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### AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO FORM S-1 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## POLARIS ACQUISITION CORP.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 6770 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) 26-0443717 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

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Marc V. Byron, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Polaris Acquisition Corp. 2200 Fletcher Avenue,

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

#### SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, JANUARY 7, 2008 PROSPECTUS

### \$180,000,000

### POLARIS ACQUISITION CORP.

### 18,000,000 units

Polaris Acquisition Corp. is a newly formed blank check company organized for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition or other similar business combination with an operating business. Our efforts to identify a prospective target business will not be limited to a particular industry. We do not have any specific business combination under consideration and we have not (nor has anyone on our behalf) contacted any prospective target business or had any discussions, formal or otherwise, with respect to such a transaction.

This is an initial public offering of our securities. Each unit that we are offering has a price of \$10.00 and consists of one share of our common stock and one warrant. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of our common stock at a price of \$7.50. Each warrant will become exercisable on the later of our completion of a business combination and , 2009 [one year from the date of this prospectus], and will expire on , 2012 [four years from the date of this prospectus], or earlier upon redemption.

We have granted Lazard Capital Markets, the representative of the underwriters for this offering, a 45-day option to purchase up to 2,700,000 units (over and above the 18,000,000 units referred to above) solely to cover over-allotments, if any. The over-allotment will be used only to cover the net syndicate short position resulting from the initial distribution.

Our initial stockholders, including our officers and directors, have committed to purchase from us an aggregate of 5,250,000 warrants at \$1.00 per warrant (for a total purchase price of \$5,250,000). These purchases will take place on

a private placement basis simultaneously with the consummation of this offering. All of the proceeds we receive from the purchases will be placed in the trust fund described below. The insider warrants to be purchased by these individuals will be identical to warrants underlying the units being sold in this offering except that if we call the warrants for redemption, the insider warrants will be exercisable on a cashless basis so long as they are still held by the purchasers or their affiliates. The purchasers have agreed that the insider warrants will not be sold or transferred by them until 45 days after we have completed our initial business combination. Accordingly, the insider warrants will be placed in escrow and will not be released until 45 days after the completion of our initial business combination.

There is presently no public market for our units, common stock or warrants. We intend to apply to have the units listed on the American Stock Exchange. Assuming that the units are listed on the American Stock Exchange, the units will be listed under the symbol TKP.U on or promptly after the date of this prospectus. Assuming that the units are listed on the American Stock Exchange, once the securities comprising the units begin separate trading, the common stock and warrants will be listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols TKP and TKP.WS, respectively. We cannot assure you that our securities will be listed or will continue to be listed on the American Stock Exchange.

## Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See Risk Factors beginning on page 16 of this prospectus for a discussion of information that should be considered in connection with an investment in our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Public Offering Price	Underwriting Discount and Commissions	Proceeds, Before Expenses, to Us
Per unit	\$10.00	\$0.70	\$9.30
Total	\$180,000,000	\$12,600,000	\$167,400,000

(1) Of the underwriting discounts and commissions, \$8,100,000 (\$0.45 per unit) is being deferred by the underwriters and will not be payable by us to them unless and until we consummate a business combination.

\$174,750,000 of the net proceeds of this offering (including the \$8,100,000 of underwriting discounts and commissions payable to the underwriters in this offering which are being deferred by them until we consummate our initial business combination), plus the additional aggregate \$5,250,000 we will receive from the purchase of the insider warrants by certain of our initial stockholders simultaneously with the consummation of this offering, for an aggregate of \$180,000,000, or \$10.00 per unit sold to the public in this offering (or \$206,325,000, or approximately \$9.97 per unit if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full), will be deposited into a trust account at Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company acting as trustee. These funds will not be released to us until the earlier of the completion of our initial business combination and our liquidation (which may not occur until , 2010 [24 months from the date of this prospectus]).

We are offering the units for sale on a firm-commitment basis. Lazard Capital Markets, acting as representative of the underwriters, expects to deliver our securities to investors in the offering on or about , 2008.

Lazard Capital Markets

Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc.

### ThinkEquity Partners LLC

, 2008

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### **PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

This summary highlights certain information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. For a more complete understanding of this offering, you should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the risk factors and the financial statements. Unless otherwise stated in this prospectus:

references to we, us or our company refer to Polaris Acquisition Corp.; references to initial stockholders or existing stockholders refer to all of our stockholders prior to this offering; references to initial shares refer to the 5,175,500 shares of common stock that our initial stockholders originally purchased from us for \$25,000 in June 2007;

references to insider warrants refer to the 5,250,000 warrants we are selling privately to our initial stockholders upon consummation of this offering;

references to the term public stockholders refer to the holders of the shares of common stock that are being sold as part of the units in the public offering (whether they are purchased in the initial public offering or in the secondary market), including any of our existing stockholders to the extent that they purchase such shares; and the information in this prospectus gives retroactive effect to a stock dividend of 0.2 shares of common stock for each outstanding share of common stock on November 8, 2007; and

the information in this prospectus assumes that the representative of the underwriters will not exercise its over-allotment option.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus.

We are a blank check company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware on June 18, 2007. We were formed with the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition or other similar business combination with an operating business. Our efforts to identify a prospective target business will not be limited to a particular industry. To date, our efforts have been limited to organizational activities.

Our officers and directors have experience operating, building and advising third-party marketing services providers and principally-based marketing companies for consumer-facing businesses that utilize digital marketing, branding, brand extensions, data aggregation, direct marketing, traditional advertising and media marketing and packaging and promotion. We believe, based solely on our management s business experience, that we are well-positioned to identify and consummate a business combination with a company with any of the following characteristics:

Consumer-facing product or service companies built upon direct marketing, including continuity or subscription-based products or services models;

Marketing and/or media services companies, including digital marketing and/or advertising services; Information-based services companies; Technology and related infrastructure services companies; General and/or specialty financial services companies; E-commerce companies; Software or software-as-a-service companies; Information processing companies; and

Designment processing companies, and

Payment processing services companies.

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However, we are not restricted from consummating a business combination that does not have these characteristics if we believe it is in our stockholders best interests.

We do not have any specific business combination under consideration and we have not (nor has anyone on our behalf) contacted any prospective target business or had any discussions, formal or otherwise, with respect to such a transaction. We have not (nor have any of our agents or affiliates) been approached by any candidates (or representative of any candidates) with respect to a possible acquisition transaction with our company. Additionally, we have not, nor has anyone on our behalf, taken any measure, directly or indirectly, to identify or locate any suitable acquisition candidate, nor have we engaged or retained any agent or other representative to identify or locate any such acquisition candidate.

We will have until, 2010 **[24 months from the date of this prospectus]** to consummate a business combination. If we are unable to consummate a business combination by such date, our corporate existence will cease by operation of corporate law (except for the purposes of winding up our affairs and liquidating). Our initial business combination

must be with a target business whose fair market value is at least equal to 80% of our net assets (all of our assets, including the funds then held in the trust account, less our liabilities) at the time of such acquisition, although this may entail simultaneous acquisitions of several operating businesses. The fair market value of the target will be determined by our board of directors based upon one or more standards generally accepted by the financial community (which may include actual and potential sales, earnings, cash flow and/or book value). If our board is not able to independently determine that the target business has a sufficient fair market value, we will obtain an opinion from an unaffiliated, independent investment banking firm with respect to the satisfaction of such criteria. We anticipate structuring a business combination to acquire 100% of the equity interests or assets of the target business. We may, however, structure a business combination to acquire less than 100% of such interests or assets of the target business but will not acquire less than a controlling interest (meaning not less than 50% of the voting securities of the target business). If we acquire only a controlling interest in a target business or businesses, the portion of such business that we acquire must have a fair market value equal to at least 80% of the balance in the trust account. If we determine to simultaneously acquire several businesses and such businesses are owned by different sellers, we will need for each of such sellers to agree that our purchase of its business is contingent on the simultaneous closings of the other acquisitions, which may make it more difficult for us, and delay our ability, to complete our initial business combination. With multiple acquisitions, we could also face additional risks, including additional burdens and costs with respect to possible multiple negotiations and due diligence investigations (if there are multiple sellers) and the additional risks associated with the subsequent integration of the operations and services or products of the acquired companies into a single operating business.

The target business that we acquire may have a fair market value substantially in excess of 80% of our net assets. In order to consummate such a business combination, we may issue a significant amount of debt or equity securities to the sellers of such business and/or seek to raise additional funds through a private offering of debt or equity securities. There are no limitations on our ability to incur debt or issue securities in order to consummate a business combination. If we issue securities in order to consummate a business combination, our stockholders could end up owning a minority of the combined company, as there is no requirement that our stockholders own a certain percentage of our company after our business combination. Since we have no specific business combination under consideration, we have not entered into any such arrangement to issue our debt or equity securities and have no current intention of doing so.

Our principal executive offices are located at 2200 Fletcher Avenue, 4th floor, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024 and our telephone number is (201) 242-3500.

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### THE OFFERING

In making your decision on whether to invest in our securities, you should take into account not only the backgrounds of our management team, but also the special risks we face as a blank check company. In addition, this offering is not being conducted in compliance with Rule 419 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and, therefore, you will not be entitled to protections normally afforded to investors in Rule 419 blank check offerings. You should carefully consider these and the other risks set forth in the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page <u>16</u> of this prospectus.

Securities offered

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18,000,000 units, at \$10.00 per unit, each unit consisting of:

one share of common stock; and

one warrant.

