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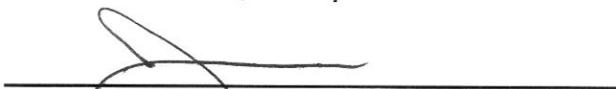
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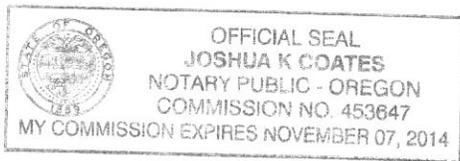
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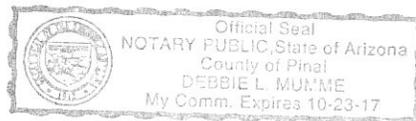
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Smarter medical technology heads to doctor's office

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SAN FRANCISCO As IBM's Watson supercomputer was defeating human *Jeopardy* champions before a national TV audience in early 2011, one group of professionals was paying close attention.

"Our phone was ringing off the hook with calls from doctors" afterward, seeking information on the technology, says Claudia Fan Munce, who runs IBM's venture capital investment program.

Watson's question-and-answer prowess looked similar to what primary-care physicians do every day: make a diagnosis based on a quick interview of a patient and an analysis of a medical chart.

An accurate diagnosis is a well-educated guess, given the extensive training of U.S. medical doctors, who get it right about 80% to 90% of the time. But it's also a decision based on human analysis, so not a sure thing.

A 2004 Harris Poll done for the National Patient Safety Foundation found that one in six patients had experienced such an error.

Given the price of health plans, large employers could save a lot if workers were misdiagnosed less frequently. And since doctors spend five to 10 hours a week reading journals to stay current, a computing powerhouse that can retrieve and analyze millions of records instantly could save time and improve diagnostic accuracy.

"What made doctors excited (about the *Jeopardy* appearance) was the idea of having an intelligent adviser," says Jeff Margolis,



KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH, AP

A tricorder prop from *Star Trek: Insurrection*. Boldy going for new diagnostics

Qualcomm, the No. 1 smartphone chipmaker, has created a \$10 million prize for the developers who can come up with a consumer health scanner most closely resembling the tricorder device of "Star Trek" fame.

The competition attracted 34 teams from nine countries, according to the San Diego-based company, which is making several big bets on wireless health technologies.

The 10 finalists of the Tricorder XPrize will present their ideas in August.

CEO of Welltok, a Denver-based start-up whose software uses IBM's technology to create customized health-incentive plans.

In some medical fields such as radiology, diagnosis is already the domain of expensive equipment such as an MRI machine.

Now, as large technology companies and venture capitalists invest billions in health care, smarter medical technology is on its way to local clinics, doctors' offices — and American homes.

"The idea is to put doctors together with patients that need them most," says Leslie Saxon, chief of cardiology at the University of Southern California's Keck School of Medicine.

Almost \$13 billion in venture capital was invested in health care start-ups in 2012 and 2013 combined, says CB Insights.

Health care delivery will also be made smarter by personal data that U.S. medical consumers are now tracking via their mobile apps and devices.

Saxon sees a future in which Americans can track the vital signs of elderly relatives over the Internet in real time.

While the most powerful health care software will start out on big computers, some may migrate to mobile devices quickly.

Whether it's an app on your phone or on a server, or looks like a sci-fi prop or a consumer kiosk with voice recognition, the automated doctor of the future could be here within a decade or two.

"We'll have sophisticated machines purposely built to care for humans," says Dean Kamen, whose DEKA Research and Development Corp. designed and built the new prosthetic arm being surgically attached to maimed U.S. servicemembers.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the DEKA Arm System for consumer use in May.

Google, Microsoft and Samsung are also pouring investment into health-related hardware and services. This week, Apple unveiled software designed to store health data for the millions of mobile device users who've begun to track their own biometrics.

While innovation will have a big impact on consumers, it will also shake up the medical profession. Occupations in medicine and physical, mental and occupational therapy face good career prospects, as their in-person skills and service can't be replaced by software. Yet as tech proliferates and consumers get more tech-savvy, health workers will need to follow suit.

John Shinal has covered tech and financial markets for more than 15 years at Bloomberg, BusinessWeek, The San Francisco Chronicle, Dow Jones MarketWatch, Wall Street Journal Digital Network and others.

Court overturns rejection of \$285M SEC-Citi settlement

Says judge showed
'abuse of discretion'
in blocking 2011 deal

Kevin McCoy
USA TODAY

NEW YORK A federal appeals court Wednesday overturned a judge's rejection of a \$285 million settlement between the Securities and Exchange Commission and Citigroup, ruling that the judge failed to determine the deal would "disserve the public interest."

