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MindArrow Systems, Inc. 2120 Main Street, Suite 200 Huntington Beach, California 92648

Dear Fellow Stockholder:

On behalf of your Board of Directors and Management, you are cordially invited to attend a Special Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Thursday, July , 2002, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Company, located at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648.

The Special Meeting of Stockholders is being held for the following purposes:

To approve an amendment to our 2000 Stock Incentive Plan to increase, by 3,500,000 shares, the number of shares available for issuance under the plan.

To approve the sale of an additional 5,600,000 shares of Common Stock at \$0.40 per share and warrants to purchase up to 4,400,000 shares of Common Stock, pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated as of June 12, 2002 (the Purchase Agreement ) between the Company and a group of investors (the Purchasers ) led by East-West Capital Associates, Inc. and its affiliate (EWCA). The Company has already completed the Initial Closing of stock and warrants under the Purchase Agreement, and we are now seeking approval to conduct additional closings under the Purchase Agreement.

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE FOR EACH OF THESE PROPOSALS

Whether or not you attend the Special Meeting, please vote as soon as possible by returning the enclosed proxy card. Your vote is important, and voting by written proxy will ensure your representation at the Special Meeting. You may revoke your proxy in accordance with the procedures described in the Proxy Statement at any time prior to the time it is voted.

It is important that your shares be represented and voted at the Special Meeting even if you cannot attend in person. Please sign, date, and return your proxy card in the enclosed envelope.

Thank you for your continued support.

Cordially,

Robert I. Webber President and Chief Executive Officer

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## MINDARROW SYSTEMS, INC.

Notice of Special Meeting of Stockholders To Be Held July \_\_\_, 2002

To Our Fellow Stockholders:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Special Meeting of Stockholders of MindArrow Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company ), will be held on Thursday, July , 2002 at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Company, located at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648, for the following purposes:

- 1. To approve an amendment to the Company  $\,$ s 2000 Stock Incentive Plan to increase by 3,500,000 shares the number of shares available for issuance under the plan.
- 2. To approve the sale of an additional 5,600,000 shares of Common Stock at \$0.40 per share and warrants to purchase up to 4,400,000 shares of Common Stock pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated as of June 12, 2002 (the Purchase Agreement ) between the Company and a group of investors (the Purchasers ) led by East-West Capital Associates, Inc., and its affiliate (collectively, EWCA ). The Company has already completed the Initial Closing of stock and warrants under the Purchase Agreement, and we are now seeking approval to conduct additional closings under the Purchase Agreement.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on June 21, 2002 are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Special Meeting or at any adjournment of the meeting.

All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Special Meeting in person. However, to assure your representation at the Special Meeting, you are urged to mark, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card(s) as promptly as possible in the postage-prepaid envelope enclosed for that purpose. Any stockholder attending the Special Meeting may vote in person even if he or she previously returned a proxy.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Michael R. Friedl Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer & Corporate Secretary

Huntington Beach, California June , 2002

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT
IN ORDER TO ASSURE YOUR REPRESENTATION AT THE MEETING, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND DATE THE ENCLOSED PROXY AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE AND RETURN IT IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE

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#### MINDARROW SYSTEMS, INC.

2120 Main Street, Suite 200 Huntington Beach, California 92648 (714) 536-6200

#### PROXY STATEMENT

The enclosed proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors of MindArrow Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), for use at our Special Meeting of stockholders (the Special Meeting) to be held on Thursday, July , 2002 at 10:00 a.m., and at any adjournments thereof. The purposes of the Special Meeting are set forth in this Proxy Statement and in the accompanying Notice of Special Meeting of Stockholders. The Special Meeting will be held at the offices of the Company, located at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648. These proxy solicitation materials will be mailed on or about June 25, 2002 to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Special Meeting.

#### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

#### Q: What may I vote on?

A: (1) To

approve an

amendment

to the

Company s

2000 Stock

Incentive

Plan to

increase, by

3,500,000

shares, the

number of

options and

shares

available

under the

plan. (2) To

approve the

sale of up to

5,600,000

shares of

Common

Stock at \$0.40 per

share and

warrants to

purchase up

to

4,400,000

shares of

Common

Stock

pursuant to

the terms of

the

Securities

Purchase

Agreement dated June 12, 2002.

### Q: How does the Board recommend I vote on the proposals?

A: The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR each proposal.

