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# ABN AMRO Bank N.V. Reverse Exchangeable Securities

## S-NOTES<sup>SM</sup>

# **Preliminary Pricing Sheet - December 12, 2007**

31.50% (ANNUALIZED) THREE MONTH **WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC.** KNOCK-IN REX<sup>SM</sup> SECURITIES DUE MARCH 19, 2008

## OFFERING PERIOD: DECEMBER 12, 2007 – DECEMBER 14, 2007

# SUMMARY INFORMATION

**Issuer:** ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (Senior Long Term Debt Rating: Moody's Aa2, S&P AA-)

**Lead Agent:** ABN AMRO Incorporated

**Offerings:** This prospectus relates to one offering of securities (the "Securities"). Each Security

offered is linked to one and only one, Underlying Stock. The Underlying Stock is set

forth in the table below.

**Interest Payment Dates:** Interest on the Securities is payable monthly in arrears on the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month starting

on January 19, 2008 and ending on the Maturity Date

		Coupon Rate Per	Interest Rate	Put	Knock-in Level		
<b>Underlying Stock</b>	Ticker	annum*	Nate	Premium	Level	CUSIP	ISIN
Washington Mutual, Inc.	WM	31.50%	5.03%	26.47%	70%	00078U3L2	US00078U3L23

\*This Security has a term of three months, so you will receive a pro rated amount of this

per annum rate based on such three-month period.

**Denomination/Principal:** \$1,000 **Issue Price:** 100%

**Payment at Maturity:** The payment at maturity for each Security is based on the performance of the Underlying

Stock linked to such Security:

i) If the closing price of the Underlying Stock on the primary U.S. exchange or market for such Underlying Stock has not fallen below the Knock-In Level on any trading day from but not including the Pricing Date to and including the Determination Date, we will pay you the principal amount of each Security in cash.

ii) If the closing price of the Underlying Stock on the primary U.S. exchange or market for such Underlying Stock has fallen below the Knock-In Level on any trading day from but not including the Pricing Date to and including the Determination Date:

a) we will deliver to you a number of shares of the Underlying Stock equal to the Stock Redemption Amount, in the event that the closing price of the Underlying Stock on the Determination Date is below the Initial Price; or

b) We will pay you the principal amount of each Security in cash, in the event that the closing price of the Underlying Stock on the Determination Date is at or above the Initial Price.

You will receive cash in lieu of fractional shares.

**Initial Price:** 100% of the Closing Price of the Underlying Stock on the Pricing Date.

**Stock Redemption** 

**Amount:** 

For each \$1,000 principal amount of Security, a number of shares of the Underlying

Stock linked to such Security equal to \$1,000 divided by the Initial Price.

**Knock-In Level:** A percentage of the Initial Price as set forth in the table above.

**Indicative Secondary** 

**Pricing:** 

• Internet at: www.s-notes.com Bloomberg at: REXS2 <GO>

Status: Unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer

**Trustee:** Wilmington Trust Company

**Securities** 

Administrator:

Citibank, N.A.

**Settlement:** DTC, Book Entry, Transferable

**Selling Restrictions:** Sales in the European Union must comply with the Prospectus Directive

**Pricing Date:** December 14, 2007 subject to certain adjustments as described in the related pricing

supplement

**Settlement Date:** December 19, 2007

**Determination Date:** March 14, 2008 subject to certain adjustments as described in the related pricing

supplement

Maturity Date: March 19, 2008 (Three Month)

ABN AMRO has filed a registration statement (including a Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement in that registration statement and other documents ABN AMRO has filed with the SEC for more complete information about ABN AMRO and the offering of the Securities.

You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, ABN AMRO, any underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement if you request it by calling toll free (888) 644-2048.

These Securities may not be offered or sold (i) to any person/entity listed on sanctions lists of the European Union, United States or any other applicable local competent authority; (ii) within the territory of Cuba, Sudan, Iran and Myanmar; (iii) to residents in Cuba, Sudan, Iran or Myanmar; or (iv) to Cuban Nationals, wherever located.

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## **SUMMARY**

The following summary does not contain all the information that may be important to you. You should read this summary together with the more detailed information that is contained in the related Pricing Supplement and in its accompanying Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement. You should carefully consider, among other things, the matters set forth in "Risk Factors" in the related Pricing Supplement, which are summarized on page 5 of this document. In addition, we urge you to consult with your investment, legal, accounting, tax and other advisors with respect to any investment in the Securities.