Trading commencement and separation of common stock and warrants

The units will begin trading on or promptly after the date of this prospectus. Each of the common stock and warrants may trade separately on the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date of this prospectus unless Lazard Capital Markets determines that an earlier date is acceptable (based upon its assessment of the relative strengths of the securities markets and small capitalization companies in general, and the trading pattern of, and demand for, our securities in particular). In no event will Lazard Capital Markets allow separate trading of the common stock and warrants until we file an audited balance sheet reflecting our receipt of the gross proceeds of this offering. We will file our first Current Report on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including an audited balance sheet, promptly upon the consummation of this offering, which is anticipated to take place three business days from the date the units commence trading. The audited balance sheet will reflect our receipt of the Form 8-K. If the over-allotment option is exercised after our initial filing of a Form 8-K, we will file an amendment to the Form 8-K to provide updated financial information to reflect the exercise and consummation of the over-allotment option. We will also include in this Form 8-K, or amendment thereto, or in a subsequent Form 8-K, information indicating if Lazard Capital Markets has allowed separate trading of the common stock and warrants prior to the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the date of this prospectus.

Securities being purchased by insiders

Prior to the date of this prospectus, our initial stockholders purchased an aggregate of 5,175,000 shares of common stock for \$25,000. Additionally, 5,250,000 insider warrants at \$1.00 per warrant (for a total purchase price of approximately \$5,250,000) will be sold to our initial stockholders, including

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our officers and directors, pursuant to letter agreements between us, Lazard Capital Markets and such purchasers. These purchases will take place on a private placement basis simultaneously with the consummation of this offering. The insider warrants will be identical to the warrants underlying the units being offered by this prospectus except that if we call the warrants for redemption, the insider warrants will be exercisable on a cashless basis so long as they are still held by such purchasers or their affiliates. The purchasers have agreed, pursuant to the letter agreements, that the insider warrants will not be sold or transferred by them until 45 days after we have completed a business combination, in part to comply with the Federal securities laws. Accordingly, the insider warrants will be placed in escrow and will not be released until 45 days after the completion of a business combination. The agreement governing the sale of the insider warrants does not provide any mechanism to amend the transfer restrictions imposed on such insider warrants. The agreement simply indicates that the terms cannot be amended without the prior consent of Lazard Capital Markets. This was done to ensure that the terms would not be changed by us and the purchasers without the knowledge of the underwriters the underwriters would be required to consent to any amendment and would presumably not consent unless there was some compelling reason that would not negatively impact public shareholders. Currently there is no such reason and Lazard Capital Makets has no intention to waive the transfer restrictions.

Common Stock:

Number outstanding before this offering

Number to be outstanding after this offering

#### Warrants:

Number outstanding before this offering

5,175,000 shares<sup>(1)</sup>

22,500,000 shares<sup>(2)</sup>

Number to be sold to insiders

Number to be outstanding after this offering and sale to insiders

Exercisability

Exercise price

Each warrant is exercisable for one share of common stock.

\$7.50

(1) This number includes an aggregate of 675,000 shares of common stock that are subject to forfeiture by our initial stockholders if the over-allotment option is not exercised by the underwriters.

(2) Assumes the over-allotment option has not been exercised and an aggregate of 675,000 shares of common stock have been forfeited by our initial stockholders.

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Exercise period

The warrants will become exercisable on the later of:

the completion of a business combination with a target business; and

#### [], 2009 [one year from the date of this prospectus].

The warrants will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on [], 2012 [four years from the date of this prospectus] or earlier upon redemption.

Redemption

We may redeem the outstanding warrants (including any of the insider warrants):

in whole and not in part;

at a price of \$.01 per warrant at any time while the warrants are exercisable (which will occur only if a registration statement relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants is effective and current);

upon a minimum of 30 days prior written notice of redemption; and

if, and only if, the last sales price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$14.25 per share for any 20 trading days within a 30 trading day period ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption. We may redeem the warrants without the consent of the underwriters. If the foregoing conditions are satisfied and we issue a notice of redemption, each warrant holder can exercise his, her or its warrant prior to the scheduled redemption date. However, the price of the common stock may fall below the \$14.25 trigger price as well as the \$7.50 warrant exercise price after the redemption notice is issued.

The redemption criteria for our warrants have been established at a price that is intended to provide warrant holders with a reasonable premium to the initial exercise price and provide a sufficient differential between the then-prevailing common stock price and the warrant exercise price so that if the stock price declines as a result of

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5,250,000 warrants

23,250,000 warrants

our redemption call, the redemption will not cause the stock price to drop below the exercise price of the warrants. If we call our warrants for redemption, the purchasers of the insider warrants would still be entitled to exercise such warrants on a cashless basis.

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Proposed American Stock Exchange symbols for our: Units

	TKP.U
Common Stock	ТКР
Warrants	TKP.WS

Offering proceeds to be held in trust

\$174,750,000 of the proceeds of this offering plus the \$5,250,000 we will receive from the sale of the insider warrants (for an aggregate of \$180,000,000 or \$10.00 per unit sold to the public in this offering) will be placed in a trust account at Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as trustee pursuant to an agreement to be signed on the date of this prospectus. This amount includes \$8,100,000 of underwriting discounts and commissions payable to the underwriters in the offering. The underwriters have agreed that such amount will not be paid unless and until we consummate a business combination. Except as set forth below, these proceeds will not be released until the earlier of the completion of a business combination and our liquidation. Therefore, unless and until a business combination is consummated, the proceeds held in the trust account will not be available for our use for any deferred expenses related to this offering or expenses which we may incur related to the investigation and selection of a target business and the negotiation of an agreement to acquire a target business. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there can be released to us from the trust account interest earned on the funds in the trust account (i) up to an aggregate of \$1,800,000 to fund expenses related to investigating and selecting a target business and our other working capital requirements and (ii) any amounts we may need to pay our income or other tax obligations. With these exceptions, expenses incurred by us may be paid prior to a business combination only from the net proceeds of this offering not held in the trust account (initially \$100,000).

None of the warrants may be exercised until after the consummation of a business combination and, thus, after the proceeds of the trust account have been disbursed. Accordingly, the warrant exercise price will be paid directly to us and not placed in the trust account.

Limited payments and benefits to insiders

There will be no fees or other payments of any kind, whether in cash or our securities, paid to our existing stockholders, officers, directors or their affiliates prior to, or for any services they render in

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order to effectuate the consummation of a business combination (regardless of the type of transaction that it is) other than:

repayment of an aggregate of \$100,000 non-interest bearing loan made by Trivergance, LLC, an affiliate of Marc V. Byron, our chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Lowell D. Kraff, our president, and David Palmer and Jerry Stone, each a vice president of ours;

#### payment of \$7,500 per month to Trivergance, LLC for office space and related services; and

reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with certain activities on our behalf, such as identifying and investigating possible business targets and business combinations.

There is no limit on the amount of out-of-pocket expenses reimbursable by us to such individuals incurred in connection with their activities on our behalf.

Additionally, the initial purchasers of the insider warrants or their affiliates will be entitled to exercise such warrants on a cashless basis if we call the warrants for redemption. Furthermore, the holders of our initial shares, as well as the holders of the insider warrants (and underlying securities), will be entitled to registration rights requiring us to register the resale of their securities commencing after we consummate our initial business combination. Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation

As discussed below, there are specific provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation that may not be amended prior to our consummation of a business combination, including our requirements to seek stockholder approval of such a business combination and to allow our stockholders to seek conversion of their shares if they do not approve of such a business combination. While we have been advised that such provisions limiting our ability to amend our certificate of incorporation may not be enforceable under Delaware law, we view these provisions, which are contained in Article Seventh of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, as obligations to our stockholders and will not take any action to amend or waive these provisions.

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Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that we will continue in existence only until, 2010 [24 months from the date of this prospectus]. If we have not completed a business combination by such date, our corporate existence will cease except for the purposes of winding up our affairs and liquidating, pursuant to Section 278 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. This has the same effect as if our board of directors and stockholders had formally voted to approve our dissolution pursuant to Section 275 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Our counsel has advised us, although we have not requested a formal opinion from them, that, based on their analysis of the Delaware General Corporation Law and relevant case law, limiting our corporate existence to a specified date as permitted by Section 102(b)(5) of the Delaware General Corporation Law removes the necessity to comply with the formal procedures set forth in Section 275 (which would have required our board of directors and stockholders to formally vote to approve our dissolution and liquidation and to have filed a certificate of dissolution with the Delaware Secretary of State). Asking our counsel to research this issue is the only step we have taken to support this belief. In connection with any proposed business combination we submit to our stockholders for approval, we will also submit to stockholders a proposal to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to provide for our perpetual existence, thereby removing this limitation on our corporate existence. We will only consummate a business combination if stockholders vote both in favor of such business combination and our amendment to provide for our perpetual existence. The approval of the proposal to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to provide for our perpetual existence would require the affirmative vote of a majority of our outstanding shares of common stock. We view this provision terminating our corporate existence by , 2010 [24 months from the date of this prospectus] as an obligation to our stockholders and will not take any action to amend or waive this provision to allow us to exist for a longer period of time except in connection with the consummation of a business combination.

Stockholders must approve business combination

Pursuant to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, we will seek stockholder approval before we effect any business combination, even if the nature of the acquisition would not ordinarily require stockholder approval under applicable state

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law. We view this requirement as an obligation to our stockholders and will not take any action to amend or waive this provision in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation. In connection with the vote required for any business combination, all of our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, have agreed to vote the shares of common stock owned by them immediately before this offering in accordance with the majority of the shares of common stock voted by the public stockholders. We will proceed with a business combination only if (i) a majority of the shares of common stock voted by the public stockholders are voted in favor of the business combination (provided that a quorum is in attendance at the meeting, in person or by proxy) and (ii) public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights described below. Accordingly, it is our understanding and intention in every case to structure and consummate a business combination in which public stockholders owning approximately 29.99% of the shares sold in this offering may exercise their conversion rights and the business combination will still go forward. If a significant number of stockholders vote, or indicate their intention to vote, against a proposed business combination, our founders, officers, directors or their affiliates could seek to purchase units or shares of common stock in the open market or in private transactions in order to influence the vote. However, they have no present intention to do so, and as a result, have not taken any steps or contemplated any other methods that would be utilized in order to influence a vote on a proposed acquisition transaction.

