## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT'S BRIEF IN REPLY ON ITS MOTION FOR SUMMARY DISPOSITION

The Court should revoke the registration of the securities of respondent INTREorg Systems, Inc. ("INTREorg") because even if it accepts all of INTREorg's factual allegations as true and draws all reasonable inferences in its favor, the Division of Enforcement ("Division") is still entitled to a ruling of revocation of INTREorg's securities registration as a matter of law under Rule of Practice 250(b) due to INTREorg's violations of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), and Rules 13a-1 and 13a-13 thereunder. INTREorg's Opposition Brief in Response (the "Response") fails to raise any valid reason to deny the Division's motion for summary disposition.

1. Although INTREorg managed to become current in its periodic reports during summary disposition briefing, the Commission has held that it is too late to avoid revocation for its violations of the Exchange Act.

First, the Response argues that INTREorg can avoid revocation by now being current in its required filings. This argument fails. Although INTREorg became current

in its periodic reports during the time the parties were briefing this summary disposition motion, the Commission has held that it is too late to avoid revocation for Exchange Act violations. In *Absolute Potential, Inc.*, 2014 SEC LEXIS 1193 at \*16-32 (April 4, 2014), the Commission found, *inter alia*, that even where the delinquent issuer became current in its periodic reports during summary disposition briefing, the public interest still required revocation of its securities registration as a deterrent to other issuers that might become delinquent. *See Law Enforcement Associates Corp.*, 2013 SEC LEXIS 1436 (May 15, 2013) (issuer revoked even though it filed all delinquent reports after Section 12(j) proceeding was instituted); *Citizens Capital Corp.*, 2011 SEC LEXIS 3307 at \*14-15 (Sept. 23, 2011) (in Section 12(j) proceeding, "even bringing all of its overdue periodic reports current would not extinguish Respondent's violations"); *Bio-Life Labs, Inc.*, 2011 SEC LEXIS 2546 at \*9-10 (July 25, 2011) (Section 12(j) proceeding "is not an extension of time to file delinquent reports or correct filing deficiencies as sometimes occurs during the normal filing process").

INTREorg's reliance on the Commission's remand order in *E-Smart*Technologies, Inc., Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rel. No. 50514 (Oct. 12, 2004) ("E-Smart remand order"), INTREorg's Response at 8, is misplaced. The *E-Smart* remand order has always been construed as being limited to the peculiar facts in that case, where an administrative law judge wrongly concluded that the respondent in an Exchange Act Section 12(j) case would not meet its proposed deadline to become current in its filings. Indeed, in *Gateway*, the Commission said that its decision in the *E-Smart* remand order "should not be construed as suggesting that a determination to revoke an issuer's

registration will be reconsidered simply because the issuer has returned to reporting compliance and begun to submit long overdue filings."

While INTREorg's last-ditch filings may be a mitigating factor, the Commission's decision in *Impax Laboratories, Inc.*, Securities Exchange Act Rel. No. 57864, 2008 SEC LEXIS 1197 (May 23, 2008), controls. Decided after the *E-Smart* remand order, in *Impax Laboratories* the Commission stated that "only a strongly compelling showing with respect to the other factors we consider would justify a lesser sanction than revocation." *Id.* at \*12. Given INTREorg's delinquent status for such a long time—over three years—the Commission's holding in *Impax Laboratories* controls and requires a strongly compelling showing. In its Response, INTREorg has failed to make such a sufficiently compelling showing.

Furthermore, INTREorg's efforts to make a showing under the factors considered by the Commission in *Gateway Int'l Holdings, Inc.*, Securities Exchange Act Rel. No. 53907, 2006 SEC LEXIS 1288 (May 31, 2006), simply fail. In Gateway, the Commission noted that when applying Section 12(j) sanctions, it considers:

...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 \*10. While the Response does state the *Gateway* factors and offer a rambling narrative about INTREorg's history and difficulty in meeting its filing obligation, it makes no cogent argument as to why it should be exempt from sanctions in this case. At best, the Response merely argues once INTREorg was caught it attempted to comply with the filing requirements. That is simply insufficient to escape revocation.

2. Form 3 filings by some of INTREorg's officers and directors filed after the Division pointed out their failures fails to prevent revocation.

In its motion for summary disposition, the Division established that INTREorg
Executive Director Thomas Lindholm, Director Robert J. Flynn, and Director Richard M.
Nummi, Jr. had failed to file Forms 3 within ten days of their appointments to the
corporation. EDGAR shows that Messrs. Lindholm and Flynn subsequently filed their
Forms 3, but Mr. Nummi still has not filed his Form 3. Insofar as INTREorg argues these
late filings somehow militate against revocation, these arguments fail. To the contrary,
these failures to file Forms 3 when originally required still establish a high degree of
culpability for INTREorg's violations of its periodic filing requirements. Ultimately,
INTREorg and its officers and directors cannot subsequently cure the company's filing
violations, only after being caught, in an effort to escape revocations. Any such
argument fails as a matter of law and creates no dispute of material fact.

## Conclusion

For the reasons set forth above, and in its initial papers, the Division respectfully requests that the Commission grant the Division's Motion for Summary Disposition and revoke the registration of each class of INTREorg's securities registered under Exchange Act Section 12.

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