

PRECISE SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS LTD

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**VERITAS Software and Precise Software Solutions Announce Deadline  
for Electing Merger Consideration**

**MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. June 24, 2003** In connection with the pending merger between VERITAS Software Corporation (Nasdaq: VRTS) and Precise Software Solutions Ltd. (Nasdaq: PRSE), as previously announced, any Precise shareholder wishing to make an election to receive the cash consideration or the mixed consideration must deliver to Mellon Investor Services LLC, the Exchange Agent, a properly completed election form, together with such shareholder's stock certificates or a properly completed notice of guaranteed delivery, by 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on June 27, 2003, the Election Deadline.

If the merger is completed, Precise shareholders will receive, upon their election and subject to the election procedures described in the proxy statement/prospectus, for each ordinary share of Precise, either: (1) the cash consideration, which consists of \$16.50 in cash or (2) the mixed consideration, which consists of \$12.375 in cash, plus 0.2365 of a share of VERITAS Software common stock. Precise shareholders who do not make a proper and timely election with respect to their Precise ordinary shares or who effectively revoke their elections prior to the Election Deadline will be deemed to have elected to receive the cash consideration of \$16.50 for their Precise ordinary shares, even if the value of the mixed consideration is higher than \$16.50. Precise shareholders may receive only one form of consideration for all of their Precise ordinary shares.

To comply with Israeli securities laws, Precise shareholders who are Israeli holders and who properly and timely elect to receive the mixed consideration will not receive any shares of VERITAS Software common stock, but instead will receive \$12.375 in cash, plus an amount in cash equal to 0.2365 multiplied by the closing sale price of one share of VERITAS Software common stock on the trading day immediately prior to the time the merger takes effect. Precise shareholders who are Israeli holders and who do not make a proper and timely election with respect to their Precise ordinary shares or who effectively revoke their elections prior to the

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Election Deadline will be deemed to have elected to receive the cash consideration of \$16.50 for their Precise ordinary shares, even if the value of the mixed consideration is higher than \$16.50.

Precise shareholders who acquired Precise ordinary shares after May 27, 2003, the record date for the Precise extraordinary shareholder meeting, may not vote such shares at the extraordinary shareholder meeting because they were not the record holder of those shares on the record date. However, Precise shareholders are entitled to make an election with respect to shares acquired after the record date at any time prior to the Election Deadline. Precise shareholders may obtain copies of the election form, as well as a copy of the proxy statement/prospectus dated June 2, 2003, previously mailed to holders of Precise ordinary shares as of the record date and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, from the Exchange Agent by calling Mellon Investor Services LLC toll-free at (888) 689-2681 from within the U.S. or at (201) 373-5213 from outside the U.S. The proxy statement/prospectus contains important information that should be reviewed prior to making an election to receive the cash consideration or the mixed consideration.

Precise shareholders may change their elections at any time prior to the Election Deadline, by written notice accompanied by a properly completed and signed later-dated election form received by the Exchange Agent prior to the Election Deadline or by withdrawal of such shareholder's share certificates by written notice received by the Exchange Agent prior to the Election Deadline. All elections will be revoked automatically if the merger agreement between VERITAS Software and Precise is terminated. Precise shareholders who have made an election with respect to their Precise ordinary shares may not thereafter sell the Precise ordinary shares with respect to which an election has been made until the election has been effectively revoked and the share certificates have been returned by the Exchange Agent.

Questions regarding the election procedures and requests for additional copies of the election form should be addressed to Mellon Investor Services LLC, Reorganization Department, Post Office Box 3301, South Hackensack, New Jersey 07606, telephone toll-free: (888) 689-2681 from within the U.S. or (201) 373-5213 from outside the U.S. Precise shareholders who hold their shares in street name should also contact their brokers for additional information regarding the election procedures that they should follow with respect to such shares.

#### **About VERITAS Software**

With revenues of \$1.5 billion in 2002, VERITAS Software ranks among the top 10 software companies in the world. VERITAS Software is the world's leading storage software company, providing data protection, storage management, high availability and disaster recovery software

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to 86 percent of the Fortune 500. VERITAS Software's corporate headquarters is located at 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, CA, 94043, telephone: 650-527-8000, fax: 650-527-8050, e-mail: vx-sales@veritas.com, Web site: www.veritas.com.

**About Precise Software Solutions**

Precise Software Solutions, headquartered in Westwood, MA, delivers Precise i3®, a comprehensive solution for Application Performance Management that focuses directly on the end-user experience and delivers a rapid return on technology investments. By continuously monitoring and analyzing all vital components of the application infrastructure, from URL to SQL and Beyond, Precise i3 proactively detects and helps to correct the root causes of performance degradation before they affect response times. Precise i3 identifies trends and deviations from the norm, delivering the right balance of performance optimization and strategic business planning.

More than 6,000 leading enterprises worldwide, including 80% of the Fortune 100, are using Precise's solutions to help maximize their technology investments and meet their business goals. Precise has offices throughout North America, Europe, the Middle East, Far East and Pacific Rim, as well as a global network of resellers and distributors. More information on Precise is available at [www.precise.com](http://www.precise.com).

**Additional Information:**

In connection with the proposed merger of VERITAS Software and Precise Software Solutions, VERITAS Software has filed a registration statement on Form S-4, including a proxy statement/prospectus, with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Investors and security holders are urged to read the prospectus/proxy statement regarding the proposed merger because it contains important information about the transaction. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the prospectus/proxy statement and other documents filed by VERITAS Software and Precise Software Solutions with the Securities and Exchange Commission at the Securities and Exchange Commission's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The prospectus/proxy statement and these other documents also may be obtained for free from VERITAS Software and Precise Software Solutions.

Precise, its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Precise shareholders in favor of the matters to be considered at the extraordinary meeting. A description of any interests that the directors and executive officers of Precise may have is available in the proxy statement/prospectus.

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