

each class, and any related conversion features or exchange privileges ("rule 18f-3 plan").⁴ Approval of the plan must occur before the fund issues any shares of multiple classes, and whenever the fund materially amends the plan. In approving the plan, a majority of the fund board, including a majority of the fund's independent directors, must determine that the plan is in the best interests of each class and the fund as a whole.

The requirement that the fund prepare and directors approve a written rule 18f-3 plan is intended to ensure that the fund compiles information relevant to the fairness of the separate arrangement and expense allocation for each class, and that directors review and approve the information. Without a blueprint that highlights material differences among classes, directors might not perceive potential conflicts of interests when they determine whether the plan is in the best interests of each class and the fund. In addition, the plan may be useful to Commission staff in reviewing the fund's compliance with the rule.

There are approximately 516 multiple class funds.⁵ Based on a review of typical rule 18f-3 plans, the Commission's staff estimates that the 516 funds together make an average of 258 responses each year to prepare and approve a written rule 18f-3 plan, requiring approximately 18.5 hours per response, and a total of 4,773 burden hours per year in the aggregate.⁶ Preparation of the rule 18f-3 plan may require 11 hours of the services of an attorney or accountant, at a cost of approximately \$130 per hour for professional time, and approval of the plan may require 1.5 hours of the attention of each of 5 directors, at a cost of approximately \$500 per hour per director. The staff therefore estimates that the aggregate annual cost of complying with the paperwork requirements of the rule is approximately \$1,336,440 ((11 hours × 1 professional × 258 responses × \$130) + (1.5 hours × 5 directors × 258 responses × \$500)).

⁴ Rule 18f-3(d).

⁵ This estimate is based on data from Form N-SAR, the semi-annual report that funds file with the Commission.

⁶ The estimate reflects the assumption that each multiple class fund prepares and approves a rule 18f-3 plan every two years when issuing a new class or amending a plan (or that 258 of all 516 funds prepare and approve a plan each year). The estimate assumes that the time required to prepare a plan is 11 hours per plan (or 2,838 hours for 258 funds annually), and the time required to approve a plan is an additional 1.5 hours per director per plan (or 1,935 hours for 258 funds annually (assuming five directors per fund)).

The estimated annual burden of 4,773 hours represents an increase of 3,260.5 hours over the prior estimate of 1,512.5 hours. The increase in burden hours is attributable to more accurate estimates of the burden hours that reflect additional time spent by professionals and time spent by directors. The estimated number of multiple class funds has decreased, however, from 550 to 516.

Rule 498 of the Securities Act of 1933 [17 C.F.R. 230.498] permits open-end management investment companies (or a series of an investment company organized as a series company, which offers one or more series of shares representing interests in separate investment portfolios) to provide investors with a "profile" that contains a summary of key information about a fund, including the fund's investment objectives, strategies, risks and performance, and fees, in a standardized format. The profile provides investors the option of buying fund shares based on the information in the profile or reviewing the fund's prospectus before making an investment decision. Investors purchasing shares based on a profile receive the fund's prospectus prior to or with confirmation of their investment in the fund.

Consistent with the filing requirement of a fund's prospectus, a profile must be filed with the Commission thirty days before first use. Such a filing allows the Commission to review the profile for compliance with rule 498. Compliance with the rule's standardized format assists investors in evaluating and comparing funds.

It is estimated that approximately 16 initial profiles and 316 updated profiles are filed with the Commission annually. The Commission estimates that each profile contains on average 1.25 portfolios, resulting in 20 portfolios filed annually on initial profiles and 395 portfolios filed annually on updated profiles. The number of burden hours for preparing and filing an initial profile per portfolio is 25. The number of burden hours for preparing and filing an updated profile per portfolio is 10. The total burden hours for preparing and filing initial and updated profiles under rule 498 is 4,450, representing a decrease of 2,660 hours from the prior estimate of 7,110. The reduction in burden hours is attributable to the lower number of profiles actually prepared and filed as compared to the previous estimates.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study. An

agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Written comments are requested on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden[s] of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Kenneth A. Fogash, Acting Associate Executive Director/CIO, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 5th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549.

Dated: November 21, 2002.

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 1-31265]

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application of PlanetCAD, Inc. To Withdraw Its Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value, From Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC

November 26, 2002.

