

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
July 24, 2008**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Corporate Express N.V.

File No. 005-79095 - CF#22263

Staples, Inc. and Staples Acquisition B.V., submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information they excluded from the Exhibit to a Schedule 13D filed on June 16, 2008 relating to their beneficial ownership of common shares of Corporate Express N.V.

Based on representations by Staples, Inc. and Staples Acquisition B.V. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 99.2 through December 31, 2008

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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