

INITIAL DECISION RELEASE NO. 528  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING  
FILE NO. 3-15577

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Before the  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

In the Matter of  
  
HIGH END VENTURES, INC.

INITIAL DECISION OF  
DEFAULT  
November 20, 2013

APPEARANCE: David S. Frye for the Division of Enforcement, Securities and Exchange  
Commission

BEFORE: Cameron Elliot, Administrative Law Judge

### SUMMARY

This Initial Decision revokes the registration of the registered securities of Respondent High End Ventures, Inc. (High End Ventures). The revocation is based on Respondent's failure to timely file required periodic reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (Commission).

### INTRODUCTION

The Commission issued an Order Instituting Proceedings (OIP), pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act), on October 21, 2013. The OIP alleges that High End Ventures repeatedly failed to file timely periodic reports with the Commission, in violation of Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder.

The Office of the Secretary and the Division of Enforcement provided evidence that Respondent's Colorado registered agent was served with the OIP by Express Mail on October 22, 2013, in accordance with Rule 141(a)(2)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice. See 17 C.F.R. § 201.141(a)(2)(ii). Respondent's Answer was due within ten days of service of the OIP, or by November 4, 2013. OIP at 2; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.160(b), .220(b). Respondent did not file a timely Answer.

On November 5, 2013, Respondent was ordered to show cause, by November 18, 2013, why the registration of its securities should not be revoked by default. To date, Respondent has not filed an Answer or responded to the Order to Show Cause.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

Respondent is in default for failing to file an Answer or otherwise defend the proceeding. See OIP at 2; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a)(2), .220(f). Accordingly, as authorized by Rule 155(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, I find the following allegations in the OIP to be true.

High End Ventures, Central Index Key No. 1357694, is a delinquent Colorado corporation located in Zollikon, Switzerland, with a class of securities registered with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 12(g). High End Ventures is delinquent in its periodic filings with the Commission, having not filed any periodic reports since it filed a Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2009, which reported a net loss of \$80,580 for the prior nine months. As of October 16, 2013, the common stock of High End Ventures (symbol "HEVE") was quoted on OTC Link (formerly "Pink Sheets") operated by OTC Markets Group Inc., had six market makers, and was eligible for the "piggyback" exception of Exchange Act Rule 15c2-11(f)(3).

In addition to repeated failures to file timely periodic reports, Respondent has failed to heed a delinquency letter sent to it by the Division of Corporation Finance requesting compliance with its periodic filing obligations.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Exchange Act Section 13(a) and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder require public corporations to file annual and quarterly reports with the Commission. "Compliance with those requirements is mandatory and may not be subject to conditions from the registrant." America's Sports Voice, Inc., Exchange Act Release No. 55511 (Mar. 22, 2007), 90 SEC Docket 879, 885, motion for reconsideration denied, Exchange Act Release No. 55876 (June 6, 2007), 90 SEC Docket 2419. Scienter, "a mental state embracing intent to deceive, manipulate, or defraud," is not required to establish violations of Exchange Act Section 13(a) and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13. SEC v. Wills, 472 F. Supp. 1250, 1268 & n.15 (D.D.C. 1978); SEC v. McNulty, 137 F.3d 732, 740-41 (2d Cir. 1998). There is no genuine issue of material fact that Respondent failed to timely file required periodic reports. As a result of the foregoing, Respondent has failed to comply with Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder.

## SANCTIONS

Under Exchange Act Section 12(j), the Commission is authorized, "as it deems necessary or appropriate for the protection of investors," to revoke the registration of a security or suspend for a period not exceeding twelve months if it finds, after notice and an opportunity for hearing, that the issuer of the security has failed to comply with any provision of the Exchange Act or rules thereunder. In proceedings pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Exchange Act against issuers that violated Exchange Act Section 13(a) and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder, the determination "of what sanctions will ensure that investors will be adequately protected . . . turns on the effect on the investing public, including both current and prospective investors, of the issuer's violations, on the one hand, and the Section 12(j) sanctions, on the other hand." Gateway Int'l Holdings, Inc., Exchange Act Release No. 53907 (May 31, 2006), 88 SEC Docket 430, 438-39. The Commission "consider[s], among other things, the seriousness of the issuer's

violations, the isolated or recurrent nature of the violations, the degree of culpability involved, the extent of the issuer's efforts to remedy its past violations and ensure future compliance, and the credibility of its assurances, if any, against further violations." Id. at 439.

Respondent's violations are serious in that failure to file required periodic reports violates a central provision of the Exchange Act. The purpose of periodic reporting is to supply investors with current and accurate financial information about an issuer so that they may make sound investment decisions. Id. at 441. The reporting requirements are the primary tool that Congress fashioned for the protection of investors from negligent, careless, and deliberate misrepresentations in the sale of securities. SEC v. Beisinger Indus. Corp., 552 F.2d 15, 18 (1st Cir. 1977). Respondent's violations are also recurrent in that it repeatedly failed to file periodic reports for approximately four years. See Impax Lab., Inc., Exchange Act Release No. 57864 (May 23, 2008), 93 SEC Docket 6241, 6252 (respondent's failure to make eight filings over an eighteen-month period considered recurrent). Respondent is culpable because it knew, or should have known, of its obligation to file periodic reports. Respondent has made no efforts to remedy its past violations, and it has offered no assurances against further violations. Considering its delinquency, it is necessary and appropriate for the protection of investors to revoke the registration of each class of Respondent's registered securities.

### **ORDER**

It is ORDERED that, pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registration of each class of registered securities of High End Ventures, Inc., is hereby REVOKED.

This Initial Decision shall become effective in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Rule 360 of the Commission's Rules of Practice. See 17 C.F.R. § 201.360. Pursuant to that Rule, a party may file a petition for review of this Initial Decision within twenty-one days after service of the Initial Decision. A party may also file a motion to correct a manifest error of fact within ten days of the Initial Decision, pursuant to Rule 111 of the Commission's Rules of Practice. 17 C.F.R. § 201.111. If a motion to correct a manifest error of fact is filed by a party, then that party shall have twenty-one days to file a petition for review from the date of the undersigned's order resolving such motion to correct a manifest error of fact.

The Initial Decision will not become final until the Commission enters an order of finality. The Commission will enter an order of finality unless a party files a petition for review or a motion to correct a manifest error of fact or the Commission determines on its own initiative to review the Initial Decision as to a party. If any of these events occur, the Initial Decision shall not become final as to that party.

Respondent is notified that it may move to set aside the default in this case. Rule 155(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice permits the Commission, at any time, to set aside a default for good cause, in order to prevent injustice and on such conditions as may be appropriate. 17 C.F.R. § 201.155(b). A motion to set aside a default shall be made within a reasonable time, state the reasons for the failure to appear or defend, and specify the nature of the proposed defense in the proceeding. Id.

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Cameron Elliot  
Administrative Law Judge