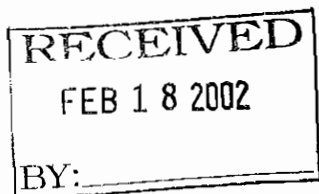


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**Christina L. Rotunda, Director
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Signature

Date

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Wednesday, April 17, 2002

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Dear Jim:

We very much enjoyed the meeting last week and look forward to hearing from you on areas of mutual opportunity. Our platform pilots are going very well.

In reviewing the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement it came to my attention that the signatory was not an officer (VP or above) of Battelle. Would you kindly countersign the enclosed copy of the agreement and fax back a confirmation copy?

Yours truly,

Michael T. McKibben
Chairman & CEO

Enclosures:

- 2-18-02 Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement for Battelle Memorial Institute, signed by Christian L. Rotunda for Benjamin S. Maiden, James M. Brennan et al.

Cc:

- Professor James P. Chandler

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To: Mr. James Brennan From: Mr. Michael McKibben
 Fax: 424-3737 Pages: 5
 Phone: _____ Date: 4-17-02
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To: Professor James P. Chandler From: Milne McKibben
 Fax: 202-296-4098 Pages: 6
 Phone: Date: 4-17-02
 Re: Battelle Agreement cc:

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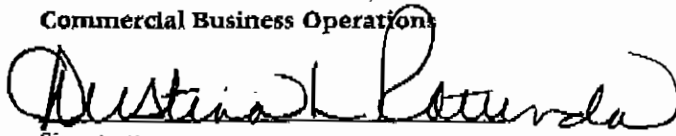
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Commercial Contract Services
Battelle Memorial Institute,
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Signature

2/18/02
Date

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505 King Avenue
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Date: February 18, 2002

Fax

To: Michael T. McKibben

Fax No: 614/864-7922

Phone No:

Company: Chairman & CEO,

Leader Technologies

From: Christina L. Rotunda

Director, Commercial Contract Services

Fax No: 614/424-3585

Phone No:

Total Pages: 4 (Including Lead Sheet)

Comments: As outlined in my email of this morning

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To: Kelley Clements From: Mike McKibben
 Fax: 202-296-4098 Pages: 8
 Phone: — Date: 4-16-02
 Re: — CC: —

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Corporate Business Development
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Date: April 23, 2002

Fax

To: Mike McKibben

From: Paula Kirk for Jim Brennan

Fax No: 864-7922

Fax No: 424-4874

Phone No: 890-1986

Phone No: 424-7158

Company:

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Comments:

Attached is the signed NDA from Battelle.

- is she an authorized officer
of the company? I am not
than our counsel says that
we really need a VP of sales
and not a manager. I think
she is an authorized officer
of the company. For commercial
end of Battelle
authorized individual rep.
that has done all the work on this end of Battelle

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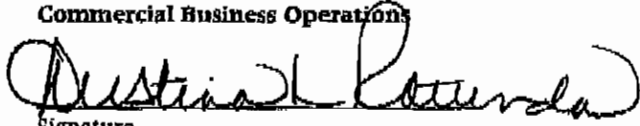
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Signature

2/18/02
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Carrie D. McKibben

From: Carrie D. McKibben [cmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2002 1:46 PM
To: mmckibben@leader.com
Subject: NDA

FYI

Tuesday April 23rd, 2002 1:40pm

I spoke with Paula Kirk (Jim Brennan's assistant at Battelle) to confirm that Christina L. Rotunda was authorized to sign for Battelle and to bind the organization. I said that our counsel thought that we really needed a VP or above. Paula said that Christina is an authorized contractual representative who handles and signs all CDA's and NDA's for the commercial end of Battelle. I said thank you and that I thought that would be fine and that I would let Mr. McKibben know.

