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Company News Release

SILICON VALLEY ENTREPRENEUR JOINS PLANTAGENET CAPITAL

Veteran private equity investors team with seasoned Internet professional for early-stage technology investments

San Francisco, September 21, 2000 – Plantagenet Capital Management LLC today announced that Randy Adams, Managing Partner of Skyline Capital, has teamed with the general partner of Plantagenet's follow-on fund Plantagenet Capital Fund III, L.P. (the "Fund") whose focus is on emerging technology companies involved in international commerce, communications and financial services.

"Randy brings a wealth of technology experience to our robust venture deal flow", said John J. Zappettini. "We look forward to working closely with Randy who will assist us with venture companies and their management teams and with his firm, Skyline Capital, who has agreed to co-invest with us in core technology companies in internet infrastructure, wireless and broadband communications."

Founders C. Derek Anderson, and John J. Zappettini who have more than thirty combined years of venture capital and private equity investment experience will work with Randy who will act as Venture Partner for the Fund. Randy, who in addition to founding Skyline Capital, a seed stage technology fund, has founded and built several successful technology and Internet companies over the last fifteen years. He also was instrumental in the early development of major Internet companies including Yahoo! and Internet Shopping Network. "Plantagenet's unique experience in private equity both in Silicon Valley and internationally is a valuable asset for next generation technology companies, particularly in wireless and communication ventures," commented Randy Adams. "I look forward to being a part of a team that truly delivers on their promise of added value to portfolio companies. Skyline Capital's vast network of Silicon Valley CEOs, managers and insiders will be well served across a variety of deal companies and transactions."

About Plantagenet

Formed in 1996, Plantagenet is a private equity investor that provides unique financial engineering with creative and responsive analysis to interpret situations at a target company for optimal investment strategy. The Plantagenet team provides hands-on assistance to companies and assists management with strategic planning to determine an optimal growth plan, revenue strategies and exit opportunities. To date, Plantagenet has invested in over 26 companies in the United States and internationally.

Plantagenet often plays an integral part with the target company in human and capital acquisitions along with M&A activities. Plantagenet has developed a reputation that attracts entrepreneurs and co-investors to seek its involvement in developing strategies internationally. In selected investments Plantagenet has partnered with leading Silicon Valley venture capital firms and European investors.

Plantagenet has a proven track record of identifying attractive technology investments. Among others, in 1998 it acquired distressed Internet services company BigBook Direct, Inc. restructured the balance sheet and refocused the business plan on a growth oriented strategy. In early 2000, the company created Wirestone LLC to consolidate several Internet web services firms. In late 1999 and again in Summer 2000, Plantagenet was the co-lead investor along with Wells Fargo Bank venture financings for Virtual Purchase Card, Inc., an Internet payment solutions and services company.

More information about Plantagenet Capital Management LLC can be found at the company's website located at <http://www.plantagenetcapital.com>

About Randy Adams and Skyline Capital

Randy Adams, Venture Partner of Plantagenet Capital Fund III, L.P and Managing Partner of Skyline Capital, has founded and built five technology companies in Silicon Valley over the last fifteen years creating more than \$112 million of enterprise value before sale of/or investor exit from the companies. He developed the first PC-based desktop publishing program and founded Emerald City Software, which he sold to Adobe Systems, where he stayed on as Director of Adobe's Applications Software. In 1993, he founded the Internet Shopping Network, the Internet's first e-commerce company, which was acquired by the Home Shopping Network in 1994. In 1996, he founded Navitel Communications to develop software for Internet telephony applications. Navitel became a Microsoft portfolio company as a lead developer of Windows CE for Internet telephones and was sold to Spyglass in 1999. In 1995, Mr. Adams facilitated the initial funding of Yahoo! by Sequoia Capital and served on the Board of Directors of Yahoo! during its first year of operation, at which time he helped develop Yahoo!'s business model.

Skyline Capital specializes in seed and early stage investments in core technology companies in wireless, broadband and internet infrastructure. More information about Skyline Capital LLC can be found at the company's website located at <http://www.skylinecapital.com>