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#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

#### FORM S-8

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# **IDEXX LABORATORIES, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 01-0393723 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One IDEXX Drive, Westbrook, Maine

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**04092** (Zip Code)

#### **1997 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN** (Full Title of the Plan)

(Full Title of the Plan)

Conan R. Deady, Esq. General Counsel IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. One IDEXX Drive Westbrook, Maine 04092 (Name and Address of Agent For Service)

(207) 856-0300

(Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent For Service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, and accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	$\boxtimes$	Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	

### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount of Shares to be Registered <sup>(1)</sup>	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share <sup>(2)</sup>	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price <sup>(2)</sup>	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, \$.10 par value	350,000	\$44.445	\$15,555,750.00	\$868.01

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement shall be deemed to cover any additional securities that may from time to time be offered or issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Registrant's Common Stock on the Nasdaq Stock Market on June 15, 2009, in accordance with Regulation C, Rules 457(c) and 457(h) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 is being filed for the purpose of registering an additional 350,000 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended (the "Plan"). In accordance with Section E of the General Instructions to Form S-8, the Registration Statements on Form S-8 previously filed with the Commission relating to the Plan (File Nos. 333-27733, 333-36009, 333-108906) are incorporated by reference herein. All previously registered shares under the Plan have been adjusted to reflect a 2 for 1 stock split that was effective on November 26, 2007.

## PART I. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

Item 1. Plan Information.

The information required by Item 1 is included in documents sent or given to participants in the plans covered by this registration statement pursuant to Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information.

The written statement required by Item 2 is included in documents sent or given to participants in the plans covered by this registration statement pursuant to Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act.

## PART II. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The registrant is subject to the informational and reporting requirements of Sections 13(a), 14, and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The following documents, filed with the Commission, are incorporated in this Registration Statement by reference:

(1) The Registrant's latest annual report filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, or the latest prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), that contains audited financial statements for the Registrant's latest fiscal year for which such statements have been filed;

(2) All other reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the document referred to in (1) above; and

(3) The description of the common stock, \$.10 par value per share, of the Registrant (the "Common Stock") contained in a registration statement on Form 8-A filed under the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with Commission rules shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement. Any statement contained herein or in a document, all or a portion of which is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or amended, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

The validity of the Common Stock being registered pursuant to this Registration Statement will be passed upon for the Registrant by its General Counsel, Conan R. Deady. As of the date of this Registration Statement, Mr. Deady has (i) beneficial ownership of 19,771 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock, (ii) the right to receive up to 180,277 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock upon the exercise of stock options granted to him by the Registrant, which stock options are or (in periodic installments) will become exercisable through February 13, 2016, and (iii) the right to receive up to 4,839 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock upon the vesting of restricted stock which will vest (in periodic installments) through February 14, 2014.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "GCL"), as amended, gives Delaware corporations the power to indemnify each of their present and former directors or officers under certain circumstances, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation.

Article Ninth of the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation provides that no director of the Registrant shall be liable for any breach of fiduciary duty, except to the extent that the GCL prohibits the limitation of liability of directors for breach of fiduciary duty.

Article Thirteenth of the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation provides that a director or officer of the Registrant (a) shall be indemnified by the Registrant against all expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement incurred in connection with any litigation or other legal proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of the Registrant) brought against him by virtue of his position as a director or officer of the Registrant if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Registrant and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful and (b) shall be indemnified by the Registrant against all expenses (including attorneys' fees) and amounts paid in settlement incurred in connection with any action by or in the right of the Registrant brought against him by virtue of his position as a director or officer of the Registrant if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Registrant, except that no indemnification shall be made with respect to any matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Registrant, unless a court determines that, despite such adjudication but in view of all of the circumstances, he is entitled to indemnification of such expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that a director or officer has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, including, without limitation, the dismissal of an action without prejudice, he is required to be indemnified by the Registrant against all expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred in connection therewith. Expenses shall be advanced to a director or officer at his request, provided that he undertakes to repay the amount advanced if it is ultimately determined that he is not entitled to indemnification for such expenses.

Indemnification is required to be made unless the Registrant determines that the applicable standard of conduct required for indemnification has not been met. In the event of a determination by the Registrant that the director or officer did not meet the applicable standard of conduct required for indemnification, or if the Registrant fails to make an indemnification payment within 60 days after such payment is claimed by such person, such person is permitted to petition the court to make an independent determination as to whether such person is entitled to indemnification. As a condition precedent to the right of indemnification, the director or officer must give the Registrant notice of the action for which indemnity is sought, and the Registrant has the right to participate in such action or assume the defense thereof.