Conversion rights for stockholders voting to reject a business combination

Pursuant to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, public stockholders voting against a business combination will be entitled to convert their stock into a pro rata share of the trust account (initially \$10.00 per share), plus any interest earned on their portion of the trust account but less any interest that has been released to us as described above to fund our working capital requirements and pay any of our tax obligations, if the business combination is approved and completed. We may proceed with a business combination as long as public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights. Accordingly, approximately 29.99% of the public stockholders may exercise their conversion rights and we could still consummate a proposed business combination. We have set the conversion

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percentage at 30% in order to reduce the likelihood that a small group of investors holding a block of our stock will be able to stop us from completing a business combination that is otherwise approved by a large majority of our public stockholders. While there are several other offerings similar to ours which include conversion provisions of between 20% to 30%, the 20% threshold was previously customary and standard for offerings similar to ours. We view this requirement as an obligation to our stockholders and will not take any action to amend or waive this provision in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation. Our existing stockholders will not have such conversion rights with respect to any shares of common stock owned by them, directly or indirectly, whether included in or underlying their initial shares or purchased by them in this offering or in the aftermarket. Public stockholders who convert their stock into their pro-rata share of the trust account will continue to have the right to exercise any warrants they may hold.

An eligible stockholder may request conversion at any time after the mailing to our stockholders of the proxy statement and prior to the vote taken with respect to a proposed business combination at a meeting held for that purpose, but the request will not be granted unless the stockholder votes against the business combination and the business combination is approved and completed. Additionally, we may require public stockholders, whether they are a record holder or hold their shares in street name, to either tender their certificates to our transfer agent at any time through the vote on the business combination or to deliver their shares to the transfer agent electronically using Depository Trust Company s DWAC (Deposit/Withdrawal At Custodian) System, at the holder s option. There is a nominal cost associated with this tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or delivering them through the DWAC system. The transfer agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$35 and it would be up to the broker whether or not to pass this cost on to the converting holder.

The proxy solicitation materials that we will furnish to stockholders in connection with the vote for any proposed business combination will indicate whether we are requiring stockholders to satisfy such certification and delivery requirements. Accordingly, a stockholder would have from the time we send out our proxy statement through the vote on the business combination to deliver his

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shares if he wishes to seek to exercise his conversion rights. This time period varies depending on the specific facts of each transaction. However, as the delivery process can be accomplished by the stockholder, whether or not he is a record holder or his shares are held in street name, in a matter of hours by simply contacting the transfer agent or his broker and requesting delivery of his shares through the DWAC System, we believe this time period is sufficient for an average investor.

Any request for conversion, once made, may be withdrawn at any time up to the date of the meeting. Furthermore, if a stockholder delivered his certificate for conversion and subsequently decided prior to the meeting not to elect conversion, he may simply request that the transfer agent return the certificate (physically or electronically). If a vote on our initial business combination is held and the business combination is not approved, we may continue to try to consummate a business combination with an alternate target until , 2010 **[24 months from the date of this prospectus].** If the initial business combination is not approved or completed for any reason, then public stockholders voting against our initial business combination who exercised their conversion rights would not be entitled to convert their shares of common stock into a pro rata share of the aggregate amount then on deposit in the trust account. In such case, if we have required public stockholders to deliver their certificates prior to the meeting, we will promptly return such certificates to the public stockholder.

Because converting stockholders will receive their proportionate share of the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and the underwriters will be paid the full amount of their deferred underwriting compensation at the time of the consummation of our initial business combination, our company (and, therefore, the non-converting stockholders) will bear the financial effect of such payments to both the converting stockholders and the underwriters.

Liquidation if no business combination

As described above, if we have not consummated a business combination by , 2010 [24 months from the date of this prospectus], our corporate existence will cease by operation of law and we will promptly distribute only to our public stockholders the amount in our trust account (including any accrued interest then remaining in the trust account) plus any remaining net assets.

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We cannot assure you that the per-share distribution from the trust account, if we liquidate, will not be less than \$10.00, plus interest then held in the trust account for the following reasons:

Prior to liquidation, pursuant to Section 281 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, we will adopt a plan that will provide for our payment, based on facts known to us at such time, of (i) all existing claims, (ii) all pending claims and (iii) all claims that may be potentially brought against us within the subsequent 10 years. Accordingly, we would be required to provide for any creditors known to us at that time as well as provide for any claims that we believe could potentially be brought against us within the subsequent 10 years prior to distributing the funds held in the trust to our public stockholders. We cannot assure you that we will properly assess all claims that may be potentially brought against us. As such, our stockholders could potentially be liable for any claims of creditors to the extent of distributions received by them (but no more).

We will seek to have all vendors and service providers (which would include any third parties we engaged to assist us in any way in connection with our search for a target business) and prospective target businesses execute agreements with us waiving any right, title, interest or claim of any kind they may have in or to any monies held in the trust account. However, we have not received any such waivers yet and there is no guarantee that they will execute such agreements. Nor is there any guarantee that, even if such entities execute such agreements with us, they will not seek recourse against the trust account or that a court would not conclude that such agreements are not legally enforceable. Marc V. Byron, our chairman of the board and chief executive officer, and Lowell D. Kraff, our president, have agreed that they will be personally liable to ensure that the proceeds in the trust account are not reduced by the claims of target businesses or claims of vendors or other entities that are owed money by us for services rendered or contracted for or products sold to us.

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However, the agreement entered into by Messrs. Byron and Kraff specifically provides that there will be no liability as to any claimed amounts owed to a third party who executed a waiver, including the underwriters (even if such waiver is subsequently found to be invalid and unenforceable). Furthermore, there could be claims from parties other than vendors or target businesses that would not be covered by the indemnity from Messrs. Byron and Kraff, such as stockholders and other claimants who are not parties in contract with us who file a claim for damages against us. We cannot assure you that they will be able to satisfy those obligations if they are required to do so and if they refused to satisfy their obligations, our board of directors would have a fiduciary obligation, and we would be required, to bring a claim against them to enforce our indemnification rights.

We anticipate the distribution of the funds in the trust account to our public stockholders will occur by , 2010 **[10 business days from the date our corporate existence ceases]**. Our existing stockholders have waived their rights to participate in any liquidation distribution with respect to their initial shares. We will pay the costs of liquidation from our remaining assets outside of the trust account. If such funds are insufficient, Marc V. Byron and Lowell D. Kraff have agreed to advance us the funds necessary to complete such liquidation (currently anticipated to be no more than approximately \$15,000) and have agreed not to seek repayment for such expenses.

Escrow of initial shares and insider warrants

On the date of this prospectus, all of our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, will place their initial shares into an escrow account maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as escrow agent. Subject to certain limited exceptions (such as (i) transfers to an entity s members upon its liquidation, (ii) to relatives and trusts for estate planning purposes or (iii) by private sales made at or prior to the consummation of a business combination at prices no greater than the price at which the shares were originally purchased, in each case where the transferee agrees to the terms of the escrow agreement), these shares will not be transferable during the escrow period and will not be released from escrow until the earlier of:

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one year after the consummation of a business combination;

the last sales price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period commencing after the consummation of our business combination; or

we consummate a subsequent liquidation, merger, stock exchange or other similar transaction that results in our

stockholders having the right to exchange their shares of common stock for cash, securities or other property. Additionally, on the date of this prospectus, the purchasers of the insider warrants will place such warrants into a separate escrow account maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as escrow agent. Subject to certain limited exceptions, (such as transfers to relatives and trusts for estate planning purposes, while remaining in escrow), the insider warrants will not be transferable during the escrow period and will not be released from escrow until 45 days after the completion of our business combination.

#### Right of First Review

In order to minimize potential conflicts of interest which may arise from multiple corporate affiliations, each of our officers has agreed, until the earliest of a business combination, our liquidation or such time as he or she ceases to be an officer, to present to our company for our consideration, prior to presentation to any other entity, any suitable business opportunity which may reasonably be required to be presented to us, subject to any pre-existing fiduciary or contractual obligations he might have.

#### Determination of offering size

We agreed to an offering size of \$180 million based on the previous transactional experience of our principals. We also considered the size of the offering to be an amount we and the underwriters believed to be successfully received given market conditions, our proposed industry focus and the size of initial public offerings of other similarly structured blank check companies.

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### SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA

The following table summarizes the relevant financial data for our business and should be read with our financial statements, which are included in this prospectus. We have not had any significant operations to date, so only balance sheet data is presented.

	December 31, 2007	
	Actual	As Adjusted <sup>(1)</sup>
Balance Sheet Data:		
Working capital (deficiency)	\$(151,475)	\$172,024,327
Total assets	188,603	180,124,327
Total liabilities	164,276	8,100,000
Value of common stock which may be converted to cash		53,999,990
Stockholders equity	24,327	118,024,337

Includes the \$5,250,000 we will receive from the sale of the insider warrants. Additionally, if a business combination is consummated, public stockholders who voted against the business combination and exercised their

(1) conversion rights would be entitled to receive \$10.00 per share, which amount represents approximately \$9.55 per share from the proceeds of this offering and the private placement and \$0.45 per share of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions.

The as adjusted information gives effect to the sale of the units we are offering, including the application of the related gross proceeds and the payment of the estimated remaining costs from such sale and the repayment of the accrued and other liabilities required to be repaid.

The working capital excludes \$175,802 of costs related to this offering which were paid or incurred prior to December 31, 2007. These deferred offering costs have been recorded as a long-term asset and are reclassified against stockholders equity in the as adjusted information.

The as adjusted working capital includes \$171,900,000 to be held in the trust account, which will be available to us only upon the consummation of a business combination within the time period described in this prospectus. The as adjusted total assets includes an additional \$8,100,000 (or \$0.45 per share) to be placed in trust relating to deferred underwriting discounts and commissions payable to the underwriters in the offering only if we consummate a business combination. If a business combination is not so consummated, the trust account, and all accrued interest earned thereon less (i) up to \$1,800,000 that may be released to us to fund our expenses and other working capital requirements and (ii) any amounts released to us to pay our income or other tax obligations, will be distributed solely to our public stockholders (subject to our obligations under Delaware law to provide for claims of creditors).

