Merger Sub*), and the Target are entering into an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of the date hereof (the *Merger Agreement*), pursuant to which (1) the Company will merge (the *Merger*) with and into Merger Sub, (2) the existing holders of shares of common stock of the Target (*Target Common Stock*) will exchange such shares for shares of common stock of the Buyer and (3) the existing holders Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock of the Company will exchange such shares for cash and, in certain circumstances, shares of common stock of Buyer.

B. Each Stockholder is a director or executive officer of the Target.

C. The execution and delivery of this Agreement is a condition precedent to the Company entering into the Merger Agreement.

AGREEMENT

Now, therefore, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. *Voting; Proxy.*

(a) During the term of this Agreement, at each meeting of the Target's stockholders convened to consider and vote upon the approval of the Merger Agreement, each Stockholder agrees to vote (to the extent not voted by the person or persons appointed under the proxy granted under Section 1(b)) all shares of Target Common Stock owned of record by the Stockholder at the record date for the vote (including, except for any shares for which the Stockholder's sole voting power results from his or her having been named as proxy pursuant to the proxy solicitation conducted by the Target's Board of Directors in connection with the meeting, any shares of Target Common Stock over which the Stockholder has voting power, by contract or otherwise) in favor of the approval of the Merger Agreement.

(b) Each Stockholder acknowledges that he or she has executed and delivered to the Company an irrevocable proxy in the form of Annex B hereto.

2. *No Transfer.* During the term of this Agreement, each Stockholder agrees that he or she will not sell, pledge, assign, or otherwise transfer, or authorize, propose, or agree to the sale, pledge, assignment, or other transfer of, any of his or her shares of Target Common Stock, unless (a) at least two business days' written notice of the proposed transfer is provided to the Company and (b) the intended transferee agrees in writing to be bound by this Agreement as if he or she were a Stockholder.

3. *Representations and Warranties.* Each Stockholder, severally and not jointly, represents and warrants to the Company with respect to himself or herself as follows:

(a) *Authority.* He or she has the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to perform his or her obligations hereunder, and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by him or her and constitutes his or her valid and binding obligation, enforceable against him or her in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability hereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, and except for judicial limitations on the enforcement of the remedy of specific performance and other equitable remedies.

(b) *Title; Authority to Vote Shares.* He or she owns of record and has voting power over the number of shares of Target Common Stock set forth beside his or her name on Annex A hereto; and

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such shares are held by him or her free and clear of all liens, charges, pledges, restrictions, and encumbrances that would prevent him or her from performing his or her obligations hereunder.

(c) *Noncontravention.* Neither his or her execution and delivery of this Agreement, nor his or her consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby, nor his or her compliance with any of the provisions hereof will violate, conflict with, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or result in the termination or suspension of, or accelerate the performance required by, or result in a right of termination or acceleration under, or result in the creation of any lien upon, any of his or her properties or assets under any agreement or instrument to which he or she is a party or any statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, decree, or other legal requirement applicable to him or her.

(d) *Litigation.* (i) There is no claim, action, proceeding, or investigation pending or, to his or her knowledge, threatened against or relating to him or her before any court or governmental or regulatory authority or body (including the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.), and (ii) he or she is not subject to any outstanding order, writ, injunction, or decree, that, in the case of clause (i) or (ii), if determined adversely, would prohibit him or her from performing his or her obligations hereunder.

4. *Termination.* This Agreement will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of any party at the earlier of (a) the Effective Time or (b) the date and time the Merger Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms. In the event of a termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 4, this Agreement will forthwith become void and there will be no liability or obligation on the part of any party; provided, that nothing herein will release any party from any liability for any breach of this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated, the proxies of the Stockholders delivered under Section 1(b) will also terminate and be of no further force or effect, and the Company will promptly return the proxies to the respective Stockholders.

5. *Director Matters Excluded.* The Company acknowledges and agrees that, with respect to each Stockholder that is a member of the Target's Board of Directors, no provision of this Agreement will limit or otherwise restrict such Stockholder with respect to any act or omission that he may undertake or authorize in his capacity as a member of the Target's Board of Directors, including, without limitation, any vote that such Stockholder may make as a director of the Target with respect to any matter presented to the Target's Board of Directors.

6. *Miscellaneous.*

(a) *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder will be in writing and will be deemed given if delivered personally, effective when delivered, or if delivered by express delivery service, effective when delivered, or if mailed by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested), effective three business days after mailing, or if delivered by telecopy, effective when

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teletyped with confirmation of receipt, to the parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as may be specified by like notice):

If to a Stockholder at the address and/or teletype number set forth under his or her name on Annex A hereto;

If to Company to:

Stellent, Inc.
7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
Teletype: (952) 903-2000
Telephone: (952) 829-5424
Attention: Chief Executive Officer

with a copy to:

Faegre & Benson LLP
2200 Wells Fargo Center
90 South Seventh Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3901
Teletype: (612) 766-1600
Telephone: (612) 766-7000
Attention: Kris Sharpe

(b) *Interpretation.* The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and do not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

(c) *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed by facsimile signature and in one or more counterparts, all of which will be considered the same agreement.

(d) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement (along with the documents and instruments referred to herein, including the Merger Agreement), constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, both written and oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

(e) *Severability.* The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions of this Agreement. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law.

(f) *Governing Law.* This Agreement will be governed by Delaware law, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

(g) *Assignment.* Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests, or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any party, whether by operation of law or otherwise, without the express written consent of the other party. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors, heirs, legal representatives, and permitted assigns. The representations, agreements, and obligations of the Stockholders contained herein will survive the death or incapacity of any Stockholder and will be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns of each Stockholder.

(h) *Remedies.* In addition to all other remedies available, the parties agree that, in the event of a breach by a party of any of its obligations hereunder, the non-breaching party will be entitled to specific performance or injunctive relief.

(i) *Defined Terms.* All capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given them in the Merger Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties have signed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

STELLENT, INC.

By: /s/ ROBERT F. OLSON

Robert F. Olson
Its: Chief Executive Officer

/s/ MARK K. RUPORT

Mark K. Rupert

/s/ STEVEN M. JOHNSON

Steven M. Johnson

/s/ ALAN B. MENKES

Alan B. Menkes

/s/ JAMES T. ROTHE

James T. Rothe

/s/ EDWIN C. WINDER

Edwin C. Winder

/s/ GREG D. COOKE

Greg D. Cooke

/s/ DERRICK S. CROW

Derrick S. Crow

/s/ JAMES A. FRANKLIN

James A. Franklin

/s/ PATRICK DONOVAN

Patrick Donovan

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/s/ CHRISTOPHER J. RYAN

Christopher J. Ryan

/s/ RANDALL WEAKLY

Randall Weakly

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TO COMPANY SHAREHOLDER AGREEMENT**

Name	Number of Shares of Target Common Stock
Mark K. Ruport	57,500
Steven M. Johnson	29,700
Alan B. Menkes	0
James T. Rothe	7,000
Edwin C. Winder	81,000
Greg D. Cooke	100
Derrick S. Crow	0
James A. Franklin	0
Patrick Donovan	0
Christopher J. Ryan	5,000
Randall Weakly	4,500

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**ANNEX B
TO COMPANY STOCKHOLDER AGREEMENT**

IRREVOCABLE PROXY

The undersigned, revoking any proxy heretofore given, hereby constitutes and appoints each of Robert F. Olson and Greg A. Waldon the true and lawful attorney, with full power of substitution, for and in the name of the undersigned to vote, at any time before the Termination (defined below), all shares of common stock of Optika, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the *Target*), or other shares of capital stock of the Target entitled to vote on the business to be transacted, (1) registered in the name of the undersigned at the record date for such vote, or (2) except as set forth below, over which the undersigned has voting power by power of attorney or other contractual arrangements with the owner of record (collectively, the *Shares*), at any meeting of the stockholders of the Target, and at all adjournments thereof, and pursuant to any consent of the stockholders in lieu of a meeting or otherwise, in favor of approval of the Merger Agreement (defined below).

This Proxy is given with respect to the approval of the Agreement and Plan of Merger among Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the *Company*), STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Target, dated as of January , 2004 (the *Merger Agreement*). This Proxy is given to induce the Company to enter into the Merger Agreement, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable; provided, that this Proxy will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of the undersigned upon the termination of the Voting Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among the Company and each of the persons and entities listed on Annex A thereto (the *Termination*).

Notwithstanding clause (2) of the first paragraph above, this Proxy will not include any shares of capital stock of the Target that are not subject to clause (1) of the first paragraph above for which the undersigned's only voting power results from the undersigned having been named as proxy pursuant to the proxy solicitation conducted by the Target's Board of Directors in connection with a meeting of the stockholders of the Target and over which the undersigned does not otherwise have voting power with respect thereto.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that the proxies named herein may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his or her hand as of this January , 2004.

Printed Name:

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ANNEX D

WRITTEN CONSENT AND VOTING AGREEMENT

This Written Consent and Voting Agreement (this Agreement) is dated as of January 11, 2004, among Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the Buyer), Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), and the entities listed on Exhibit A hereto, each of whom is a holder (a Series A-1 Holder) of shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, of the Company (the Company Preferred Stock).

RECITALS

A. The Buyer, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Buyer (Merger Sub), and the Company, concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, are entering into an Agreement and Plan of Merger in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (including the exhibits and schedules thereto, the Merger Agreement), dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which (1) the Company will merge (the Merger) with and into Merger Sub, (2) the existing holders of shares of common stock of the Company (Company Common Stock); and collectively with the Company Preferred Stock, the Company Capital Stock) will exchange their shares of Company Common Stock for shares of common stock of the Buyer and (3) the Series A-1 Holders will exchange their shares of Company Preferred Stock for cash and, in certain circumstances, shares of common stock of the Buyer.

B. Terms that are capitalized but not defined in this Agreement have the meaning assigned to them in the Merger Agreement.

C. Prior to the Effective Time, the Company will be required to amend and restate its Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock (the Certificate of Designation) in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C (the Restatement).

D. The Merger constitutes a Change of Control (as defined in the Certificate of Designation) pursuant to which the Series A-1 Holders would not receive the full Preference Amount (as defined in the Certificate of Designation) to which each such holder is entitled as a result of such a transaction and, therefore, the written consent of a majority of the Series A-1 Holders is required pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Certificate of Designation prior to entering into the Merger Agreement.

E. The execution and delivery of this Agreement is an inducement, and a condition precedent, to the Buyer and the Company entering into the Merger Agreement.

AGREEMENT

Now, therefore, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. *Consent to Merger Agreement.* In accordance with Section 4(b) of the Certificate of Designation, as currently in effect, each Series A-1 Holder hereby consents to (i) the Company entering into the Merger Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B; (ii) any such modifications, revisions and amendments to the Merger Agreement as the Company, the Buyer and Merger Sub shall agree in accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement; provided, however, that the parties hereto agree that no modification, revision or amendment may be made to Merger Agreement that could reasonably be deemed to either (A) be adverse to the Series A-1 Holders or (B) confer additional benefits upon any stockholder or member of management of the Company, in each case, without the prior written consent of Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P. (TWCP) (any modification, revision or amendment made in violation of this proviso, a Non-Consenting Amendment); (iii) the Merger; and (iv) the Restatement of the Certificate of Designation.

2. *No Solicitation.* Each Series A-1 Holder agrees that it will not, and will cause its officers and employees, in their capacities as such, and its agents or representatives (including any investment banker or attorney retained by it) not to, initiate, solicit, or encourage, directly or indirectly, the making or implementation of any Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer or provide any confidential information or confidential data to, or have any discussions with, any person relating to a Company

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Third-Party Acquisition Offer; provided that, any Series A-1 Holder may engage in any of the activities that the Company may engage in (as set forth in Section 7.2(a)(ii) of the Merger Agreement) concerning a Company Third-Party Acquisition Offer once the Board of Directors of the Company has determined that such activities are required in the good faith exercise of its fiduciary duties pursuant to the requirements of Section 7.2(a)(ii) of the Merger Agreement. Each Series A-1 Holder shall promptly notify the Buyer if any such inquiries or proposals are received by, any such information is requested from, or any such negotiations or discussions are sought to be initiated or continued with, it.

3. Voting; Proxy.

(a) During the term of this Agreement, at each meeting of the Company's stockholders convened to consider and vote upon the approval of the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Restatement, each Series A-1 Holder agrees to vote (to the extent not voted by the person or persons appointed under the proxy granted under Section 3(b)) all shares of Company Capital Stock owned of record by the Series A-1 Holder at the record date for the vote (including any shares of Company Capital Stock over which the Series A-1 Holder has voting power, by contract or otherwise) in favor of the approval of the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Restatement.

(b) Each Series A-1 Holder acknowledges that it has executed and delivered to the Buyer an irrevocable proxy in the form of Exhibit D hereto.

4. Exchange and Consent. Upon the Effective Time, each Series A-1 Holder agrees that it will exchange each share of its Company Preferred Stock for the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration and no other consideration, notwithstanding any liquidation preference or other rights or preferences of the Company Preferred Stock, as set forth in the Certificate of Designation, as currently in effect, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, or any other documents or agreements between the holders of the Company Preferred Stock and the Company. The Series A-1 Holders and the Company consent and agree that upon the Effective Time, the following agreements are terminated and will have no further force and effect: (i) the Exchange Agreement dated as of May 7, 2001, among the Company, TWCP and certain of its affiliates and RKB Capital, L.P., (ii) the letter agreement regarding future treatment of Company Preferred Stock dated May 7, 2001 among the Company, TWCP and certain of its affiliates and RKB Capital, L.P. and (iii) the Registration Rights Agreement dated as of February 23, 2000 among the Company, the Founders and Investors described therein, TWCP and certain of its affiliates and RKB Capital, L.P., as amended (the Registration Rights Agreement). As used in this Section 4, termination of the Registration Rights Agreement means that the Registration Rights Agreement is deemed to be amended to terminate the rights and obligations of the Purchasers (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement) and any holders of the Securities (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement).