### Q: Who is entitled to vote?

A: Stockholders as of the close of business on June 21, 2002 (the Record Date ) are entitled to vote at the Special Meeting.

## Q: How do I vote? Can I revoke my proxy later?

A: Sign and date each proxy card you receive and return it in the prepaid envelope. You have the right to revoke your proxy at any time before the Special Meeting

by: (1) notifying

the Secretary of the Company

writing; (2) voting

in person;

or (3) returning

a

later-dated

proxy card.

## Q: Who will count the vote?

A: U.S. Stock
Transfer
Corporation, the
Company s
transfer
agent, will

count the votes and act as the inspector of election.

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Q: What shares are included on the proxy card(s)? A: The shares on your proxy card(s) represent ALL of your shares. If you do not return your proxy card(s), your shares will not be Q: What voted. does it mean if I get more than one proxy card? A: If your shares are registered differently and are in more than one account, or if you own more than one class of shares, you will receive more than one proxy card. Sign and return all proxy cards to ensure that all your shares are voted. We encourage you to have all accounts registered in the same name and address (whenever possible). You can accomplish this by contacting our transfer agent, U.S.

Stock

Transfer

Corporation

or, if your

shares are

held in street

name, by

contacting

the broker or

bank who

holds your

shares. Q: How

many shares

can

vote?

A: As of the

Record Date,

27,397,063

shares of

Common

stock, the

only voting

securities of

the

Company,

were issued

and

outstanding.

Every holder

of Common

stock is

entitled to

one vote for

each share of

Common

stock

held. Q: What

is a

### quorum?

A: A quorum is a majority

of the

outstanding

shares

entitled to

vote. They

may be

present in

person or

represented

by proxy. For

the purposes

of

determining a

quorum,

shares held

by brokers or

nominees

will be

treated as

present even

if the broker

or nominee

does not have

discretionary

power to vote

on a

particular

matter or if

instructions

were never

received from

the beneficial

owner. These

shares are

called broker

non-votes.

Abstentions

will be

counted as

present for

quorum

purposes. Q: What

is required

to approve

each

proposal?

A: To

approve the

amendment

to the 2000

Stock

Incentive

Plan, a

majority of

the shares

represented at

the Special

Meeting,

either in

person or by

proxy, and

proxy, and

entitled to

vote at the

Special

Meeting must

be voted in

favor of the

proposal. To

approve the

sale of up to 5,600,000

shares of

Common

Stock at

\$0.40 per

share and

warrants to

purchase up to 4,400,000

shares of

Common

Stock, a

majority of

the shares

represented at

the Special

Meeting,

either in

person or by

proxy, and

entitled to

vote at the

Special

Meeting must

be voted in

favor of the

proposal. If

a broker

indicates on

its proxy that

it does not

have

discretionary

authority to

vote on a

particular

matter, the

affected

shares will be

treated as not

present and

entitled to

vote with

respect to

that matter,

even though

the same

shares may

be considered

present for

quorum

purposes and

may be

entitled to

vote on other

matters. Q: What

#### happens if I

## abstain?

A: Proxies

marked

abstain will

be counted as

shares

present for

the purpose

of

determining

the presence

of a quorum,

but for

purposes of determining

the outcome

of a proposal,

shares

represented

by such proxies will not be treated as affirmative votes. Since each of the proposals requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy, an abstention has the effect of a no vote.

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Q: How will voting on any other business be

conducted?

A: Although

we do not

know of any

business to be

considered at

the Special

Meeting other

than the

proposals

described in

this Proxy

Statement, if

any other

business is

presented at

the Special

Meeting, your

signed proxy

card gives

authority to the

proxyholders,

Robert I.

Webber and

Michael R.

Friedl, to vote

on such

matters at their

discretion. Q: Who

are the largest

principal

stockholders?

A: For

information

regarding

holders of

more than 5%

of the

outstanding

Common

stock, see

Security

Ownership of

Certain

Beneficial

Owners and

Management in

our Definitive

Proxy

Statement filed

on

February 13,

2002, and our

Current Report

on Form 8-K

filed on June 25,

2002. **Q: How** 

will the

Company

solicit

proxies?

