

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-3628

August 1, 2007

Via Facsimile (650) 938-5200 Fenwick & West LLP Jeffrey R. Vetter, Esq. Silicon Valley Center 801 California Street Mountain View, CA 94041 (650) 988-8500

RE: Verisign Inc. Schedule TO-I filed July 27, 2007 File No. 005-54923

Dear Mr. Vetter:

We have limited our review of the filing to those issues we have addressed in our comments. Where indicated, we think you should revise the document in response to these comments. If you disagree, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure. After reviewing this information, we may raise additional comments.

The purpose of our review process is to assist you in the compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in the filing. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone number listed at the end of this letter.

General

1. We note that your offer to amend or replace outstanding eligible options contains a cash bonus component, which may, under certain circumstances, be paid in January 2008. It appears that you rely upon the global relief granted by the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance pursuant to the Exemptive Order for Issuer Exchange Offers that are Conducted for Compensatory Purposes issued on March 21, 2001 and the Chordiant Software, Inc. (available March 26, 2007) no-action letter. Included in your definition of Jeffrey R. Vetter, Esq. Fenwick & West LLP August 1, 2007 Page 2

"Eligible Optionee," however, are affiliated companies (such as a subsidiary or joint venture entity). Please tell us why such an entity is permitted to participate in your offer, which appears to rely on the global exemptive relief described above when such relief is limited to exchange offers for current employees.

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2. Please revise your characterization of the information in the summary as "not complete." The summary term sheet must describe the most material terms of the proposed transaction. The summary term sheet must provide security holders with sufficient information to understand the essential features and significance of the proposed transaction. Please see Item 1 of Schedule TO and Item 1000 of Regulation M-A. Such summary may not be characterized as incomplete.

Closing Comments

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filings reviewed by the staff to be certain that they have provided all information investors require. Since the Company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a Company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In connection with responding to our comments, please provide, in writing, a statement from the Company acknowledging that:

- the Company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filings;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments in the filings reviewed by the staff do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the Company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

As appropriate, please amend your filing in response to these comments. You may wish to provide us with marked copies of the amendment, if required, to expedite our review. Please furnish a cover letter with your amendment that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested supplemental information. Detailed cover letters greatly facilitate our review. Please file your response letter on EDGAR. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your amendment and responses to our comments. If the information you provide in response to our comments materially changes the information that you have already provided to security holders, disseminate the revised materials in a manner reasonably calculated to inform them of the new information.

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Direct any questions to me at (202) 551-3257. You may also contact me via facsimile at (202) 772-9203. Please send all correspondence to us at the following ZIP code: 20549-3628.

Very truly yours,

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