5. Further Assurances. During the term of this Agreement, each Series A-1 Holder agrees that it will from time to time upon the request of the Buyer or the Company, use its commercially reasonable efforts to do, execute, acknowledge and deliver, and cause to be done, executed, acknowledged or delivered, all such further acts, deeds, transfers, conveyances, assignments, powers of attorney or assurances as may be reasonably required to complete the Merger in accordance, in all material respects (subject to the approval rights of the Series A-1 Holders set forth in Section 1 above), with the terms set forth in the Merger Agreement and this Agreement, and to take such other commercially reasonable actions as the Buyer or the Company may reasonably request in order to carry out the intent of this Agreement and to complete the Merger.

6. No Transfer. During the term of this Agreement, each Series A-1 Holder agrees that it will not sell, pledge, assign, distribute, hypothecate or otherwise transfer, or authorize, propose, or agree to the sale, pledge, assignment, distribution, hypothecation or other transfer of, any of its shares of Company Preferred Stock without the Company's and the Buyer's prior written consent, except to its affiliates who agree in writing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

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7. *Adjustment Shares.* Each Series A-1 Holder agrees that it will comply with the Securities Act in selling any Adjustment Shares that it may receive.

8. *Representations and Warranties of the Series A-1 Holders.* Each Series A-1 Holder, severally and not jointly, represents and warrants to the Buyer on the date hereof with respect to itself as follows:

(a) *Authority.* It has the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to perform its obligations hereunder, and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes its valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability hereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, moratorium, or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, and except for judicial limitations on the enforcement of the remedy of specific performance and other equitable remedies.

(b) *Title; Authority to Vote Shares.* It owns of record and has voting power over the number of shares of Company Capital Stock set forth beside its name on Exhibit A hereto; and such shares are held by it free and clear of all liens, charges, pledges, restrictions, and encumbrances that would prevent it from performing his or her obligations hereunder.

(c) *Noncontravention.* Neither its execution and delivery of this Agreement, nor its consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby, nor its compliance with any of the provisions of this Agreement will violate, conflict with, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default (or an event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or result in the termination or suspension of, or accelerate the performance required by, or result in a right of termination or acceleration under, any agreement or instrument to which it is a party or any statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, decree, or other legal requirement applicable to it.

9. *No Other Agreements to Make Payments.*

(a) Each of the Company and the Buyer, severally and not jointly, represents and warrants to each of the Series A-1 Holders on the date hereof and on the Closing Date with respect to itself that, except as expressly set forth in the Merger Agreement and other than the Employment Agreement with Mark K. Rupert in the form of Exhibit D to the Merger Agreement, there are no agreements or understandings (binding or otherwise) between any of the Company, the Buyer, Merger Sub and any member of senior management of the Company to make any payments (or (A) in the case of Mark K. Rupert and Steven M. Johnson, grant any options, and (B) in the case of other members of senior management, grant any options other than customary grants) (i) to any such member of senior management (excluding any severance which may be payable upon the involuntary termination of management following the Effective Time pursuant to written employment agreements attached to the letter agreement dated December 5, 2003 between the Company and TWCP (the "TWCP LOI") or delivered to counsel for the Series A-1 Holders on or before the date of this Agreement) or (ii) to any other person in connection with the Merger (other than (X) the fees and expenses of the Company's and the Buyer's outside legal, accounting and financial advisors, payments made in the ordinary course of the Company's and the Buyer's businesses and customary fees and payments made in order to facilitate the consummation of the Merger, and (Y) director fees substantially similar to those paid to other members of Buyer's Board of Directors ("Buyer's Board") to be paid by the Buyer to Alen B. Menkes following his election to Buyer's Board).

(b) The Company and the Buyer agree, and represent and warrant to the Series A-1 Holders, that, except as expressly set forth in the Merger Agreement, no director (with respect to Mark K. Rupert, in his capacity as director of the company only) shall receive any payments in connection with the Merger (other than director fees substantially similar to those paid to other members of Buyer's Board to be paid by the Buyer to Alen B. Menkes following his election to Buyer's Board).

10. *Indemnification.*

(a) Effective at and after the date of this Agreement, the Company, the Buyer and Merger Sub each agree to indemnify the Series A-1 Holders and each of their affiliates (each, an "Indemnified Party") against, and agrees to hold each of them harmless from, any and all damage, loss, liability and expense (including reasonable expenses of investigation and reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses in connection

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with any action, suit or proceeding) (Damages) incurred or suffered by any Indemnified Party arising out of or in connection with (i) the performance by the Series A-1 Holders of their obligations under this Agreement (other than by the Company or the Buyer to enforce the terms of this Agreement) or (ii) any action, suit or proceeding brought by any holder of Company Capital Stock or any other person against any Indemnified Party in connection with the Merger, regardless of whether such Damages arise under any theory of law or equity; provided, however, that none of the Company, the Buyer or Merger Sub shall be liable under this Section 10 for Damages arising out of, or based upon, any breach of the representations and warranties of the Series A-1 Holders contained in Section 8 hereof.

(b) The Company and the Buyer agree to share equally in any amounts paid to, or expenses incurred on behalf of, any Indemnified Party under Section 10(a) of the this Agreement, irrespective of whether such Indemnified Party asserted its right to indemnification against the Company, the Buyer, the Merger Sub or any combination thereof. If the Company makes payments to, or incurs expenses on behalf of, any Indemnified Party in excess of its obligation under this Section 10(b), it will have the right to recover the amount of such excess from the Buyer. If the Buyer and/or Merger Sub, on a combined basis, make payments to, or incur expenses on behalf of, any Indemnified Party in excess of the Buyer's obligation under this Section 10(b), the Buyer will have the right to recover the amount of such excess from the Company.

11. *Confidentiality.* The Company, the Buyer and Merger Sub each agree (i) not to disclose, prior to the filing of this Agreement as an Exhibit to the Joint Proxy Statement and Registration Statement (the Joint Proxy Statement) or to the Form 8-K filed by the Company in connection with the execution of the Merger Agreement (the Form 8-K), the existence of this Agreement or the contents or subject matter hereof to any other party, and (ii) not to issue any press release or other public announcement (A) containing a reference to TWCP or any of its affiliates, or (B) in any way concerning the Company Preferred Stock or the Preferred Stock Per Share Consideration, in each case, without the prior written consent of TWCP, unless, in each case, required by applicable law or stock exchange rules or regulations (in which case, the disclosing party shall allow TWCP reasonable time to comment on the contents of such disclosure in advance of such disclosure); provided, however, that (x) TWCP hereby consents to the filing this Agreement as an Exhibit to the Joint Proxy Statement and to the Form 8-K, and (y) once a press release or other public announcement covered by clause (ii)(B) of this Section 11 has been issued in accordance with this Section 11, the information included in such press release or other public announcement may be reiterated by the Company, the Buyer or Merger Sub without limitation.

12. *Fees and Expenses.* Notwithstanding anything contained herein that may be deemed to be to the contrary, the Company hereby agrees to reimburse TWCP in cash for its fees and expenses incurred in connection with its participation in the negotiation of the Merger and the Merger Agreement, this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (including, without limitation, the fees and disbursements of its attorneys, accountants, consultants and other advisors) regardless of whether this Agreement or the Merger Agreement is terminated, up to \$100,000 plus fifty percent (50%) of any such fees and expenses in excess of \$100,000, up to a maximum of \$175,000.

13. *Termination.* This Agreement will terminate automatically and without further action at the earliest to occur of (a) the Effective Time, (b) the date and time the Merger Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms, (c) the date and time any Non-Consenting Amendment is made and (d) the date and time that the representation and warranty contained in Section 9 shall be untrue in any material respect. In the event of a termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 13, this Agreement will forthwith become void and there will be no liability or obligation on the part of any party; provided, however, that the obligations under Section 7 (Adjustment Shares), Section 9 (No Other Agreements to Make Payments), Section 10 (Indemnification), Section 11 (Confidentiality), Section 12 (Fees and Expenses) and clauses (a), (e), (h), (i) and (j) of Section 15 (Miscellaneous) shall survive any such termination; provided, further, that nothing herein will release any party from any liability for any breach of this Agreement. If this Agreement is terminated, the proxies of the Series A-1 Holders delivered under Section 3(b) will also terminate and be of no further force or effect, and the Buyer will promptly return the proxies to the respective Series A-1 Holders.

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14. *Director Matters Excluded.* With respect to each Series A-1 Holder that has a designee that is a member of the Company's Board of Directors, no provision of this Agreement will limit or otherwise restrict such Series A-1 Holder's designee with respect to any act or omission that he or she may undertake or authorize in his or her capacity as a member of the Company's Board of Directors, including, without limitation, any vote that such designee of a Series A-1 Holder may make as a director of the Company with respect to any matter presented to the Company's Board of Directors.

15. *Miscellaneous.*

(a) *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder must be in writing and will be deemed given if delivered personally, effective when delivered, or if delivered by express delivery service, effective when delivered, or if mailed by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested), effective three business days after mailing, or if delivered by telecopy, effective when telecopied with confirmation of receipt, to the parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as may be specified by like notice):

If to the Series A-1 Holders to:

Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P.
c/o Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, LLC
Lever House
390 Park Avenue, 17th Floor
New York, New York 10022
Telecopy: (212) 271-3646
Telephone: (212) 271-3809
Attention: James S. Hoch, Partner
with a copy to:

Davis Polk & Wardwell
450 Lexington Avenue
New York, NY 10017
Telecopy: (212) 450-3800
Telephone: (212) 450-4350
Attention: John A. Bick

If to the Buyer to:

Stellent, Inc.
7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Telecopy: (952) 829-5424
Telephone: (952) 903-2000
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
with a copy to:

Faegre & Benson LLP
2200 Wells Fargo Center
90 South Seventh Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3901
Telecopy: (612) 766-1600
Telephone: (612) 766-7000
Attention: Kris Sharpe
Gordon Weber

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If to Company to:

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive, Suite 200
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80920
Telecopy: (719) 531-7915
Telephone: (719) 548-9800
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
with a copy to:

E* Law Group
3555 West 110th Place
Westminster, Colorado 80031
Telecopy: (303)410-0468
Telephone: (303)766-8988
Attention: Jeremy W. Makarechian

(b) *Interpretation.* The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and do not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

(c) *Signatures and Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed by facsimile signature and in one or more counterparts, all of which will be considered the same agreement.

(d) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement (along with the documents and instruments referred to herein, including the Merger Agreement), constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral (including, without limitation, the TWCP LOI), among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

(e) *No Post-Closing Obligations.* Notwithstanding anything contained herein that may be deemed to be to the contrary, nothing in this Agreement, the Merger Agreement or any other agreement shall impose, or shall be deemed to impose, any post-Effective Time obligations or liabilities on any of the Series A-1 Holders, except for those obligations imposed by Section 7 of this Agreement.

(f) *Amendment and Waiver.* Any provision of this Agreement may be amended or waived if, but only if, such amendment or waiver is in writing and is signed, in the case of an amendment, by each party to this Agreement or, in the case of a waiver, by each party against whom the waiver is to be effective.

(g) *Severability.* The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions of this Agreement. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law.

(h) *Governing Law.* This Agreement will be governed by Delaware law, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

(i) *Jurisdiction.* The parties hereto agree that any suit, action or proceeding seeking to enforce any provision of, or based on any matter arising out of or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby shall be brought in any federal court located in the State of Delaware or any Delaware state court, and each of the parties hereby irrevocably consents to the jurisdiction of such courts (and of the appropriate appellate courts therefrom) in any such suit, action or proceeding and irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of the venue of any such suit, action or proceeding in any such court or that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Process in any such suit, action or proceeding may be served on any party anywhere in the world, whether within or without the jurisdiction of any such court. Without limiting the foregoing, each party agrees that service of process on such party as provided in Section 15(a) of this Agreement shall be deemed effective service of process on such party.

(j) *WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.* EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING

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ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

(k) *Assignment.* Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests, or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any party, whether by operation of law or otherwise, without the express written consent of the other parties hereto, except in accordance with Section 6 of this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors, heirs, legal representatives, and permitted assigns.

(l) *Remedies.* In addition to all other remedies available, the parties agree that, in the event of a breach by a party of any of its obligations hereunder, the non-breaching party will be entitled to specific performance or injunctive relief.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the parties have signed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

STELLENT, INC.

By: /s/ GREGG A. WALDON

Name: Gregg A. Waldon

Its: Chief Financial Officer

OPTIKA INC.

By: /s/ MARK K. RUPORT

Name: Mark K. Ruport

Its: Chief Executive Officer

SERIES A-1 HOLDERS

THOMAS WEISEL CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC, its
general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Partners Group LLC, its
managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch

Title: Managing Partner

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TWP CEO FOUNDERS CIRCLE (AI), L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC, its
general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Partners Group LLC, its
managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner

TWP CEO FOUNDERS CIRCLE (QP), L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC, its
general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Partners Group LLC, its
managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner

THOMAS WEISEL CAPITAL PARTNERS EMPLOYEE FUND, L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC, its
general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Partners Group LLC, its
managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner

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TWP 2000 CO-INVESTMENT FUND, L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC, its
general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Partners Group LLC, its
managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner

THOMAS WEISEL CAPITAL PARTNERS (DUTCH), L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch) LLC,
its general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC,
its managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner
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THOMAS WEISEL CAPITAL PARTNERS (DUTCH II), L.P.