## What are the Securities?

The Securities are interest paying, non-principal protected securities issued by us, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., and are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by our parent company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The Securities are senior notes of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. These Securities combine certain features of debt and equity by offering a fixed interest rate on the principal amount while the payment at maturity is determined based on the performance of the Underlying Stock to which it is linked.

## What will I receive at maturity of the Securities?

If the closing price of the Underlying Stock linked to a Security on the relevant exchange has not fallen below the applicable Knock-In Level on any trading day from but not including the Pricing Date to and including the Determination Date (such period, the "Knock-In Period"), at maturity we will pay you the principal amount of such Security in cash.

If, on the other hand, the closing price of the applicable Underlying Stock on the relevant exchange has fallen below the applicable Knock-In Level on any trading day during the Knock-In Period, at maturity we will either:

- deliver to you a fixed number of shares of such Underlying Stock, which we call the Stock Redemption Amount, in exchange for such Security, in the event that the closing price of such Underlying Stock is below the applicable Initial Price on the Determination Date; or
- pay you the principal amount of such Security in cash, in the event that the closing price of such Underlying Stock is at or above the applicable Initial Price on the Determination Date.

# Why is the interest rate on the Securities higher than the interest rate payable on your conventional debt securities with the same maturity?

The Securities offer a higher interest rate than the yield that would be payable on a conventional debt security with the same maturity issued by us or an issuer with a comparable credit rating. This is because you, the investor in the Securities, indirectly sell a put option to us on the shares of the applicable Underlying Stock. The premium due to you for this put option is combined with a market interest rate on our senior debt to produce the higher interest rate on the Securities.

## What are the consequences of the indirect put option that I have sold you?

The put option you indirectly sell to us creates the feature of exchangeability. If the closing price of the applicable Underlying Stock on the relevant exchange falls below the applicable Knock-In Level on any trading day during the Knock-In Period, and on the Determination Date the closing price of the applicable Underlying Stock is less than the applicable Initial Price, you will receive the applicable Stock Redemption Amount. The market value of the shares of such Underlying Stock at the time you receive those shares will be less than the principal amount of the

## Securities and could be zero. Therefore you are not guaranteed to receive any return of principal at maturity.

## **How is the Stock Redemption Amount determined?**

The Stock Redemption Amount for each \$1,000 principal amount of any Security is equal to \$1,000 divided by the Initial Price of the Underlying Stock linked to such Security. The value of any fractional shares of such Underlying Stock that you are entitled to receive, after aggregating your total holdings of the Securities linked to such Underlying Stock, will be paid in cash based on the closing price of such Underlying Stock on the Determination Date.

# What interest payments can I expect on the Securities?

The interest rate is fixed at issue and is payable in cash on each interest payment date, irrespective of whether the Securities are redeemed at maturity for cash or shares.

## Can you give me an example of the payment at maturity?

If, for example, in a hypothetical offering, the interest rate was 10% per annum, the initial price of a share of underlying stock was \$45.00 and the knock-in level for such offering was 80%, then the stock redemption amount would be 22.222 shares of underlying stock, or \$1,000 divided by \$45.00, and the knock-in level would be \$36.00, or 80% of the initial price.

If the closing price of that hypothetical underlying stock fell below the knock-in level of \$36.00 on any trading day during the Knock-in Period, then the payment at maturity would depend on the closing price of the underlying stock on the determination date. In this case, if the closing price of the underlying stock on the determination date is \$30.00 per share at maturity, which is below the initial price level, you would receive 22.222 shares of underlying stock for each \$1,000 principal amount of the securities. (In actuality, because we cannot deliver fractions of a share, you would receive on the maturity date for

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each \$1,000 principal amount of the securities 22 shares of underlying stock plus \$6.66 cash in lieu of 0.222 fractional shares, determined by multiplying 0.222 by \$30.00, the closing price per shares of underlying stock on the determination date.) In addition, over the life of the securities you would have received interest payments at a rate of 10% per annum. In this hypothetical example, the market value of those 22 shares of underlying stock (including the cash paid in lieu of fractional shares) that we would deliver to you at maturity for each \$1,000 principal amount of security would be \$666.66, which is less than the principal amount of \$1,000, and you would have lost a portion of your initial investment. If, on the other hand, the closing price of the underlying stock on the determination date is \$50.00 per share, which is above the initial price level, you will receive \$1,000 in cash for each \$1,000 principal amount of the securities regardless of the knock-in level having been breached. In addition, over the life of the Securities you would have received interest payments at a rate of 10% per annum.