We will not proceed with a business combination if public stockholders owning 30% or more of the shares sold in this offering vote against the business combination and exercise their conversion rights. Accordingly, we may effect a business combination if public stockholders owning up to approximately 29.99% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights. If this occurred, we would be required to convert to cash up to approximately 29.99% of the 18,000,000 shares sold in this offering, or 5,399,999 shares of common stock, at an initial per-share conversion price of \$10.00 (for a total of approximately \$53,999,990), without taking into account interest earned on the trust account. The actual per-share conversion price will be equal to:

the amount in the trust account, including all accrued interest after distribution of interest income on the trust account balance to us as described above, as of two business days prior to the proposed consummation of the business combination,

divided by the number of shares of common stock underlying the units sold in this offering. Because converting stockholders will receive their proportionate share of the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and the underwriters will be paid the full amount of their deferred underwriting compensation at the time

of the consummation of our initial business combination, our company (and, therefore, the non-converting stockholders) will bear the financial effect of such payments to both the converting stockholders and the underwriters.

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## **RISK FACTORS**

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the material risks described below, which we believe represent all the material risks related to the offering, together with the other information contained in this prospectus, before making a decision to invest in our units. If any of the following events occur, our business, financial condition and operating results may be materially adversely affected. In that event, the trading price of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment.

### **Risks Associated With Our Business**

#### We are a development stage company with no operating history and, accordingly, you will not have any basis on which to evaluate our ability to achieve our business objective.

We are a recently incorporated development stage company with no operating results to date. Therefore, our ability to commence operations is dependent upon obtaining financing through the public offering of our securities. Since we do not have an operating history, you will have no basis upon which to evaluate our ability to achieve our business objective, which is to acquire an operating business. We have not conducted any discussions and we have no plans,

arrangements or understandings with any prospective acquisition candidates. We will not generate any operating revenues until, at the earliest, after the consummation of a business combination.

## If we are forced to liquidate before a business combination and distribute the trust account, our public stockholders may receive less than \$10.00 per share and our warrants will expire worthless.

If we are unable to complete a business combination within the prescribed time frames and are forced to liquidate our assets, the per-share liquidation distribution may be less than \$10.00 because of the expenses of this offering, our general and administrative expenses and the anticipated costs of seeking a business combination. Furthermore, there will be no distribution with respect to our outstanding warrants which will expire worthless if we liquidate before the completion of a business combination.

## If we are unable to consummate a business combination, our public stockholders will be forced to wait the full 24 months before receiving liquidation distributions.

We have 24 months in which to complete a business combination. We have no obligation to return funds to investors prior to such date unless we consummate a business combination prior thereto and only then in cases where investors have sought conversion of their shares. Only after the expiration of this full time period will public stockholders be entitled to liquidation distributions if we are unable to complete a business combination. Accordingly, investors funds may be unavailable to them until such date.

## If the net proceeds of this offering not being held in trust are insufficient to allow us to operate for at least the next 24 months, we may be unable to complete a business combination.

We believe that, upon consummation of this offering, the funds available to us outside of the trust account, plus the interest earned on the funds held in the trust account that may be available to us, will be sufficient to allow us to operate for at least the next 24 months, assuming that a business combination is not consummated during that time. However, we cannot assure you that our estimates will be accurate. We could use a portion of the funds available to us to pay fees to consultants to assist us with our search for a target business. We could also use a portion of the funds as a down payment or to fund a no-shop provision (a provision in a letter of intent designed to keep target businesses from shopping around for transactions with other companies on terms more favorable to such target businesses) with respect to a particular proposed business combination, although we do not have any current intention to do so. If we entered into a letter of intent where we paid for the right of exclusivity from a target business and were subsequently required to forfeit such funds (whether as a result of our breach or otherwise), we might not have sufficient funds to continue searching for, or conduct due diligence with respect to, a target business.

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#### We may proceed with a business combination even if public stockholders owning approximately 29.99% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights.

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We may proceed with a business combination as long as public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights. Accordingly, approximately 29.99% of the public stockholders may exercise their conversion rights and we could still consummate a proposed business combination. We have set the conversion percentage at a maximum of 30% in order to reduce the likelihood that a small group of investors holding a block of our stock will be able to stop us from completing a business combination that is otherwise approved by a large majority of our public stockholders. While there are a few other offerings similar to ours that include conversion provisions greater than 20%, the 20% threshold is customary and standard for offerings similar to ours.

Our business combination may require us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price. In such a case, because we will not know how many stockholders may exercise such conversion rights, we may need to arrange third party financing to help fund our business combination in case a larger percentage of stockholders exercise their conversion rights than we expect. Additionally, even if our business combination does not require us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price, if a significant number of stockholders exercise their conversion rights, we will have less cash available to use in furthering our business plans following a business combination and may need to arrange third party financing. We have not taken any steps to secure third party financing for either situation. We cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain such third party financing on terms favorable to us or at

all.

## You will not be entitled to protections normally afforded to investors of blank check companies.

Since the net proceeds of this offering are intended to be used to complete a business combination with a target business that has not been identified, we may be deemed to be a blank check company under the United States securities laws. However, since our securities will be listed on the American Stock Exchange, a national securities exchange, and we will have net tangible assets in excess of \$5,000,000 upon the successful consummation of this offering and will file a Current Report on Form 8-K, including an audited balance sheet demonstrating this fact, we are exempt from rules promulgated by the SEC to protect investors in blank check companies such as Rule 419 under the Securities Act. Accordingly, investors will not be afforded the benefits or protections of those rules. Because the SEC has taken the position that we are not subject to Rule 419, our units will be immediately tradable and we have a longer period of time to complete a business combination than we would if we were subject to such rule.

## Because there are numerous companies with a business plan similar to ours seeking to effectuate a business combination, it may be more difficult for us to do so.

Since August 2003, based upon publicly available information, approximately similarly structured blank check companies have completed initial public offerings in the United States. Of these companies, only companies have consummated a business combination, while other companies have announced they have entered into a definitive agreement for a business combination, but have not consummated such business combination, and companies have failed to complete business combinations and have either dissolved or announced their intention to dissolve and return trust proceeds to their stockholders. Accordingly, there are approximately blank check companies with more than \$ billion in trust that are seeking to carry out a business plan similar to our business plan. Furthermore, there are a number of additional offerings for blank check companies that are still in the registration process but have not completed initial public offerings and there are likely to be more blank check companies filing registration statements for initial public offerings after the date of this prospectus and prior to our completion of a business combination. While some of those companies must complete a business combination in specific industries, a number of them may consummate a business combination in any industry they choose. Therefore, we may be subject to competition from these and other companies seeking to consummate a business plan similar to ours. Because of this competition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to effectuate a business combination within the required time periods.

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#### We will depend on interest earned on the trust account to fund our search for a target business or businesses, to pay our tax obligations and to complete our initial business combination.

Of the net proceeds of this offering, only \$100,000 will be available to us initially outside the trust account to fund our working capital requirements. We will depend on sufficient interest being earned on the proceeds held in the trust account to provide us with additional working capital we will need to identify one or more target businesses and to complete our initial business combination, as well as to pay any tax obligations that we may owe. While we are entitled to have released to us for such purposes certain interest earned on the funds in the trust account, a substantial decline in interest rates may result in our having insufficient funds available with which to structure, negotiate or close an initial business combination. In such event, we would need to borrow funds from our initial stockholders to operate or may be forced to liquidate. Our initial stockholders are under no obligation to advance funds in such circumstances.

## If third parties bring claims against us, the proceeds held in trust could be reduced and the per-share liquidation price received by stockholders will be less than \$10.00 per share.

Our placing of funds in trust may not protect those funds from third party claims against us. Although we will seek to have all vendors and service providers we engage and prospective target businesses we negotiate with, execute agreements with us waiving any right, title, interest or claim of any kind in or to any monies held in the trust account for the benefit of our public stockholders, there is no guarantee that they will execute such agreements. Furthermore, there is no guarantee that, even if such entities execute such agreements with us, they will not seek recourse against the trust account. Nor is there any guarantee that a court would uphold the validity of such agreements. Accordingly, the proceeds held in trust could be subject to claims that could take priority over those of our public stockholders. If we liquidate before the completion of a business combination and distribute the proceeds held in trust to our public stockholders, Marc V. Byron and Lowell D. Kraff have agreed that they will be personally liable to ensure that the proceeds in the trust account are not reduced by the claims of target businesses or claims of vendors or other entities that are owed money by us for services rendered or contracted for or products sold to us. However, the agreement entered into by Messrs. Byron and Kraff specifically provides for two exceptions to this indemnity: there will be no liability (1) as to any claimed amounts owed to a third party who executed a waiver (even if such waiver is subsequently found to be invalid and unenforceable) or (2) as to any claims under our indemnity of the underwriters of this offering against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. Furthermore, there could be claims from parties other than vendors or target businesses that would not be covered by the indemnity from Messrs. Byron and Kraff, such as stockholders and other claimants who are not parties in contract with us who file a claim for damages against us. Because we will seek to have all vendors and prospective target businesses execute agreements with us waiving any right, title, interest or claim of any kind they may have in or to any monies held in the trust account, we believe the likelihood of Messrs. Byron and Kraff having any such obligations is minimal. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we have questioned Messrs. Byron and Kraff on their financial net worth and reviewed their financial information and believe they will be able to satisfy any indemnification obligations that may arise. However, we cannot assure you that he will be able to satisfy those obligations. Therefore, we cannot assure you that the per-share distribution from the trust fund, if we liquidate, will not be less than \$10.00, plus interest, due to such claims.

Additionally, if we are forced to file a bankruptcy case or an involuntary bankruptcy case is filed against us which is not dismissed, the proceeds held in the trust account could be subject to applicable bankruptcy law, and may be

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included in our bankruptcy estate and subject to the claims of third parties with priority over the claims of our stockholders. To the extent any bankruptcy claims deplete the trust account, we cannot assure you we will be able to return to our public stockholders at least \$10.00 per share.