Article Thirteenth of the Registrant's Certificate of Incorporation further provides that the indemnification provided therein is not exclusive, and provides that in the event that the GCL is amended to expand the indemnification permitted to directors or officers, the Registrant must indemnify those persons to the fullest extent permitted by such law as so amended.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The Exhibit Index immediately preceding the exhibits hereto is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Undertakings.

(a) <u>Item 512(a) of Regulation S-K.</u> The Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u> that paragraphs (i) and (ii) do not apply if the Registration Statement is on Form S-3 or Form S-8, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new Registration Statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) <u>Item 512(b) of Regulation S-K.</u> The Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new Registration Statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be in the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) <u>Item 512(h) of Regulation S-K.</u> Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Westbrook, State of Maine on this 19th day of June, 2009.

# **IDEXX LABORATORIES, INC.**

By: /s/ Jonathan W. Ayers

Jonathan W. Ayers President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in their capacities and on the date indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/Jonathan W. Ayers Jonathan W. Ayers	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors (Principal Executive Officer)	June 19, 2009
/s/Merilee Raines Merilee Raines	Vice President, Finance and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	June 19, 2009
/s/Thomas Craig Thomas Craig	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/Errol B. De Souza, PhD Errol B. De Souza, PhD	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/ William T. End William T. End	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/Rebecca M. Henderson, PhD Rebecca M. Henderson, PhD	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/Barry C. Johnson, PhD Barry C. Johnson, PhD	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/Brian P. McKeon Brian P. McKeon	Director	June 19, 2009
/s/Robert J. Murray Robert J. Murray	Director	June 19, 2009

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	Description
4.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, of the Registrant (filed as Exhibit No. 3.1 to Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006, File No. 0-19271, and incorporated herein by reference).
4.2	Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant (filed as Exhibit No. 3.2 to Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2000, File No. 0-19271 and incorporated herein by reference).
4.3	Specimen Certificate of Common Stock of the Registrant (filed as Exhibit No. 4.1 to Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on June 20, 1991, File No. 33-40447 and incorporated herein by reference).
5.1	Opinion of Conan R. Deady, General Counsel to the Registrant (filed herewith).
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (filed herewith).
23.2	Consent of Conan R. Deady (included in Exhibit 5.1).
99.1	1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended (filed herewith).

Exhibit 5.1

June 19, 2009

IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. One IDEXX Drive Westbrook, Maine 04092

## Re: 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am General Counsel to IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). In such capacity, I have assisted in the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the registration of 350,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company, par value \$.10 per share (the "Shares"), issuable under the Company's 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan").

I have examined the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, the Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Company, as amended, and originals, or copies certified to my satisfaction, of all pertinent records of the meetings of the directors and stockholders of the Company, the Registration Statement and such other documents relating to the Company as I have deemed material for purposes of this opinion.

In my examination of the foregoing documents, I have assumed the genuineness of all signatures and the authenticity of all documents submitted to me as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to me as certified or photostatic copies, and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents.

Based on the foregoing, I am of the opinion that the Company has duly authorized for issuance the Shares, as described in the Registration Statement, and the Shares, when issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Plan, will be legally issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Registration Statement in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Conan R. Deady

Conan R. Deady General Counsel

# **CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated February 20, 2009 relating to the financial statements, financial statement schedule and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Boston, Massachusetts June 19, 2009

#### **IDEXX LABORATORIES, INC.**

#### **1997 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN**

As of May 6, 2009

The purpose of this Plan is to provide eligible employees of IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. (the "Company") and certain of its subsidiaries with opportunities to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, \$.10 par value (the "Common Stock"), commencing on July 1, 1997. The Plan was initially adopted by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") on February 26, 1997 and approved by stockholders at a meeting held May 21, 1997. The Board amended the Plan, subject to stockholder approval, on February 25, 2003 to increase the number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance under the Plan from Four Hundred Twenty Thousand (420,000) shares to Six Hundred Twenty Thousand (620,000) shares. The stockholders approved such increase in shares at the Company's Annual Meeting held May 21, 2003. Pursuant to a 2-for-1 stock split of the Common Stock effective November 5, 2007, the number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance (1,240,000) shares. The Board further amended the Plan, subject to stockholder approval, on February 11, 2009 to increase the number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance under the Plan from Foury Thousand (1,240,000) shares. The Board further amended the Plan, subject to stockholder approval, on February 11, 2009 to increase the number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance under the Plan from One Million Two Hundred Forty Thousand (1,240,000) shares. The Board further amended the Plan, subject to stockholder approval, on February 11, 2009 to increase the number of shares of Common Stock authorized for issuance under the Plan from One Million Two Hundred Forty Thousand (1,240,000) shares to One Million Five Hundred Ninety Thousand (1,590,000) shares.

