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FORMULA SYSTEMS (1985) LTD. COMPLETES SALE OF NEW APPLICOM, SINTEC AND SIVAN TO MATRIX; CONSOLIDATION CREATES LARGEST ISRAELI IT SOLUTIONS PROVIDER

Herzliya, Israel, November 14 , 2002-Formula Systems (1985) Ltd., (Nasdaq:FORTY), a leading provider of information technology products, solutions and services, today announced it had completed its transactions with Matrix IT Ltd., a leading IT integrator and IT solutions and services provider, and a 71.2 % owned subsidiary of Formula. The transactions were completed pursuant to the previously reported agreement entered into between Formula and Matrix IT in early October 2002. Under the terms of the agreement, Formula sold all of the ordinary shares it owned in its subsidiaries, New Applicom Ltd., Sintec Advanced Technologies Ltd. and Sivan Training and Systems Ltd. to Matrix for an aggregate purchase price of approximately NIS 141 million or approximately \$29 million. The ordinary shares sold by Formula under this agreement also included the ordinary shares of New Applicom, Sintec and Sivan Formula purchased pursuant to the tender offers it commenced in early October 2002.

Matrix announced today it had commenced an exchange offer for all shares of New Applicom and Sivan not sold to it by Formula.

Formula Systems (1985) Ltd. (NASDAQ: FORTY):

Formula Systems (1985) Ltd., is a global information technology company principally engaged, through its subsidiaries and affiliates, in providing software consulting services, developing proprietary software products and providing computer-based business solutions.

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