#### RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

# Determination of Quarterly Rate of Excise Tax for Railroad Retirement Supplemental Annuity Program

In accordance with directions in section 3221(c) of the Railroad Retirement Tax Act (26 U.S.C., 3221(c)), the Railroad Retirement Board has determined that the excise tax imposed by such section 3221(c) on every employer, with respect to having individuals in his employ, for each work-hour for which compensation is paid by such employer for services rendered to him during the quarter beginning April 1, 2001, shall be at the rate of 26 cents.

In accordance with directions in section 15(a) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, the Railroad Retirement Board has determined that for the quarter beginning April 1, 2001, 38.6 percent of the taxes collected under sections 3211(b) and 3221(c) of the Railroad Retirement Tax Act shall be credited to the Railroad Retirement Account and 61.4 percent of the taxes collected under such sections 3211(b) and 3221(c) plus 100 percent of the taxes collected under section 3221(d) of the Railroad Retirement Tax Act shall be credited to the Railroad Retirement Supplemental Account.

Dated: March 12, 2001. By Authority of the Board.

#### Beatrice Ezerski,

Secretary to the Board.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw from Listing and Registration; (Digital Lava Inc., Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value) File No. 1–14831

March 16, 2001.

Digital Lava 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, \$.001 par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange ("Amex").

In its Current Report on Form 8–K with the Commission as of October 10,

2000, the Issuer announced that trading in the Security was scheduled to begin on the SmallCap Market of the Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq SmallCap"), and to cease concurrently on the Amex, at the opening of business on Thursday, October 12, 2000. the Issuer has stated that it hopes to increase its visibility to investors by having the Security quoted on the Nasdaq SmallCap and that its resultant alignment with other mainstream technology companies trading on the Nasdaq Stock Market may provide a superior base for capital formation.

The Issuer has stated in its application that it has complied with the rules of the Amex governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration. 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 Act <sup>3</sup> and shall affect neither its approval for quotation on the Nasdaq SmallCap nor its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.<sup>4</sup>

Any interested person may, on or before April 6, 2001, 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

[Release No. 35-27356]

### Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

March 16, 2001.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made

with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by April 9, 2001, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After April 9, 2001, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

### Cinergy Corp. (70-9789)

Notice of Proposal To Amend Certificate of Incorporation To Issue Preferred Stock; Order Authorizing Solicitation of Proxies

Cinergy Corp. ("Cinergy"), 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, a registered holding company, has filed a declaration with the Commission, under sections 6(a)(2), 7(e), and 12(e) of the Act and rules 54, 62(d), and 65 under the Act.

By order dated June 23, 2000 (HCAR No. 27190) ("Prior Order"), the Commission authorized Cinergy to engage in various financing transactions over a five-year period commencing with the date of the Prior Order, including the issuance of preferred securities, subject to the terms and conditions of the Prior Order.

Cinergy is currently authorized, under its certificate of incorporation, to issue 600 million shares of common stock. Cinergy requests authorization to amend its certificate of incorporation to permit the company to issue preferred stock in addition to the common stock. Specifically, Cinergy intends to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series with the terms of each series to be determined by Cinergy's Board of Directors ("Proposed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(d).

<sup>2 17</sup> CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

<sup>3 15</sup> U.S.C. 78 l(b).

<sup>4 15</sup> U.S.C. 78*l*(g).

<sup>5 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).