A: U.S. Stock

Transfer

Corporation,

the Company s

transfer agent,

has been

engaged to

assist in the

distribution of

proxy materials

and solicitation

of votes. We

estimate that

our costs will

be

approximately

\$4,000. The

Company may

also, in its

discretion,

retain

professional

proxy

solicitors, in

addition to its

transfer agent,

to assist in the

solicitation of

votes. The

costs of such

solicitation

will be paid by

the Company.

We also

reimburse

brokerage

houses and

other custodians,

nominees and

fiduciaries for

their

reasonable

out-of-pocket

expenses for

forwarding

proxy and

solicitation

materials to stockholders.

Proxies may

also be

solicited in

person, by

telephone, or

by facsimile by directors, officers, and employees of the Company without additional compensation.

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#### PROPOSAL NO. 1: APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2000 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

(Item 1 on Proxy Card)

At the Special Meeting, stockholders will be asked to approve an amendment (the Amendment) to the Company s 2000 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2000 Plan). The Board of Directors approved the Amendment, subject to stockholder approval, on June 12, 2002.

The 2000 Plan provides for a limit on the aggregate number of shares of the Company's Common stock that may be issued or delivered pursuant to awards thereunder. The aggregate share limit is currently 2,000,000 shares. As of June 12, 2002, 2,500 shares had been issued under the 2000 Plan, 1,803,000 shares were subject to outstanding but unexercised options granted under the 2000 Plan, and 194,500 shares remained available for additional award purposes under the 2000 Plan (plus any shares which may become available because outstanding options expire, are cancelled, or otherwise terminate before being exercised).

The Amendment, if approved by stockholders, will increase the aggregate share limit under the 2000 Plan by an additional 3,500,000 shares, for a proposed new aggregate share limit of 5,500,000 shares (subject to customary adjustments for recapitalizations and similar events, described below), as illustrated in the table below:

Currently Authorized Shares Under 2000 Plan Proposed Authorized Shares Under 2000 Plan

5,500,000

Number of shares 2,000,000

The Board of Directors approved the Amendment based on a belief that the number of shares that remained available for additional award grants under the 2000 Plan was insufficient to adequately provide for future incentives for the Company s management. Also, the new investors in the Company discussed below under Proposal #2 requested that the Company approve an increase in the number of shares authorized for issuance under the 2000 Plan.

We also maintain a 1999 Stock Option Plan (the 1999 Plan ). As of June 12, 2002, 525,000 shares had been issued under the 1999 Plan, 2,465,837 shares were subject to outstanding but unexercised options granted under the 1999 Plan, and a total of 9,163 shares remained available for grant purposes under the 1999 Plan (plus any shares which may become available because outstanding options expire, are cancelled, or otherwise terminate before being exercised). The Amendment would not affect the shares available for award purposes under the 1999 Plan.

The principal terms of the 2000 Plan are summarized below. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the 2000 Plan, which is an appendix to the copy of this Proxy Statement that was filed electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission and can be reviewed on the Securities and Exchange Commission s Web site at http://www.sec.gov. A copy of the 2000 Plan may also be obtained by contacting Michael R. Friedl, the Company s Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648 (telephone number (714) 536-6200).

#### **Summary Description of the 2000 Plan**

The purpose of the 2000 Plan is to promote the success of the Company by providing an additional means to attract, motivate, retain and reward our personnel, including our officers, directors and employees, through the grant of options and other awards that provide added long term incentives for high levels of performance and for significant efforts to improve the financial performance of the Company.

Awards. The 2000 Plan authorizes the issuance of stock options (incentive or nonqualified) and restricted stock awards to eligible recipients. The 2000 Plan does not have a predetermined formula or methodology for the granting of awards. Awards may be granted under the 2000 Plan only by the approval of our Board of Directors or a committee thereof, and awards are generally made in such amounts and with such vesting schedules that are commensurate with the responsibilities undertaken by the individual recipient or the accomplishments achieved by each recipient. Accordingly, none of the 3,500,000 shares that constitute the proposed increase in shares available under the 2000 Plan have yet been allocated to recipients, but rather they will be available for future grants in the ordinary course of administering the 2000 Plan by our Board of Directors or a committee of the Board.

*Administration*. The 2000 Plan is administered by either the Board or a committee of the Board (the Administrator ). The Administrator determines the number of shares that are to be subject to awards and the terms and conditions of such awards, including the price (if any) to be paid for the shares

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or the award. The Board has appointed the Compensation Committee as the Administrator of the 2000 Plan.