## Our stockholders may be held liable for claims by third parties against us to the extent of distributions received by them.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we will continue in existence only until 24 months from the date of this prospectus. If we have not completed a business combination by such date and amended this provision in connection thereto, pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law, our corporate existence will cease except for the purposes of winding up our affairs and liquidating. Under Sections 280 through 282 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, stockholders may be held liable for claims by third parties against a corporation to the extent of distributions received by them in a dissolution.

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If the corporation complies with certain procedures set forth in Section 280 of the Delaware General Corporation Law intended to ensure that it makes reasonable provision for all claims against it, including a 60-day notice period during which any third-party claims can be brought against the corporation, a 90-day period during which the corporation may reject any claims brought, and an additional 150-day waiting period before any liquidating distributions are made to stockholders, any liability of stockholders with respect to a liquidating distribution is limited to the lesser of such stockholder s pro rata share of the claim or the amount distributed to the stockholder, and any liability of the stockholder would be barred after the third anniversary of the dissolution. However, it is our intention to make liquidating distributions to our stockholders as soon as reasonably possible after the expiration of the 24 month period and, therefore, we do not intend to comply with those procedures. Because we will not be complying with those procedures, we are required, pursuant to Section 281 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, to adopt a plan that will provide for our payment, based on facts known to us at such time, of (i) all existing claims, (ii) all pending claims and (iii) all claims that may be potentially brought against us within the subsequent 10 years. Accordingly, we would be required to provide for any creditors known to us at that time or those that we believe could be potentially brought against us within the subsequent 10 years prior to distributing the funds held in the trust to stockholders. We cannot assure you that we will properly assess all claims that may be potentially brought against us. As such, our stockholders could potentially be liable for any claims to the extent of distributions received by them (but no more) and any liability of our stockholders may extend well beyond the third anniversary of the date of distribution. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that third parties will not seek to recover from our stockholders amounts owed to them by us.

If we are forced to file a bankruptcy case or an involuntary bankruptcy case is filed against us which is not dismissed, any distributions received by stockholders could be viewed under applicable debtor/creditor and/or bankruptcy laws as either a preferential transfer or a fraudulent conveyance. As a result, a bankruptcy court could seek to recover all amounts received by our stockholders. Furthermore, because we intend to distribute the proceeds held in the trust account to our public stockholders promptly after , 2010 **[24 months from the date of this prospectus]**, this may be viewed or interpreted as giving preference to our public stockholders over any potential creditors with respect to access to or distributions from our assets. Furthermore, our board may be viewed as having breached their fiduciary duties to our creditors and/or may have acted in bad faith, and thereby exposing itself and our company to claims of punitive damages, by paying public stockholders from the trust account prior to addressing the claims of creditors. We cannot assure you that claims will not be brought against us for these reasons.

# An effective registration statement may not be in place when an investor desires to exercise warrants, thus precluding such investor from being able to exercise his, her or its warrants and causing such warrants to be practically worthless.

No warrant held by public stockholders will be exercisable and we will not be obligated to issue shares of common stock unless at the time a holder seeks to exercise such warrant, a prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrant is current. Under the terms of the warrant agreement, we have agreed to use our best efforts to meet these conditions and to maintain a current prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants until the expiration of the warrants. However, we cannot assure you that we will be able to do so, and if we do not maintain a current prospectus related to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants, holders will be unable to exercise their warrants and we will not be required to settle any such warrant exercise, whether by net cash settlement or otherwise. If the prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon the exercise of the warrants is not current, the warrants may have no value, the market for the warrants may be limited and the warrants may expire worthless. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the insider warrants may be exercisable for unregistered shares of common stock even if the prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants is not current.

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#### An investor will only be able to exercise a warrant if the issuance of common stock upon such exercise has been registered or qualified or is deemed exempt under the securities laws of the state of residence of the holder of the warrants.

No warrants will be exercisable and we will not be obligated to issue shares of common stock unless the common stock issuable upon such exercise has been registered or qualified or deemed to be exempt under the securities laws of the state of residence of the holder of the warrants. At the time that the warrants become exercisable (following our completion of a business combination), we expect to continue to be listed on a national securities exchange, which would provide an exemption from registration in every state. Accordingly, we believe holders in every state will be able to exercise their warrants as long as our prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants is current. However, we cannot assure you of this fact. As a result, the warrants may be deprived of any value, the market for the warrants may be limited and the holders of warrants may not be able to exercise their warrants if the common stock issuable upon such exercise is not qualified or exempt from qualification in the jurisdictions in which the holders of the warrants reside.

#### Since we have not yet selected a particular industry or target business with which to complete a business combination, we are unable to currently ascertain the merits or risks of the industry or business in which we may ultimately operate.

We may consummate a business combination with a company in any industry we choose and are not limited to any particular industry or type of business. Accordingly, there is no current basis for you to evaluate the possible merits or risks of the particular industry in which we may ultimately operate or the target business which we may ultimately acquire. To the extent we complete a business combination with a financially unstable company or an entity in its

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development stage, we may be affected by numerous risks inherent in the business operations of those entities. If we complete a business combination with an entity in an industry characterized by a high level of risk, we may be affected by the currently unascertainable risks of that industry. Although our management will endeavor to evaluate the risks inherent in a particular industry or target business, we cannot assure you that we will properly ascertain or assess all of the significant risk factors. We also cannot assure you that an investment in our units will not ultimately prove to be less favorable to investors in this offering than a direct investment, if an opportunity were available, in a target business.

## We may issue shares of our capital stock or debt securities to complete a business combination, which would reduce the equity interest of our stockholders and likely cause a change in control of our ownership.

Our certificate of incorporation offering authorizes the issuance of up to 55,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.0001 per share, and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.0001 per share. Immediately after this offering and the purchase of the insider warrants (assuming no exercise of the over-allotment option), there will be 9,250,000 authorized but unissued shares of our common stock available for issuance (after appropriate reservation for the issuance of the shares upon full exercise of our outstanding warrants) and all of the 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock available for issuance. Although we have no commitment as of the date of this offering, we may issue a substantial number of additional shares of our common or preferred stock, or a combination of common and preferred stock, to complete a business combination. The issuance of additional shares of our preferred stock:

may significantly reduce the equity interest of investors in this offering;

may subordinate the rights of holders of common stock if we issue preferred stock with rights senior to those afforded to our common stock;

will likely cause a change in control if a substantial number of our shares of common stock are issued, which may affect, among other things, our ability to use our net operating loss carry forwards, if any, and could result in the resignation or removal of our present officers and directors; and may adversely affect prevailing market prices for our common stock.

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Similarly, if we issue debt securities, it could result in:

default and foreclosure on our assets if our operating revenues after a business combination are insufficient to repay our debt obligations;

acceleration of our obligations to repay the indebtedness even if we make all principal and interest payments when due if we breach certain covenants that require the maintenance of certain financial ratios or reserves without a waiver or renegotiation of that covenant;

our immediate payment of all principal and accrued interest, if any, if the debt security is payable on demand; and our inability to obtain necessary additional financing if the debt security contains covenants restricting our ability to obtain such financing while the debt security is outstanding.

## Our ability to successfully effect a business combination and to be successful thereafter will be totally dependent upon the efforts of our key personnel, some of whom may join us following a business combination.

Our ability to successfully effect a business combination is dependent upon the efforts of our key personnel. The role of our key personnel in the target business, however, cannot presently be ascertained. Although some of our key

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personnel such as Marc V. Byron or Lowell D. Kraff may remain with the target business in senior management or advisory positions following a business combination, it is likely that some or all of the management of the target business will remain in place. While we intend to closely scrutinize any individuals we engage after a business combination, we cannot assure you that our assessment of these individuals will prove to be correct. These individuals may be unfamiliar with the requirements of operating a public company, which could cause us to have to expend time and resources helping them become familiar with such requirements. This could be expensive and time-consuming and could lead to various regulatory issues that may adversely affect our operations.

#### Our key personnel may negotiate employment or consulting agreements with a target business in connection with a particular business combination. These agreements may provide for them to receive compensation following a business combination and as a result, may cause them to have conflicts of interest in determining whether a particular business combination is the most advantageous.

Our key personnel will be able to remain with the company after the consummation of a business combination only if they are able to negotiate employment or consulting agreements in connection with the business combination. Such negotiations would take place simultaneously with the negotiation of the business combination and could provide for such individuals to receive compensation in the form of cash payments and/or our securities for services they would render to the company after the consummation of the business combination. The personal and financial interests of such individuals may influence their motivation in identifying and selecting a target business. However, we believe the ability of such individuals to remain with the company after the consummation of a business combination will not be the determining factor in our decision as to whether or not we will proceed with any potential business combination.

# Our officers and directors will allocate their time to other businesses thereby causing conflicts of interest in their determination as to how much time to devote to our affairs. This conflict of interest could have a negative impact on our ability to consummate a business combination.

Our officers and directors are not required to commit their full time to our affairs, which could create a conflict of interest when allocating their time between our operations and their other commitments. We do not intend to have any full time employees prior to the consummation of a business combination. All of our executive officers are engaged in several other business endeavors and are not obligated to devote any specific number of hours to our affairs. If our officers and directors other business affairs require them to devote more substantial amounts of time to such affairs, it could limit their ability to devote time to our affairs and could have a negative impact on our ability to consummate a business combination. We cannot assure you that these conflicts will be resolved in our favor. As a result, a potential target business may be presented to another entity prior to its presentation to us and we may miss out on a potential transaction.

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#### Our officers and directors are now, and may in the future become, affiliated with entities engaged in business activities similar to those intended to be conducted by us and accordingly, may have conflicts of interest in

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## determining to which entity a particular business opportunity should be presented.