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch) LLC,
its general partner

By: Thomas Weisel Capital Partners LLC,
its managing member

By: /s/ JAMES S. HOCH

Name: James S. Hoch
Title: Managing Partner

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TO SERIES A-1 VOTING AGREEMENT**

Name	Number of Shares of Company Capital Stock
Thomas Weisel Capital Partners, L.P.	589,808 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
TWP CEO Founders Circle (AI), L.P.	13,627 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
TWO CEO Founders Circle (QP), L.P.	49,786 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
Thomas Weisel Capital Partners Employee Fund, L.P.	5,550 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
TWP 2000 Co-Investment Fund, L.P.	8,889 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch), L.P.	13,799 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock
Thomas Weisel Capital Partners (Dutch II), L.P.	13,799 shares of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock 0 shares of Common Stock

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EXHIBIT C

TO SERIES A-1 VOTING AGREEMENT

**OPTIKA INC.
AMENDED AND RESTATED
CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
OF
SERIES A-1 CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK**

Optika Inc. (the Corporation), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (DGCL), DOES HEREBY CERTIFY that:

A. Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board of Directors by Article IVB of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation (the Certificate of Incorporation), and in accordance with the provisions of Section 151(g) of the DGCL, the Board of Directors on April 24, 2001, adopted a resolution creating a series of preferred stock designated as Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock.

B. The Corporation's original Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on May 7, 2001.

C. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board of Directors by the Certificate of Incorporation, the Board of Directors on [], 200[], in accordance with Section 141 of the DGCL, duly adopted resolutions amending and restating the Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock as set forth below.

D. The Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock set forth below has been adopted pursuant to Section 242 of the DGCL.

The Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock of the Corporation is hereby amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows, and such Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock will supersede the original Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock. Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth in Section 7 hereof or otherwise in this Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation:

SECTION 1. Designation; Number; Rank.

(a) *Designation; Number.* The shares of such series shall be designated Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock (the Series A-1 Preferred Stock). The number of shares constituting the Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be 731,851.

(b) *Rank.* The Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall, with respect to rights on liquidation, dissolution or winding up, be *pari passu* to the Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Corporation (the Common Stock) and all other capital stock of the Corporation issued prior to or on or after the date hereof.

SECTION 2. Dividends.

No dividend or other distribution, whether in cash, securities or other property, shall be paid on or declared and set apart for any share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock.

SECTION 3. Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up.

The Series A-1 Preferred Stock will have no liquidation preference.

SECTION 4. Voting Rights.

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Except for any voting rights provided by law, the Series A-1 Preferred Stock will have no right to vote on any matters before the stockholders of the Corporation.

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SECTION 5. *Status of Converted Stock.*

Any shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock converted, purchased or otherwise acquired by the Corporation in any manner whatsoever shall be retired and cancelled promptly after the acquisition thereof. All such shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall upon their cancellation, and upon the filing of any document required by the DGCL, become authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value, of the Corporation and may be reissued as part of another series of Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value, of the Corporation.

SECTION 6. *Conversion.*

(a) *Right to Convert.* The holders of Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall have the right following the Issue Date at any time in whole and from time to time in part, at such holder's option, to convert each outstanding share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock into one fully paid and nonassessable share of Common Stock as set forth hereinafter.

(b) *Mechanics of Conversion.* Conversion of the Series A-1 Preferred Stock may be effected by any such holder upon the surrender to the Corporation at the principal office of the Corporation or at the office of any agent or agents of the Corporation, as may be designated by the Board of Directors (the Transfer Agent), of the certificate(s) for such Series A-1 Preferred Stock to be converted, accompanied by a written notice (the date of such notice being referred to as the Conversion Date) stating that such holder elects to convert all or a specified number of such shares in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6 and specifying the name or names in which such holder wishes the certificate or certificates for shares of Common Stock to be issued. In case any holder's notice shall specify a name or names other than that of such holder, such notice shall be accompanied by payment of all transfer taxes payable upon the issuance of shares of Common Stock in such name or names. Other than such taxes, the Corporation will pay any and all transfer, issue, stamp and other taxes (other than taxes based on income) that may be payable in respect of any issue or delivery of shares of Common Stock on conversion of Series A-1 Preferred Stock pursuant hereto. As promptly as practicable, and in any event within five Business Days after the surrender of such certificate or certificates and the receipt of such notice relating thereto and, if applicable, payment of all transfer taxes which are the responsibility of the holder as set forth above (or the demonstration to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such taxes have been paid), the Corporation shall deliver or cause to be delivered (i) certificates representing the number of validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable full shares of Common Stock, to which the holder of shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock being converted shall be entitled and (ii) if less than the full number of shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock evidenced by the surrendered certificate or certificates is being converted, a new certificate or certificates, of like tenor, for the number of shares evidenced by such surrendered certificate or certificates less the number of shares being converted. Such conversion shall be deemed to have been made at the close of business on the Conversion Date so that the rights of the holder thereof as to the shares being converted shall cease except for the rights pursuant to this Section 6 to receive shares of Common Stock, in accordance herewith, and the person entitled to receive the shares of Common Stock shall be treated for all purposes as having become the record holder of such shares of Common Stock at such time.

SECTION 7. *Definitions.*

For the purpose of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

Board of Directors shall mean the board of directors of the Corporation.

Business Day shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or a day on which banking institutions in New York City, New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

Issue Date shall mean May 7, 2001.

person shall mean any individual, firm, corporation, partnership or other entity, and shall include any successor (by merger or otherwise) of such entity.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the officers named below, acting for and on behalf of Optika Inc., have hereunto subscribed their names on this []th day of [], 200[].

OPTIKA INC.	Attest:
By: _____	By: _____
[_____]	[_____]
<i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>	[_____]

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EXHIBIT D

TO SERIES A-1 VOTING AGREEMENT

IRREVOCABLE PROXY

The undersigned, revoking any proxy heretofore given, hereby constitutes and appoints each of Robert F. Olson and Gregg A. Waldon the true and lawful attorney, with full power of substitution, for and in the name of the undersigned to vote, at any time before the Termination (defined below), all shares of capital stock of Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), (1) registered in the name of the undersigned at the record date for such vote, or (2) over which the undersigned has voting power by power of attorney or other contractual arrangements with the owner of record (collectively, the Shares), at any meeting of the stockholders of the Company, and at all adjournments thereof, and pursuant to any consent of the stockholders in lieu of a meeting or otherwise, in favor of approval of the Merger Agreement (defined below), the Merger (defined below) and the Restatement (defined below).

This Proxy is given with respect to the approval of (i) the Agreement and Plan of Merger among Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the Buyer), STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Buyer, and the Company, dated as of January [], 2004, as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions thereof and the provisions of the Voting Agreement (as defined below) (the Merger Agreement), (ii) the merger contemplated by the Merger Agreement (the Merger), and (iii) the approval of an amended and restatement of the Company's Certificate of Designation of Series A-1 Convertible Preferred Stock (the Restatement) in connection therewith in the form set forth in Exhibit C to the Written Consent and Voting Agreement dated as of the date hereof among the Buyer and each of the persons and entities listed on Exhibit A thereto (the Voting Agreement). This Proxy is given to induce the Buyer to enter into the Merger Agreement, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable; provided, that this Proxy will terminate automatically and without further action on behalf of the undersigned upon the termination of the Voting Agreement pursuant to Section 13 thereof (the Termination).

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that the proxies named herein may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, an authorized officer of the undersigned or its managing member has hereunto set his or her hand as of this January [], 2004.

[ENTITY NAME AND SIGNATURE BLOCK]

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ANNEX E

January 11, 2004

CONFIDENTIAL

The Board of Directors
Stellent, Inc.
7777 Golden Triangle Drive
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Members of the Board:

You have requested our opinion as to the fairness, from a financial point of view, to Stellent, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the **Company**), of the Total Consideration (as defined below) to be paid pursuant to the terms of the proposed Agreement and Plan of Reorganization and Merger, anticipated to be dated as of January 11, 2004 (the **Agreement**), among the Company, STEL Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (**Merger Sub**), and Optika Inc., a Delaware corporation (the **Target**). Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings used in the Agreement, unless otherwise defined herein.

Pursuant to the Agreement, the Target will merge (the **Merger**) with and into Merger Sub. The consideration to be paid by the Company in the Merger consists of a combination of cash, Company common stock and options to purchase Company common stock (together the **Total Consideration**). The Total Consideration consists of: (i) \$10 million in cash; (ii) Company common stock based on an exchange ratio of 0.44 of a share of Company common stock for each outstanding share of common stock of the Target; and (iii) Company options based on an exchange ratio computed using the average per-share closing price of Buyer common stock on the Nasdaq National Market System during the period of ten consecutive trading days ending on, and including, the third trading day before the Closing Date. Total Consideration shall be paid to the holders of Target common stock, Target preferred stock and Target options based on terms specified in the Agreement. The transaction is intended, and we have assumed it, to qualify as a reorganization under the provisions of Section 368(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The terms and conditions of the Merger are set forth more fully in the Agreement.

RBC Dain Rauscher Inc. (**RBC**), a member company of RBC Capital Markets, as part of its investment banking services, is regularly engaged in the valuation of businesses and their securities in connection with mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings, underwritings, secondary distributions of listed and unlisted securities, private placements and valuations for corporate and other purposes. We are acting as financial advisor to the Company in connection with the Merger, and we will receive a fee for our services. This fee (the **Transaction Fee**) is contingent upon the consummation of the Merger or a similar transaction involving the Company and Target. We will also receive a fee for providing this opinion, a portion of which may be credited towards the Transaction Fee. The opinion fee is not contingent upon the consummation of the Merger. In addition, the Company has agreed to indemnify us for certain liabilities arising out of our engagement. In the ordinary course of business, RBC acts as a market maker and broker in the publicly traded securities of the Company and receives customary compensation in connection therewith, and also actively trades securities of the Company for its own account and for the accounts of its customers and, accordingly, may at any time hold a long or short position in such securities. In its capacity as a broker of publicly traded securities, RBC may, for its own account or for the accounts of its customers, hold a long or short position in the securities of the Target. In both 1999 and 2000, we acted as the lead manager of the Company's two common stock public

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offerings. In 1999, we acted as financial advisor to the Company in its acquisition InfoAccess, Inc. and in 2000, we acted as financial advisor to the Company in its acquisition of the Information Exchange Division (IED) of INSO Corporation. In 2002, we assisted the Company in its implementation of its shareholder rights plan. For each of the aforementioned engagements, we received a customary fee. RBC also provides research coverage on the Company common stock.

In connection with our review of the Merger, and in arriving at our opinion, we have undertaken such review and inquiries as we deemed necessary or appropriate under the circumstances, including the following: (i) reviewed and analyzed the financial terms of the draft Agreement dated January 11, 2004; (ii) reviewed and analyzed certain publicly available financial and other data with respect to the Company and the Target and certain other historical operating data relating to the Company and the Target made available to us from published sources and from the internal records of the Company and the Target; (iii) conducted discussions with members of the senior management of the Target with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of the Target independently and as combined; (iv) conducted discussions with members of the senior management of the Company with respect to the business prospects and financial outlook of the Company independently and as combined; (v) received and reviewed financial forecasts prepared by the Target's management on the potential future performance of the Target as a stand-alone entity; (vi) reviewed publicly available materials and analysts' reports with respect to the business and financial outlook of the Company; (vii) reviewed the reported prices and trading activity for the Company common stock and the Target common stock; (viii) compared the financial performance of the Company and the Target and the prices of the Company common stock and the Target common stock with that of certain other publicly traded companies and their securities that we have deemed comparable; (ix) reviewed the financial terms, to the extent publicly available, of certain merger transactions that we have deemed comparable; and (x) compared the relative contribution to certain income statement items of each company with their pro-forma ownership in the combined company. In addition, we have conducted such other analyses and examinations and considered such other financial, economic and market criteria as we have deemed necessary in arriving at our opinion.

With respect to the data and discussions relating to the business prospects and financial outlook of the Company and the Target, upon advice of the Company, we have assumed that such data have been reasonably prepared on a basis reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the management of the Company and the Target as to the future financial performance of the Company and the Target, and that the Company and the Target will perform substantially in accordance with such financial data and estimates. We express no opinion as to such financial data and estimates or the assumptions on which they were based. We were not provided sufficient long-term projections on the Target's business; thus, we could not prepare a discounted cash flow analysis on the Target.

In rendering our opinion, we have assumed and relied upon the accuracy and completeness of the financial, legal, tax, operating and other information provided to us by the Company and the Target (including, without limitation, the financial statements and related notes thereto of the Company and the Target, as well as other publicly available information with respect to the Company and Target), and have not assumed responsibility for independently verifying and have not independently verified such information. We have not assumed any responsibility to perform, and have not performed, an independent evaluation or appraisal of any of the respective assets or liabilities, contingent or other, of the Company or the Target, and we have not been furnished with any such valuations or appraisals. We express no opinion regarding the liquidation value of any entity. In addition, we have not assumed any obligation to conduct, and have not conducted, any physical inspection of the property or facilities of the Company or the Target. Additionally, we have not been asked and did not consider the possible effects of any litigation or other legal claims.

We have assumed that the executed Agreement will be in all material respects identical to the last draft reviewed by us. We have also assumed the Merger will be consummated pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, without amendments thereto and without waiver by any party of any material conditions or obligations thereunder.

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Our opinion speaks only as of the date hereof, is based on the conditions as they exist and information which we have been supplied as of the date hereof, and is without regard to any market, economic, financial, legal or other circumstances or event of any kind or nature which may exist or occur after such date. We have not undertaken to reaffirm or revise this opinion or otherwise comment upon events occurring after the date hereof and do not have any obligation to update, revise or reaffirm this opinion. We are not expressing any opinion herein as to the prices at which the Company common stock has traded or will trade following the announcement or consummation of the Merger.

This opinion is provided for the information and assistance of the Board of Directors of the Company in connection with its consideration of the Merger and is not intended to be and does not constitute a recommendation to any shareholder of the Company. This opinion shall not be otherwise relied upon, published or otherwise used, nor shall any public references to us be made without our prior written approval, except as set forth in our engagement letter with you dated October 17, 2003.

