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PN deal - CONFIDENTIAL: attny client confidential

We signed a somewhat unorthodox deal with Rob Glaser/Progressive Networks last night. Since there is a five day "unwind" period (to get final regulatory checks done) knowledge of this must be kept very tight. Don't find to anyone without asking first. Also, as you can imagine, Robg wants to manage announcement of this to his team himself and not have things leak. We have similar concern.

The essence is that we have bought PN's latest (version 4.0) standard Real Audio/Real Video code base (source and binary, client & server, all platforms) for \$10M in cash and \$30M in investment (10%) in PN, this includes the right to use the marks. We have an irrevocable license with "rights equivalent to ownership". The deal is non-exclusive, but includes a money-back (but not the code) provision if PN does source license with another party PARCHESD MATERIAL (ALLES) ACTED We have right at our option (for additional fee) to take another snapshot in year, and another a year after that.

Rob's stated plan is that he will get out of the base streaming media platform business, and focus on higher level solutions, hosting, and content aggregation, and says that his goal is now to get us to get his base technology as widespread as possible.

Davidcol - deal Includes requirement that we ship PN client wherever we ship Netshow client, until these become the same.

Chris Phillips - deal Includes requirement that we promptly conclude the DirectShow/ASF contract.



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