

BANTA CORP  
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December 14, 2006

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Washington, D.C. 20549

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[Reminder Letter to Street Holders]

**IMPORTANT MERGER VOTE  
TIME IS SHORT PLEASE ACT TODAY!**

December 14, 2006

**Dear Fellow Shareholder:**

According to our latest records, we have not received your voting instructions for the important special meeting of shareholders of Banta Corporation, to be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2007. **Your vote is extremely important, regardless of the number of shares of Banta common stock that you own. Please note that the proposal to approve the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the outstanding Banta Common Stock.** Accordingly, if you do not vote it has the same effect as a vote against the proposal.

**Please use one of the following simple methods to promptly provide your voting instructions:**

1. **Vote by Internet:** Go to the website [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have your 12-digit control number listed on the voting instruction form ready and follow the online instructions. The 12-digit control number is located in the rectangular box on the right side of your voting instruction form.
2. **Vote by Telephone:** Call toll-free (800) 454-8683. Have your 12-digit control number listed on the voting instruction form ready and follow the simple instructions.
3. **Vote by Mail:** Sign, date and return your voting instruction form in the postage-paid return envelope provided.

**If the merger agreement is approved and the merger is completed, each outstanding share of Banta common stock will be exchanged for the right to receive \$36.50 in cash, without interest.** For the reasons set forth in the proxy statement, dated December 4, 2006, your Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote **FOR the merger agreement.** We respectfully request that you vote your shares at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions or need assistance voting your shares, please call D.F. King & Co., Inc. toll free at (888) 567-1626.

On behalf of your Board of Directors, thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stephanie A. Streeter

Stephanie A. Streeter  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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[Reminder Letter to Registered Holders]

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[Reminder Letter to 401(k) Plan Holders]

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