Our opinion relates solely to the Total Consideration to be paid. We have not reviewed, nor does our opinion in any way address, other Merger terms or arrangements, including without limitation the financial or other terms of any employment or non-competition agreement with Target management or any break-up or termination fee. Further, our opinion does not address, nor should it be construed to address, the relative merits of the underlying decision by the Company to engage in the Merger compared to any alternative business strategies or transaction in which the Company might engage. We were not authorized to, and did not (i) solicit any other potential participants relative to a business combination with the Company or (ii) provide any advisory services with respect to the Merger. We were not engaged as an agent or fiduciary of the Company's shareholders or any other third party.

Based on our experience as investment bankers and subject to the foregoing, including the various assumptions and limitations set forth herein, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, the Total Consideration to be paid is fair, from a financial point of view, to the Company.

Very truly yours,

RBC DAIN RAUSCHER INC.

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ANNEX F

Revolution Partners, LLC

283 Dartmouth Street, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02116

January 11, 2004

Board of Directors

Optika Inc.
7450 Campus Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Gentlemen:

We understand that Optika Inc. (*Optika* or the *Company*), Stellent, Inc. (*Buyer*) and STEL Sub, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Buyer (*Acquisition Sub*), propose to enter into an Agreement and Plan of Merger, substantially in the form of the draft dated January 10, 2004 (the *Merger Agreement*), which provides, among other things, for the merger (the *Merger*) of Optika with and into Acquisition Sub. Pursuant to the Merger, Optika will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Buyer and each (1) outstanding share of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the *Optika Common Stock*) of Optika, other than shares held in treasury or held by Buyer or any affiliate of Buyer or Optika and in each case not held on behalf of third parties, will be converted into the right to receive 0.44 shares (the *Exchange Ratio*) of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the *Buyer Common Stock*), of Buyer, less any Adjustment Shares (defined below), and (2) each outstanding share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the *Optika Preferred Stock*) of Optika will be converted into the right to receive (a) \$13.664 in cash, and (b) if the Base Per Share Value is greater than \$4.00, a certain number of shares of Buyer Common Stock (*Adjustment Shares*) as calculated pursuant to the Merger Agreement. The terms and conditions of the Merger are more fully set forth in the Merger Agreement. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Merger Agreement.

You have asked for our opinion as to whether the consideration to be received by the Company's stockholders pursuant to the Merger Agreement is fair from a financial point of view to such stockholders.

For purposes of the opinion set forth herein, we have:

- (i) reviewed certain publicly available business and financial information relating to the Company and Buyer;
- (ii) reviewed certain internal financial statements and other financial and operating data concerning the Company and Buyer prepared by the management of the Company and Buyer, respectively, including in the case of the Company and Buyer, preliminary results for the quarter ended December 31, 2003;
- (iii) reviewed certain financial projections prepared by the management of the Company and Buyer, respectively;
- (iv) discussed the past and current operations and financial condition and the prospects of the Company and Buyer, including information relating to certain strategic, financial and operational benefits anticipated from the Merger, with senior executives of the Company and Buyer, respectively;
- (v) reviewed the pro forma impact of the Merger on Buyer's earnings per share;
- (vi) reviewed the reported prices and trading activity for the Optika Common Stock and Buyer Common Stock;
- (vii) compared the financial performance of the Company and the Buyer and the prices and trading activity of the Optika Common Stock and the Buyer Common Stock with that of certain other comparable publicly-traded companies and their securities;

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(viii) reviewed the financial terms, to the extent publicly available, of certain comparable transactions;

(ix) participated in discussions and negotiations among representatives of the Company and Buyer and their financial and legal advisors;

(x) reviewed the Merger Agreement, and certain related documents;

(xi) discussed with the management of Optika the strategic rationale for the Merger, including the existing and anticipated future relationship between Optika and Buyer; and

(xii) performed such other analyses and considered such other factors as we have deemed appropriate.

We have assumed and relied upon without independent verification the accuracy and completeness in all material respects of the information reviewed by us for the purposes of this opinion. With respect to the financial projections, including information relating to certain strategic, financial and operational benefits anticipated from the Merger that we have discussed with you, we have assumed that they have been reasonably prepared on bases reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the future financial performance of the Company and Buyer. We have also relied without independent verification on the assessment by the management of Optika on the strategic rationale for the Merger, including their assessment of the existing and anticipated future relationship between Optika and Buyer. In addition, we have relied upon the assessment by the managements of Optika and Buyer of their ability to retain key employees of Optika and Buyer. We have also relied upon, without independent verification, the assessment by the managements of Optika and Buyer of the timing and risks associated with the integration of Optika and Buyer and the validity of, and risks associated with, Optika's and Buyer's existing and future technologies, services or business models.

In addition, we have assumed that the Merger will be consummated in accordance with the terms set forth in the Merger Agreement, including that the Merger will be treated as a tax-free reorganization, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Our opinion is necessarily based on financial, economic, market and other conditions as in effect on, and the information made available to us as of, the date hereof.

We have acted as financial advisor to Optika in connection with the Merger and will receive a fee for our services, a significant portion of which is contingent upon consummation of the Merger. We will receive a portion of our fee upon delivery of this opinion.

It is understood that this letter is for the information of the Board of Directors of the Company and may not be used for any other purpose without our prior written consent, except that this opinion may be included in its entirety in any filing made by the Company in respect of this transaction with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, this opinion does not in any manner address the prices at which the Buyer Common Stock will trade following consummation of the Merger, and Revolution Partners LLC expresses no opinion or recommendation as to how stockholders of the Company should vote at the stockholders' meeting held in connection with the Merger.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion on the date hereof that the consideration to be received by the Company's stockholders pursuant to the Merger Agreement is fair from a financial point of view to such stockholders.

Very truly yours,

REVOLUTION PARTNERS LLC

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/s/ PETER M. FALVEY

Peter M. Falvey
Managing Director

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ANNEX G

ANNEX H

**SECTION 262 OF THE
DELAWARE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW**

SECTION 262. *Appraisal rights.*

(a) Any stockholder of a corporation of this State who holds shares of stock on the date of the making of a demand pursuant to subsection (d) of this section with respect to such shares, who continuously holds such shares through the effective date of the merger or consolidation, who has otherwise complied with subsection (d) of this section and who has neither voted in favor of the merger or consolidation nor consented thereto in writing pursuant to § 228 of this title shall be entitled to an appraisal by the Court of Chancery of the fair value of the stockholder's shares of stock under the circumstances described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section. As used in this section, the word "stockholder" means a holder of record of stock in a stock corporation and also a member of record of a nonstock corporation; the words "stock" and "share" mean and include what is ordinarily meant by those words and also membership or membership interest of a member of a nonstock corporation; and the words "depository receipt" mean a receipt or other instrument issued by a depository representing an interest in one or more shares, or fractions thereof, solely of stock of a corporation, which stock is deposited with the depository.

(b) Appraisal rights shall be available for the shares of any class or series of stock of a constituent corporation in a merger or consolidation to be effected pursuant to § 251 (other than a merger effected pursuant to § 251(g) of this title), § 252, § 254, § 257, § 258, § 263 or § 264 of this title:

(1) Provided, however, that no appraisal rights under this section shall be available for the shares of any class or series of stock, which stock, or depository receipts in respect thereof, at the record date fixed to determine the stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the meeting of stockholders to act upon the agreement of merger or consolidation, were either (i) listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or (ii) held of record by more than 2,000 holders; and further provided that no appraisal rights shall be available for any shares of stock of the constituent corporation surviving a merger if the merger did not require for its approval the vote of the stockholders of the surviving corporation as provided in subsection (f) of §251 of this title.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, appraisal rights under this section shall be available for the shares of any class or series of stock of a constituent corporation if the holders thereof are required by the terms of an agreement of merger or consolidation pursuant to §§ 251, 252, 254, 257, 258, 263 and 264 of this title to accept for such stock anything except:

a. Shares of stock of the corporation surviving or resulting from such merger or consolidation, or depository receipts in respect thereof;

b. Shares of stock of any other corporation, or depository receipts in respect thereof, which shares of stock (or depository receipts in respect thereof) or depository receipts at the effective date of the merger or consolidation will be either listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or held of record by more than 2,000 holders;

c. Cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described in the foregoing subparagraphs a. and b. of this paragraph; or

d. Any combination of the shares of stock, depository receipts and cash in lieu of fractional shares or fractional depository receipts described in the foregoing subparagraphs a., b. and c. of this paragraph.

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(3) In the event all of the stock of a subsidiary Delaware corporation party to a merger effected under § 253 of this title is not owned by the parent corporation immediately prior to the merger, appraisal rights shall be available for the shares of the subsidiary Delaware corporation.

(c) Any corporation may provide in its certificate of incorporation that appraisal rights under this section shall be available for the shares of any class or series of its stock as a result of an amendment to its certificate of incorporation, any merger or consolidation in which the corporation is a constituent corporation or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation. If the certificate of incorporation contains such a provision, the procedures of this section, including those set forth in subsections (d) and (e) of this section, shall apply as nearly as is practicable.

(d) Appraisal rights shall be perfected as follows:

(1) If a proposed merger or consolidation for which appraisal rights are provided under this section is to be submitted for approval at a meeting of stockholders, the corporation, not less than 20 days prior to the meeting, shall notify each of its stockholders who was such on the record date for such meeting with respect to shares for which appraisal rights are available pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) hereof that appraisal rights are available for any or all of the shares of the constituent corporations, and shall include in such notice a copy of this section. Each stockholder electing to demand the appraisal of such stockholder's shares shall deliver to the corporation, before the taking of the vote on the merger or consolidation, a written demand for appraisal of such stockholder's shares. Such demand will be sufficient if it reasonably informs the corporation of the identity of the stockholder and that the stockholder intends thereby to demand the appraisal of such stockholder's shares. A proxy or vote against the merger or consolidation shall not constitute such a demand. A stockholder electing to take such action must do so by a separate written demand as herein provided. Within 10 days after the effective date of such merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation shall notify each stockholder of each constituent corporation who has complied with this subsection and has not voted in favor of or consented to the merger or consolidation of the date that the merger or consolidation has become effective; or

(2) If the merger or consolidation was approved pursuant to § 228 or § 253 of this title, then either a constituent corporation before the effective date of the merger or consolidation or the surviving or resulting corporation within 10 days thereafter shall notify each of the holders of any class or series of stock of such constituent corporation who are entitled to appraisal rights of the approval of the merger or consolidation and that appraisal rights are available for any or all shares of such class or series of stock of such constituent corporation, and shall include in such notice a copy of this section. Such notice may, and, if given on or after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, shall, also notify such stockholders of the effective date of the merger or consolidation. Any stockholder entitled to appraisal rights may, within 20 days after the date of mailing of such notice, demand in writing from the surviving or resulting corporation the appraisal of such holder's shares. Such demand will be sufficient if it reasonably informs the corporation of the identity of the stockholder and that the stockholder intends thereby to demand the appraisal of such holder's shares. If such notice did not notify stockholders of the effective date of the merger or consolidation, either (i) each such constituent corporation shall send a second notice before the effective date of the merger or consolidation notifying each of the holders of any class or series of stock of such constituent corporation that are entitled to appraisal rights of the effective date of the merger or consolidation or (ii) the surviving or resulting corporation shall send such a second notice to all such holders on or within 10 days after such effective date; provided, however, that if such second notice is sent more than 20 days following the sending of the first notice, such second notice need only be sent to each stockholder who is entitled to appraisal rights and who has demanded appraisal of such holder's shares in accordance with this subsection. An affidavit of the secretary or assistant secretary or of the transfer agent of the corporation that is required to give either notice that such notice has been given shall, in the absence of fraud, be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein. For purposes of determining the stockholders entitled to receive either notice, each constituent corporation may fix, in advance, a record date that shall be not more than 10 days prior to the date the notice is given,

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provided, that if the notice is given on or after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, the record date shall be such effective date. If no record date is fixed and the notice is given prior to the effective date, the record date shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the notice is given.

(e) Within 120 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, the surviving or resulting corporation or any stockholder who has complied with subsections (a) and (d) hereof and who is otherwise entitled to appraisal rights, may file a petition in the Court of Chancery demanding a determination of the value of the stock of all such stockholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time within 60 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, any stockholder shall have the right to withdraw such stockholder's demand for appraisal and to accept the terms offered upon the merger or consolidation. Within 120 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, any stockholder who has complied with the requirements of subsections (a) and (d) hereof, upon written request, shall be entitled to receive from the corporation surviving the merger or resulting from the consolidation a statement setting forth the aggregate number of shares not voted in favor of the merger or consolidation and with respect to which demands for appraisal have been received and the aggregate number of holders of such shares. Such written statement shall be mailed to the stockholder within 10 days after such stockholder's written request for such a statement is received by the surviving or resulting corporation or within 10 days after expiration of the period for delivery of demands for appraisal under subsection (d) hereof, whichever is later.

(f) Upon the filing of any such petition by a stockholder, service of a copy thereof shall be made upon the surviving or resulting corporation, which shall within 20 days after such service file in the office of the Register in Chancery in which the petition was filed a duly verified list containing the names and addresses of all stockholders who have demanded payment for their shares and with whom agreements as to the value of their shares have not been reached by the surviving or resulting corporation. If the petition shall be filed by the surviving or resulting corporation, the petition shall be accompanied by such a duly verified list. The Register in Chancery, if so ordered by the Court, shall give notice of the time and place fixed for the hearing of such petition by registered or certified mail to the surviving or resulting corporation and to the stockholders shown on the list at the addresses therein stated. Such notice shall also be given by 1 or more publications at least 1 week before the day of the hearing, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Wilmington, Delaware or such publication as the Court deems advisable. The forms of the notices by mail and by publication shall be approved by the Court, and the costs thereof shall be borne by the surviving or resulting corporation.

