

## IMMEDIATE

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## ASHTON-TATE ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR PUBLIC OFFERING

TORRANCE, Calif., March 3, 1987 -- Ashton-Tate (NASDAQ symbol TATE) today announced that it intends to file within the next 30 days with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering the public offering of approximately 2.0 million shares of its Common Stock. The company plans to use the proceeds of the offering for working capital and other general corporate purposes including the possible acquisition of other businesses or additional technology.

The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus.

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