*Eligibility*. Persons eligible to receive awards under the 2000 Plan include officers, directors, employees and consultants of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. All officers and employees of the Company, including all of the Company s Named Executive Officers, and non-employee directors of the Company are considered eligible under the 2000 Plan at the present time, subject to the power of the Administrator to determine eligible persons to whom awards will be granted.

*Limits on Awards; Authorized Shares*. As referenced above, the limit on the number of shares of Common stock that may be issued or delivered pursuant to awards granted under the 2000 Plan is currently 2,000,000 shares. If stockholders approve the Amendment, this limit will be 5,500,000 shares. The maximum number of shares of Common stock subject to awards that may be granted to any individual during any calendar year is currently 1,000,000 shares.

As is customary in incentive plans of this nature, the number and kind of shares available under the 2000 Plan and the then outstanding awards, as well as exercise or purchase prices, are subject to adjustment in the event of certain reorganizations, mergers, combinations, consolidations, recapitalizations, reclassifications, stock splits, stock dividends, asset sales or other similar events, or extraordinary dividends or distributions of property to stockholders. Shares that are subject to or underlie awards which expire or fail to vest or which are cancelled, terminated, forfeited, or not paid or delivered under the 2000 Plan for any reason, as well as reacquired shares, become available, except to the extent prohibited by law, for additional awards under the 2000 Plan.

The 2000 Plan will not limit the authority of the Board or the Compensation Committee to grant awards or authorize any other compensation, with or without reference to the Common stock, under any other plan or authority (including, without limitation, the 1999 Plan).

*Transfer Restrictions*. Subject to certain exceptions contained in the 2000 Plan (which generally include transfer to the Company, a participant s designation of a beneficiary, and the exercise of a participant s award by the participant s legal representative in the event of the participant s disability), awards under the 2000 Plan are not transferable by the recipient other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution and are generally exercisable, during the recipient s lifetime, only by him or her. Any amounts payable or shares issuable pursuant to an award will be paid only to the recipient or the recipient s beneficiary or representative. The Administrator may, however, permit the transfer of an award if the transferor presents satisfactory evidence that the transfer is a gift to a family member.

**Stock Options**. A stock option is the right to purchase shares of Common stock at a future date at a specified price (the exercise price of the option). An option may either be an incentive stock option or a nonqualified stock option. Incentive stock option benefits are taxed differently than nonqualified stock option benefits, as described under Federal Income Tax Consequences below. Incentive stock options are also subject to more restrictive terms and are limited in amount by the Code and the 2000 Plan.

The exercise price of options granted under the 2000 Plan will be determined by the Administrator but, in the case of nonqualified stock options, may be no less than 85% of the fair market value of a share on the date of grant and, in the case of incentive stock options, may be no less than the fair market value of a share on the date of grant; provided, however, that the exercise price may be no less than 110% of fair market value for incentive stock options granted to an employee who owns 10% or more of the outstanding Common stock. Full payment for shares purchased on the exercise of any option must be made at the time of such exercise in a manner approved by the Administrator (which may include cash, a check, a promissory note, notice and third party payment, or delivery of previously owned Common stock, subject to certain limitations set forth in the 2000 Plan). Options granted under the 2000 Plan may be exercised at the time or times determined by the Administrator, but in no event may options

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be exercised after ten years from the date of grant; provided, however, that incentive stock options granted to an employee who owns 10% or more of the outstanding Common stock may not be exercised after five years from the date of grant.

**Restricted Stock Awards**. A restricted stock award is an award typically for a fixed number of shares of Common stock subject to restrictions. The Administrator specifies the price, if any, the participant must pay for such shares and the restrictions (which may include, for example, continued service only and/or performance standards) imposed on such shares.

Acceleration of Awards; Possible Early Termination of Awards. Unless prior to a Change in Control Event the Administrator determines that, upon its occurrence, benefits will not be accelerated, then generally upon the Change in Control Event each option will become immediately exercisable and restricted stock will vest. A Change in Control Event under the 2000 Plan generally includes (subject to certain exceptions) certain mergers or consolidations, Board or stockholder approval of a liquidation of the Company or sale of substantially all of the Company s assets, or certain persons acquiring more than 50% of the combined voting power of the Company s outstanding securities.