(g) At the hearing on such petition, the Court shall determine the stockholders who have complied with this section and who have become entitled to appraisal rights. The Court may require the stockholders who have demanded an appraisal for their shares and who hold stock represented by certificates to submit their certificates of stock to the Register in Chancery for notation thereon of the pendency of the appraisal proceedings; and if any stockholder fails to comply with such direction, the Court may dismiss the proceedings as to such stockholder.

(h) After determining the stockholders entitled to an appraisal, the Court shall appraise the shares, determining their fair value exclusive of any element of value arising from the accomplishment or expectation of the merger or consolidation, together with a fair rate of interest, if any, to be paid upon the amount determined to be the fair value. In determining such fair value, the Court shall take into account all relevant factors. In determining the fair rate of interest, the Court may consider all relevant factors, including the rate of interest which the surviving or resulting corporation would have had to pay to borrow money during the pendency of the proceeding. Upon application by the surviving or resulting corporation or by any stockholder entitled to participate in the appraisal proceeding, the Court may, in its discretion, permit discovery or other pretrial proceedings and may proceed to trial upon the appraisal prior to the final determination of the stockholder entitled to an appraisal. Any stockholder whose name appears on the list filed by the surviving or resulting corporation pursuant to subsection (f) of this section and who has submitted such stockholder's certificates of stock to the Register in Chancery, if such is required, may

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participate fully in all proceedings until it is finally determined that such stockholder is not entitled to appraisal rights under this section.

(i) The Court shall direct the payment of the fair value of the shares, together with interest, if any, by the surviving or resulting corporation to the stockholders entitled thereto. Interest may be simple or compound, as the Court may direct. Payment shall be so made to each such stockholder, in the case of holders of uncertificated stock forthwith, and the case of holders of shares represented by certificates upon the surrender to the corporation of the certificates representing such stock. The Court's decree may be enforced as other decrees in the Court of Chancery may be enforced, whether such surviving or resulting corporation be a corporation of this State or of any state.

(j) The costs of the proceeding may be determined by the Court and taxed upon the parties as the Court deems equitable in the circumstances. Upon application of a stockholder, the Court may order all or a portion of the expenses incurred by any stockholder in connection with the appraisal proceeding, including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and the fees and expenses of experts, to be charged pro rata against the value of all the shares entitled to an appraisal.

(k) From and after the effective date of the merger or consolidation, no stockholder who has demanded appraisal rights as provided in subsection (d) of this section shall be entitled to vote such stock for any purpose or to receive payment of dividends or other distributions on the stock (except dividends or other distributions payable to stockholders of record at a date which is prior to the effective date of the merger or consolidation); provided, however, that if no petition for an appraisal shall be filed within the time provided in subsection (e) of this section, or if such stockholder shall deliver to the surviving or resulting corporation a written withdrawal of such stockholder's demand for an appraisal and an acceptance of the merger or consolidation, either within 60 days after the effective date of the merger or consolidation as provided in subsection (e) of this section or thereafter with the written approval of the corporation, then the right of such stockholder to an appraisal shall cease. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no appraisal proceeding in the Court of Chancery shall be dismissed as to any stockholder without the approval of the Court, and such approval may be conditioned upon such terms as the Court deems just.

(l) The shares of the surviving or resulting corporation to which the shares of such objecting stockholders would have been converted had they assented to the merger or consolidation shall have the status of authorized and unissued shares of the surviving or resulting corporation.

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-K

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003

OR

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

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 0-28672

Optika Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

*(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)*

**7450 Campus Drive, 2nd Floor
Colorado Springs, Colorado**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

95-4154552

*(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)*

80920

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(719) 548-9800

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

None

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

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(Title of Class)

Series B Preferred Stock Purchase Rights

(Title of Class)

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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 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 voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, based upon the closing sale price of the common stock on June 30, 2003 as reported on the NASDAQ Small Cap Market, was approximately \$13,389,327. Shares of common stock held by each officer and director and by each person who owns 5% or more of the outstanding common stock have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes. As of January 30, 2004, the registrant had outstanding 9,341,561 shares of common stock and 731,851 shares of preferred stock.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

None.

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PART I

This annual report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, those discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in Item 1.

**Item 1. Business
Introduction**

Optika® Inc. is a leading provider of enterprise content management (ECM) technology, including document imaging, workflow, collaboration and records management software. Our Acorde family of ECM software solutions, including Acorde Context™, Acorde Process™, Acorde Resolve™, Acorde Application Link™ and Acorde Records Management™, allows companies to streamline their business processes, eliminate paper, increase operational efficiencies and effectively leverage their enterprise resource planning (ERP) and line-of-business (LOB) systems. Acorde provides the ability to manage compliance requirements, access and store multiple formats of business content, both digital and non-digital; automate processes across the organization and externally with partners and customers; and enable online collaboration around these paper-intensive or complex processes in real and near time. Acorde supports a wide spectrum of critical business operations, including accounts payable, accounts receivable, claims processing, expense reporting, records management and human resources.

Built on a three-tier, scalable and extensible platform, Acorde easily integrates and interfaces with third-party applications. Acorde is certified with PeopleSoft, J.D. Edwards and Microsoft Business Solutions, and has performed integrations with many other major ERP and LOB systems, including Oracle, SAP, JDA and Lawson. The Acorde product family makes extensive use of Web Services to ensure seamless movement of transaction data and documents between applications and across the enterprise. The Acorde product allows organizations to improve processing efficiency, reduce operating costs and increase customer, partner, and employee service and satisfaction, resulting in a significant return on investment.

Recent Developments

On January 12, 2004, we announced that we had entered into a definitive agreement to merge with Stellent, Inc. Under the terms of the merger agreement, each share of Optika common stock would be converted into .44 shares of Stellent common stock (subject to adjustment in certain circumstances as described below) and the holders of our preferred stock would receive \$10 million in cash. If, based on the average closing price of Stellent's common stock over a ten day period immediately prior to the closing of the merger, the .44 to one exchange ratio would result in our common stockholders receiving in excess of \$4.00 per share of Stellent common stock, the exchange ratio will be adjusted so that 20% of the aggregate merger consideration in excess of \$4.00 per share would be allocated to the holders of our preferred stock and 80% of the aggregate merger consideration in excess of \$4.00 per share would be allocated to the holders of the common stock. The merger will be accounted for as a purchase transaction by Stellent, and is expected to be completed late in the first calendar quarter or early in the second calendar quarter of 2004. The closing is subject to regulatory approval, Optika and Stellent stockholder approval and customary closing conditions. In connection with the proposed merger, Stellent and Optika will file a joint proxy statement/ prospectus with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Investors and security holders of Stellent and Optika are urged to read the joint proxy statement/ prospectus and other relevant materials when they become available because they will contain important information about Stellent, Optika and the proposed merger. Investors and security holders may obtain without charge copies of the joint proxy statement/ prospectus and other relevant materials (when they become available), and any other documents filed by Stellent or Optika with the Securities and Exchange Commission at the SEC's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. A free copy of the joint proxy statement/ prospectus and other relevant materials (when they become available), and any other documents filed by Stellent or Optika with the

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SEC, may also be obtained from Stellent and Optika. In addition, investors and security holders may access copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Stellent on Stellent's website at www.Stellent.com. Investors and security holders may obtain copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Optika on Optika's website at www.Optika.com.

Background

For some time, private and public sector organizations have felt increasing pressure to deliver process efficiency and service improvements. These organizations have attempted to optimize core transaction processes to respond to competition, enhance service to customers, vendors and employees, and improve their operating margins.

Over the past few years an additional major requirement has emerged—the need to comply with government mandates for records retention and compliance monitoring. Our goal is to answer both marketplace needs and make organizations more efficient by decreasing the cost of business transactions and their associated cycle-times and increasing the productivity of their workforces, while at the same time, automating the capture, retention, management, and disposition of documents that are required to be maintained for compliance purposes.

We are able to achieve these important objectives by leveraging and integrating ERP and other critical LOB applications with our document imaging, workflow and records management software products, and extending them outside the organization with collaboration tools. By doing this, we help our customers leverage the strategic investments they have already made in business systems, reduce their cost of operations, satisfy compliance mandates, and provide security for their critical business documents. This not only has a large favorable impact on the financial aspects of our customers' businesses, but it also helps them increase vendor, customer and employee satisfaction.

These benefits are available for organizations that have high volumes of transactions as well as those that have the need to manage and store data and documents in multiple formats in a variety of locations throughout their organizations. We are also able to manage the secure storage, retention and disposition of both electronic and physical documents.

Business drivers are those factors that compel a customer to look for a solution such as Optika's Acorde family of products to satisfy their business requirements. Business drivers are often described by chief financial officers, chief information officers, compliance officers, and business managers as follows:

Increase process and transaction efficiency. This need is defined in terms of lowered costs of doing business and generating higher levels of service. The need for transaction efficiency especially applies to processes that have high transaction volumes along with content and supporting documents beyond the transaction itself.

Reduce transaction cycle times. Time is money and the ability to process transactions in an expedited fashion is imperative. Due to the enormous costs involved, this is particularly important when dealing with transactions that are out of tolerance or those that need to be addressed in a unique fashion.

Decrease operating expenses. During the past few years of limited or stagnant growth, the need to hold the line on expenses became paramount. During those times when shareholder value can't be enhanced by growing revenues, it becomes necessary to focus on improving business processes in order to drive down costs and improve profit margins.

Accomplish the same amount of work with fewer people or more work with the same number of people. Companies that are able to accelerate their growth without a corresponding increase in personnel have a distinct competitive advantage. Obviously, this goal cannot be achieved without an improvement in business process management.

Control the proliferation of paper. Some companies are virtually drowning in a sea of paper—paper that can be lost or temporarily displaced. Such organizations need to evolve to electronic

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methods to speed processes and reduce storage requirements. This is not only a cost imperative, but a security imperative as well.

Manage multiple sources of business data. It is not unusual to find companies where the transaction data needs to be supported by documents and data from several systems. The task of managing this data and the multiple systems that contain it can be daunting.

Protect critical business assets – corporate information. Organizations in every industry must protect corporate information through records management. Furthermore, they must properly dispose of records in a timely manner and produce the retained documents and data on request. Factors driving companies to deploy a compliance and records management strategy include:

Litigation

Risk Management

Cost of Discovery

Mergers & Acquisitions

Globalization

Security

Privacy

Public and Private Sector Access Policies

Another important business driver is the increasing focus on integrating an organization's key business partners, such as vendors and customers, into the organization's traditional business processes. Although e-business was initially thought of as a revolutionary way to market, sell and purchase goods and services, the industry is now realizing the even greater potential of e-business in changing the way businesses work with their supply chain partners as well as providing information and interaction for employees, customers and partners. These factors are helping Web Services and portals emerge as key components in most organizations' strategic technology plans.

Because of the trend to e-business, organizations must find ways to not only manage their electronic and paper-intensive transactions more efficiently, but also to involve each constituency by extending enterprise applications to remote users via the Internet. We help to facilitate this need with our workflow and collaboration tools. By providing solutions that enable more efficient processes, seamless integration with existing infrastructures and interaction among all related participants, we are delivering operational savings throughout the back-office.

Optika Acorde

The Acorde product family is changing the way organizations process, fulfill and support business transactions through the following solutions:

Acorde Context

To efficiently conduct business transactions, both between internal departments and externally with vendors and customers, organizations need immediate access to all relevant transaction information, regardless of how it is executed. Acorde Context enables companies to securely capture, store, retrieve and display transaction documents and information, regardless of source or type. Acorde Context can manage both paper and electronic documents, as well as electronic reports, and provide seamless integration to a company's critical LOB applications. Acorde Context is designed to help organizations increase user productivity and improve information sharing across the enterprise.

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Acorde Process

Many companies have pared resources to the point where employee frustration is at a high level. Corporate executives and stockholders consistently want more: more revenues, more profitability and more with less from all departments. To help organizations achieve operational efficiency and cost savings, we provide Acorde Process, a sophisticated Business Process Management (BPM) workflow technology for automating processes and delivering business transaction information both within the enterprise and over the Internet to external users. Acorde Process helps organizations execute a greater number of transactions with fewer resources, resulting in more effective back-office operations and significantly enhanced transaction efficiency.

Acorde Records Management

Due to recent corporate financial scandals, Sarbanes-Oxley legislation and many new SEC and industry regulations, records management is a crucial issue for many private companies and public sector organizations. Our Acorde Records Management product responds to this critical need by enabling the identification, classification, tracking and management of all forms of information from inception through destruction or archival. With Acorde Records Management, companies can achieve legal compliance with the requirements for the maintenance and destruction of business records. Acorde Records Management is fully integrated with Acorde Context and Process, and manages all types of electronic and physical records.

Acorde Resolve

Analyst reports show that approximately 11% of organizations' business transactions have problems or discrepancies. For example, in the accounts payable area this could mean short shipments, quantity mismatches or substitutions. The resolution of these failures typically requires time-intensive, manual processes involving research and approval on a number of levels within multiple organizations. In addition, the cost to process these problem transactions is nearly equal to the cost to process all transactions that complete successfully. Acorde Resolve allows businesses to build collaboration hubs, which deliver interactive tools in a virtual Web-based office environment, for resolving and collaborating around transactions and their inherent discrepancies internally and with trading partners. As a result, companies can more efficiently resolve transaction issues to cut costs and improve relationships with key customers and vendors.

Acorde Application Link

Leveraging industry standards and providing a variety of client desktops, Acorde also enables companies to integrate with ERP systems and other third-party LOB applications. With pre-built integrations for PeopleSoft, Oracle E-Business Suite, and Microsoft Business Solutions, we deliver a seamless way to extend the functionality of these enterprise business applications with minimal implementation time and effort. Acorde Application Link also allows organizations to seamlessly integrate with any existing infrastructure or system, enabling them to cost-effectively take advantage of and leverage the investments they have already made in their crucial business systems.