-Carrie



4-24-02

Carrie D. McKibben

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To: Dr. Benjamin Maiden From: Michael T. McKibben
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 Phone: (614) 424-6424 Date: June 7, 2002
 Re: Proprietary Information CC: Jim Brennan
Prof. James Chandler

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To: *Professor James P. Chandler* From: *Michael T. McKibben*

Fax: *(202) 296-4098* Pages: *20 pages total*

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Friday, June 07, 2002

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Senior Vice President

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Dear Ben & Jim:

I am in receipt of your letter dated May 23, 2002. We are, to say the least, perplexed by the abrupt change in interest given the intensity of interest that Jim Brennan, David Gower and others expressed just last week in having Leader provide a full, written competitive analysis of Leader products before they were willing to reconvene the meeting that had been postponed. In good faith, we went to considerable expense in procuring the services of Professor James P. Chandler and his staff to help work through the IP protection problems that your request posed to Leader.

Should your priorities change and you wish to take a fresh look at the potential synergies between Leader and Battelle, please don't hesitate to contact me.

To the best of my records, the following people were made privy to Leader trade secrets:

1. **Carl F. Kohrt**, President & CEO
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Further, with regard to analyses, compilations, data, studies or other documents, including individual notes, made by Battelle personnel, Battelle committed to immediately destroy all such items at our request and to confirm in writing that all such items have been destroyed. We request that all such items as mentioned in section number 3 of the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement now be immediately destroyed and that such destruction be confirmed to Leader in writing.

Further, assertions were made by Battelle personnel and relayed to me by Mr. Brennan that Leader's technology represented nothing new, novel and unique. Leader cannot tolerate such posturing and strongly asserts all its rights and privileges for trade secrets and intellectual property protection under the law from anyone who might attempt to act on such uninformed assertions.

Finally, it has come to our attention that a national laboratory with whom we are working has received a post-cutoff date request to license the proprietary and confidential camera technology that we have disclosed to you. We hope this inquiry is not from Battelle or one of its affiliates or agents.

Speaking as a long time Ohio entrepreneur and business advocate, it is unfortunate that we could not have found a way to work together given that we live in the same great city. Our collaboration could have been spectacular. We will just have to look outside Ohio for such collaboration, unfortunately.

I wish you all the best.

Yours truly,



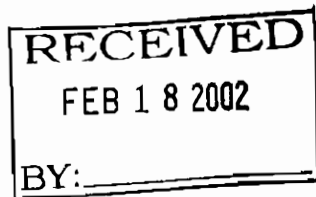
Michael T. McKibben
Chairman & CEO

cc. Professor James P. Chandler

Enclosures:

1. Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement, 2/18/02
2. April 17, 2002 letter to James Brennan requesting confirmation from a VP-level officer of the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement
3. April 23, 2002 confirmation from Jim Brennan's assistant, Paula Kirk, confirming Christina Rotunda's authorization to bind the Battelle enterprise.
4. April 30, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan confirming that "... we have signed an NDA."
5. May 10, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan indicating no obstacles to the postponed 5th meeting regarding the request to disclose competitive information.
6. February 25, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan confirming Battelle's interest in Leader and its technologies and the potential for working together.

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Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement

In connection with your interest in business relationships between you, **Battelle Memorial Institute, Commercial Business Operations** ("RECIPIENT" or you) and Leader Technologies LLC, a.k.a. Leader Technologies, Ltd., an Ohio limited liability company ("Leader"), Leader will be furnishing you with certain information which is either non-public, confidential or proprietary in nature. All information ascertained by or furnished to you, your directors, officers, employees, agents or representatives, including without limitation attorneys, accountants, consultants and financial advisors (collectively, "representatives"), by Leader or its representatives, and all analyses, compilations, data, studies or other documents prepared by you or your representatives containing or based in whole or in part on any such furnished information or reflecting your review of, or interest in, Leader is hereinafter referred to as the "Information". In consideration of your being furnished with the Information you agree that:

