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Adobe to Certify Financial Statements

SEC Statement Under Oath to Include Quarter Ending August 30, 2002

SAN JOSE, Calif. — August 12, 2002 (NASDAQ: ADBE) — Adobe Systems Incorporated, a leader in network publishing, today announced that the company will comply with the recent order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission requiring the filing of sworn statements by the CEO and CFO of public companies with annual revenues greater than \$1.2 billion.

In compliance with SEC guidelines, CEO Bruce Chizen and CFO Murray Demo will file the sworn statements on or before the company's due date of October 14, 2002. The certifications will cover the company's 2002 proxy statement and annual report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2001, as well as periodic reports for the first, second and third quarters of fiscal year 2002. For more information on the latest SEC guidelines visit: www.sec.gov.

"We fully support the SEC's financial certification requirement and feel it's a positive step forward to help restore confidence in the public markets," said Chizen. "We pride ourselves on providing investors with financial information that is complete, timely and accurate."

About Adobe Systems Incorporated

Founded in 1982, Adobe Systems Incorporated (www.adobe.com), the leader in network publishing, offers a comprehensive line of software for enterprise and creative professional customers. Its products enable customers to create, manage and deliver visually rich, compelling and reliable content. Based in San Jose, Calif., Adobe is one of the world's largest software companies.

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