Sales and Marketing

Sales

We employ a blended sales model, consisting of a worldwide indirect sales network of Advantage Partners (APs), and a direct sales force that covers North American territories and territories in South America and Europe. We also deploy a solution services team of system architects and program managers to support our account executives and APs in enterprise system design, planning, implementation, and rollout.

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Indirect Sales

Our APs are value-added resellers responsible for identifying potential end-users, selling our products to the end-users as part of a complete hardware and software solution, customizing and integrating our products at the end-users' sites, and providing support and maintenance to the end-users following the sale. Our APs currently include large organizations selling a wide variety of products, smaller organizations focused on imaging implementations, application-oriented organizations, and geographically focused organizations.

Our written agreements with our APs establish a price at which the AP is eligible to license our software for resale to end-users, the maintenance fee revenues that must be remitted back to us, and other material terms and conditions. These agreements generally do not grant exclusivity to APs, do not prevent APs from carrying competing product lines and do not require APs to sell any particular dollar amount of our software. However, the agreements may be terminated at our election if specified annual sales targets are not attained. Actual sales contracts are between the APs and the end-users, although we directly license our software to end-users through their acceptance of a standard shrink-wrapped license agreement.

We support our APs through dedicated personnel at our headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and a network of field offices. Services range from joint marketing efforts, to assistance with pricing and proposals, to technical product support. Our strategy is to target specific marketing activities toward our most productive APs, and to recruit additional APs in key geographical and vertical markets. Our AP program is a crucial element of our business strategy. License revenues from APs accounted for approximately 47% of our license revenues for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Direct Sales

Our North American direct sales team focuses on developing relationships with large corporate end-users. The direct sales team is divided into regional territories that cover the United States. The direct sales force typically sells to a different customer base than our indirect sales force. Included in our direct sales force is our solution services team that initiates contact directly with the end-users. The solution services teams sometimes assist our APs to provide installation and integration services at the end-user's site, not only facilitating particular implementations, but transferring valuable product and installation expertise to the APs.

International Sales

For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, we generated approximately 10%, 9% and 12%, respectively, of our total revenues from international sales. We currently maintain an office in the United Kingdom to support our European APs, and an office in Brazil, to support our Latin American APs.

Marketing

Optika has a fully integrated marketing program to support our sales strategy. Marketing efforts are organized into marketing communications, product marketing, strategic alliances, lead generation, channel marketing, event marketing, and Internet marketing. We support these efforts by issuing frequent announcements to the press, communicating with key industry analysts, participating in tradeshows, telemarketing, email marketing and direct mailing to prospective customers, developing and maintaining Internet services, and co-marketing with strategic, reseller and technology partners. We also participate with our APs in joint marketing efforts. The targeted audience ranges from Fortune 1000 and Global 2000 companies in the manufacturing, retail, distribution, architecture/engineering/construction and financial services industries, higher education, and public sector organizations.

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Customers

As of December 31, 2003, we have sold to an established base of over 2,000 customers through our blended sales model of APs and direct sales force. Our solutions are applicable and have been installed in a wide variety of industries to process, fulfill and support business transactions.

No AP or end-user accounted for more than 10% of our total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 or 2001.

Service and Support

We believe that a high level of customer service and support is critical to our performance. We provide technical support, maintenance, training and consulting to our APs, who are in turn primarily responsible for providing technical support services directly to end-users. We also provide such support directly to our end-users on an as-needed basis. These services are designed to increase end-user satisfaction, provide feedback to us as to end-users' demands and requirements, and generate recurring revenue. We plan to continue expanding our services and support programs as the depth and breadth of our products increase.

AP Support

We maintain pre-sales technical support personnel who work directly with the APs to provide technical responses to sales inquiries. We offer educational and training programs, as well as customized consulting services, to our APs. Fees for training and consulting services are generally charged on a per diem basis. We also provide product information bulletins on an ongoing basis, including bulletins posted on our Internet site and through periodic informational updates about the products and installation methodologies. These bulletins generally answer frequently asked questions and provide information about new product features.

Technical Support and Software Maintenance

In conjunction with our APs, we offer end-users a software maintenance program. The maintenance program includes software updates provided by us to the end-user, and technical support provided by the AP. We provide telephone consultation services to the AP to respond to end-user technical questions that the AP is unable to answer. Internet support services are also available that provide access to important technical support information, streamline the process of interacting with the support organization and provide access to the technical support knowledge base. An AP typically charges the end-user a fee for maintenance and support of the entire system, including software and hardware. In turn we charge the AP a fee of between 10% and 17% on an annual basis of the then-current list prices of the licensed software.

Warranty

We generally include a 90-day limited warranty with the software license. During the warranty period, the end-user is entitled to corrections for documented program errors.

Research and Development

We have committed, and expect to continue to commit, substantial resources to research and development. Our research and development organization is based on the product team concept. Each product team has an engineering team leader, a product manager, development engineers and quality assurance engineers. The team is entirely responsible for the design, implementation and quality of our products. Product development efforts are directed at increasing product functionality, improving product performance, and expanding the capabilities of the products to integrate with third-party software and hardware products. In particular, we devote substantial development resources to develop additional functionality for our products, and the capability to support additional platforms, databases, graphical user interfaces, toolsets and emerging technologies.

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As of January 20, 2004, our research and development organization consisted of 34 full-time employees in Colorado Springs, Colorado. During 2003, 2002 and 2001, research and development expenses were \$4.7 million, \$5.1 million and \$5.6 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2003, we have expensed all of our internal software development costs as incurred.

Competition

The market for Optika's Acorde product is intensely competitive and can be significantly affected by new product introductions and other market activities of industry participants. We believe that the principal competitive factors affecting our market include product features such as adaptability, scalability, ability to integrate with third-party products, functionality, ease of use, product reputation, quality, performance, price, customer service and support, effectiveness of sales and marketing efforts, and company reputation. Our principal direct competitors for our Acorde products include FileNet Corporation, IBM Corporation, EMC Corporation (which includes Documentum, Legato Systems Inc. and OTG Software Inc.) and Hyland Software Inc. We also compete with industry-specific application vendors. Numerous other software vendors also compete in each product area. Potential competitors include, without limitation, providers of document management software products, providers of document archiving products, providers of BPM and workflow products, and Relational Database Management System, or RDBMS, vendors. In addition, we may face competition from other established and emerging companies in new market segments, such as e-business.

Many of our current and potential competitors have longer operating histories, greater resources and name recognition, and a larger installed base of customers than we do. As a result, these competitors may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements, or may be able to devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products, than we can. We also face indirect competition from value added resellers, distributors and system integrators. We rely on a number of these resellers for implementation and other customer support services, as well as recommendations of our products during the evaluation stage of the purchase process. Although we seek to maintain close relationships with these resellers, many of these third parties have similar, and often more established, relationships with our principal competitors.

Proprietary Rights

We rely upon a combination of trade secret, copyright and trademark laws, software licenses and nondisclosure agreements, to establish and protect our proprietary rights in our products. We enter into confidentiality and/or license agreements with all of our employees and distributors, as well as with our customers and potential customers seeking proprietary information, and limit access to and distribution of, our software, documentation and other proprietary information. Despite these precautions, it may be possible for unauthorized third parties to copy aspects of our products or to obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary. We have certain registered and other trademarks. We believe that our products, trademarks and other proprietary rights do not infringe the proprietary rights of third parties. We cannot assure you, however, that third parties will not assert infringement claims in the future.

Employees

At January 20, 2004, we had 128 full-time employees in 19 cities. Of these employees, 34 were involved in research and development, 62 in sales and marketing, 20 in technical support and training, and 12 in administration and finance. No employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. We believe that our relationship with our employees is good.

Table of Contents**Executive Officers of the Company**

Optika's executive officers and key employees, and their ages as of January 31, 2004 are:

Name	Age	Position
Mark K. Rupert	51	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors
Steven M. Johnson	41	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary
Randall S. Weakly	37	Vice President Research and Development
Christopher J. Ryan	49	Vice President Marketing
James A. Franklin	47	Vice President North American Direct Sales
Greg D. Cooke	40	Vice President North American Channel Sales

Mark K. Rupert has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer and a Director since February 1995. He has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors since May 1996. From June 1990 to July 1994, Mr. Rupert served as President and Chief Operating Officer, and later Chief Executive Officer, of Interleaf, Inc., a publicly held software and services company that develops and markets document management, distribution and related software. From 1989 to 1990, Mr. Rupert was Senior Vice President of Worldwide Sales of Informix Software, where he was responsible for direct and indirect sales and original equipment manufacturers. From 1985 to 1989, Mr. Rupert served as Vice President North American Operations for Cullinet Software.

Steven M. Johnson has served as our Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer since February 2001, and as our Secretary since May 1996. He also served as our Vice President Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer from September 1992 to February 2001, as our interim Chief Executive Officer from October 1994 to February 1995 and as our interim Vice President of North American Channel Sales from July 1998 through December 1998. Prior to joining us, from February 1988 to September 1992, Mr. Johnson was Vice President Finance and Chief Financial Officer, of Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc., a publicly held company.

Randall S. Weakly has served as our Vice President Research and Development since September 2003. Mr. Weakly joined us in August 1995 and also served as Vice President Development, Chief Research Engineer and Engineering Manager. Prior to joining us, Mr. Weakly worked as a technical contractor for MCI from August 1994 to August 1995. From August 1992 to August 1994, Mr. Weakly worked in internal Research and Development for GTE Government Systems. From June 1988 to August 1992, Mr. Weakly performed Guidance, Navigation and Control Research for Rockwell Space Operations Corporation.

Christopher J. Ryan has served as our Vice President Marketing since July 2001. Prior to joining us, Mr. Ryan was Vice President of Worldwide Product Marketing for FrontRange, Inc., an international supplier of CRM solutions from October 2000 to June 2001. From August 1998 to September 2000, he served as Co-founder and Chief Marketing Officer of deouxo, Inc. (formerly Saligent Software, Inc.), a supplier of lead management and marketing automation software. From October 1997 to August 1998, Mr. Ryan was Director of Industry and Integrated Marketing for PeopleSoft, Inc., a supplier of human resource management and enterprise resource planning solutions. From May 1993 to October 1997, he served as Director of Field Marketing and Director of Product Marketing for Sybase, Inc., a \$1 billion supplier of database and middleware solutions. From February 1988 to October 1993, Mr. Ryan served as President of IdeaWorks Marketing, a direct marketing services firm he co-founded.

James A. Franklin has served as Vice President North American Direct Sales West since February 2001. He also served as our Western Regional Vice President of Sales from January 1999 to February of 2001. Prior to joining us, Mr. Franklin was the Western Region District Manager for GIGA Information Group, Inc., a publicly held information technology analyst firm from 1996 to 1998. From 1994 to 1996, Mr. Franklin was the Director of Business Development for Geo/SQL Corporation, a leading vendor of

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enterprise geographic information systems, in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Franklin was responsible for direct and OEM sales. From 1988 to 1994, Mr. Franklin held senior sales and executive management positions for multiple information technology consulting and software firms.

Greg D. Cooke has served as Vice President North American Channel Sales since March 2003. Mr. Cooke also worked at Optika from 1991 to 1999. While previously with us, Mr. Cooke has held a variety of sales and business development positions including Vice President of North American Sales. Prior to re-joining Optika in 2003, Mr. Cooke was a principal for Channel Magic LLC, a unique provider of channel development, management consulting and outsourcing service to high technology companies from October 2002 through March 2003. From April 2001 to July 2002, Mr. Cooke was the Vice President of Worldwide Sales and Partner Development for Teamshare (now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Serena Software, Inc.) From December 1999 to April 2001, Mr. Cooke was Vice President of Worldwide Field Operations for American Fundware (now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intuit). From 1986 to 1991, Mr. Cooke was Vice President of Sales and Marketing for FSE Corporation, a leading financial services systems integration company and Optika business partner in Dallas, Texas. He also held a sales management position at The Synergistic Group, where he was responsible for the sales of business planning software packages to leading manufacturers, wholesale distributors and retailers.

Risk Factors

As described herein in the section entitled Recent Developments, we announced that we entered into a merger agreement with Stellent, Inc. on January 12, 2004. Completion of the merger is subject to approvals of the stockholders of each of Optika and Stellent, regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions. The following risk factors relate to the business of Optika, and the merger between Optika and Stellent. For risks about Stellent's business, see its Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed on, or about, February 4, 2004 and its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2003 and subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Forms 10-Q and Current Reports on Forms 8-K.

Business Risks of Optika

In evaluating our business, you should carefully consider the business risks discussed in this section.

A significant portion of our revenues has been, and we believe will continue to be, derived from a limited number of orders, and the timing of such orders and their fulfillment have caused, and are expected to continue to cause, material fluctuations in our operating results.

A significant portion of our revenues has been, and we believe will continue to be, derived from a limited number of orders, and the timing of such orders and their fulfillment have caused, and are expected to continue to cause, material fluctuations in our operating results. Revenues are also difficult to forecast because the markets for our products are rapidly evolving, and our sales cycle and the sales cycle of our value added resellers is lengthy and varies substantially from end-user to end-user. To achieve our quarterly revenue objectives, we depend upon obtaining orders in any given quarter for shipment in that quarter. Product orders are typically shipped shortly after receipt. Consequently, order backlog at the beginning of any quarter has in the past represented only a small portion of that quarter's revenues. Furthermore, we have often recognized most of our revenues in the last month, or even in the last weeks or days, of a quarter. Accordingly, a delay in shipment near the end of a particular quarter may cause revenues in a particular quarter to fall significantly below our expectations and may materially adversely affect our operating results for such quarter. Conversely, to the extent that significant revenues occur earlier than expected, operating results for subsequent quarters may fail to keep pace with results of previous quarters or even decline. We also have recorded generally lower sales in the first quarter than in the immediately preceding fourth quarter, as a result of, among other factors, end-users' purchasing and budgeting practices and our sales commission practices. To the extent that future international operations constitute a higher percentage of total revenues, we anticipate that we may also experience relatively weaker demand in the third quarter as a result of reduced sales in Europe during the summer months. Significant portions of our expenses are relatively fixed in the short term. Accordingly, if revenue levels fall

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below expectations, operating results are likely to be disproportionately and adversely affected. As a result of these and other factors, we believe that our quarterly operating results will vary in the future, and that period-to-period comparisons of our results of operations are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as indications of future performance. Furthermore, due to all of the foregoing factors, it is likely that in some future quarter our operating results will be below the expectations of public market analysts and investors. In such event, the price of our common stock would likely decline and such decline could be significant.