Alternatively, if the closing price of the underlying stock never falls below \$36.00, which is the knock-in level, on any trading day during the Knock-in Period, at maturity you will receive \$1,000 in cash for each security you hold regardless of the closing price of the underlying stock on the determination date. In addition, over the life of the securities you would have received interest payments at a rate of 10% per annum.

This example is for illustrative purposes only and is based on a hypothetical offering. It is not possible to predict the closing price of any of the Underlying Stocks on the determination date or at any time during the life of the Securities. For each offering, we will set the Initial Price, Knock-In Level and Stock Redemption Amount on the Pricing Date.

## Do I benefit from any appreciation in the Underlying Stock over the life of the Securities?

No. The amount paid at maturity for each \$1,000 principal amount of the Securities will not exceed \$1,000.

## What if I have more questions?

You should read the "Description of Securities" in the related Pricing Supplement for a detailed description of the terms of the Securities. ABN AMRO has filed a registration statement (including a Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement) with the SEC for the offering to which this communicathas the discretion to determine the treatment of awards granted under the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan, including providing for the acceleration of such awards upon the occurrence of the Change of Control and/or upon a qualifying termination of employment (e.g., without cause or for good reason) following the Change of Control. However, with respect to outstanding adjusted awards, subject to the terms of the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan and unless otherwise provided in the applicable award agreement, such awards will fully vest or all restrictions on such awards shall terminate upon the Termination of Employment (as defined in the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan) of the holder of such adjusted awards for any reason other than for Cause or Disability or by the holder for Good Reason (all as defined in the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan) during the two-year period following a Change of Control (as defined in the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan).

## Withholding for Payment of Taxes

The Stock and Annual Incentive Plan provides for the withholding and payment by a participant of any taxes required by applicable law. Subject to our approval and to the terms of the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan, a participant may settle such a withholding obligation with our common stock, including common stock that is a part of the award giving rise to the withholding obligation. We have the right to deduct any such taxes from any payment otherwise due to a participant.

## **Amendment and Discontinuance**

The Stock and Annual Incentive Plan may be amended, altered or discontinued by the board of directors, but no amendment, alteration or discontinuance may impair the rights of an optionee under an option or a recipient of a stock appreciation right, restricted stock award, restricted stock unit award or bonus award previously granted without the optionee's or recipient's consent. Amendments to the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan require stockholder approval to the extent such approval is required by law or agreement.

## **Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following discussion is intended only as a brief summary of the federal income tax rules that are generally relevant to the stock awards. The laws governing the tax aspects of these awards are highly technical and such laws are subject to change.

*Nonqualified Options*. Upon the grant of a nonqualified option, the optionee will not recognize any taxable income and the Company will not be entitled to a deduction. Upon the exercise of such an option or related stock appreciation right, the excess of the fair market value of the shares acquired on the exercise of the option or stock appreciation right over the exercise price or the cash paid under a

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stock appreciation right (the "spread") will constitute compensation taxable to the optionee as ordinary income. We, in computing our U.S. federal income tax, will generally be entitled to a deduction in an amount equal to the compensation taxable to the optionee.

*ISOs.* An optionee will not recognize taxable income on the grant or exercise of an ISO. However, the spread at exercise will constitute an item includible in alternative minimum taxable income, and, thereby, may subject the optionee to the alternative minimum tax. Such alternative minimum tax may be payable even though the optionee receives no cash upon the exercise of the ISO with which to pay such tax.

Upon the disposition of shares of stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of an ISO, after the later of (i) two years from the date of grant of the ISO or (ii) one year after the transfer of the shares to the optionee (the "ISO Holding Period"), the optionee will recognize long-term capital gain or loss, as the case may be, measured by the difference between the stock's selling price and the exercise price. We are not entitled to any tax deduction by reason of the grant or exercise of an ISO, or by reason of a disposition of stock received upon exercise of an ISO if the ISO Holding Period is satisfied. Different rules apply if the optionee disposes of the shares of stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of an ISO before the expiration of the ISO Holding Period.