None of our officers or directors has been or currently is a principal of, or affiliated with, a blank check company. However, our officers and directors are now, and may in the future become, affiliated with entities, including other blank check companies, engaged in business activities similar to those intended to be conducted by us. For a complete description of our officers and directors current affiliations, see the section titled Management Conflicts of Interest. Additionally, our officers and directors may become aware of business opportunities that may be appropriate for presentation to us and the other entities to which they owe fiduciary duties. Accordingly, they may have conflicts of interest in determining to which entity a particular business opportunity should be presented. We cannot assure you that these conflicts will be resolved in our favor. As a result, a potential target business may be presented to another entity prior to its presentation to us and we may miss out on a potential transaction.

#### All of our officers and directors own shares of our common stock issued prior to the offering and some of them will own warrants following this offering. These shares and warrants will not participate in liquidation distributions and, therefore, our officers and directors may have a conflict of interest in determining whether a particular target business is appropriate for a business combination.

All of our officers and directors own shares of our common stock that were issued prior to this offering and are purchasing insider warrants upon consummation of this offering. Such individuals have waived their right to receive distributions with respect to their initial shares upon our liquidation if we are unable to consummate a business combination. Accordingly, the shares acquired prior to this offering, as well as the insider warrants, and any warrants purchased by our officers or directors in this offering or in the aftermarket will be worthless if we do not consummate a business combination. The personal and financial interests of our directors and officers may influence their motivation in timely identifying and selecting a target business and completing a business combination. Consequently, our directors and officers discretion in identifying and selecting a suitable target business may result in a conflict of interest when determining whether the terms, conditions and timing of a particular business combination are appropriate and in our stockholders best interest.

#### Marc V. Byron, our chairman of the board and chief executive officer, is party to an agreement that may restrict our ability to consummate a business combination with a target business in a certain line of business.

Marc V. Byron and Trivergance are parties to an operating agreement with MG, LLC, d/b/a Tranzact and certain other related entities. Tranzact is a leader in providing end-to-end technology-driven customer acquisition solutions to the financial services and media and telecommunications sectors. The operating agreement contains a non-competition clause that generally provides that Mr. Byron, Trivergance and any of their affiliates (which would include Lowell D. Kraff, David Palmer and Jerry Stone) will not, during the term of the operating agreement, engage, directly or indirectly, in a business that is directly engaged in:

designing, managing and executing direct marketing and order management programs and systems as a service provider (a covered business ); or

providing any lead generation business that is not incidental to such person s primary business (also a covered business ); or

any activities that are otherwise competitive with a material portion of the service provider business of Tranzact as then conducted, or which Tranzact, or its subsidiaries, has taken material steps toward conducting.

Our officers and directors are now, and may in the future become, affiliated with entities engaged in business activities

Additionally, if Mr. Byron, Trivergance or their affiliates were to try to acquire a covered business, they would be obligated to simultaneously offer both Tranzact and certain entities related to Veronis Suhler Stevenson the right to acquire such covered business first. The foregoing may hinder our ability to complete a business combination with a covered business or in the same line of business that Tranzact operates.

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## The American Stock Exchange may delist our securities from quotation on its exchange which could limit investors ability to make transactions in our securities and subject us to additional trading restrictions.

We anticipate that our securities will be listed on the American Stock Exchange, a national securities exchange, upon consummation of this offering. We cannot assure you that our securities will continue to be listed on the American Stock Exchange in the future prior to a business combination. Additionally, in connection with our business combination, it is likely that the American Stock Exchange may require us to file a new initial listing application and meet its initial listing requirements as opposed to its more lenient continued listing requirements. We cannot assure you that we will be able to meet those initial listing requirements at that time.

If the American Stock Exchange delists our securities from trading on its exchange, we could face significant material adverse consequences, including:

a limited availability of market quotations for our securities;

a determination that our common stock is a penny stock which will require brokers trading in our common stock to adhere to more stringent rules, possibly resulting in a reduced level of trading activity in the secondary trading market for our common stock;

a limited amount of news and analyst coverage for our company; and a decreased ability to issue additional securities or obtain additional financing in the future.

## We may only be able to complete one business combination with the proceeds of this offering, which will cause us to be solely dependent on a single business that may have a limited number of products or services.

Our business combination must be with a business with a fair market value of at least 80% of our net assets at the time of such acquisition, although this may entail the simultaneous acquisitions of several operating businesses at the same time. By consummating a business combination with only a single entity, our lack of diversification may subject us to numerous economic, competitive and regulatory developments. Further, we would not be able to diversify our operations or benefit from the possible spreading of risks or offsetting of losses, unlike other entities that may have the resources to complete several business combinations in different industries or different areas of a single industry. Accordingly, the prospects for our success may be:

solely dependent upon the performance of a single business, or

dependent upon the development or market acceptance of a single or limited number of products, processes or services.

This lack of diversification may subject us to numerous economic, competitive and regulatory developments, any or all of which may have a substantial adverse impact upon the particular industry in which we may operate subsequent to a business combination.

Alternatively, if we determine to simultaneously acquire several businesses and such businesses are owned by different sellers, we will need for each of such sellers to agree that our purchase of its business is contingent on the simultaneous closings of the other business combinations, which may make it more difficult for us, and delay our ability, to complete the business combination. With multiple business combinations, we could also face additional risks, including additional burdens and costs with respect to possible multiple negotiations and due diligence investigations (if there are multiple sellers) and the additional risks associated with the subsequent assimilation of the operations and services or products of the acquired companies in a single operating business. If we are unable to adequately address these risks, it could negatively impact our profitability and results of operations.

## The ability of our stockholders to exercise their conversion rights may not allow us to effectuate the most desirable business combination or optimize our capital structure.

When we seek stockholder approval of any business combination, we will offer each public stockholder (but not our existing stockholders) the right to have his, her or its shares of common stock converted to cash if the stockholder votes against the business combination and the business combination is approved and completed. Such holder must both vote against such business combination and then exercise his, her or its

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conversion rights to receive a pro rata portion of the trust account. Accordingly, if our business combination requires us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price, because we will not know how many stockholders may exercise such conversion rights, we may either need to reserve part of the trust account for possible payment upon such conversion, or we may need to arrange third party financing to help fund our business combination in case a larger percentage of stockholders exercise their conversion rights than we expect. Since we have no specific business combination under consideration, we have not taken any steps to secure third party financing. Therefore, we may not be able to consummate a business combination that requires us to use all of the funds held in the trust account as part of the purchase price, or we may end up having a leverage ratio that is not optimal for our business combination. This may limit our ability to effectuate the most attractive business combination available to us.

#### We may require stockholders who wish to convert their shares in connection with a proposed business combination to comply with specific requirements for conversion that may make it more difficult for them to exercise their conversion rights prior to the deadline for exercising their rights.

We may require public stockholders who wish to convert their shares in connection with a proposed business combination to either tender their certificates to our transfer agent at any time prior to the vote taken at the stockholder meeting relating to such business combination or to deliver their shares to the transfer agent electronically using the Depository Trust Company s DWAC (Deposit/Withdrawal At Custodian) System. In order to obtain a physical stock certificate, a stockholder s broker and/or clearing broker, DTC and our transfer agent will need to act to facilitate this request. It is our understanding that stockholders should generally allot at least two weeks to obtain physical certificates from the transfer agent. However, because we do not have any control over this process or over the brokers or DTC, it may take significantly longer than two weeks to obtain a physical stock certificate. While we have been advised that it takes a short time to deliver shares through the DWAC System, we cannot assure you of this fact. Accordingly, if it takes longer than we anticipate for stockholders to deliver their shares, stockholders who wish to convert may be unable to meet the deadline for exercising their conversion rights and thus may be unable to convert their shares.

We may only be able to complete one business combination with theproceeds of this offering, which will cause us to

#### We may proceed with a business combination even if public stockholders owning approximately 29.99% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights. This may not allow us to consummate the most attractive business combination to us.

We may proceed with a business combination as long as public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights. Accordingly, approximately 29.99% of the public stockholders may exercise their conversion rights and we could still consummate a proposed business combination. We have set the conversion percentage at 30% in order to reduce the likelihood that a small group of investors holding a block of our stock will be able to stop us from completing a business combination that is otherwise approved by a large majority of our public stockholders. While there are several other offerings similar to ours which include conversion provisions of between 20% and 30%, the 20% threshold used to be more customary and standard for offerings similar to ours.

Our business combination may require us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price. In such a case, because we will not know how many stockholders may exercise such conversion rights, we may need to arrange third party financing to help fund our business combination in case a larger percentage of stockholders exercise their conversion rights than we expect. Additionally, even if our business combination does not require us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price, if a significant number of stockholders exercise their conversion rights, we will have less cash available to use in furthering our business plans following a business combination and may need to arrange third party financing. We have not taken any steps to secure third party financing for either situation. We cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain such third party financing on terms favorable to us or at all.

## Because of our limited resources and structure, we may not be able to consummate an attractive business combination.

We expect to encounter intense competition from entities other than blank check companies having a business objective similar to ours, including venture capital funds, leveraged buyout funds and operating businesses competing for acquisitions. Many of these entities are well established and have extensive experience in identifying and effecting business combinations directly or through affiliates. Many of these

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competitors possess greater technical, human and other resources than we do and our financial resources will be relatively limited when contrasted with those of many of these competitors. While we believe that there are numerous potential target businesses that we could acquire with the net proceeds of this offering, our ability to compete in acquiring certain sizable target businesses will be limited by our available financial resources. This inherent competitive limitation gives others an advantage in pursuing the acquisition of certain target businesses. Furthermore, the obligation we have to seek stockholder approval of a business combination may delay the consummation of a transaction. Additionally, our outstanding warrants, and the future dilution they potentially represent, may not be viewed favorably by certain target businesses. Any of these obligations may place us at a competitive disadvantage in successfully negotiating a business combination. Because only of the blank check companies that have gone public in the United States since August 2003 have either consummated a business combination or entered into a definitive agreement for a business combination, it may indicate that there are fewer attractive target businesses available to such entities like our company or that many privately held target businesses are not inclined to enter into these types of transactions with publicly held blank check companies like ours. If we are unable to consummate a business combination with a target business within the prescribed time periods, we will be forced to liquidate.