Substantially all of our current license revenue is derived from one product.

The Optika Acorde family of products accounts for substantially all of our current license revenue. Our future financial performance will depend in general on the acceptance of our product offerings, and in particular on the successful development, introduction and customer acceptance of new and enhanced versions of our products.

Capital market conditions could materially and adversely affect our ability to raise additional needed capital.

Current capital market conditions have materially and adversely affected the ability of many technology companies to raise additional capital in both private and public markets. Although we believe that our existing cash balances and liquid resources will be sufficient to fund our operating activities, capital expenditures and other obligations through at least the next twelve months, if market conditions do not improve and we are not successful in generating sufficient cash flow from operations or in raising additional capital when required in sufficient amounts and on terms acceptable to us, we may be required to reduce our planned expenditures and scale back the scope of our business plan.

Our ability to compete effectively and to manage any future growth will require that we continue to attract and assimilate new personnel and to train and manage our work force.

Most of our senior management team has joined us within the last five years. These individuals may not be able to achieve and manage growth, if any, or build an infrastructure necessary for us to operate. Our ability to compete effectively and to manage any future growth will require that we continue to assimilate new personnel and to train and manage our work force. Our future performance depends to a significant degree upon the continuing contributions of our key management, sales, marketing, customer support, and product development personnel. We have at times experienced, and continue to experience, difficulty in recruiting qualified personnel, particularly in sales, software development and customer support. We believe that there may be only a limited number of persons with the requisite skills to serve in those positions, and that it may become increasingly difficult to hire such persons. Competitors and others have in the past, and may in the future, attempt to recruit our employees. We have from time to time experienced turnover of key management, sales and technical personnel. The loss of key management, sales or technical personnel, or the failure to attract and retain key personnel, could harm our business.

Our future results of operations will depend on the success of our marketing and distribution strategy, which relies, to a significant degree, upon third parties.

Our future results of operations will depend on the success of our marketing and distribution strategy, which relies, to a significant degree, upon value added resellers to sell and install our software, and provide post-sales support. These relationships are usually established through formal agreements that generally do not grant exclusivity, do not prevent the distributor from carrying competing product lines and do not require the distributor to purchase any minimum dollar amount of our software. Some value added resellers may not continue to represent us or sell our products. Other value added resellers, some of which have significantly greater financial, marketing and other resources than we have, may develop or market software products that compete with our products or may otherwise discontinue their relationship with, or support of, us. Some of our value added resellers are small companies that have limited financial and other resources that could impair their ability to pay us. Selling through indirect channels may hinder our ability

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to forecast sales accurately, evaluate customer satisfaction or recognize emerging customer requirements. Our future results of operations also depend on the success of our continuing efforts to build a direct sales force.

Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to respond effectively to rapid technological change and changes in customer requirements.

The markets for our products are characterized by rapid technological change, changes in customer requirements, frequent new product introductions and enhancements, and emerging industry standards. Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to respond effectively to these developments. The introduction of products embodying new technologies and the emergence of new industry standards can render existing products obsolete, unmarketable or noncompetitive. We are unable to predict the future impact of such technology changes on our products. Moreover, the life cycles of our products are difficult to estimate. Our future performance will depend in significant part upon our ability to enhance current products, and to develop and introduce new products and enhancements that respond to evolving customer requirements. The inability, for technological or other reasons, to develop and introduce new products or enhancements in a timely manner in response to changing customer requirements, technological change or emerging industry standards, or maintain compatibility with heterogeneous computing environments, would have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We rely on third-party software licenses, the loss of which could materially and adversely affect our business and financial condition.

We license software from third parties, which is incorporated into our products. These licenses expire from time to time. These third-party software licenses may not continue to be available to us on commercially reasonable terms. The loss of, or inability to maintain, any such software licenses could result in shipment delays or reductions until equivalent software could be developed, identified, licensed and integrated, which in turn could materially and adversely affect our business and financial condition. In addition, we generally do not have access to source code for the software supplied by these third parties. Certain of these third parties are small companies that do not have extensive financial and technical resources. If any of these relationships were terminated or if any of these third parties were to cease doing business, we may be forced to expend significant time and development resources to replace the licensed software.

Licensing our software products requires a lengthy and complex sales cycle.

The license of our software products is typically an executive-level decision by prospective end-users, and generally requires our value added resellers and us to engage in a lengthy and complex sales cycle (typically between six and twelve months from the initial contact date). In addition, the implementation by customers of our products may involve a significant commitment of resources by such customers over an extended period of time. For these and other reasons, the sales and customer implementation cycles are subject to a number of significant delays over which we have little or no control. Our future performance also depends upon the capital expenditure budgets of our customers and the demand by such customers for our products. Certain industries to which we sell our products, such as the financial services industry, are highly cyclical. Our operations may in the future be subject to substantial period-to-period fluctuations as a consequence of such industry patterns, domestic and foreign economic and other conditions, and other factors affecting capital spending. Such factors may have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

The market for our product offerings is intensely competitive.

The market for our product offerings is intensely competitive and can be significantly affected by new product introductions and other market activities of industry participants. Our competitors offer a variety of products and services to address the electronic content management market and the emerging market for e-business solutions. Because our products are designed to operate in non-proprietary computing

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environments and because of low barriers to entry in the marketplace, we expect additional competition from established and emerging companies, as the market for our products continues to evolve. Current and potential competitors have established or may establish cooperative relationships among themselves or with third parties, to increase the ability of their products to address the needs of our prospective customers. In addition, several competitors have recently made, or attempted to make, acquisitions to enter the market or increase their market presence. Accordingly, new competitors or consolidation and alliances among competitors may emerge and rapidly acquire significant market share. Increased competition may result in price reductions, reduced gross margins and loss of market share.

Many of our current and potential competitors are substantially larger than we are, have significantly greater financial, technical and marketing resources and have established more extensive channels of distribution. As a result, such competitors may be able to respond more rapidly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements, or to devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we can. We expect our competitors to continue to improve the performance of their current products and to introduce new products or new technologies that provide added functionality and other features. Our failure to keep pace with our competitors through new product introductions or enhancements could cause a significant decline in our sales or loss of market acceptance of our products and services, result in continued intense price competition, or make our products and services or technologies obsolete or noncompetitive. To be competitive, we will be required to continue to invest significant resources in research and development, and in sales and marketing.

We rely on our ability to protect our proprietary rights to the technologies used in our principal products.

Our performance depends in part on our ability to protect our proprietary rights to the technologies used in our principal products. We rely on a combination of copyright and trademark laws, trade secrets, confidentiality provisions and other contractual provisions to protect our proprietary rights, which are measures that afford only limited protection. Despite our efforts to protect our proprietary rights, unauthorized parties may attempt to copy aspects of our products, or to obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect our proprietary rights as fully as do the laws of the United States. Our means of protecting our proprietary rights in the United States or abroad may not be adequate, and competitors may independently develop similar technologies. Third parties may claim infringement by our products of their intellectual property rights. We expect that software product developers will increasingly be subject to infringement claims if the number of products and competitors in our industry segment grows and the functionality of products in different industry segments overlaps. Any such claims, with or without merit, and regardless of the outcome of any litigation, will be time-consuming to defend, result in costly litigation, divert management's attention and resources, cause product shipment delays, or require us to enter into royalty or licensing agreements. Such royalty or licensing agreements, if required, may not be available on terms acceptable to us, if at all. A successful claim of infringement against our products and failure or inability to license the infringed or similar technology may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Our inability to successfully expand our international operations in a timely manner, or at all, could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Sales outside the United States accounted for approximately 10%, 9% and 12% of our revenues in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. We have only limited experience in developing localized versions of our products and we may not be able to successfully localize, market, sell and deliver our products internationally. Our inability to successfully expand our international operations in a timely manner, or at all, could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations. Our international revenues may be denominated in foreign currencies or the U.S. dollar. We do not currently engage in foreign currency hedging transactions; as a result, a decrease in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar could result in losses from transactions denominated in foreign currencies and could make our software less price-competitive.

Table of Contents***A successful product liability claim against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations.***

Our license agreements typically contain provisions designed to limit our exposure to potential product liability claims. These limitations of liability provisions may not be effective under the laws of certain jurisdictions. The sale and support of our products may entail the risk of such claims, and we could be subject to such claims in the future. A successful product liability claim against us could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations. Software products such as those we offer frequently contain errors or failures, especially when first introduced or when new versions are released. We have in the past released products that contained defects, and have discovered software errors in certain of our new products and enhancements after introduction. We could in the future lose or delay recognition of revenues as a result of software errors or defects, the failure of our products to meet customer specifications or otherwise. Our products are typically intended for use in applications that may be critical to a customer's business. As a result, we expect that our customers and potential customers have a greater sensitivity to product defects than the market for general software products. Despite our testing and testing by current and potential customers, errors or defects may be found in new products or releases after commencement of commercial shipments, and our products may not meet customer specifications, resulting in loss or deferral of revenues, diversion of resources, damage to our reputation, or increased service and warranty and other costs.

We must continue to successfully integrate the people, products and business lines of our acquisitions.

We have acquired, and we may in the future acquire, businesses, products or technologies that we believe compliment or expand our existing business. For example in May 2003, we acquired Select Technologies, Inc., a records management software company based in Boise, Idaho. Our ability to achieve favorable results in 2004 and beyond will be dependent in part upon our ability to continue to successfully integrate the people, products and business lines of our acquisitions. In addition, we will need to work with our acquired companies' customers and business partners, as well as our current customers and business partners, to expand relationships based upon the broader range of products and services available from us. In some instances, we may need to discontinue relationships with business partners whose interests are no longer aligned with ours. We must accomplish the synergies we identified during the acquisition process. Failure to execute on any of these elements and accomplish the favorable financial results from the integration process could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

The market price of our shares of common stock has been, and is likely to continue to be, highly volatile.

Effective February 4, 2003, our common stock began trading on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market under the symbol OPTK. Previously, our stock was traded on the Nasdaq National Market under the same symbol. The market price of our shares of common stock has been, and is likely to continue to be, highly volatile and may be significantly affected by factors such as:

- Actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results
- Announcements of technological innovations
- New products or new contracts by us or our competitors
- Sales of common stock by management, directors or other related parties
- Sales of significant amounts of common stock into the market
- Developments with respect to proprietary rights
- Conditions and trends in the software and other technology industries
- Adoption of new accounting standards affecting the software industry
- Changes in financial estimates by securities analysts and others

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General market conditions

Other factors that may be unrelated to us or our performance

In addition, the stock market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have particularly affected the market prices for the common stock of technology companies. These broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock. In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a particular company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been brought against such company. Such litigation may be brought against us in the future. Such litigation, regardless of its outcome, would result in substantial costs and a diversion of management's attention and resources that could have a material adverse effect upon our business and results of operations.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, equity incentive plans, bylaws, and Delaware law may discourage certain transactions involving a change in control of Optika.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, equity incentive plans, bylaws, and Delaware law may discourage certain transactions involving a change in control of our company, even if such a transaction would be in the best interest of our stockholders. Our classified board of directors and the ability of the board of directors to issue blank check preferred stock without further stockholder approval, may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in our control and may also affect the market price of our stock. We also have a stockholders rights plan under which all stockholders of record as of July 18, 2001 received one right for each share of common stock then owned by them to purchase, upon the occurrence of certain triggering events, one one-hundredth of a share of Series B preferred stock at a price of \$30, subject to adjustment. The rights are exercisable only if a person or group acquires 15% or more of our common stock in a transaction not approved by our Board of Directors. These provisions and certain other provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and certain provisions of our amended and restated bylaws and of Delaware law, could delay or make more difficult a merger, tender offer or proxy contest.

Risks Relating to the Proposed Merger with Stellent

Risks Relating to the Merger

The merger involves risk for Stellent and Optika shareholders. Optika stockholders will be choosing to invest in Stellent common stock by voting in favor of the merger. In addition to other information included in the joint proxy statement/ prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about February 4, 2004, including the matters addressed in the section of the joint proxy statement/ prospectus

Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statement you should carefully consider the following risks before deciding whether to vote in favor of the merger proposal and the amendment to the certificate of designation, in the case of Optika stockholders, or for the issuance of shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger agreement, in the case of Stellent shareholders. Please refer to the section of the joint proxy statement/ prospectus entitled "Where You Can Find More Information". Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to Stellent or Optika or that are not currently believed to be important to you also may adversely affect the merger and the combined company following the merger.

Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain the shareholder approvals required to complete the merger.

The closing of the merger is subject to approvals by the shareholders of Optika and Stellent, which might not be obtained. The issuance of shares of Stellent common stock pursuant to the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes cast at the Stellent special meeting, provided a quorum is present at the meeting. Approval of the Optika merger proposals requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of Optika common stock and Optika preferred stock (voting together with the Optika common stock on an as-converted-to-common-stock basis). If the requisite shareholder

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approvals are not obtained, the conditions of closing of the merger will not be satisfied and the closing of the merger will not occur. If the merger is not completed, the business and operations of Stellent and Optika may be harmed to the extent that customers, suppliers and others believe that the companies cannot effectively compete in the marketplace without the merger and the market prices of Stellent common stock and Optika common stock may decline.