Restricted Stock. A participant who receives an award of restricted stock does not generally recognize taxable income at the time of the award. Instead, the participant recognizes ordinary income in the first taxable year in which his or her interest in the shares becomes either:

(A) freely transferable or (B) no longer subject to substantial risk of forfeiture. The amount of taxable income is equal to the fair market value of the shares less the cash, if any, paid for the shares.

A participant may elect to recognize income at the time of grant of restricted stock in an amount equal to the fair market value of the restricted stock (less any cash paid for the shares) on the date of the award. We receive a compensation expense deduction in an amount equal to the ordinary income recognized by the participant in the taxable year in which restrictions lapse (or in the taxable year of the award if, at that time, the participant had filed a timely election to accelerate recognition of income).

Other Awards. In the case of an exercise of a stock appreciation right or an award of restricted stock units, a performance share bonus or other stock awards, the participant would generally recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to any cash received and the fair market value of any shares received on the date of payment or delivery. In that taxable year, we would receive a federal income tax deduction in an amount equal to the ordinary income that the participant has recognized.

Section 409A. Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code provides special tax rules applicable to programs that provide for a deferral of compensation. Failure to comply with those requirements will result in accelerated recognition of income for tax purposes along with an additional 20% penalty tax. While certain awards under the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan could be subject to Section 409A, the Plan has been drafted to comply with the requirements of Section 409A.

Section 162(m). Pursuant to Section 162(m) of the Code, we may not deduct compensation of more than \$1 million that is paid to certain "covered employees" (i.e., any individual who, on the last day of the taxable year, is either our principal executive officer or an employee whose total compensation for the tax year is required to be reported to stockholders because he or she is among the three highest compensated officers for the tax year, other than the principal executive officer or principal financial officer). The limitation on deductions does not apply, however, to qualified "performance-based compensation." Certain awards under the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan, including options, stock appreciation rights and annual cash bonus awards, may constitute qualified performance-based compensation and, as such, would be exempt from the \$1 million limitation on deductible compensation.

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Under the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan, any performance goals applicable to awards intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) will be based on one or more of the Performance Goals. Any such performance goals must be objective and approved by the Compensation Committee in a manner consistent with Section 162(m). The foregoing criteria may relate to us, one or more of our subsidiaries, or one or more of our divisions or units, or a combination of the foregoing, and may be applied on an absolute basis or be relative to one or more peer group company or indices, all as the Compensation Committee shall determine.

#### **Termination of the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan**

The Stock and Annual Incentive Plan will terminate on August 20, 2018 unless earlier terminated by the Board of directors. Termination cannot, however, materially impair the rights of the holder of an award outstanding at the time of the termination in the absence of the holder's consent.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE DIRECTOR PLAN

The Company maintains the Director Plan, and a summary of the principal features of the Director Plan is provided below but is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Director Plan, which is included as Exhibit 10.17 to this prospectus. Each non-employee director is eligible under the Director Plan to defer payment of all or a portion of the cash fees he or she may receive in connection with service on the Company's board of directors. These fees include fees for service as a director of the Company or as a member of one or more of the committees of the Company's board, and meeting attendance fees. Deferral elections may be made or discontinued in accordance with procedures specified under the terms of the Director Plan. An eligible director's deferral election automatically terminates when the director ceases to be a director.

The fees that an eligible director elects to defer are credited to an account for the director under the Director Plan. Fees credited to a director's account may be allocated, at the eligible director's election, to a "cash fund" or to "share units". Deferred fees allocated to the cash fund are credited with deemed interest at an annual rate equal to the weighted average prime or base lending rate of JPMorgan Chase Bank. Deferred fees allocated to the purchase of share units are converted on the date they are deferred to a number of share units equal to the number of shares of Company common stock that theoretically could have been purchased on that date with the amount of deferred fees, calculated based on the closing price of Company common stock on that date (or, if that date is not a trading day, on the next preceding trading day). On each day on which dividends are paid on Company common stock, an eligible director with share units under the Director Plan is credited with the additional number of share units that theoretically could have been purchased with the amount of dividends payable on a number of shares of Company common stock equal to the number of share units credited to the eligible director's account under the Director Plan.

