

EXHIBIT 1A

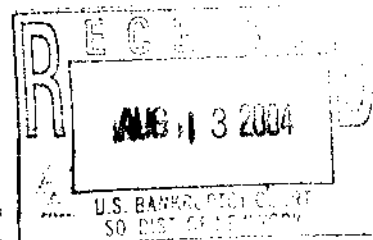
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11
RCN CORPORATION, et al. : Case No. 04-13638
Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)
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NOTICE OF STATUS AS A SUBSTANTIAL EQUITYHOLDER¹

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that [Name of Equityholder] is/has become a Substantial Equityholder with respect to the common or preferred stock (the "Stock") of RCN Corporation ("RCN"), a debtor and debtor-in-possession in Case No. 04-13638 pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, as of [Date], [Name of Equityholder] beneficially owns shares of the Stock of RCN. The following table sets forth the date(s) on which [Name of Equityholder] acquired or otherwise became the beneficial owner of such Stock:



¹For purposes of this notice: (A) "Substantial Equityholder" means any person or entity that has beneficial ownership of (i) at least 5 million shares of the common stock of RCN, or (ii) any shares of preferred stock of RCN; (B) "beneficial ownership" of equity interests includes (i) direct and indirect ownership (e.g., a holding company would be considered to beneficially own or acquire all equity interests owned or acquired by its subsidiaries), (ii) ownership by any group of persons acting pursuant to a formal or informal understanding to make a coordinated acquisition of an equity interest, (iii) ownership by such holder's family members and (iv) ownership of an equity interest which such holder has an option to acquire; and (C) an "option" to acquire an equity interest includes any contingent purchase, warrant, convertible debt or equity, put, equity interest subject to risk of forfeiture, contract to acquire equity interest or similar interest, in each case, regardless of whether such interest or right is contingent or otherwise not currently exercisable.

Number of Shares	Date Acquired	Class or Series of Stock
2,000	12/24/03	common
3,000	3/15/04	common

(Attach additional page if necessary)

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the taxpayer identification number of [Name of Equityholder] is _____

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that [Name of Equityholder] hereby declares that it has examined this notice and accompanying attachments (if any), and, to the best of its knowledge and belief, this notice and any attachments which purport to be part of this notice are true, correct and complete.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to that certain Final Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 362 and 541 Establishing Notice And Hearing Procedures For Trading In Equity Interests, this notice is being (A) filed with the Court, Alexander Hamilton Custom House, One Bowling Green, New York, NY 10004-1408, and (B) served upon (i) the Debtors, RCN Corporation, 105 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ 08540, Attn. General Counsel (ii) Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, counsel to the Debtors, 4 Times Square, New York, NY, 10036-6522, Attn. Jay M. Goffman, Esq., and (iii) Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, counsel to the Debtors, 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606-1285, Attn. Maxwell M. Miller, Esq.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Simmons
[Name of Equityholder]

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Resource Management Account

Statement Period: June 2004

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Shares	Description	Price	Current value	Est. annual income/ Current yield	Trade date	Shares purchased	Purchase price	Cost basis	Unrealized Gain/Loss
2,300	PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP SYMBOL: PMTC EXCHANGE: OTC	5.000	11,500.00		09/04/01	95,000	94.590	9,071	-7,442
					10/01/01	54,000	38.224	2,117	-1,191
					10/01/01	7,000	37.977	272	-152
					05/03/00	800,000	8.887	7,085	-3,085
					05/26/00	500,000	8.000	4,084	-1,584
2,000	PAULA FINANCIAL SYMBOL: PFCO EXCHANGE: OTC	2.920	5,840.00		03/12/01	1,000,000	10.000	10,049	-5,049
					05/28/04	2,000,000	2.850	5,755	85
4,000	POLYCOM INC SYMBOL: PLCM EXCHANGE: OTC	22.410	89,640.00		01/22/01	1,000,000	27.875	28,143	-5,733
					02/21/01	500,000	26.000	13,149	-1,944
					02/22/01	500,000	24.000	12,126	-921
					03/12/01	1,000,000	20.500	20,721	1,689
					04/05/01	1,000,000	12.750	12,922	9,488
1,666	PRICELINE.COM INC NEW SYMBOL: PCLN EXCHANGE: OTC	26.930	44,865.38		06/06/01	333,000	40.060	13,449	-4,481
					09/05/01	166,000	30.120	5,060	-589
					07/02/02	333,000	13.993	4,723	4,244
					12/10/02	834,000	9.772	8,257	14,202
					09/22/03	2,000,000	.470	950	130
2,000	PROSOFT TRAINING SYMBOL: POSO EXCHANGE: OTC	.540	1,080.00						
2,846	PT TOBA PULP LESTARI SPON ADR SYMBOL: PTPY EXCHANGE: OTC					2,846,000			
5,000	QUANTA SERVICES INC SYMBOL: PWR EXCHANGE: NYSE	6.220	31,100.00		10/18/02	3,000,000	2.640	8,024	10,636
5,000	RCN CORP SYMBOL: RCNQ EXCHANGE: OTC	.130	650.00		10/22/02	2,000,000	2.770	5,683	6,757
5,000	RELANCE ACCEPTANCE GROUP INC SYMBOL: RACCQ EXCHANGE: OTC				10/24/03	2,000,000	1.550	3,155	-2,895
					03/15/04	3,000,000	.320	1,015	-625
					12/31/01	5,000,000	.001	5	-5
1,000	RELANT ENERGY INC SYMBOL: RRI EXCHANGE: NYSE	10.830	10,830.00		10/02/02	1,000,000	1.900	1,955	8,875
10,000	SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC SYMBOL: SFE EXCHANGE: NYSE	2.300	23,000.00		05/26/00	500,000	30.000	15,165	-14,015
					07/26/00	500,000	31.500	15,920	-14,770
					07/28/00	500,000	30.000	15,165	-14,015
					11/27/00	1,000,000	12.000	12,167	-9,867
					12/01/00	500,000	8.375	4,273	-3,123

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