Effect of Termination of Employment. Options which have not yet become exercisable will generally lapse upon the date a participant is no longer employed by the Company. Options which have become exercisable generally must be exercised within 30 days after such date if the participant quits or otherwise resigns from the Company. The 30-day period is generally extended to three months for a termination of a participant s employment by the Company other than a termination for cause. The 30-day period is generally extended to one year for a termination of employment due to death, disability, or retirement. In the event a participant is discharged for cause, all options will lapse immediately upon such termination of employment. A participant s rights and benefits (if any) with respect to a restricted stock award granted under the 2000 Plan in the event of a termination of employment will be determined by the Administrator, which may make distinctions based upon the cause of termination and the nature of the award. The Administrator may increase the portion of a participant s award available to the participant in connection with a participant s termination of employment (other than a termination by the Company for cause).

Amendments. The Board may amend or terminate the 2000 Plan at any time. Stockholder approval for an amendment will only be required (1) if such approval is required as a matter of law, or (2) if the Board determines that stockholder approval is otherwise advisable. Outstanding awards may be amended, subject, however, to the consent of the holder if the amendment materially and adversely affects the holder. Unless previously terminated by the Board, the 2000 Plan will terminate on August 2, 2010.

Securities Underlying Awards. The market value of a share of Common stock as of June 12, 2002 was \$0.52 per share.

Federal Income Tax Consequences. With respect to nonqualified stock options, the Company is generally entitled to deduct an amount equal to the difference between the option exercise price and the fair market value of the shares at the time of exercise. With respect to incentive stock options, the Company is generally not entitled to a similar deduction either upon grant of the option or at the time the option is exercised. If incentive stock option shares are not held for specified qualifying periods, however, the difference between the fair market value of the shares at the date of exercise (or, if lower, the sale price) and the cost of such shares is taxed as ordinary income (and the Company will receive a corresponding deduction) in the year the shares are sold. Non-transferable restricted stock subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture results in income recognition only at the time the restrictions lapse (unless the recipient elects to accelerate recognition as of the date of grant) and the Company will generally have a corresponding deduction at the time the participant recognizes income.

If an award is accelerated under the 2000 Plan in connection with a change in control (as this term is used in the Internal Revenue Code), the Company may not be permitted to deduct the portion of the

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compensation attributable to the acceleration ( parachute payments ) if it exceeds certain threshold limits under the Internal Revenue Code (and certain excise taxes may be triggered). Further, if the compensation attributable to awards is not performance-based within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, the Company may not be permitted to deduct the aggregate non performance-based compensation in excess of \$1,000,000 in certain circumstances.

The above tax summary discusses general tax principles applicable to, and income tax consequences of, the 2000 Plan under current federal law, which is subject to change. This summary is not intended to be exhaustive and, among other considerations, does not describe state, local, or international tax consequences.

Specific Benefits. For information regarding options granted to directors and executive officers of the Company, see the material under the headings Director Compensation and Executive Officer Compensation above.

The number, amount and type of awards to be received by or allocated to eligible persons in the future under the 2000 Plan cannot be determined at this time. At this time, the Company is not considering any additional awards under the 2000 Plan. If the Amendments had been in effect previously, the Company expects that the grants would not have been substantially different from those described in the sections referred to above.

The Board believes that the additional shares to be made available under the 2000 Plan, if stockholders approve the Amendment, will promote the interests of the Company and its stockholders and continue to enable the Company to attract, retain and reward persons important to the Company success and to provide incentives based on the attainment of corporate objectives and increases in stockholder value.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table provides information as of September 30, 2001 with respect to the shares of the Company s Common Stock that may be issued under the Company s existing equity compensation plans, specifically the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and the 1999 Stock Option Plan. The table does not include the additional shares that may be issuable pursuant to the proposed share increases to the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan which are the subject of Proposal #1.

	(a)	(b)	(c)
			Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under
		Weighted	
	Number of Securities to be	Average	equity compensation plans
	Issued Upon Exercise of	Exercise Price of Outstanding	(excluding securities
	Outstanding Options	Options	reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	3,110,225	\$ 5.24	1,402,275

Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders

Total

3,110,225 \$5.24 1,402,275

#### **Options Granted**

The table below shows, as to each of the individuals named below and the various indicated groups, the following information with respect to stock option transactions effected during our fiscal year ended September 30, 2001: (i) the number of shares of Common Stock subject to options granted under the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and 1999 Stock Option Plan during that period and (ii) the weighted average exercise price payable per share under such options. For additional information concerning stock options granted to our management, see Item 11. Executive Compensation in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended September 30, 2001, a copy of which is included with this Proxy Statement and which item is incorporated by reference herein.