The much-anticipated decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit concluded that U.S. District Judge Jed Rakoff exhibited an "abuse of discretion" by "applying an incorrect legal standard" in blocking the 2011 agreement.

The 28-page decision clarified what the appeals court said was the correct legal standard for such cases and sent the matter back to Rakoff — an outcome that's likely to prompt final approval of the civil settlement.

The ruling represents a mixed win for both Wall Street and the SEC in the legal push-and-pull between the financial industry and an important government regulator.

Citigroup and Rakoff declined to comment on the decision. Andrew Ceresney, the SEC's enforcement director, said the ruling reaffirmed "the significant deference accorded to the SEC in determining whether to settle with parties and on what terms."

The case focused on SEC allegations that Citigroup negligently misrepresented its role and financial interest in the 2007 structuring and marketing of a complex \$1 billion package of mortgage bonds sold to investors. The New York-based global bank failed to disclose that it placed bets that the investment would fail, and reaped roughly \$160 million in profits when that forecast became reality, the SEC charged.

Under the proposed settlement, Citigroup agreed to disgorge the \$160 million, pay a \$95 million civil penalty along with \$30 million in interest and make internal oversight changes. Like many other SEC settlements, the final order required no admission of liability or guilt.

Questioning that omission, Rakoff required the SEC and the bank to answer a series of questions, including whether there was "an overriding public interest in determining whether the SEC's charges are true." He also asked whether the penalties, which he termed "pocket change" for Citigroup, would "have a meaningful



U.S. District Judge Jed Rakoff questioned whether the penalties on Citigroup were sufficient to "have a meaningful deterrent effect."

JED RAKOFF VIA AP

"It is an abuse of discretion to require ... that the SEC establish the 'truth' of the allegations."

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit

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Rakoff ultimately rejected the deal and set the case for trial. The SEC appealed, setting the legal stage for Wednesday's ruling.

"It is an abuse of discretion to require, as the district court did here, that the SEC establish the 'truth' of the allegations against a settling party as a condition for approving the consent decrees," the appeals court ruled. "Trials are primarily about the truth. Consent decrees are primarily about pragmatism."

Instead, the appeals court said the proper legal standard for review of a settlement by an enforcement agency should "determine whether the proposed consent decree is fair and reasonable, with the additional requirement that 'the public interest would not be disserved.'"

Although the decision overturned Rakoff's ruling, his questioning of Citigroup's failure to admit or deny the allegations prompted the SEC to say it would require such statements in some cases.

While echoing that pledge, Ceresney said "settlements without admissions also enable regulatory agencies to serve the public interest by returning money to harmed investors more quickly, without the uncertainty and delay from litigation."

Dennis Kelleher, president of Wall Street watchdog Better Markets, praised what he said was the ruling's rejection of "the SEC's extreme position" that courts should "merely rubber stamp" the agency's decisions. The appeals panel also endorsed the principle that lower courts have authority to establish a factual basis to evaluate any proposed settlement," said Kelleher.

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Time to pass shield law for journalists

Momentum has waned in Congress

Rem Rieder
USA TODAY



MEDIA Last summer, supporters were confident that at long last the federal shield law for journalists would be enacted.

After a number of false starts, they were convinced that the stars were aligned and that a measure to ensure that journalists wouldn't have to choose between protecting confidential sources and going to jail would make it over the finish line.

The key factor was widespread revulsion at the Obama administration's treatment of journalists in overly zealous leak investigations. In September, by a 13-5 vote, the bill was approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Since then, nothing. And news

media organizations and First Amendment groups backing the bill fear the momentum of the summer of 2013 may have waned.

That would be bad. It's important legislation that's vital not only to journalists but, more important, to American citizens.

Confidential sources can be problematic. The transparency of attaching a name to information is obviously preferable. But in some cases, when sources may put their lives in jeopardy or risk losing their jobs by revealing information that's critical to the public interest, anonymity is a defensible cost of doing business. And a journalist should be able to protect that confidentiality without heading to the slammer.

This is hardly an academic debate. Last July, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit ruled that *New York Times* reporter James Risen would have to testify in the prosecution of former CIA analyst Jeffrey Sterling.

If the U.S. Supreme Court rejects Risen's appeal, which would hardly come as a shock, the journalist will have to pick between giving up the source or heading to prison, as then-*New York Times* reporter Judith Miller did for 85 days in 2005.