We may proceed with a business combination even if public stockholders owning approximately 29.99% and the share

# We may be unable to obtain additional financing, if required, to complete a business combination or to fund the operations and growth of the target business, which could compel us to restructure or abandon a particular business combination.

Although we believe that the net proceeds of this offering will be sufficient to allow us to consummate a business combination, because we have not yet identified any prospective target business, we cannot ascertain the capital requirements for any particular transaction. If the net proceeds of this offering prove to be insufficient, either because of the size of the business combination, the depletion of the available net proceeds in search of a target business, or the obligation to convert into cash a significant number of shares from dissenting stockholders, we will be required to seek additional financing. We cannot assure you that such financing will be available on acceptable terms, if at all. To the extent that additional financing proves to be unavailable when needed to consummate a particular business combination, we would be compelled to either restructure the transaction or abandon that particular business combination, we may require additional financing to fund the operations or growth of the target business. The failure to secure additional financing could have a material adverse effect on the continued development or growth of the target business. None of our officers, directors or stockholders is required to provide any financing to us in connection with or after a business combination.

## Our existing stockholders, including our officers and directors, control a substantial interest in us and thus may influence certain actions requiring a stockholder vote.

Upon consummation of our offering, our existing stockholders (including all of our officers and directors) will collectively own 20% of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock (assuming they do not purchase any units in this offering). None of our initial stockholders, officers, directors or their affiliates has indicated any intention to purchase additional units or shares of common stock from persons in the open market or in private transactions. However, if a significant number of stockholders vote, or indicate an intention to vote, against a proposed business combination, our initial stockholders, officers, directors or their affiliates could make such purchases in the open market or in private transactions in order to influence the vote. These individuals have not taken any steps or contemplated any other methods that would be utilized in order to influence a vote on a proposed acquisition transaction.

Our board of directors is and will be divided into three classes, each of which will generally serve for a term of three years with only one class of directors being elected in each year. It is unlikely that there will be an annual meeting of stockholders to elect new directors prior to the consummation of a business combination, in which case all of the current directors will continue in office until at least the consummation of the business combination. If there is an annual meeting, as a consequence of our staggered board of directors, only a minority of the board of directors will be considered for election and our existing stockholders, because of their ownership position, will have considerable influence regarding the outcome. Accordingly, our existing stockholders will continue to exert control at least until the consummation of a business combination.

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## Our existing stockholders paid an aggregate of \$25,000, or approximately \$0.005 per share, for their initial shares and, accordingly, you will experience immediate and substantial dilution from the purchase of our common stock.

The difference between the public offering price per share and the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our common stock after this offering constitutes the dilution to the investors in this offering. Our existing stockholders acquired their initial shares of common stock at a nominal price, significantly contributing to this dilution. Assuming the offering is completed, you and the other new investors will incur an immediate and substantial dilution of approximately 31% or \$3.10 per share (the difference between the pro forma net tangible book value per share of \$6.90, and the initial offering price of \$10.00 per unit).

#### Our outstanding warrants may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock and make it more difficult to effect a business combination.

We will be issuing warrants to purchase 18,000,000 shares of common stock as part of the units offered by this prospectus and the insider warrants to purchase 5,250,000 shares of common stock. To the extent we issue shares of common stock to effect a business combination, the potential for the issuance of a substantial number of additional shares upon exercise of these warrants could make us a less attractive acquisition vehicle in the eyes of a target business. Such securities, when exercised, will increase the number of issued and outstanding shares of our common stock and reduce the value of the shares issued to complete the business combination. Accordingly, our warrants may make it more difficult to effectuate a business combination or increase the cost of acquiring the target business. Additionally, the sale, or even the possibility of sale, of the shares underlying the warrants could have an adverse effect on the market price for our securities or on our ability to obtain future financing. If and to the extent these warrants are exercised, you may experience dilution to your holdings.

#### If our existing stockholders or the purchasers of the insider warrants exercise their registration rights with respect to their initial shares or insider warrants and underlying securities, it may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock and the existence of these rights may make it more difficult to effect a business combination.

Our existing stockholders are entitled to make a demand that we register the resale of their initial shares at any time commencing three months prior to the date on which their shares are released from escrow. Additionally, the purchasers of the insider warrants are entitled to demand that we register the resale of their insider warrants and underlying shares of common stock at any time after we consummate a business combination. Assuming the underwriters do not exercise the over-allotment option, if such individuals exercise their registration rights with respect to all of their securities, then there will be an additional 4,500,000 shares of common stock and 5,250,000 warrants (as well as 5,250,000 shares of common stock underlying the warrants) eligible for trading in the public market. The presence of these additional shares of common stock trading in the public market may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock. In addition, the existence of these rights may make it more difficult to effectuate a business combination or increase the cost of acquiring the target business, as the stockholders of the target business may be discouraged from entering into a business combination with us or will request a higher price for their securities because of the potential effect the exercise of such rights may have on the trading market for our common stock.

#### We may not seek an opinion from an unaffiliated third party as to the fair market value of the target business we acquire or that the price we are paying for the business is fair to our stockholders from a financial point of view.

We are not required to obtain an opinion from an unaffiliated third party that the target business we select has a fair market value in excess of at least 80% of our net assets unless our board of directors cannot make such determination on its own. We are also not required to obtain an opinion from an unaffiliated third party indicating that the price we are paying is fair to our stockholders from a financial point of view unless the target is affiliated with our officers, directors, special advisors, existing shareholders or their affiliates. If no opinions are obtained, our stockholders will be relying on the judgment of our board of directors, whose collective experience in business evaluations for blank check companies like ours is not significant.

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#### If we are deemed to be an investment company, we may be required to institute burdensome compliance requirements and our activities may be restricted, which may make it difficult for us to complete a business combination.

A company that, among other things, is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily, or proposes to engage primarily, in the business of investing, reinvesting, owning, trading or holding certain types of securities would be deemed an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Since we will invest the proceeds held in the trust fund, it is possible that we could be deemed an investment company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we do not believe that our anticipated principal activities will subject us to the Investment Company Act of 1940. To this end, the proceeds held in trust may be invested by the trustee only in United States government securities within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 having a maturity of 180 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940. By restricting the investment of the proceeds to these instruments, we intend to meet the requirements for the exemption provided in Rule 3a-1 promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

If we are nevertheless deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, we may be subject to certain restrictions that may make it more difficult for us to complete a business combination, including:

restrictions on the nature of our investments; and restrictions on the issuance of securities. In addition, we may have imposed upon us certain burdensome requirements, including:

registration as an investment company; adoption of a specific form of corporate structure; and

reporting, record keeping, voting, proxy, compliance policies and procedures and disclosure requirements and other rules and regulations.

Compliance with these additional regulatory burdens would require additional expense for which we have not allotted.

## The determination for the offering price of our units is more arbitrary compared with the pricing of securities for an operating company in a particular industry.

We may not seek an opinion from an unaffiliated third party as to the fair market value of the target business we accurate

Prior to this offering there has been no public market for any of our securities. The public offering price of the units and the terms of the warrants were negotiated between the representative of the underwriters and us. Factors considered in determining the prices and terms of the units, including the common stock and warrants underlying the units, include:

the history and prospects of companies whose principal business is the acquisition of other companies; prior offerings of those companies; our prospects for acquiring an operating business at attractive values; our capital structure; an assessment of our management and their experience in identifying operating companies; general conditions of the securities markets at the time of the offering; and other factors as were deemed relevant. However, although these factors were considered, the determination of our offering price is more arbitrary than the pricing of securities for an operating company in a particular industry since we have no historical operations or financial results to compare them to.

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#### If we effect a business combination with a company located outside of the United States, we would be subject to a variety of additional risks that may negatively impact our operations.

We may effect a business combination with a company located outside of the United States. If we did, we would be subject to any special considerations or risks associated with companies operating in the target business home jurisdiction, including any of the following:

rules and regulations or currency conversion or corporate withholding taxes on individuals; tariffs and trade barriers; regulations related to customs and import/export matters; longer payment cycles; tax issues, such as tax law changes and variations in tax laws as compared to the United States; currency fluctuations; challenges in collecting accounts receivable; cultural and language differences; and employment regulations. We cannot assure you that we would be able to adequately address these additional risks. If we were unable to do so, our operations might suffer.

#### If we effect a business combination with a company located outside of the United States, the laws applicable to such company will likely govern all of our material agreements and we may not be able to enforce our legal rights.

If we effect a business combination with a company located outside of the United States, the laws of the country in which such company operates will govern almost all of the material agreements relating to its operations. We cannot assure you that the target business will be able to enforce any of its material agreements or that remedies will be available in this new jurisdiction. The system of laws and the enforcement of existing laws in such jurisdiction may not be as certain in implementation and interpretation as in the United States. The inability to enforce or obtain a

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remedy under any of our future agreements could result in a significant loss of business, business opportunities or capital. Additionally, if we acquire a company located outside of the United States, it is likely that substantially all of our assets would be located outside of the United States and some of our officers and directors might reside outside of the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for investors in the United States to enforce their legal rights, to effect service of process upon our directors or officers or to enforce judgments of United States courts predicated upon civil liabilities and criminal penalties of our directors and officers under Federal securities laws.