The number of shares that holders of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive is fixed; if the market price of Stellent's common stock declines, Optika stockholders will be entitled to receive less in value for their shares of Optika common stock.

Upon the closing of the merger, each holder of shares of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive a fixed portion of a share of Stellent common stock for each share of Optika common stock held by such stockholder at the closing of the merger. The market value of Stellent's shares fluctuates based upon general market and economic conditions, Stellent's business and prospects and other factors, as discussed in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus. Because of these fluctuations and because the total number of shares of Stellent common stock to be received as consideration by holders of Optika common stock in the merger may be decreased if shares of Stellent common stock are allocated to holders of the Optika preferred stock, as discussed in this joint proxy statement/ prospectus, but will not, in any case be increased, the exact value of the consideration that holders of Optika common stock will be entitled to receive in the merger cannot be determined until the closing of the merger.

There will be no increase to the exchange ratio (except for reclassifications to reflect the effect of any stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification or other like change with respect to Stellent common stock or Optika common stock), and the parties do not have the right to terminate the merger agreement based upon changes in the market price of either Stellent common stock or Optika common stock. Accordingly, if Stellent's stock price decreases, Optika's stockholders will be entitled to receive less in value for their shares of Optika common stock.

Some of the directors and executive officers of Stellent and Optika have interests and arrangements that could have affected their decisions to support or approve the transaction.

All Stellent officers and directors will serve in their current capacity for the combined company.

The directors and executive officers of Optika will receive continuing indemnification against liabilities and some of the directors and executive officers of Optika have Optika stock options that potentially provide them with interests in the merger, such as accelerated vesting upon completion of the merger in certain cases, that are different from, or are in addition to, your interests in the merger. An Optika director will serve on the board of directors of the combined company. In addition, Mark K. Rupert has entered into an employment agreement with Stellent that will become effective upon the consummation of the merger. Under the agreement, Mr. Rupert is entitled to receive compensation and benefits as described under the section of the joint proxy statement/ prospectus "The Merger - Interests of Directors and Executive Officers of Optika in the Merger."

The stock prices and businesses of Stellent and Optika may be adversely affected if the merger is not completed.

If the merger is not completed, the market prices of Stellent common stock and Optika common stock may decline. In addition, Stellent's and Optika's businesses and operations may be harmed to the extent that customers, suppliers and others believe that the companies cannot effectively compete in the marketplace without the transaction, or there is customer or employee uncertainty surrounding the future direction of the product and service offerings and strategy of Stellent or Optika on a standalone basis. Completion of the merger is subject to several closing conditions, including obtaining requisite regulatory and shareholder approvals, and Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain such approvals on a timely basis or at all. If the transaction is not completed, Stellent and Optika would not derive the strategic benefits expected to result from the transaction. Stellent and Optika will also be required to pay significant

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costs incurred in connection with the transaction, including legal, accounting and financial advisory fees, and certain fees and expenses of TWCP and certain of its affiliates, whether or not the transaction is completed. Moreover, under specified circumstances described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, Stellent may be required to pay Optika's expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement or the merger of up to \$750,000 in connection with the termination of the merger agreement, or Optika may be required to pay Stellent a termination fee of \$1.6 million and Stellent's expenses incurred in connection with the merger agreement or the merger of up to \$750,000 pursuant to the merger agreement, in connection with the termination of the merger agreement.

The combined company may not realize benefits from the merger because of integration and other challenges.

Any failure of the combined company to meet the challenges involved in integrating the operations of Stellent and Optika successfully or to realize any of the anticipated benefits or synergies of the merger could seriously harm the results of the combined company. Realizing the benefits of the merger will depend in part on the ability of the combined company to overcome significant challenges, including timely, efficient and successful execution of post-merger strategies, including:

- combining the operations of two companies;
- integrating and managing the combined company;
- retaining and assimilating the key personnel of each company;
- integrating the sales channels of each company;
- retaining existing customers of each company and attracting new customers;
- retaining strategic partners of each company and attracting new strategic partners; and
- creating and maintaining uniform standards, controls, procedures, policies and information.

The risks related to the execution of these post-merger strategies include:

- the potential disruption of the combined company's on-going business and distraction of its management;
- difficulties inherent in combining product offerings, coordinating sales and marketing efforts to effectively communicate the capabilities of the combined company;
- the potential need to demonstrate to customers that the merger will not result in adverse changes in customer service standards or business; and
- impairment of relationships with employees, suppliers and customers as a result of any integration of new management personnel.

Charges to earnings resulting from the application of the purchase method of accounting may adversely affect the market value of the combined company's common stock following the merger.

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the combined company will account for the merger using the purchase method of accounting, which will result in charges to earnings that could have a material adverse effect on the market value of Stellent common stock following the closing of the merger. Under the purchase method of accounting, the combined company will allocate the total estimated purchase price to Optika's net tangible assets, amortizable intangible assets, intangible assets with indefinite lives and in-process research and development, if any, based on their fair values as of the date of the closing of the merger, and record the excess of the purchase price over those fair values as goodwill. The portion of the estimated purchase price allocated to purchased in-process technology, if any, will be expensed by the combined company in the quarter in which the merger is completed. The combined company will incur additional depreciation and amortization expense over the useful lives of certain of the net tangible and intangible assets acquired in connection with the

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merger. In addition, to the extent the value of goodwill or intangible assets with indefinite lives becomes impaired, the combined company may be required to incur material charges relating to the impairment of those assets. These depreciation, amortization and potential impairment charges could have a material impact on the combined company's results of operations.

In order to be successful, the combined company must retain and motivate key employees, which will be more difficult in light of uncertainty regarding the merger, and failure to do so could seriously harm the combined company.

In order to be successful, the combined company must retain and motivate executives and other key employees, including those in managerial, sales and technical positions. Employees of Stellent or Optika may experience uncertainty about their future role with the combined company until or after strategies with regard to the combined company are announced or executed. In addition, a portion of Optika's employee options have exercise prices in excess of the current value of the merger consideration. These circumstances may adversely affect the combined company's ability to attract and retain key management, sales and technical personnel. The combined company also must continue to motivate employees and keep them focused on the strategies and goals of the combined company, which may be particularly difficult due to the potential distractions of the merger.

The market price of Stellent's common stock may decline as a result of the merger.

The market price of Stellent's common stock may decline as a result of the merger for a number of reasons, including if:

the integration of Stellent and Optika is not completed in a timely and efficient manner;

the combined company does not achieve the perceived benefits of the merger as rapidly or to the extent anticipated by financial or industry analysts;

the effect of the merger on the combined company's financial results is not consistent with the expectations of financial or industry analysts; or

significant shareholders of Stellent or Optika decide to dispose of their stock following completion of the merger.

Uncertainty regarding the merger and the effects of the merger could cause each company's customers or strategic partners to delay or defer decisions.

Stellent's and/or Optika's customers and strategic partners, in response to the announcement of the merger, may delay or defer decisions regarding the license of the combined company's products and services, which could have a material adverse effect on the business of the combined company or the relevant company if the merger is not completed.

Optika could lose an opportunity to enter into a merger or business combination with another party on more favorable terms as the merger agreement restricts Optika from soliciting such proposals.

While the merger agreement is in effect, subject to certain limited exceptions, Optika is restricted from entering into or soliciting, initiating or encouraging any inquiries or proposals that may lead to a proposal or offer for a merger with any persons other than Stellent. As a result of the restriction, Optika may lose an opportunity to enter into a transaction with another potential partner on more favorable terms. If Optika terminates the merger agreement to enter into another transaction, Optika likely would be required to pay a termination fee to Stellent that may make an otherwise more favorable transaction less favorable. See "The Merger Agreement - Termination Fee and Expenses" of the joint proxy statement/prospectus. In addition, if the merger agreement is terminated and the Optika board of directors determines that it is in the best interests of the Optika stockholders to seek a merger or business combination with another strategic partner, Optika cannot assure you that it will be able to find a partner offering terms equivalent or more attractive than the price and terms offered by Stellent.

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Stellent and Optika may be unable to obtain the regulatory approvals that may be required to complete the merger or, in order to obtain such approvals, the combined company may be required to comply with material restrictions or conditions.

The merger may be subject to review by the United States Federal Trade Commission under the HSR Act. In addition, the merger may be subject to review by the governmental authorities of various other jurisdictions under the antitrust laws of those jurisdictions.

The reviewing authorities may not permit the merger at all or may impose restrictions or conditions on the merger that may seriously harm the combined company if the merger is completed. These conditions could include a complete or partial license, divestiture, spin-off or the holding separate of assets or businesses. Stellent may refuse to complete the merger if material restrictions or conditions are required by governmental authorities. Any delay in the completion of the merger could diminish the anticipated benefits of the merger, result in additional transaction costs or result in loss of revenue or other effects associated with uncertainty about the transaction.

Stellent and Optika also may agree to restrictions or conditions imposed by antitrust authorities in order to obtain regulatory approval, and these restrictions or conditions could harm the combined company's operations. Unless required by law, no additional shareholder approval is expected to be required for any decision by Stellent and Optika, after the special meetings of Stellent shareholders and Optika stockholders, to agree to any terms and conditions necessary to resolve any regulatory objections to the merger.

In addition, during or after the statutory waiting periods, and even after the completion of the merger, governmental authorities could seek to block or challenge the merger as they deem necessary or desirable in the public interest. Moreover, in some jurisdictions, a competitor, customer or other third party could initiate a private action under the antitrust laws challenging or seeking to enjoin the merger, before or after it is completed. Stellent, Optika or the combined company may not prevail, or may incur significant costs, in defending or settling any action under the antitrust laws.

The combined company is not profitable on a pro forma basis and may not be profitable in the future.

On a pro forma basis, the combined company had a net loss of approximately \$12.4 million for the nine months ended December 31, 2003. We cannot assure you that the combined company's revenue will increase or continue at current levels or growth rates or that the combined company will achieve profitability or generate cash from operations in future periods. In view of the rapidly evolving nature of the combined company's business and the limited histories of Stellent and Optika in producing many of their current products, period-to-period comparisons of operating results are not necessarily meaningful and you should not rely on them as indicating what the combined company's future performance will be. We expect that the combined company will continue to incur significant sales, marketing, product development and administrative expenses. As a result, the combined company will need to generate significant revenue to achieve profitability and we cannot assure you that it will achieve profitability in the future.

The merger may be completed even though material adverse changes may result from the announcement of the merger, industry-wide changes and other causes.

In general, either party may refuse to complete the merger if there is a material adverse change affecting the other party before the closing. However, certain types of changes will not prevent the completion of the offer or the merger, even if they would have a material adverse effect on Stellent or Optika, including:

changes or conditions generally affecting the industries or segments in which Stellent and Optika operate unless the change or condition has a materially disproportionate effect on Stellent or Optika, as the case may be;

changes in general economic, market or political conditions unless the change has a materially disproportionate effect on Stellent or Optika, as the case may be;

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actual or threatened litigation by stockholders of Stellent or Optika relating to the announcement or completion of the offer or the merger (unless the offer or the merger is enjoined);

any disruption of customer, business partner, supplier or employee relationships that resulted from the announcement of the merger agreement or the completion of the merger; and

changes in Stellent's or Optika's common stock market price or trading volume, in and of themselves.

If material adverse changes occur but we must still complete the merger, Stellent's stock price may suffer. This in turn may reduce the value of the merger to Stellent's and Optika's shareholders.

Our focus on integrating the combined companies may divert us from other potential transactions.

Our industry has experienced recent consolidation. Even after the merger, many competitors of the combined company will have substantially more resources than it has. Management's focus on realizing the benefits of the merger for the combined companies may divert us from pursuing other potential transactions that could further increase the resources and marketing opportunities of the combined companies.

There is a risk of potentially unfavorable United States federal income tax consequences to Optika stockholders.

Optika stockholders may be subject to potentially material adverse United States federal income tax consequences if the Internal Revenue Service were to successfully contend that the consideration transferred by Stellent to the Optika common and preferred stockholders should be treated not as it was actually received, but rather as it would have been received by such stockholders prior to the amendment of the certificate of designation of the Optika preferred stock, pursuant to which the stated liquidation preference of the Optika Preferred Stock will be terminated. To review the material United States federal income tax consequences to stockholders in greater detail, see "The Merger - Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger" in the joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Item 2. *Properties*

Our principal administrative, sales and marketing, research and development and support facilities consist of approximately 39,000 square feet of office space in Colorado Springs, Colorado. We occupy these premises under a lease expiring in March of 2007. In support of our field sales and support organization, we also lease several facilities in the United States, an office in the United Kingdom and an office in Brazil.

Item 3. *Legal Proceedings*

We are currently not a party to any material litigation, and we are currently not aware of any pending or threatened litigation that we believe would or is reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect upon our business, operating results, or financial condition.

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

We did not submit any matters to a vote of our security holders during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003.

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Effective February 4, 2003, our common stock began trading on the NASDAQ Small Cap Market under the symbol OPTK. Previously, our common stock was traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the same symbol. The following table sets forth the high and low closing sale prices per share of the common stock for the periods indicated, as reported on the NASDAQ.

Quarter Ended	High	Low
December 31, 2003	\$5.11	\$2.08
September 30, 2003	\$2.62	\$1.42
June 30, 2003	\$1.58	\$1.09
March 31, 2003	\$1.53	\$.98
December 31, 2002	\$1.20	\$.64
September 30, 2002	\$1.68	\$.85
June 30, 2002	\$2.34	\$1.47
March 31, 2002	\$2.74	\$1.00

As of January 30, 2004, we estimate there were approximately 158 holders of record of our common stock. This does not include the number of persons whose stock is in nominee or street name accounts through brokers.

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our capital stock since our inception, and we do not expect to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. Our bank line of credit currently prohibits the payment of cash dividends without the consent of the bank.

The information required by Item 201(d) of Regulation S-K (Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans) is included in Item 12 of this report.

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