1. The Information will be kept confidential and will not, without the prior written consent of Leader be disclosed by you or your representatives, in any manner whatsoever, in whole or in part, and will not be used by you or your representatives directly or indirectly for any purpose other than evaluating the business relationship referred to above. Moreover, you agree to transmit the Information only to those representatives who need to know the Information for the purpose of evaluating the business relationship referred to above, who are informed by you of the confidential nature of the Information and who are bound by the terms of this Agreement by virtue of the terms of their Employment Agreement. You will be responsible for any breach of this Agreement by your representatives. You also agree to abide by applicable law with respect to disclosure of personnel records and the right to privacy.
2. Neither party hereto nor its representatives will, without the prior written consent of the other party, disclose to any other person the fact that the Information has been made available, that discussions or negotiations are taking place concerning a possible business relationship involving Leader or any of the terms, conditions or other facts with respect to any such possible business relationship, including the status thereof, except as required by law or by the rules of any recognized stock exchange and then, if circumstances permit, only with prior written notice as soon as possible to such other party. If circumstances make it impossible to give such prior written notice, then any disclosure made shall be no more extensive than is necessary to meet the minimum requirement imposed on the party making such disclosure.
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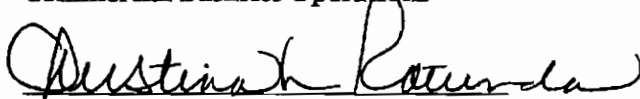
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10. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio applicable to agreements made and to be performed within such State.

Please return a signed copy of this Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement to Leader, c/o Michael T. McKibben, Chairman, CEO & Senior Manager, Spectrum Commerce Center, 921 Eastwind Drive, Westerville, Ohio 43081.

**Christina L. Rotunda, Director
Commercial Contract Services
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Commercial Business Operations**


Signature

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Wednesday, April 17, 2002

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Dear Jim:

We very much enjoyed the meeting last week and look forward to hearing from you on areas of mutual opportunity. Our platform pilots are going very well.

In reviewing the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement it came to my attention that the signatory was not an officer (VP or above) of Battelle. Would you kindly countersign the enclosed copy of the agreement and fax back a confirmation copy?

Yours truly,

Michael T. McKibben
Chairman & CEO

Enclosures:

- 2-18-02 Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement for Battelle Memorial Institute, signed by Christian L. Rotunda for Benjamin S. Maiden, James M. Brennan et al.

Cc:

- Professor James P. Chandler

Carrie D. McKibben

From: Carrie D. McKibben [cmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2002 1:46 PM
To: mmckibben@leader.com
Subject: NDA

FYI

Tuesday April 23rd, 2002 1:40pm

I spoke with Paula Kirk (Jim Brennan's assistant at Battelle) to confirm that Christina L. Rotunda was authorized to sign for Battelle and to bind the organization. I said that our counsel thought that we really needed a VP or above. Paula said that Christina is an authorized contractual representative who handles and signs all CDA's and NDA's for the commercial end of Battelle. I said thank you and that I thought that would be fine and that I would let Mr. McKibben know.

-Carrie

-Carrie D. McKibben
4-24-02

Carrie D. McKibben

Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2002 5:04 PM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Cc: Pete Klisares (E-mail)
Subject: FW: Due Diligence Info

Mike

I am sorry for the delay but I am very busy these days with a packed schedule. I have inserted my thoughts related to each of your questions noted below as well as a few summary thoughts.

- DUE DILIGENCE & STRAW MAN PROPOSAL - We clearly appreciate Battelle's need to have its technical professionals perform due diligence on Leader's technology specifically with regard to investing and/or beta contracting. In that spirit, we have already made significant disclosures during the course of four meetings. We would be more comfortable making further technical disclosures after we have heard back from Ben Maiden's efforts and received a Battelle "straw man" proposal. This will help us better focus this next meeting.

I have a meeting with Ben tomorrow but I can tell you now with some certainty based on my last discussion with him that he will not be a position to make any proposal to Leader until he hears back from our technology meeting with you. I believe your best bet is to meet with a few of our technology team members and answer the questions they raised at our last meeting. I am not aware of what "significant disclosures" you made in your other meetings at Battelle. The two meetings I was involved in seemed to be at a very high level and you asked me in the first one to not take any notes.

- PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT - Does Battelle have (or is Battelle contemplating) any potentially competitive product development efforts in Leader's IT technology domains? Is Battelle currently under contract with any clients who are developing potentially competitive product platforms? If yes, how are the IT professionals to whom we are making disclosures on Friday involved? *Significant disclosures at each meeting*

Not that I am aware of.

- SECURITY CAMERAS - Some security camera related technologies under development at Battelle were mentioned at one of our meetings. Are those efforts competitive with or complementary to the Leader Smart Camera(tm) System? *disc*

I have no specific knowledge of your system or any that we may have. I can try to chase this down for you but I have no idea how long it will take. My sense is that the people I have scheduled to meet with you this week may know more about this. *Disclosed at Meeting #3*

- SECURITY DEVICES - What other security devices developed by or in development at Battelle are candidates for integrating with the Leader2Leader(tm) platform? (I didn't receive a return call on the chem-bio detection device for which you had given me the contact.)

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- BACKGROUND - Can you provide additional background information on Dave Gower, David Petrozzi and Lynn Davison? What are their security classifications? What are their professional histories? Knowing there

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specific technical experiences would help also.

Subject matter experts?

I do not have access to their background information and security classifications. In addition, I have not met David and Lynn so I do not know their professional histories. I am curious as to why you need to know their security classifications? Has the government identified the Leader technologies as top secret?

- TRADE SECRETS - If we do not go forward, how can we protect Leader's innovations and monitor NDA compliance with so much of Battelle's work being confidential and classified?

Contracts, licenses and NDA's from Battelle go through our Legal group who track compliance. My understanding is that new projects have to file a scope statement, like my project did, so that any potential IP or legal issues are flagged in advance. Our team does not plan to share your information with any other departments or groups at Battelle or any of the National Laboratories.

- LEADERPHONE(tm) - What is the level of interest in implementing LeaderPhone(tm) following my meeting last Monday with with Jerry Bahlmann and his team?

I have no idea since I was not involved in these meetings. You will need to follow up with Jerry and/or discuss this with David and Lynn when we meet since they work for him.

SUMMARY:

Overall I am trying to help Leader by facilitating an opportunity for you and your technology team to address a number of issues raised at our last presentation. Without addressing the technology issues I think the Leader2Leader opportunity is not going to proceed. To the best of my knowledge everyone on our end has very honorable intentions and we have signed an NDA.

VP-level Confirmation MTPA

I can confirm answers to some of the questions you raise but I do not have the time in the near future, nor do I think it is appropriate for me, to chase down all of them. Given the breadth and confidentiality of some of the work conducted in the past, currently underway or planned I most likely do not have the security level to investigate and pass along to you some of this information. Let me know what you want me to do.

Take care,
Jim

*As the relationship manager of 4 meetings?
What is the motive then?*

MTPA

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2002 10:38 AM
To: 'Brennan, James M'
Cc: 'Pete Klisares (E-mail)'
Subject: Due Diligence Info

Hi Jim:

First, thanks for the golf. That was enjoyable after such a long time away from the links. I hope we can do it again. I also enjoyed meeting Dale.

Thanks for giving me an overview of the current thinking. Coincidentally, the science article Sunday on Battelle (pdf attached) refers to central station security monitoring of detectors. To what monitoring system is Mr. Hodge

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referring? Given that the information in this article is related so closely to our discussions, we'd appreciate some additional information.

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I'll be out of the office this afternoon, but hopefully we can chat on these issues at your convenience.

Yours truly,

--Mike

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Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2002 10:40 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'; James P. Chandler (E-mail 3)
Cc: Davison, Lynn; Pete Klisares (E-mail); Gower, David J; Petrozzi, David E; Maiden, Benjamin G; Kelley Clements (E-mail 3)
Subject: Re: Potential Meeting in Cols on May 24
Importance: High

Of the three people I invited to this meeting I have had two conflicts on the May 24 date. One individual said their schedule on Outlook had changed and they were flying out of town in the afternoon while the other said they would be flying back to Columbus during that time frame. I called Kelley Clements (202-296-8484) this am but was not able to reach her so I left a message and thought it best to shoot you an email so you were aware.