1. <u>Administration</u>. The Plan will be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Committee"). The Committee has authority to make rules and regulations for the administration of the Plan and its interpretation and decisions with regard thereto shall be final and conclusive.

2. <u>Eligibility</u>. Participation in the Plan will neither be permitted nor denied contrary to the requirements of Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and regulations promulgated thereunder. All employees of the Company, including Directors who are employees, and all employees of any subsidiary of the Company (as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code) designated by the Committee from time to time (a "Designated Subsidiary"), are eligible to participate in any one or more of the offerings of Options (as defined in Section 9) to purchase Common Stock under the Plan provided that:

(a) they are regularly employed by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary for more than 20 hours a week and for more than five months in a calendar year; and

(b) they have been employed by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary for at least one month prior to enrolling in the Plan; and

(c) they are employees of the Company or a Designated Subsidiary on the first day of the applicable Plan Period (as defined below).

3. <u>Offerings</u>. The Company will make one or more offerings ("Offerings") to employees to purchase stock under this Plan. Offerings will begin each January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1, or the first business day thereafter (the "Offering Commencement Dates"). Each Offering Commencement Date will begin a three-month period (a "Plan Period") during which payroll deductions will be made and held for the purchase of Common Stock at the end of the Plan Period. The Committee may, at its discretion, choose a different Plan Period of twelve (12) months or less for subsequent Offerings.

4. <u>Participation</u>. An employee eligible on the Offering Commencement Date of any Offering may participate in such Offering by completing and forwarding a payroll deduction authorization form to the employee's appropriate payroll office prior to the applicable Offering Commencement Date, but not later than the deadline established by the Committee. The form will authorize a regular payroll deduction from the Compensation received by the employee during the Plan Period. Unless an employee files a new form or withdraws from the Plan, his deductions and purchases will continue at the same rate for future Offerings under the Plan as long as the Plan remains in effect. The term "Compensation" generally means the amount of money reportable on the employee's Federal Income Tax Withholding Statement, excluding allowances and reimbursements for expenses such as relocation allowances for travel expenses, income or gains on the exercise of Company stock options or stock appreciation rights, and similar items, whether or not shown on the employee's Federal Income Tax Withholding Statement, but including, in the case of salespersons, sales commissions to the extent determined by the Committee. The Committee will determine eligible Compensation in a uniform and non-discriminatory manner.

5. <u>Deductions</u>. The Company will maintain payroll deduction accounts for all participating employees. With respect to any Offering made under this Plan, an employee may authorize a payroll deduction at the rate of 1%, 2%, 3%, 4% or 5% of Compensation with any change in compensation during the Plan Period to result in an automatic corresponding change in the dollar amount withheld.

No employee may be granted an Option (as defined in Section 9) which permits his rights to purchase Common Stock under this Plan and any other stock purchase plan of the Company and its subsidiaries, to accrue at a rate which exceeds \$25,000 of the fair market value of such Common Stock (determined at the date such Option is granted) for each calendar year in which the Option is outstanding at any time.

In addition, no employee may be granted an option hereunder if such employee, immediately after the option is granted, owns 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of the stock of the Company or any subsidiary. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the attribution rules of Section 424(d) of the Code shall apply in determining the stock ownership of an employee, and all stock which the employee has a contractual right to purchase shall be treated as stock owned by the employee.

6. <u>No Deduction Changes</u>. Except as provided in Section 8 below with respect to withdrawals from participating in an Offering, an employee may not increase or decrease his payroll deduction during a Plan Period.

7. <u>Interest</u>. Interest will not be paid on any employee accounts, except to the extent that the Committee, in its sole discretion, elects to credit employee accounts with interest at such per annum rate as it may from time to time determine.

8. <u>Withdrawal of Funds</u>. An employee may at any time up to the payroll data submission deadline for the last pay date in a Plan Period and for any reason permanently draw out the balance accumulated in the employee's account and thereby withdraw from participation in an Offering. Partial withdrawals are not permitted. The employee may not begin participation again during the remainder of the Plan Period. The employee may participate in any subsequent Offering in accordance with terms and conditions established by the Committee.