Last July, Senate Judiciary



ALEX WONG, GETTY IMAGES FOR MEET THE PRESS
James Risen is asking the court to spare him from having to testify about a source.

Support tends to crest when something happens that underscores the urgency of the measure.

Committee Chairman Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., assured me that the measure would "become law relatively quickly, by congressional standards." When I asked Schumer spokesman Matt House on Wednesday if his boss was still "confident," he responded, "We remain hopeful it will pass this year." Which is not quite the same thing.

He said he wasn't sure when the bill would be taken up. "Senate Republicans have been blocking bipartisan bills over non-related issues, but we're hopeful that won't happen with the media shield bill," House said.

Everyone seems to agree that more than 50 senators, a majority, are in favor. The problem, as Kevin Goldberg, legal counsel for the American Society of News Editors, points out, is that's not good enough these days. You need 60 votes to cut off debate if opponents try to block a measure.

Goldberg says the leadership wants to make sure those 60 votes are there. But finding out has been a challenge. (ASNE is a key part of the coalition of groups pushing the shield law).

It's the old chicken and egg conundrum. When you ask some senators if they will back the bill, they respond that they'll focus on

it when it's heading for the floor. But Senate leaders, who don't want to see the bill tie up the world's greatest deliberative body, are reluctant to give it the green light until they are sure those 60 votes are locked up, Goldberg says.

Support tends to crest when something happens that underscores the urgency of the measure, as was the case last summer. But with time that support ebbs. That's why quick action at a flash-point is key. The next such moment may come if the Supreme Court rejects Risen's appeal.

It's not like this is a radical idea. Forty-eight states and the District of Columbia have similar protection for journalists.

It's hardly a get-out-of-jail-free card. The law includes a balancing test, which means in some instances national security concerns will trump the shield law and a journalist will be required to testify.

And the Judiciary Committee did a good job of sorting out who is covered, a thorny issue in an era in which traditional journalists are hardly the only people carrying out the craft.

So let's stop fooling around. It's time for both houses of Congress to pass the law.

Amazon, Hachette feud may last awhile

Usually taciturn site posts note to readers

Roger Yu
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USA TODAY

Breaking its customary corporate silence, Amazon has launched a defense against a rising chorus of criticism about its decision to limit the supply of books from publisher Hachette Book Group and warned that the tussle could be protracted.

In a statement posted on its website Tuesday, Amazon acknowledged that its pricing negotiations have dragged on and lauded Hachette for operating in "good faith." But the Seattle-based retailer told customers that it's "not optimistic that this will be resolved soon."

"Despite much work from both sides, we have been unable to reach mutually acceptable agreement on terms," Amazon said.

Hachette's books have largely been removed from Amazon's shelves. Amazon is ordering from Hachette after customers place orders, curtailing author incomes and the usually rapid delivery cycle that the site's fans enjoy.

Amazon is no longer taking pre-orders on summer and fall titles, allowing customers to place an order only after books are released.

Amazon said it's seeking "equitable terms" in pricing, and its tactics are no different than those of big-box retailers that keep only a few copies on hand and choose certain titles to display prominently at the front of their stores.

"Suppliers get to decide the terms under which they are willing to sell to a retailer," it said. "It's reciprocally the right of a retailer to determine whether the terms on offer are acceptable and to stock items accordingly."

Amazon is in a similar fight with a publisher in Germany, the Bonnier Media Group.

Amazon and its CEO, Jeff Bezos, usually reluctant to talk to the press, remained silent after *The New York Times* first reported the retailer's cutback earlier this month. Its reluctance to respond contributed to the developing narrative of an intractable and inscrutable giant running roughshod over a supplier.

The imbroglio affects about 1% of Amazon's inventory. But that popular titles from the fourth-largest U.S. book publisher — home of James Patterson and



Christopher Buckley is among the authors on Hachette's roster.

four of the top 10 titles in the *New York Times'* hardcover fiction bestseller list — could be removed so quickly seemed to confirm publishers' fears about Amazon's expansive sway over the book business.

Michael Pietsch, CEO of Hachette urged authors and customers to be patient during this "difficult situation. Please know that we are doing everything in our power to find a solution," he said in a letter to authors.

As the stalemate persists, other retailers are seeking to take advantage. Books-a-Million, a chain with 258 stores nationwide, is offering 30% discounts on some upcoming Hachette titles.

While Amazon has branched out to digital media and tablets to boost profit, it still relies heavily on books and electronics for revenue. Its profit margins have always been thin, which is both a result of and an explanation for Amazon's ceaseless drive to extract the best prices possible from manufacturers and middlemen.

