

The Depository Trust Company

IMPORTANT

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DATE: August 01, 2001

TO: All Participants

CATEGORY: Dividends

FROM: Nilesh Desai, Supervisor, Dividend Department

ATTENTION: Dividend Managers, Cashiers and Reorganization Managers

SUBJECT: Spinoff:Restricted Preferred Shares of Equity Technologies
& Resources, Inc. from Class A Common Stock
Class A CUSIP#: 29477M203
Record Date: 7/16/01 Payable Date: 8/31/01

*****WARNING TIME CRITICAL*****

It is imperative that participants read this notice in its entirety as it relates to an spinoff distribution that is different than those normally handle.

****WARNING****

Participants who DO NOT submits their instructions on behalf of their eligible beneficial owners on or prior to August 20, 2001, will not receive anything.

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") has received information from Equity Technologies & Resources, Inc. (the "Company") in regards to a spinoff of Restricted Preferred Shares from Class A Common Stock. Each shareholder who holds multiples of 500 shares of Class A Common Stock of Equity Technologies, Inc., is entitled to receive (1) Restricted Preferred Share for each block of 500 shares Class A Common Stock. (e.g. Shareholders who hold 499 shares or less of Class A Common Stock, are not entitled to any Restricted Preferred Shares, shareholders holding 999 shares of Class A Common Stock will only receive (1) Restricted Preferred Share).

DTC will not be crediting Restricted Preferred Shares to participants' accounts. The Transfer Agent, Signature Stock Transfer, Inc. has requested from DTC a Record Date Listing of participants. The agent will only be issuing certificates in the name of the beneficial holders, as required by the Company.

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Participants who have eligible shareholders and wish to receive their Restricted Preferred Shares, must do so directly with the transfer agent by no later than 5:00 p.m. (C.S.T.) on 8/20/01 by providing the following:

- A) Written authorization on your Company letterhead**
- B) DTC participant number**
- C) Name and address of the beneficial owner**
- D) Mailing address as to where you wish to have the Restricted Preferred Share (s) mailed**
- E) Name and telephone number of contact (participant)**

Upon completion, participants may fax their instructions to (972) 788-4194, attn: Mr. Jason Bogutski and call (972) 788-4193 for confirmation of the participants instructions.

If participants have any questions concerning this Important Notice, please contact Mr. Douglas Smith or Raymond Lew of DTC's Dividend Department at (212) 855-4527/4523.

If participants have any questions concerning the offering and/or need more information, they may contact Mr. Jason Bogutski, of the Transfer Agent at (972) 788-4193.