9. <u>Purchase of Shares</u>. On the Offering Commencement Date of each Plan Period, subject to the limitations described in section 5, the Company will grant to each eligible employee who is then a participant in the Plan an option (the "Option") to purchase on the last business day of such Plan Period (the "Exercise Date"), at the Option Price hereinafter provided for, a maximum number of whole shares of Common Stock of the Company determined by dividing \$6,250 by the closing price of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq Stock Market on the Offering Commencement Date. To the extent that the Committee chooses a different length for the Plan Period pursuant to Section 3 hereof, the Committee shall adjust the option grant formula to ensure compliance with the \$25,000 limitation set forth in Section 5 hereof.

The purchase price (the "Option Price") for each share purchased will be 85% of the closing price of the Common Stock on the Exercise Date. Such closing price shall be (a) the closing price on any national securities exchange on which the Common Stock is listed, (b) the closing price of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq Stock Market or (c) the average of the closing bid and asked prices in the over-the-counter-market, whichever is applicable, as published in <u>The Wall Street Journal</u>. If no sales of Common Stock were made on such a day, the price of the Common Stock for purposes of clauses (a) and (b) above shall be the reported price for the next preceding day within the Plan Period on which sales were made.

Each employee who continues to be a participant in the Plan on the Exercise Date shall be deemed to have exercised his Option at the Option Price on such date and shall be deemed to have purchased from the Company the number of whole shares of Common Stock reserved for the purpose of the Plan that his accumulated payroll deductions on such date will pay for, but not in excess of, the maximum number determined in the manner set forth above.

Any balance remaining in an employee's payroll deduction account in excess of the Option Price at the end of a Plan Period will be automatically refunded to the employee. Any balance remaining in an employee's payroll deduction account that is less than the Option Price shall remain in the employee's account for the next Plan Period.

10. <u>Issuance of Certificates</u>. Certificates representing shares of Common Stock purchased under the Plan may be issued only in the name of the employee, in the name of the employee and another person of legal age as joint tenants with rights of survivorship, or (in the Company's sole discretion) in the name of a brokerage firm, bank or other nominee holder designated by the employee. The Company may, in its sole discretion and in compliance with applicable laws, authorize the use of book entry registration of shares in lieu of issuing stock certificates.

11. <u>Rights on Retirement, Death or Termination of Employment</u>. In the event of a participating employee's termination of employment prior to the last business day of a Plan Period, no payroll deduction shall be taken from any pay due and owing to an employee and the balance in the employee's account shall be paid to the employee or, in the event of the employee's death, (a) to a beneficiary previously designated in a revocable notice signed by the employee (with any spousal consent required under state law) or (b) in the absence of such a designated beneficiary, to the executor or administrator of the employee's estate or (c) if no such executor or administrator has been appointed to the knowledge of the Company, to such other person(s) as the Company may, in its discretion, designate. If, prior to the last business day of the Plan Period, the Designated Subsidiary by which an employee is employed shall cease to be a subsidiary of the Company, or if the employee is transferred to a subsidiary of the Company that is not a Designated Subsidiary, the employee shall be deemed to have terminated employment for the purposes of this Plan.

12. <u>Optionees Not Stockholders</u>. Neither the granting of an Option to an employee nor the deductions from his pay shall constitute such employee a stockholder of the shares of Common Stock covered by an Option under this Plan until such shares have been purchased by and issued to him.

13. <u>Rights Not Transferable</u>. Rights under this Plan are not transferable by a participating employee other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and are exercisable during the employee's lifetime only by the employee.

14. <u>Application of Funds</u>. All funds received or held by the Company under this Plan may be combined with other corporate funds and may be used for any corporate purpose.

15. <u>Adjustment in Case of Changes Affecting Common Stock</u>. In the event of any stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, combination of shares, reclassification of shares, spin-off or other similar change in capitalization or event, or any distribution to holders of Common Stock other than an ordinary cash dividend, (i) the number and class of securities available under this Plan, (ii) the share limitations set forth in Section 9 and (iii) the Option Price shall be appropriately adjusted to the extent determined by the Committee.