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TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE AFFAIRS OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE OF NEVADA, INC. ("UHCNI")

This notice provides important information regarding the liquidation of UHCNI. On May 2, 2013, the Second Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Washoe (the "Receivership Court") entered an *Order to Show Cause, Injunction Order Appointing Commissioner as Receiver Pursuing Further Order of the Court, Order to Preserve Assets of Insurer*. This order placed UHCNI into temporary receivership and appointed Scott J. Kipper, the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Nevada (the "Commissioner"), as Temporary Receiver. The Commissioner was subsequently appointed Permanent Receiver of UHCNI on May 15, 2013, with the Receivership Court's entry of its *Order Appointing Commissioner as Permanent Receiver for Universal Health Care of Nevada, Inc., Order of Liquidation, and Other Permanent Relief* (the "Receivership Order"). The firm of CANTILLO & BENNETT, L.L.P. has been appointed Special Deputy Receiver ("SDR") by the Commissioner to oversee and assist with the liquidation of UHCNI.

Effective May 1, 2013, at 12:01 a.m., the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") terminated its contract with UHCNI via mutual agreement, which resulted in the termination of all UHCNI plans. Former UHCNI members are receiving continued health coverage through arrangements made by CMS with Medicare. If you need more information regarding Medicare, please visit www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-MEDICARE. Also, the SDR strongly encourages former UHCNI members to review any correspondence they receive from the receivership estate, CMS, or Medicare.

The permanent Receivership Order, among other things, authorizes the creation of a Proof of Claim ("POC") process and procedure, as well as a deadline for the filing and processing of claims against UHCNI. On March 28, 2014, the Receivership Court entered an order approving the SDR's procedures for filing and processing claims against UHCNI, and establishing October 1, 2014, as the claims filing deadline (the "Claims Filing Deadline") by which claims against UHCNI are to be postmarked or received. Claims submitted after the Claims Filing Deadline will be barred from sharing in any assets which might be available for distribution until timely approved claims are paid in full. The POC form, instructions, and additional information about the October 1, 2014, Claims Filing Deadline are available on the SDR's web site at www.uhcni-sdr.com.

Healthcare providers must submit a Master Claim, which includes the submission of an Itemization Table and supporting documentation. Special instructions for healthcare providers and document templates can be found on the SDR's web site. Notices of matters filed in the receivership and other relevant information, such as the Receivership Appeal Procedure, will be posted on the SDR's web site. You may wish to check the site on an ongoing basis to stay informed about your legal rights.

Please note that claims must be submitted on the approved POC form. You may also request the POC form and instructions by calling 1-877-309-7105, by e-mailing UHCNI@cbt-frm.com, or by writing to CANTILLO AND BENNETT, L.L.P., Special Deputy Receiver, 11401 Century Oaks Terrace, Suite 300, Austin, Texas 78758 or P.O. Box 184, Austin, Texas 78767.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
In re: BROOKSTONE HOLDINGS CORP., et al., Chapter 11, 14-10752 (BLS) (Jointly Administered)