PlanetCAD, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,² to withdraw its Common Stock, \$.01 par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in effect in the state of Delaware, in which it is incorporated,

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78j(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

and with the Amex's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration.

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer unanimously approved a resolution on November 1, 2002 to withdraw the Issuer's Security from listing on the Amex and to list the Security on the OTC Bulletin Board. In making its decision to delist the Issuer's Security from the Exchange, the Board considered the Issuer's merged with Avatech Solutions, Inc. on November 19, 2002. The Issuer stated in its application that trading in the Security began on the OTC Bulletin Board at the opening of business on November 21, 2002.

The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing on the Amex and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴ Any interested person may, on or before December 20, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC-25833; File No. 812-12862]

Integrity Life Insurance Company, et al.

November 26, 2002.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission").

ACTION: Notice of an application for an order of approval pursuant to Section 26(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act").

Applicants: Integrity Life Insurance Company ("Integrity"), Separate Account I of Integrity Life Insurance Company ("Integrity Separate Account I"), Separate Account II of Integrity Life Insurance Company ("Integrity Separate Account II"), National Integrity Life Insurance Company ("National Integrity"), Separate Account I of National Integrity Life Insurance Company ("National Integrity Separate Account I"), and Separate Account II of National Integrity Life Insurance Company (National Integrity Separate Account II") (collectively, the "Applicants").

Summary of Application: Applicants seek an order approving the proposed substitution of shares of the Franklin Income Securities Portfolio for shares of the Janus Aspen Balanced Portfolio, shares of the Franklin Growth and Income Securities Portfolio for shares of the Janus Aspen Capital Appreciation and Janus Aspen Core Equity Portfolios, shares of the Franklin Mutual Shares Portfolio for shares of the Janus Aspen Strategic Value Portfolio, and shares of the Fidelity VIP Money Market Portfolio for shares of the Janus Aspen Money Market Portfolio (the "Substitution").

Filing Date: The application was filed on July 25, 2002 and amended on November 22, 2002.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Secretary of the Commission and serving Applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests must be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on December 20, 2002, and should be accompanied by proof of service on Applicants in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the requester's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Applicants, P.O. Box 740074, Louisville, Kentucky, 40202-3319.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alison Toledo, Senior Counsel, or Lorna MacLeod, Branch Chief, at (202) 942-0670, Office of Insurance Products, Division of Investment Management.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application is available for a fee from the Public

Reference Branch of the Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0102 (202-942-8090).

Applicants' Representations

1. Integrity is a stock life insurance company organized under the laws of Ohio. Integrity is a subsidiary of Western and Southern Life Insurance Company, a mutual life insurance company originally organized under the laws of Ohio in 1888.

2. Integrity Separate Account I was established under Ohio law in 1986. Integrity Separate Account I is registered under the Act as a unit investment trust and is used to fund variable annuity contracts issued by Integrity. Three variable annuity contracts funded by Integrity Separate Account I are affected by this application.

3. Integrity Separate Account II was established under Ohio law in 1992. Integrity Separate Account II is registered under the Act as a unit investment trust and is used to fund variable annuity contracts issued by Integrity. One variable annuity contract funded by Integrity Life Separate Account II is affected by this application.

4. National Integrity is a stock life insurance company organized under the laws of New York. National Integrity is a direct subsidiary of Integrity and an indirect subsidiary of Western and Southern Life Insurance Company.

5. National Integrity Separate Account I was established under New York law in 1986. National Integrity Separate Account I is registered under the Act as a unit investment trust and is used to fund variable annuity contracts issued by National Integrity. Three variable annuity contracts funded by National Integrity Separate Account I are affected by this application.

6. National Integrity Separate Account II was established under New York law in 1992. National Integrity Separate Account II is registered under the Act as a unit investment trust and is used to fund variable annuity contracts issued by National Integrity. One variable annuity contract funded by National Integrity Separate Account II is affected by this application (all eight variable annuities contracts affected by this application are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Contracts").

7. Purchase payments under the Contracts are allocated to one or more subaccounts of the Separate Accounts. Income, gains and losses, whether or not realized, from assets allocated to the Separate Accounts are, as provided in the Contracts, credited to or charged against the Separate Accounts without

³ 15 U.S.C. 78(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78(g).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).