Amounts credited to a participating director's account are payable when the director ceases to be a member of the board. Payment is made in either a lump sum or in a series of up to five (5) annual installments, as elected by the director at the time he or she submitted a deferral election. Amounts in the director's account that are credited to the cash fund are paid in cash. The share units credited to a director's account are paid in shares of Company common stock equal in number to the director's whole number of share units.

A total of 100,000 shares of Company common stock have been reserved for issuance under the Director Plan. The Director Plan may be amended, modified or terminated by the Board at any time, except that no such amendment, modification or termination may adversely affect the rights of any participating director without that director's consent. The Director Plan is not subject to the requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

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#### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

#### General

The following is a summary of information concerning our capital stock. The summaries and descriptions below do not purport to be complete statements of the relevant provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or our Amended and Restated By-laws. The summary is qualified by reference to these documents, which you must read for complete information on our capital stock. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws are included as exhibits to this Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1, of which this prospectus is a part.

#### Common Stock

Our authorized capital stock consists of 50,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and the preferred stock described below.

Shares Outstanding. As of [ ], 2010, there were [ ] shares of our common stock outstanding.

*Dividends.* Subject to prior dividend rights of the holders of any preferred shares, holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends when, as and if declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available for that purpose.

*Voting Rights.* Each share of common stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders. Holders of shares of common stock do not have cumulative voting rights. In other words, a holder of a single share of our common stock cannot cast more than one vote for each position to be filled on our board of directors.

Other Rights. In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, after the satisfaction in full of the liquidation preferences of holders of any preferred shares, holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to ratable distribution of the remaining assets available for distribution to stockholders. Shares of common stock are not subject to redemption by operation of a sinking fund or otherwise. Holders of shares of common stock are not currently entitled to preemptive rights.

Fully Paid. The issued and outstanding shares of our common stock are fully paid and non-assessable. This means the full purchase price for the outstanding shares of common stock has been paid and the holders of such shares will not be assessed any additional amounts for such shares. Any additional shares of common stock that we may issue in the future will also be fully paid and non-assessable.

#### Preferred Stock

We are authorized to issue up to 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share. Our board of directors, without further action by the holders of our common stock, may issue shares of preferred stock. The board of directors is vested with the authority to fix by resolution the designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, and such qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including, without limitation, redemption rights, dividend rights, liquidation preferences and conversion or exchange rights of any class or series of preferred stock, and to fix the number of classes or series of preferred stock, the number of shares constituting any such class or series and the voting powers for each class or series.

The authority possessed by our board of directors to issue preferred stock could potentially be used to discourage attempts by third parties to obtain control of the Company through a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise by making such attempts more difficult or more costly. Our

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board of directors may issue preferred stock with voting rights or conversion rights that, if exercised, could adversely affect the voting power of the holders of our common stock. There are no current agreements or understandings with respect to the issuance of preferred stock and the board of directors does not have a present intention to issue any shares of preferred stock.

#### **Restrictions on Payment of Dividends**

We are incorporated in Delaware and governed by Delaware law. Delaware law allows a corporation to pay dividends only out of surplus, as determined under Delaware law.

#### Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law

Section 203") of the Delaware General Corporation Law prohibits certain transactions between a Delaware corporation and an "interested stockholder." Generally, an "interested stockholder" for this purpose is a stockholder who is directly or indirectly a beneficial owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting power of a Delaware corporation. This provision, if applicable, prohibits certain business combinations between an interested stockholder and a corporation for a period of three years after the date on which the stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless: (1) the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder is approved by the corporation's board of directors before the stockholder became an interested stockholder, (2) the interested stockholder acquired at least 85% of the voting power (as calculated pursuant to Section 203) of the corporation in the transaction in which the stockholder became an interested stockholder, or (3) the business combination is approved by a majority of the board of directors and the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the outstanding voting power not owned by the interested stockholder at or subsequent to the time that the stockholder became an interested stockholder. These restrictions do not apply in certain circumstances, including if the corporation's certificate of incorporation contains a provision expressly electing not to be governed by Section 203. If such a provision is adopted by an amendment to the corporation's certificate of incorporation, the amendment will be effective immediately if, among other requirements, the corporation has never had a class of voting stock listed on a national securities exchange or held of record by more than 2,000 stockholders. If this and other requirements are not satisfied, the amendment will not be effective until 12 months after its adoption and will not apply to any business combination between the corporation and any person who became an interested stockholder on or prior

In accordance with Section 203, the restrictions on certain business combinations in Section 203 do not apply in respect of the Company.