At this point I think it is best if Kelley works out the schedule with my assistant Paula Kirk (614-424-7158) to find a mutually agreeable 3 hour window where your team and ours (Brennan, Gower, Davison and Petrozzi) can meet as soon as possible to better understand the technology and how it compares/contrasts to a few other competitors. In trying to set this meeting up I explained your concern on documenting the functions and features comparison we had previously requested and did not get any push back from our team on it.

I will look forward to hearing what Kelley and Paula come up with. If you have any questions please give me a call.

Regards,
Jim

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2002 8:12 AM
To: 'Davison, Lynn'
Cc: 'Brennan, James M'; James P. Chandler (E-mail 3); Kelley Clements (E-mail 3)
Subject: RE: Response from Jerry Bahlmann

OK Lynn, thanks. I understand we have a date. See you then.

--Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Davison, Lynn [mailto:Davison@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2002 12:45 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Cc: Brennan, James M
Subject: Response from Jerry Bahlmann

Mike, I heard from Jim that you were looking for a response from Jerry Bahlmann about the meeting you had with several of us a couple of weeks ago. Since Dave Petrozzi and I were scheduled to come to Leader last Friday with Jim, Jerry was waiting for us to visit before any

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answer was given. He was also under the understanding that we didn't owe you a response but would call you if there was anything we wanted to precede on in the near future. At the moment, we are on hold for any of Jerry's areas. We are still wanting to visit with you and ask a few more questions.

Lynn Davison
Director, Information Management
Battelle

Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2002 3:11 PM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Subject: RE: Demo

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sounds great. Give me a call when you free up and we will schedule our next meeting

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From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2002 11:57 AM
To: 'Brennan, James M'
Cc: pklisares@aol.com; 'Maiden, Benjamin G'; 'Monroe, Philip J (OmniViz)'; Jeff R. Lamb (E-mail)
Subject: RE: Demo

Dear Jim:

It was a pleasure for Jeff, Pete and me to be with you, Ben and Phil on Friday. Thank you for the demonstration of OmniViz. An impressive product. After conferring with Jeff, we agreed that there are a host of possibilities that can both enhance our platform and potentially extend your market reach. We now understand why all the bells were going off when you were here.

We look forward to the next steps you suggested. Perhaps we can touch base the first part of next week to get the follow-up on our calendars.

Yours truly,

--Mike

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From: Brennan, James M [mailto:BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:32 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Cc: 'pklisares@aol.com'; Maiden, Benjamin G; Monroe, Philip J (OmniViz)
Subject: Demo
Importance: High

Mike,

Ben and I left our meeting earlier this week impressed with your team, the technologies we discussed and the potential for working together.

As a follow up to our meeting I wanted to know if you and your team are available to meet tomorrow at Battelle from 10:00 - 11:30 am or 2:00 - 3:30pm? I know this is very short notice but I thought it best to ask since one of the key individuals I want to demo one of our software technologies is in town and can be made available. If these two time slots do not work for you I will send you other potential dates and times.

At present I am participating in a two hour conference call but wanted to get this out to you given the tight time frame. I will call you later this morning or early afternoon to discuss. We look forward to further exploring opportunities for working together with you.

Regards,
Jim

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Fax: (614) 458-7865 Pages: 16 pages total
Phone: (614) 424-6424 Date: June 7, 2002
Re: Proprietary Information CC: Dr. Benjamin Maiden
Prof. James P. Chandler

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Friday, June 07, 2002



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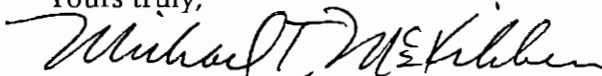
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I wish you all the best.