Ref. Nos. 284, 311, 350, 351, and 362
NOTICE OF THE OBJECTION DEADLINE AND CONFIRMATION HEARING WITH RESPECT TO THE DEBTORS' JOINT CHAPTER 11 PLAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on May 19, 2014, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court") entered an order (the "Disclosure Statement Order") that, among other things, approved the *Disclosure Statement for the Debtors' Revised First Modified Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization* (as amended from time to time and including all exhibits and supplements thereto, the "Disclosure Statement"), as containing adequate information, as required under section 1125(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-152 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), and (b) authorized the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") to solicit votes with regard to the acceptance or rejection of the Debtors' Revised First Modified Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you hold a Claim against one of the Debtors as of the Voting Record Date and are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan, you have received a Ballot or a Master Ballot and Voting Instructions appropriate for your Claim(s). For your vote to be counted, you must follow the appropriate voting instructions, complete all required information on the Ballot or Master Ballot, execute and return the completed Ballot or Master Ballot so that it is actually received in accordance with the voting instructions set forth in the Ballot or Master Ballot at the address indicated on the Ballot or Master Ballot by 5:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time on June 16, 2014 (the "Voting Deadline"). Any failure to follow the voting instructions included with the Ballot or Master Ballot may disqualify your Ballot or Master Ballot and your vote on the Plan.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Bankruptcy Court has established June 16, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time, as the last date and time for filing and serving objections to the Confirmation of the Plan (the "Plan Objection Deadline"). Any objection to the Plan must (a) be in writing; (b) conform to the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules; (c) state the name and address of the objecting party and the amount and nature of the Claim or interest of such party; (d) state with particularity the basis and nature of any objection to the Plan and, if practicable, a proposed modification to the Plan that would resolve such objection; and (e) be filed, contemporaneously with a proof of service, with the Bankruptcy Court and served so that it is actually received no later than the Plan Objection Deadline, by: (i) K&L Gates LLP, Attn: Charles M. Dale III and Mackenzie L. Shea, State Street Financial Center, One Lincoln Street, Boston MA 02111 and (ii) Landis Rath & Cobb, LLP, Attn: Adam G. Landis and Kerri K. Mumford, 919 Market Street, Suite 1800, Wilmington, DE 19801, attorneys for the Debtors; (b) (i) Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, Attn: Kristopher Hansen and Erez E. Gilad, 180 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038 and (ii) Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Attn: Matthew Lunn, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, attorneys for the Ad Hoc Committee, DIP Agent and DIP Lenders; (c) Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A., 25 Main Street, P.O. Box 800, Hackensack, New Jersey 07602; (d) Cooley LLP, Attn: Jeffrey L. Cohen and Jay Indyke, The Grace Building, 1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036, attorneys for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors; and (e) the U.S. Trustee, Attn: Richard L. Schepacter, Trial Attorney, 3-Caleb Boogs Federal Building, 844 King Street, 2nd Floor, Room 2112, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to confirm the Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing") will commence on June 23, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing Eastern Time before the Honorable Brendan L. Shannon, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. Please be advised that the Confirmation Hearing may be continued from time to time by the Court or the Debtors without further notice other than by such adjournment being announced in open court or by a notice of adjournment filed with the Court and served on parties entitled to notice under Bankruptcy Rule 2002, and the local rules of the Bankruptcy Court or otherwise. In accordance with the Plan, the Plan may be modified, amended, or revised, during or as a result of the Confirmation Hearing further action by the Debtors and without further notice to or action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court or any other party.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any party in interest seeking to obtain a Solicitation Package, copy of the Plan or other pleadings may contact the Administrative Agent retained by the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, by: (a) calling the Debtors' restructuring hotline at (866) 251-2873 within the U.S. or Canada or, outside of the U.S. or Canada, calling (310) 751-2611; (b) visiting the Debtors' restructuring website at <http://www.kcllc.net/brookstone>; and/or (c) writing to Brookstone, c/o Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC, 2335 Alaska Avenue, # Segundo, California 90245. You may also obtain copies of any pleadings filed in these chapter 11 cases for a fee via PACER at: <http://www.deb.uscourts.gov>.

Dated: May 27, 2014, Wilmington, Delaware

BY ORDER OF THE HONORABLE BRENDAN L. SHANNON UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

¹ The Debtors, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's tax identification number, are: Brookstone Holdings Corp. (4638); Brookstone, Inc. (2895); Brookstone Company, Inc. (3478); Brookstone Retail Puerto Rico, Inc. (5552); Brookstone International Holdings, Inc. (8382); Brookstone Purchasing, Inc. (2514); Brookstone Stores, Inc. (2513); Gardeners Eden, Inc. (7793); Brookstone Military Sales, Inc. (2029); Big Blue Audio LLC (N/A); Brookstone Holdings, Inc. (2515); and Brookstone Properties, Inc. (2517). The Debtors' corporate headquarters and the mailing address for each Debtor is One Innovation Way, Merrimack, NH 03054.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

³ The Debtors' Administrative Agent is Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC.

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Tuesday, July 1, 2014 @ 2:00 PM CDT

The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) Request for Proposal (RFP) for
RFP # 14-08: Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments and Equipment
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RFP # 14-10: Environmental Services-Supplemental
RFP # 14-11: Fleet Washing Products and Services
RFP # 14-12: Grounds Keeping Products and Services

All proposals duly delivered and submitted will be publicly opened and recorded on the date and time reflected above.

Any proposal received after the stated closing time will not be considered and returned unopened. If proposals are sent by mail, the Offeror shall be responsible for ensuring delivery of the proposal to Region 4 Education Service Center before the advertised date and hour for the opening. Proposals must be signed, sealed, clearly identified with the solicitation number, title, name and address of the company responding.

Specifications and details of this RFP can be found at www.esoc4.net or www.tcpn.org under Current Solicitations. General inquiries may be directed to Robert Zingelmann at questions@esoc4.net

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