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### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The statements contained in this prospectus that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements. Our forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our or our management s expectations, hopes, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding the future. In addition, any statements that refer to projections, forecasts or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking statements. The words anticipates, believe, continue, could, estimate, expect. intends. plan, possible, potential, predicts, project, should, would and similar expressions may identify forward statements, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus may include, for example, statements about our:

ability to complete our initial business combination;

success in retaining or recruiting, or changes required in, our officers, key employees or directors following our initial business combination;

officers and directors allocating their time to other businesses and potentially having conflicts of interest with our business or in approving our initial business combination, as a result of which they would then receive expense reimbursements;

potential ability to obtain additional financing to complete an initial business combination; pool of prospective target businesses;

the ability of our officers and directors to generate a number of potential investment opportunities;

potential change in control if we acquire one or more target businesses for stock;

our public securities potential liquidity and trading;

listing or delisting of our securities from the American Stock Exchange or the ability to have our securities listed on the American Stock Exchange following our initial business combination;

use of proceeds not held in the trust account or available to us from interest income on the trust account balance; or financial performance following this offering.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are based on our current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on us. There can be no assurance that future developments affecting us will be those that we have anticipated. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties (some of which are beyond our control) or other assumptions that may cause actual results or

performance to be materially different from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, those factors described under the heading Risk Factors. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any of our assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary in material respects from those projected in these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

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We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering, in addition to the funds we will receive from the sale of the insider warrants (all of which will be deposited into the trust fund), will be as set forth in the following table:

	Without Over-Allotment Option	Over-Allotment Option Exercised
Gross proceeds From offering From private placement of insider warrants Total gross proceeds Offering expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	\$180,000,000 5,250,000 \$185,250,000	\$207,000,000 5,250,000 \$212,250,000
Underwriting discount (7% of gross proceeds from Offering includes 2.5% which is payable at closing and excludes 4.5% which is payable upon consummation of a business combination)	4,500,000 (2)	5,175,000 <sup>(2)</sup>
Legal fees and expenses	305,000	305,000
Miscellaneous expenses	67,154	67,154
Printing and engraving expenses	100,000	100,000
American Stock Exchange filing and listing fee	80,000	80,000
Accounting fees and expenses	50,000	50,000
SEC registration fee	11,121	11,121
FINRA filing fee	36,725	36,725
Net proceeds before payment of deferred underwriting fees		
Held in trust	180,000,000	206,325,000
Not held in trust.	100,000	100,000
Total net proceeds	\$180,100,000	\$206,425,000
Use of net proceeds not held in trust and amounts available from interest income earned on the trust fund <sup>(3)</sup>		
Legal, accounting and other third-party expenses attendant to the due diligence investigation, structuring and negotiation of a business combination	\$ 800,000	(42.1%)
Due diligence of prospective target businesses by our officers, directors or existing stockholders	200,000	(10.5%)
Legal and accounting fees relating to SEC reporting obligations	200,000	(10.5%)
Payment of administrative fee to Trivergance, LLC (\$7,500 per month for 24 months)	180,000	(9.5%)
Working capital to cover miscellaneous expenses, D&O insurance, general corporate purposes, liquidation expenses, transfer agent, warrant agent, escrow and trustee fees, and reserves	520,000	(27.4%)
Total	\$1,900,000	(100.0%)

(1)A portion of the offering expenses, including the SEC registration fee, the FINRA filing fee, the non-refundable portion of the American Stock Exchange filing fee and a portion of the legal and audit fees, have been or will be

paid from the funds we received from Trivergance, LLC described below. These funds will be repaid out of the proceeds of this offering available to us.

No discounts or commissions will be paid with respect to the purchase of the insider warrants. For purposes of presentation, the underwriting discounts are reflected as the amount payable to the underwriters upon

- (2) consummation of the offering. An additional \$8,100,000, or \$9,315,000 if the over-allotment option is exercised in full, all of which will be deposited in trust following the consummation of the offering, is payable to the underwriters only if and when we consummate a business combination.
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The amount of proceeds not held in trust will remain constant at \$100,000 even if the over-allotment is exercised. (3) In addition, \$1,800,000 of interest income earned on the amounts held in the trust account will be available to us to pay for our working capital requirements. For purposes of presentation, the full amount available to us is shown as the total amount of net proceeds available to us immediately following the offering.

In addition to the offering of units by this prospectus, our initial stockholders have committed to purchase the insider warrants (for an aggregate purchase price of \$5,250,000) from us. These purchases will take place on a private placement basis simultaneously with the consummation of this offering. We will not pay any discounts or commissions with respect to the purchase of the insider warrants. All of the proceeds we receive from this purchase will be placed in the trust fund described below.

\$174,750,000, or \$201,075,000 if the over-allotment option is exercised in full, of net proceeds of this offering before payment of deferred underwriting fees, plus the \$5,250,000 we will receive from the sale of the insider warrants, will be placed in a trust account at Smith Barney, a division of Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, New York, New York, as trustee. This amount includes a portion of the underwriting discounts and commissions payable to the underwriters in this offering. The underwriters have agreed that such amount will not be paid unless and until we consummate a business combination and have waived their right to receive such payment upon our liquidation if we are unable to complete a business combination. The funds held in trust will be invested only in United States government securities within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 having a maturity of 180 days or less, or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940, so that we are not deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act. Except with respect to interest income that may be released to us of (i) up to \$1,800,000 to fund expenses related to investigating and selecting a target business and our other working capital requirements and (ii) any additional amounts we may need to pay our income or other tax obligations, the proceeds held in trust will not be released from the trust account until the earlier of the completion of a business combination or our liquidation. The proceeds held in the trust account may be used as consideration to pay the sellers of a target business with which we complete a business combination. Any amounts not paid as consideration to the sellers of the target business may be used to finance operations of the target business.

The payment to Trivergance, LLC, an affiliate of each of Marc V. Byron, Lowell D. Kraff, David Palmer and Jerry Stone, of a monthly fee of \$7,500 is for general and administrative services including office space, utilities and secretarial support. This arrangement is being agreed to by Trivergance, LLC for our benefit and is not intended to provide Messrs. Byron, Kraff, Palmer and Stone compensation in lieu of a salary. Our management believes, based on our review of rents and fees for similar services in the New Jersey metropolitan area, that the fee charged by Trivergance is at least as favorable as we could have obtained from an unaffiliated person. This arrangement will terminate upon completion of a business combination or the distribution of the trust account to our public stockholders. Other than the \$7,500 per month administrative fee, no compensation of any kind (including finder s, consulting or other similar fees) will be paid to any of our existing officers, directors, stockholders, or any of their affiliates, prior to, or for any services they render in order to effectuate, the consummation of the business combination (regardless of the type of transaction that it is). However, such individuals will receive reimbursement for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with activities on our behalf, such as identifying potential

target businesses, performing business due diligence on suitable target businesses and business combinations as well as traveling to and from the offices, plants or similar locations of prospective target businesses to examine their operations. Reimbursement for such expenses will be paid by us out of the funds not held in trust and currently allocated to Legal, accounting and other third-party expenses attendant to the due diligence investigation, structuring and negotiation of a business combination, Due diligence of prospective target businesses by our officers, directors or existing stockholders and Working capital to cover miscellaneous expenses, D&O insurance, general corporate purposes and reserves. Since the role of present management after a business combination is uncertain, we have no ability to determine what remuneration, if any, will be paid to those persons after a business combination.

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Regardless of whether the over-allotment option is exercised in full, the net proceeds from this offering available to us out of trust for our search for a business combination will be approximately \$100,000. In addition, interest earned on the funds held in the trust account, up to \$1,800,000, may be released to us to fund our working capital requirements. These funds will be used by us for director and officer liability insurance premiums, due diligence, legal, accounting and other expenses of structuring and negotiating business combinations, as well as for reimbursement of any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by our existing stockholders in connection with activities on our behalf as described above. We will also be entitled to have interest earned on the funds held in the trust account released to us to pay any tax obligations that we may owe. We believe these funds will be sufficient to cover the foregoing expenses and reimbursement costs. We could also use a portion of these funds to pay fees to consultants to assist us with our search for a target business or to use as a down payment or to fund a no-shop provision (a provision in letters of intent designed to keep target businesses from shopping around for transactions with other companies on terms more favorable to such target businesses) with respect to a particular proposed business combination, although we do not have any current intention to do so. If we entered into a letter of intent where we paid for the right of exclusivity from a target business, the amount that would be used as a down payment or to fund a no-shop provision would be determined based on the terms of the specific business combination and the amount of our available funds at the time. Our forfeiture of such funds (whether as a result of our breach or otherwise) could result in our not having sufficient funds to continue searching for, or conducting due diligence with respect to, potential target businesses.

The allocation of the net proceeds available to us outside of the trust account, along with the available interest earned on the funds held in the trust account, represents our best estimate of the intended uses of these funds. In the event that our assumptions prove to be inaccurate, we may reallocate some of such proceeds within the above described categories.

We will likely use substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering, including the funds held in the trust account, to acquire a target business and to pay our expenses relating thereto. To the extent that our capital stock is used in whole or in part as consideration to effect a business combination, the proceeds held in the trust account which are not used to consummate a business combination will be disbursed to the combined company and will, along with any other net proceeds not expended, be used as working capital to finance the operations of the target business. Such working capital funds could be used in a variety of ways including continuing or expanding the target business operations, for strategic acquisitions and for marketing, research and development of existing or new products. Such funds could also be used to repay any operating expenses or finders fees that we had incurred prior to the completion of our business combination if the funds available to us outside of the trust fund were insufficient to cover such expenses.

To the extent we are unable to consummate our initial business combination, we will pay the costs of liquidation from our remaining assets outside of the trust account. If such funds are insufficient, our initial stockholders have agreed to advance us the funds necessary to complete such liquidation (currently anticipated to be no more than approximately \$15,000) and have agreed not to seek repayment of such expenses.

Trivergance, LLC has advanced to us a total of \$100,000 which was used to pay a portion of the expenses of this offering referenced in the line items above for SEC registration fee, FINRA filing fee, the non-refundable portion of the American Stock Exchange listing fee, and a portion of the legal and audit fees and expenses. The loan will be payable without interest on the earlier of July 12, 2008 or the consummation of this offering. The loan will be repaid out of the proceeds of this offering available to us for payment of offering expenses.

We believe that, upon consummation of this offering, we will have sufficient available funds (which includes amounts that may be released to us from the trust account) to operate for the next 24 months, assuming that a business combination is not consummated during that time.

A public stockholder will be entitled to receive funds from the trust account (including interest earned on his, her or its portion of the trust account) only in the event of our liquidation o