Yours truly,



Michael T. McKibben
Chairman & CEO

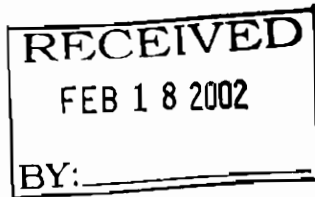
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Enclosures:

1. Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement, 2/18/02
2. April 17, 2002 letter to James Brennan requesting confirmation from a VP-level officer of the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement
3. April 23, 2002 confirmation from Jim Brennan's assistant, Paula Kirk, confirming Christina Rotunda's authorization to bind the Battelle enterprise.
4. April 30, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan confirming that "... we have signed an NDA."
5. May 10, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan indicating no obstacles to the postponed 5th meeting regarding the request to disclose competitive information.
6. February 25, 2002 Email from Jim Brennan confirming Battelle's interest in Leader and its technologies and the potential for working together.



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**Christina L. Rotunda, Director
Commercial Contract Services
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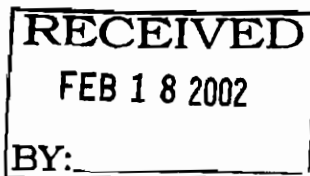


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Wednesday, April 17, 2002

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Dear Jim:

We very much enjoyed the meeting last week and look forward to hearing from you on areas of mutual opportunity. Our platform pilots are going very well.

In reviewing the Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement it came to my attention that the signatory was not an officer (VP or above) of Battelle. Would you kindly countersign the enclosed copy of the agreement and fax back a confirmation copy?

Yours truly,

Michael T. McKibben
Chairman & CEO

Enclosures:

- 2-18-02 Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement for Battelle Memorial Institute, signed by Christian L. Rotunda for Benjamin S. Maiden, James M. Brennan et al.

Cc:

- Professor James P. Chandler

Carrie D. McKibben

From: Carrie D. McKibben [cmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2002 1:46 PM
To: mmckibben@leader.com
Subject: NDA

FYI

Tuesday April 23rd, 2002 1:40pm

I spoke with Paula Kirk (Jim Brennan's assistant at Battelle) to confirm that Christina L. Rotunda was authorized to sign for Battelle and to bind the organization. I said that our counsel thought that we really needed a VP or above. Paula said that Christina is an authorized contractual representative who handles and signs all CDA's and NDA's for the commercial end of Battelle. I said thank you and that I thought that would be fine and that I would let Mr. McKibben know.

-Carrie

- Carrie D. McKibben
4-24-02

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Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2002 5:04 PM

To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'

Cc: Pete Klisares (E-mail)

Subject: FW: Due Diligence Info

Mike

I am sorry for the delay but I am very busy these days with a packed schedule. I have inserted my thoughts related to each of your questions noted below as well as a few summary thoughts.

- **DUE DILIGENCE & STRAW MAN PROPOSAL** - We clearly appreciate Battelle's need to have its technical professionals perform due diligence on Leader's technology specifically with regard to investing and/or beta contracting. In that spirit, we have already made significant disclosures during the course of four meetings. We would be more comfortable making further technical disclosures after we have heard back from Ben Maiden's efforts and received a Battelle "straw man" proposal. This will help us better focus this next meeting.

I have a meeting with Ben tomorrow but I can tell you now with some certainty based on my last discussion with him that he will not be a position to make any proposal to Leader until he hears back from our technology meeting with you. I believe your best bet is to meet with a few of our technology team members and answer the questions they raised at our last meeting. I am not aware of what "significant disclosures" you made in your other meetings at Battelle. The two meetings I was involved in seemed to be at a very high level and you asked me in the first one to not take any notes.

- **PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT** - Does Battelle have (or is Battelle contemplating) any potentially competitive product development efforts in Leader's IT technology domains? Is Battelle currently under contract with any clients who are developing potentially competitive product platforms? If yes, how are the IT professionals to whom we are making disclosures on Friday involved? *Significant disclosures at each meeting*

Not that I am aware of.