#### Anti-takeover Effects of our Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws and Delaware Law

Some provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws and certain provisions of Delaware law could make the following more difficult:

acquisition of the Company by means of a tender offer;

acquisition of the Company by means of a proxy contest or otherwise; or

removal of our incumbent officers and directors.

## Size of Board and Vacancies

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws provide that the number of directors on the Company's board of directors will be fixed exclusively by the board of directors. Newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors will be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, provided that a majority

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of the entire board of directors, or a quorum, is present and any vacancies in the board of directors resulting from death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal from office or other cause will be filled generally by the majority vote of the remaining directors in office, even if less than a quorum is present.

#### Elimination of Stockholder Action by Written Consent

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws expressly eliminate the right of stockholders to act by written consent. Stockholder action must take place at the annual or a special meeting of our stockholders.

#### Stockholder Meetings

Under our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws, stockholders are not entitled to call special meetings of stockholders. Only a majority of our board of directors or specified individuals may call such meetings.

#### Requirements for Advance Notification of Stockholder Nominations and Proposals

Our Amended and Restated By-laws establish advance notice procedures with respect to stockholder proposals and nomination of candidates for election as directors other than nominations made by or at the direction of the board of directors or a committee of the board of directors. In particular, stockholders must notify the corporate secretary in writing prior to the meeting at which the matters are to be acted upon or directors are to be elected. The notice must contain the information specified in our Amended and Restated By-laws. To be timely, the notice must be received at our principal executive office not later than 60 or more than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the date for the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders. However, if the date of the annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, notice by the stockholder, to be timely, must be delivered no later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. Moreover, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the board of directors is increased and we make no public announcement naming all of the nominees for director or specifying the size of the increased board of directors at least 55 days prior to the first anniversary of the date on which we first mailed our proxy materials for the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders, the stockholder's notice will be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it is delivered to the corporate secretary at our principal executive offices not later than the close of business on the 10th day following the day on which we first made such public announcement.

## **Undesignated Preferred Stock**

The authorization in our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation with respect to the issuance of undesignated preferred stock makes it possible for our board of directors to issue preferred stock with voting or other rights or preferences that could impede the success of any attempt to change control of the Company. The provision in our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation authorizing such preferred stock may have the effect of deferring hostile takeovers or delaying changes of control of our management.

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#### LEGAL MATTERS

At the Registrant's 2009 Annual Stockholder Meeting held on April 28, 2009, the stockholders approved the Second Amended and Restated Tree.com, Inc. 2008 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan (the "Stock and Annual Incentive Plan") as a result of which the maximum number of shares that may be issued pursuant to new awards under the Stock and Annual Incentive Plan was increased by 550,000 (the "Plan Increase Shares") to 2,750,000. The validity of the issuance of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus other than the Plan Increase Shares was passed upon for us by the General Counsel of IAC/InterActiveCorp. The validity of the issuance of the Plan Increase Shares was passed upon for us by K&L Gates LLP.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements, and the related financial statement schedule for the year ended December 31, 2009, incorporated in this prospectus by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2009, and the effectiveness of Tree.com, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Tree.com, Inc. at December 31, 2008 and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2008 incorporated in this prospectus by reference to our 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed a registration statement on Form S-1 with the SEC with respect to the shares of our common stock being registered hereunder. This prospectus, which is a part of such registration statement, does not include all of the information that you can find in such registration statement or the exhibits to such registration statement. You should refer to the registration statement, including its exhibits and schedules, for further information about us and our common stock. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or document are not necessarily complete and, if the contract or document is filed as an exhibit to a registration statement, are qualified in all respects by reference to the relevant exhibit.

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. This registration statement and these other reports, statements and information are available to the public over the Internet on the SEC's website at *www.sec.gov*. You may read and copy any filed document at the SEC's public reference rooms in Washington, D.C. at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information about the public reference rooms.

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#### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" into this prospectus the information we file with them, which means we can disclose important business and financial information about us to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered a part of this prospectus, except for any information that is superseded by information included directly in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below that we previously filed with the SEC:

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K (as amended) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009 filed with the SEC on March 8, 2010;

Our definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A, as filed with the SEC on March 19, 2010;

Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, as filed with the SEC on May 12, 2010; and

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 11, 2010, January 15, 2010, February 5, 2010, February 19, 2010 and April 30, 2010 (other than the portions of those documents furnished but deemed not to have been filed).

Upon request, we will provide to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom a prospectus is delivered, a copy of any or all of the information that has been incorporated by reference into this prospectus but not delivered with this prospectus. You can access these documents on our website at http://investor-relations.tree.com or you may request a copy of these filings at no cost by writing or telephoning our corporate secretary at the following address:

Tree.com, Inc.
11115 Rushmore Drive
Charlotte, NC 28277
Attention: Corporate Secretary
704-541-5351

Except as otherwise specifically incorporated by reference into this prospectus, information contained in, or accessible through, our website is not a part of this prospectus.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. This offering is only being made in jurisdictions where such offers and sales of our common stock are permitted. The information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale or issuance of common stock.

#### PART II

## INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following is a statement of the expenses previously incurred and to be incurred by the Registrant in connection with the distribution of the securities registered under this registration statement. Such fees and expenses represent both those incurred in connection with the original Registration Statement on Form S-1 declared effective by the SEC on August 8, 2008, Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 declared effective by the SEC on September 9, 2008, Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 declared effective by the SEC on May 18, 2009 and this Post-Effective Amendment No. 3.

Item	Amount*		
SEC Registration Fee	\$	9.61	
Printing Fees and Expenses		100,000	
NASDAQ Listing Fee		100,000	
Legal Fees and Expenses		270,000	
Accounting Fees and Expenses		40,000	
Miscellaneous			
Total	\$	510,009.61	

All fees are estimates except SEC registration fee and NASDAQ listing fee.

#### Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") provides that a corporation may indemnify directors and officers as well as other employees and individuals against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which such person is made a party by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation a "derivative action"), if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. A similar standard is applicable in the case of derivative actions, except that indemnification only extends to expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, and the statute requires court approval before there can be any indemnification where the person seeking indemnification has been found liable to the corporation. The statute provides that it is not exclusive of other indemnification that may be granted by a corporation's by-laws, disinterested director vote, stockholder vote, agreement or otherwise.

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that no director shall be liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation on liability is not permitted under the DGCL, as now in effect or as amended. Currently, Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL requires that liability be imposed for the following:

any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its stockholders;

any act or omission not in good faith or which involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;

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unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions as provided in Section 174 of the DGCL; and

any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Our Amended and Restated By-laws provide that, to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL, as now in effect or as amended, we will indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that such person, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the Company, or by reason of the fact such person, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative is or was serving, at the Company's request, as a director, officer, or trustee of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans maintained or sponsored by the Company. To the extent authorized by the DGCL, the Company will indemnify such persons against all expenses, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such persons in connection with such service. Any amendment of these provisions will not reduce the indemnification obligations of the Company relating to actions taken before such amendment.

We maintain a directors' and officers' liability insurance policy insuring our directors and officers against certain liabilities and expenses incurred by them in their capacities as such and insuring us, under certain circumstances, in the event that indemnification payments are made by us to such directors and officers.

#### Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

On February 8, 2009 we entered into a stock purchase agreement with Douglas R. Lebda, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to which we agreed to sell 935,000 shares of common stock to Mr. Lebda at a purchase price of \$3.91 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$3,655,850. The purchase price represents the closing market price of the common stock on the day prior to the execution of the stock purchase agreement. The purchase and sale of the 935,000 shares of common stock was effected in two equal installments on February 10, 2009 and April 9, 2009. The shares were initially subject to certain vesting provisions that entitled the Company to repurchase Mr. Lebda's unvested shares in certain circumstances. However, the Company relinquished these rights on February 25, 2010. The issuance of the common stock to Mr. Lebda was made in reliance upon the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

## Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

The exhibits listed in the accompanying Index to Exhibits are filed or incorporated by reference as a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 17. Undertakings

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
  - To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii)

    To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or

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decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933 if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

- (iii)

  To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.
- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser, if the registrant is subject to Rule 430C under the Securities Act of 1933, each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933 as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A under the Securities Act of 1933, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. *Provided, however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.
- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
  - (i)
    Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
  - (iii)

    The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
  - (iv)

    Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

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(6) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is a