16. <u>Reorganization Events</u>. A "Reorganization Event" shall mean: (a) any merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another entity as a result of which all of the Common Stock of the Company is converted into or exchanged for the right to receive cash, securities or other property or is cancelled, (b) any exchange of all of the Common Stock of the Company for cash, securities or other property pursuant to a share exchange transaction or (c) any liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

In connection with a Reorganization Event, the Committee shall take any one or more of the following actions as to outstanding Options on such terms as the Committee determines: (i) provide that Options shall be

assumed, or substantially equivalent Options shall be substituted, by the acquiring or succeeding corporation (or an affiliate thereof), (ii) upon written notice to employees, provide that all outstanding Options will be terminated as of the effective date of the Reorganization Event and that all such outstanding Options will become exercisable to the extent of accumulated payroll deductions as of a date specified by the Committee in such notice, which date shall not be less than ten (10) days preceding the effective date of the Reorganization Event, (iii) upon written notice to employees, provide that all outstanding Options will be cancelled as of a date prior to the effective date of the Reorganization Event and that all accumulated payroll deductions will be returned to participating employees on such date, (iv) in the event of a Reorganization Event under the terms of which holders of Common Stock will receive upon consummation thereof a cash payment for each share surrendered in the Reorganization Event (the "Acquisition Price"), make or provide for a cash payment to an employee equal to (A) the Acquisition Price times the number of shares of Common Stock subject to the employee's Option (to the extent the Option Price does not exceed the Acquisition Price) minus (B) the aggregate Option Price of such Option, in exchange for the termination of such Option, (v) provide that, in connection with a liquidation or dissolution of the Company, Options shall convert into the right to receive liquidation proceeds (net of the Option Price thereof) and (vi) any combination of the foregoing.

For purposes of the clause above, an Option shall be considered assumed if, following consummation of the Reorganization Event, the Option confers the right to purchase, for each share of Common Stock subject to the Option immediately prior to the consummation of the Reorganization Event, the consideration (whether cash, securities or other property) received as a result of the Reorganization Event by holders of Common Stock for each share of Common Stock held immediately prior to the consummation of the Reorganization Event (and if holders were offered a choice of consideration, the type of consideration chosen by the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock); provided, however, that if the consideration received as a result of the Reorganization Event is not solely common stock of the acquiring or succeeding corporation (or an affiliate thereof), the Company may, with the consent of the acquiring or succeeding corporation, provide for the consideration to be received upon the exercise of Options to consist solely of common stock of the acquiring or succeeding corporation (or an affiliate thereof) equivalent in value (as determined by the Board) to the per share consideration received by holders of outstanding shares of Common Stock as a result of the Reorganization Event.

17. <u>Amendment of the Plan</u>. The Board may at any time, and from time to time, amend this Plan in any respect, except that (a) if the approval of any such amendment by the shareholders of the Company is required by Section 423 of the Code, such amendment shall not be effected without such approval, and (b) in no event may any amendment be made which would cause the Plan to fail to comply with Section 423 of the Code.

18. <u>Insufficient Shares</u>. In the event that the total number of shares of Common Stock specified in elections to be purchased under any Offering plus the number of shares purchased under previous Offerings under this Plan exceeds the maximum number of shares issuable under this Plan, the Committee will allot the shares then available on a pro rata basis.

19. <u>Termination of the Plan</u>. This Plan may be terminated at any time by the Board. Upon termination of this Plan all amounts in the accounts of participating employees shall be promptly refunded.

20. <u>Governmental Regulations</u>. The Company's obligation to sell and deliver Common Stock under this Plan is subject to listing on a national stock exchange or quotation on the NASDAQ National Market and the approval of all governmental authorities required in connection with the authorization, issuance or sale of such stock.

The Plan shall be governed by Delaware law except to the extent that such law is preempted by federal law.

21. <u>Issuance of Shares</u>. Shares may be issued upon exercise of an Option from authorized but unissued Common Stock, from shares held in the treasury of the Company, or from any other proper source.

22. <u>Notification upon Sale of Shares</u>. Each employee agrees, by entering the Plan, to promptly give the Company notice of any disposition of shares purchased under the Plan where such disposition occurs within two years after the date of grant of the Option pursuant to which such shares were purchased.

23. <u>Withholding</u>. Each employee shall, no later than the date of the event creating the tax liability, make provision satisfactory to the Board for payment of any taxes required by law to be withheld in connection with any transaction related to Options granted to or shares acquired by such employee pursuant to the Plan. The Company may, to the extent permitted by law, deduct any such taxes from any payment of any kind otherwise due to an employee.

24. <u>Effective Date and Approval of Shareholders</u>. The Plan shall take effect on July 1, 1997 subject to approval by the shareholders of the Company as required by Section 423 of the Code, which approval must occur within twelve months of the adoption of the Plan by the Board.

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