- **SECURITY CAMERAS** - Some security camera related technologies under development at Battelle were mentioned at one of our meetings. Are those efforts competitive with or complementary to the Leader Smart Camera(tm) System? *discussed*

I have no specific knowledge of your system or any that we may have. I can try to chase this down for you but I have no idea how long it will take. My sense is that the people I have scheduled to meet with you this week may know more about this. *Disclosed at Meeting #3*

- **SECURITY DEVICES** - What other security devices developed by or in development at Battelle are candidates for integrating with the Leader2Leader(tm) platform? (I didn't receive a return call on the chem-bio detection device for which you had given me the contact.)

I have no idea. Possibly the people I have scheduled to meet with you this week may know more about this.

- **BACKGROUND** - Can you provide additional background information on Dave Gower, David Petrozzi and Lynn Davison? What are their security classifications? What are their professional histories? Knowing there

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specific technical experiences would help also.

Subject matter experts?

I do not have access to their background information and security classifications. In addition, I have not met David and Lynn so I do not know their professional histories. I am curious as to why you need to know their security classifications? Has the government identified the Leader technologies as top secret?

- TRADE SECRETS - If we do not go forward, how can we protect Leader's innovations and monitor NDA compliance with so much of Battelle's work being confidential and classified?

Contracts, licenses and NDA's from Battelle go through our Legal group who track compliance. My understanding is that new projects have to file a scope statement, like my project did, so that any potential IP or legal issues are flagged in advance. Our team does not plan to share your information with any other departments or groups at Battelle or any of the National Laboratories.

- LEADERPHONE(tm) - What is the level of interest in implementing LeaderPhone(tm) following my meeting last Monday with with Jerry Bahlmann and his team?

I have no idea since I was not involved in these meetings. You will need to follow up with Jerry and/or discuss this with David and Lynn when we meet since they work for him.

SUMMARY:

Overall I am trying to help Leader by facilitating an opportunity for you and your technology team to address a number of issues raised at our last presentation. Without addressing the technology issues I think the Leader2Leader opportunity is not going to proceed. To the best of my knowledge everyone on our end has very honorable intentions and we have signed an NDA.

VP-level Confirmation ATM

I can confirm answers to some of the questions you raise but I do not have the time in the near future, nor do I think it is appropriate for me, to chase down all of them. Given the breadth and confidentiality of some of the work conducted in the past, currently underway or planned I most likely do not have the security level to investigate and pass along to you some of this information. Let me know what you want me to do.

Take care,
Jim

*As the relationship manager of 4 meetings?
What is the motive then?*

ATM

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2002 10:38 AM
To: 'Brennan, James M'
Cc: 'Pete Klisares (E-mail)'
Subject: Due Diligence Info

Hi Jim:

First, thanks for the golf. That was enjoyable after such a long time away from the links. I hope we can do it again. I also enjoyed meeting Dale.

Thanks for giving me an overview of the current thinking. Coincidentally, the science article Sunday on Battelle (pdf attached) refers to central station security monitoring of detectors. To what monitoring system is Mr. Hodge

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referring? Given that the information in this article is related so closely to our discussions, we'd appreciate some additional information.

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I'll be out of the office this afternoon, but hopefully we can chat on these issues at your convenience.

Yours truly,

--Mike

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Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2002 10:40 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'; James P. Chandler (E-mail 3)
Cc: Davison, Lynn; Pete Klisares (E-mail); Gower, David J; Petrozzi, David E; Maiden, Benjamin G; Kelley Clements (E-mail 3)
Subject: Re: Potential Meeting in Cols on May 24
Importance: High

Of the three people I invited to this meeting I have had two conflicts on the May 24 date. One individual said their schedule on Outlook had changed and they were flying out of town in the afternoon while the other said they would be flying back to Columbus during that time frame. I called Kelley Clements (202-296-8484) this am but was not able to reach her so I left a message and thought it best to shoot you an email so you were aware.

