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## ASHTON-TATE'S dBASE III PLUS COMPATIBLE WITH UNGERMANN-BASS NETWORKS

TORRANCE, Calif., May 18, 1987 -- Ashton-Tate Corporation
(NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that dBASE III PLUS and dBASE III PLUS
LAN Pack are fully compatible with Ungermann-Bass, Inc.'s Net/One
local area networking (LAN) systems.

"This is a significant addition to the line of networks supported
by dBASE III PLUS," said Roy E. Folk, Ashton-Tate's executive vice
president, Software Products Division.  "Ungermann-Bass is an
acknowledged leader in local area networking, and the pairing of
these two standards, dBASE III PLUS and Net/One, will fill the needs
of many of our Fortune 1000 customers."

dBASE III PLUS is Ashton-Tate's complete relational database
management system (DBMS) for the IBM PC and compatibles that includes
built-in multi-user capability for local area networking as well as
single-user capability.  dBASE III PLUS LAN Pack is a companion
product that provides up to five users with access to a dBASE III
PLUS database.

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"The dBASE III PLUS products are important additions to the third party products associated with the Net/One Vendor Association," said Darrell Miller, Ungermann-Bass director of marketing. "The certification of these products further proves the compatibility and functionality of Ungermann-Bass networks."

The Ungermann-Bass Net/One System interconnects multiple types of information processing devices, regardless of vendor, and permits the addition of new devices to the network as desired. The Net/One Universal Workstation Series, a combination of hardware and software, enables networked IBM PCs or compatibles to access IBM hosts, Digital Equipment Corporation and Hewlett-Packard minicomputers, asynchronous devices and other PCs concurrently.

Other networks compatible with the dBASE III PLUS product line include IBM PC/Net, DOS 3.1, Novell Advanced Netware, AT&T's STARLAN NETWORK, and 3Com's 3+ Network Operating System (version 1.0.1).

Ungermann-Bass, Inc. (NASDAQ - "UNGR") is the largest independent supplier of general purpose local area networking systems capable of linking information processing devices from different manufacturers.

Ashton-Tate, the second-largest developer and marketer of microcomputer business applications software, reported revenues of $210.8 million and net income of $30.1 million for fiscal year 1987, ended January 31, 1987, increases of 73.4 percent and 81.3 percent, respectively, from the previous year.

Based in Torrance, Calif., Ashton-Tate markets best-selling
microcomputer business applications software in four categories:
database management systems, with the industry-standard dBASE III
PLUS and RapidFile; business graphics, with the MASTER-GRAPICS
Series; word processing, with MultiMate Advantage II, and integrated
software, with Framework II. Ashton-Tate also markets a
comprehensive line of service and support programs for individuals
and corporations.

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