

## Frequency Electronics Annual Shareholder Meeting

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MITCHEL FIELD, N.Y., Oct 9, 2002 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- At its Annual Meeting of Shareholders held today at Mitchel Field, Martin Bloch, President and Chief Executive Officer of Frequency Electronics, Inc. (AMEX- FEI), said that, based on the present view, the Company expects a profitable year.

He noted that despite the current business climate the Company in recent months has experienced improved revenues and earnings, and that backlog is increasing. This is in contrast to other companies in Frequency's peer group which have recently disclosed significant declines in projected revenues with larger than expected losses.

Mr. Bloch also discussed the proposal the Company had made to the board of directors of Datum Inc. (NASDAQ- DATM) on September 26, 2002, to merge the two companies. Frequency had proposed to acquire each outstanding share of Datum common stock for \$2.00 in cash and 1 share of Frequency common stock. The proposal was subject only to negotiation of a definitive agreement containing customary conditions. In a letter and press release dated October 7, 2002, Datum's board of directors rejected the proposal without contacting Frequency to discuss it. Subsequently, in a letter to Datum dated October 8, 2002, Mr. Bloch expressed disappointment in Datum's response. Frequency has no plans to make another proposal at this time.

In response to a Shareholder question, General Joseph Franklin, Chairman of the Board, confirmed that the Company has recently purchased, and continues to purchase, limited amounts of its common stock in the open market.

The Company also declared its regular semi-annual cash dividend, which is the subject of a separate press release.

## **About Frequency Electronics**

Frequency Electronics, Inc. is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of high-technology frequency, timing and synchronization products for satellite and terrestrial voice, video and data telecommunications. The Company's technologies provide unique solutions that are essential building blocks for the next generation of broadband wireless and fiber optic communications systems, and for the ongoing expansion of existing wireless and wireline networks. Additional information is available on FEI's website: www.frequencyelectronics.com.

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