At this point I think it is best if Kelley works out the schedule with my assistant Paula Kirk (614-424-7158) to find a mutually agreeable 3 hour window where your team and ours (Brennan, Gower, Davison and Petrozzi) can meet as soon as possible to better understand the technology and how it compares/contrasts to a few other competitors. In trying to set this meeting up I explained your concern on documenting the functions and features comparison we had previously requested and did not get any push back from our team on it.

I will look forward to hearing what Kelley and Paula come up with. If you have any questions please give me a call.

Regards,
Jim

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2002 8:12 AM
To: 'Davison, Lynn'
Cc: 'Brennan, James M'; James P. Chandler (E-mail 3); Kelley Clements (E-mail 3)
Subject: RE: Response from Jerry Bahlmann

OK Lynn, thanks. I understand we have a date. See you then.

--Mike

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From: Davison, Lynn [mailto:Davison@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2002 12:45 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Cc: Brennan, James M
Subject: Response from Jerry Bahlmann

Mike, I heard from Jim that you were looking for a response from Jerry Bahlmann about the meeting you had with several of us a couple of weeks ago. Since Dave Petrozzi and I were scheduled to come to Leader last Friday with Jim, Jerry was waiting for us to visit before any

answer was given. He was also under the understanding that we didn't owe you a response but would call you if there was anything we wanted to precede on in the near future. At the moment, we are on hold for any of Jerry's areas. We are still wanting to visit with you and ask a few more questions.

Lynn Davison
Director, Information Management
Battelle

Michael T. McKibben

From: Brennan, James M [BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2002 3:11 PM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Subject: RE: Demo

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sounds great. Give me a call when you free up and we will schedule our next meeting

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From: Michael T. McKibben [mailto:mmckibben@leader.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2002 11:57 AM
To: 'Brennan, James M'
Cc: pklisares@aol.com; 'Maiden, Benjamin G'; 'Monroe, Philip J (OmniViz)'; Jeff R. Lamb (E-mail)
Subject: RE: Demo

Dear Jim:

It was a pleasure for Jeff, Pete and me to be with you, Ben and Phil on Friday. Thank you for the demonstration of OmniViz. An impressive product. After conferring with Jeff, we agreed that there are a host of possibilities that can both enhance our platform and potentially extend your market reach. We now understand why all the bells were going off when you were here.

We look forward to the next steps you suggested. Perhaps we can touch base the first part of next week to get the follow-up on our calendars.

Yours truly,

--Mike

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From: Brennan, James M [mailto:BrennanJ@BATTELLE.ORG]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2002 9:32 AM
To: 'mmckibben@leader.com'
Cc: 'pklisares@aol.com'; Maiden, Benjamin G; Monroe, Philip J (OmniViz)
Subject: Demo
Importance: High

Mike,

Ben and I left our meeting earlier this week impressed with your team, the technologies we discussed and the potential for working together.

As a follow up to our meeting I wanted to know if you and your team are available to meet tomorrow at Battelle from 10:00 - 11:30 am or 2:00 - 3:30pm? I know this is very short notice but I thought it best to ask since one of the key individuals I want to demo one of our software technologies is in town and can be made available. If these two time slots do not work for you I will send you other potential dates and times.

At present I am participating in a two hour conference call but wanted to get this out to you given the tight time frame. I will call you later this morning or early afternoon to discuss. We look forward to further exploring opportunities for working together with you.

Regards,
Jim

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10. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio applicable to agreements made and to be performed within such State.

Please return a signed copy of this Proprietary & Confidentiality Agreement to Leader, c/o Michael T. McKibben, Chairman, CEO & Senior Manager, Spectrum Commerce Center, 921 Eastwind Drive, Westerville, Ohio 43081.

~~Confirmed and Agreed to by Dr. Benjamin Maiden~~

When signing *individually*:

When signing on behalf of your *organization*:

Signature

Signature

Print Name

Print Name CHRISTINA L ROTUNDA
Director, Commercial Contract Services

INDIVIDUALLY

ORGANIZATION Name & Your Title

Date

Date

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Leader: