



SOUTHWEST CAPITAL AGREES TO MERGE WITH SCANNER TECHNOLOGIES

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Minneapolis -- (PRNEWSWIRE) -- January 16, 2002 -- Southwest Capital Corporation (OTC Bulletin Board: SWCC - news) announced today that it has entered into an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization with Scanner Technologies Corporation, pursuant to which Scanner Technologies will merge with and into Southwest Capital. Southwest Capital will survive the merger, change its name to Scanner Technologies Corporation and conduct Scanner Technologies' business after the merger. Following the merger, shareholders of Scanner Technologies will own approximately 80% of the Southwest Capital stock and the holders of Southwest Capital stock will own the remaining approximately 20%.

The Merger Agreement is subject to various conditions including approval by the shareholders of both Southwest Capital and Scanner Technologies and a requirement that holders of not more than 5% of the common stock or either Southwest Capital and Scanner Technologies exercise dissenters' rights. Southwest Capital plans to file a preliminary proxy statement with respect to the proposed merger with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Southwest Capital has not had an operating business since 1992. Current management has actively solicited and pursued investment possibilities in an effort to enhance shareholder value.

Scanner Technologies develops, manufactures and produces products facilitating various inspections of integrated circuits, currently sold primarily to original equipment manufacturers. In the U.S., Scanner Technologies has production facilities in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Tempe, Arizona, and a sales and services office in San Jose, California. Outside of the U.S., Scanner Technologies has offices in Geneva, Switzerland, and in Singapore, primarily engaged in sales of Scanner products.

Southwest Capital will solicit proxies from its shareholders in connection with its upcoming special meeting to consider and vote upon the proposed merger. Before distributing forms of proxy to Southwest Capital's shareholders in connection with any such solicitation, Southwest Capital will file proxy materials (a proxy statement and related documents) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") containing, among other things, information regarding the participants in any such solicitation. Southwest Capital's directors, its executive officers, certain other members of management and employees, agents and nominees may be deemed to be participants in any solicitation.

Investors and shareholders are urged to read the proxy materials carefully when they are available. The proxy materials will contain important information about Southwest Capital and Scanner Technologies, the proxy solicitation, and related matters. Investors and shareholders will be able to obtain copies of the proxy materials free of charge through the web site maintained by the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Shareholders and investors may also obtain copies of documents Southwest Capital has filed with the SEC free of charge from Southwest Capital by requesting them in writing or by telephone at the following address:

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