Weighted
Options Granted Average
Name and Position Exercise Price

(Number of Shares) Robert I. Webber President and Chief Executive Officer \$ 1.94 413,380 Michael R. Friedl Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer 42,780 \$1.21 All current executive officers as a group 456,160 \$1.87 All current directors who are not executive officers as a group 195,000 \$4.56 All employees, including all current officers who are not executive officers, as a group 1,188,356 \$4.00

### **Vote Required**

To approve the amendment to the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, a majority of the shares represented at the Special Meeting, either in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote at the Special Meeting must be voted in favor of the proposal.

Stockholders should note that because the directors are eligible to receive options under the 2000 Plan, the directors may have a personal interest in stockholder approval of this proposal. However, the members of the Board believe that the Amendments to the 2000 Plan are in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

The Board recommends that stockholders vote FOR the approval of the Amendments to the 2000 Plan as described above

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#### PROPOSAL NO. 2: APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF SECURITIES IN A PRIVATE PLACEMENT

(Item 2 on Proxy Card)

At our Annual Meeting held on March 14, 2002, our stockholders approved a proposal to issue up to ten million shares of our Common Stock and/or shares of convertible securities or instruments at prices no lower than the lesser of (A) \$0.50 per share of Common Stock or (B) a 40% discount to the closing market price of the Common Stock on the day prior to the date that a binding agreement is entered into for the sale of such securities. On June 12, 2002, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the Purchase Agreement) with a group of investors (the Purchasers) led by East-West Capital Associates, Inc., a private venture capital fund (EWVA), and its affiliate, East-West Venture Group, LLC (EWVG) (collectively, East-West). Under the Purchase Agreement, the Company agreed to sell to the Purchasers, in a private placement to be conducted in two separate closings, an aggregate of 7,500,000 shares of our Common Stock at \$0.40 per share and the following warrants:

A warrant to purchase up to 1,500,000 shares of our Common Stock at \$0.50 per share (the Advisory Warrant ), expiring three years after issuance, issuable to EWCA in connection with an Advisory Agreement entered into concurrently with the Purchase Agreement;

A warrant to purchase up to 6,000,000 shares of our Common Stock vesting in increments of 2,000,000 shares every six months at exercise prices of \$0.75, \$1.00, and \$1.25 per share, respectively (the Consulting Warrant ), expiring three years after issuance, issuable to EWCA in connection with a Consulting Agreement entered into concurrently with the Purchase Agreement; and

Warrants to purchase 2,500,000 shares of our Common Stock for one year after issuance (the Re-Set Warrants ) issuable to purchasers under the Purchase Agreement, vesting only if the closing price of our common stock averages, for a period of 20 consecutive trading days, less than 0.40 per share. Upon vesting, the exercise price of the warrants will be set at 0.40 of the average closing price of our common stock during the 0.40 period.

We are required to complete the transactions contemplated by the Purchase Agreement in two separate closings, since on March 14, 2002 our stockholders approved the sale of only ten million shares. The first closing under the Purchase Agreement (the Initial Closing) was completed on June 12, 2002, pursuant to which the Company sold an aggregate of 4,400,000 shares of Common Stock for an aggregate of \$1,760,000 and issued warrants (consisting of partial issuances of the Advisory Warrant, Consulting Warrant and Re-Set Warrants) for up to 5,600,000 shares of Common Stock.

We are now seeking approval of our stockholders to complete the sale of the remaining stock and warrants to the Purchasers in a second closing (the Second Closing). In the Second Closing, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, we would sell to the Purchasers an additional 3,100,000 shares of common stock for an aggregate of \$1,240,000 and issue warrants to purchase up to 3,775,000 shares of common stock (consisting of 600,000 warrants remaining to be issued under the Advisory Warrant; 2,400,000 warrants remaining to be issued under the Re-Set Warrants).

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#### **Demand Securities**

Under the Purchase Agreement and subject to certain conditions set forth therein, we also received the right to sell to East-West, at our discretion:

Up to an additional 2,500,000 shares of Common Stock at \$0.40 per share; and

Additional Re-Set Warrants for up to 625,000 shares of Common Stock.

In order to exercise the right to sell these securities to East-West (collectively, the Demand Securities ), our Board of Directors must notify EWCA of our decision no later than 90 days after the Initial Closing. Our Board has not yet decided whether or not to issue and sell the Demand Securities to East-West. We are now seeking approval of our stockholders, as part of this Proposal #2, to issue and sell the Demand Securities to East-West, should the Board decide to proceed with the sale of the Demand Securities.

#### Control by East-West

On June 21, 2002, we had outstanding 27,397,063 shares of Common Stock. As of such date, East-West beneficially owned 20.0% of our outstanding shares of Common Stock (determined by including shares and warrants, or such portion thereof, that are exercisable currently or within 60 days of the date of this Proxy Statement, and excluding shares underlying options and warrants held by any person other than East-West). Upon completion of the Second Closing, East-West will beneficially own 26.5% of our outstanding shares of Common Stock, or 31.5% of our outstanding shares of Common Stock assuming full exercise of our right to issue the Demand Securities. Such amounts include warrants to acquire 1,392,857 shares of our common stock at \$0.50 per share retained by EWCA under an Exclusivity Warrant issued on May 10, 2002 in connection with East-West s commitment to undertake the financing contemplated by the Purchase Agreement.

Under the terms of an Investors Rights Agreement (IRA) that the Company signed with the Purchasers in connection with the First Closing, the Company also agreed to grant to EWCA certain rights concerning the management of the Company, including (i) requiring the prior approval of EWCA before the Company can take certain actions, including engaging in a merger, liquidation, sale of material assets, sale of shares, change in senior management or transactions with affiliates, or incurring capital expenditures or debt greater than \$100,000, and (ii) appointing two individuals selected by EWCA to the Company s Board of Directors and nomination of two individuals selected by EWCA in future elections of directors. Under the IRA, our Board of Directors appointed Mr. Merv Adelson to our Board effective June 12, 2002.

Under the terms of a Registration Rights Agreement that the Company signed with the Purchasers in connection with the First Closing, the Company agreed to provide the Purchasers, including East-West, with certain demand and piggyback registration rights entitling the Purchasers to have their shares purchased in the Purchase Agreement and the shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants registered for resale by the Company.

#### Stockholder Approval

The Bylaws of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the NASD), require that we obtain stockholder approval in connection with a transaction other than a public offering involving the sale or issuance by the Company of Common Stock (or securities convertible into or exercisable for Common Stock) equal to 20% or more of a company soutstanding Common Stock, if the price per share is less than the greater of book value or market value of the Common Stock.

Existing stockholders of the Company will be diluted by the issuances of our securities contemplated by the Purchase Agreement. Our Board of Directors has reviewed the terms of the Purchase Agreement, including the sale of stock and warrants contemplated in this Proposal #2, and

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determined that the terms of the proposed transactions are fair and reasonable and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

In making its determination to approve the terms of the Purchase Agreement, the Board reviewed and considered:

the price of our Common Stock as reported on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market, the trading volume in our Common Stock, and the volatility in prices of our Common Stock;

the number of shares proposed to be sold in comparison to the average trading volume of our Common Stock;

appropriate discount factors for the restricted nature of our securities due to the absence of registration with the SEC;

recent trends in and prospects for the digital marketing and advertising industry as a whole; and

the business, operations, financial condition and prospects of our Company generally.

The Board of Directors believes that the transactions contemplated by the Purchase Agreement are in the best interests of the Company and stockholders. If the proposal is not approved, we will be required to seek alternative financing, and given the current market conditions, there is no assurance that we will be successful in obtaining such financing, on terms favorable to those included in the Purchase Agreement. Failure to obtain additional financings could have a severe negative impact on the Company and the value of our stock.

#### Effect of Issuance and Sale of Shares to Existing Stockholders

The issuance of the additional 5,600,000 shares of Common Stock contemplated in the Second Closing and the Demand Securities would represent an increase of approximately 19.7% over our shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 14, 2002 (not including the 4,400,000 warrants contemplated in the Second Closing and the Demand Securities). As described in the preceding paragraphs, these securities, and the warrants issued or issuable under the Purchase Agreement, may be sold at prices less than quoted market prices at the time of sale. Stockholders will suffer dilution of their ownership interest in our Company as a result of the issuance and sale of these securities. The issuance of the additional securities would reduce earnings (loss) per share, will have a dilutive impact on the voting power of current stockholders, and could depress the market price of our Common Stock.

### **Vote Required**

Approval of this Proposal #2 requires the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the shares represented at the Special Meeting, either in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote at the Special Meeting.

The Board of Directors recommends that stockholders vote FOR the approval of the sale of additional securities as described above.

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#### INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Copies of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended September 30, 2001 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2002 are included with this Proxy Statement. We hereby incorporate by reference the portions of the Form 10-K and Form 10-Q relating to our financial statements, supplementary financial information, management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk, and executive compensation.

The foregoing summary of the Purchase Agreement, Investors Rights Agreement, Registration Rights Agreement, Advisory Warrant, Consulting Warrant and Re-Set Warrants is qualified in its entirety by the full text of such agreements, copies of which have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as exhibits to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 25, 2002, which is incorporated by reference herein. The Report on Form 8-K and exhibits thereto can be reviewed on the Securities and Exchange Commission s Web site at http://www.sec.gov. A copy of the Current Report on Form 8-K and exhibits may also be obtained by contacting Michael R. Friedl, the Company s Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648 (telephone number (714) 536-6200).

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Copies of the reports, proxy statements and other information filed by us may be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Securities and Exchange Commission:

Judiciary Plaza Room 1024 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

Copies of these materials can also be obtained by mail at prescribed rates from the Public Reference section of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 or by calling the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. The Securities and Exchange Commission maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding us. The address of this website is http://www.sec.gov.

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You should rely only on the information contained in this proxy statement or that we have referred you to. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

#### Other Business

The Company knows of no other matters to be submitted to the stockholders at the Special Meeting. If any other matters properly come before the stockholders at the Special Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named on the enclosed proxy card to vote the shares they represent as the Board of Directors may recommend.

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A representative of Grant Thornton LLP, the Company s principal independent accountants, will be available by telephone at the Special Meeting, will be given the opportunity to make a statement if he so desires and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

Dated: June \_\_\_\_, 2002

By
Order of
the Board
of
Directors,
Michael R.
Friedl
Chief
Financial
Officer,
Treasurer
&
Corporate

Secretary

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# REVOCABLE PROXY FOR COMMON STOCK MINDARROW SYSTEMS, INC. PROXY SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE **COMPANY**

## For Annual Meeting of Shareholders, July \_\_\_, 2002

The undersigned shareholder(s) of MindArrow Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation, hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement, each dated June , 2002, and hereby appoints Robert I. Webber and Michael R. Friedl, and each of them, proxies and attorneys-in-fact, with full power to each of substitution, on behalf and in the name of the undersigned, to represent the undersigned at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of MindArrow Systems, Inc., to be held on July , 2002, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at MindArrow s principal executive offices located at 2120 Main Street, Suite 200, Huntington Beach, California 92648 and at any adjournment(s) thereof, on all matters coming before said meeting.

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## MINDARROW SYSTEMS, INC.

Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposals 1 2.

- 3. In their discretion, upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or at any adjournment thereof.
- 1. Approval of an amendment to the Company s 2000 Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the plan from two million (2,000,000) to five million five hundred thousand (5,500,000)

THIS PROXY WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREBY BY THE UNDERSIGNED SHAREHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR PROPOSALS 1-2.

#### FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

2. To approve the sale of an additional 5,600,000 shares of Common Stock at \$0.40 per share and warrants to purchase up to 4,400,000 shares of Common Stock pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement dated as of June 12, 2002 (the Purchase Agreement ) between the Company and a group of investors led by East-West Venture Group, LLC and its affiliate. The Company has already completed the Initial Closing of stock and warrants under the Purchase Agreement, and we are now seeking approval to conduct additional closings under the Purchase Agreement.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

(This proxy should be marked, dated and signed by the shareholder(s) exactly as his or her name appears hereon, and returned promptly in the enclosed envelope. Persons signing in a fiduciary capacity should so indicate. If shares are held by joint tenants or as community property, both should sign. If signing in any other capacity, please indicate your full title.)

PLEASE MARK, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD PROMPTLY USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. Dated:

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**US Stock Transfer**