BENOÎT MARCOUX P. Eng., M.Sc.A., M.B.A.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Since 1994, consulting with high technology businesses and investors (see <u>www.cbmi.ca</u>).
- From 1981 to 1994, held management positions of increasing responsibility in R&D, marketing and finance.
- Result-oriented leader who blends marketing, operations and finance in an international perspective.
- Excellent communicator with a sense of humor who easily establishes rapports and builds performing teams.
- Negotiated major contracts for software and telecommunications services, and helped obtain \$100M in financing.
- Successfully launched high technology products and services, including market positioning and communications.
- Key roles in R&D team efforts toward creation of large scale software.

CONSULTING (SINCE 1994)

Consulting - Investors

Performed technical or marketing due diligence mandates on over 25 companies.

- Clients: BDC, CDP, First Analysis Corporation, Fonds FTQ, Hargan Ventures, Innovatech, KIFMC, etc.
- Segments: application software, real-time software, video, IP telephony, wireless communications, CLEC, etc.

Consulting - Corporate Clients

Completed more than 75 marketing or finance mandates for 30+ corporate clients.

- Marketing: marketing programs, go-to-market strategies, pricing, collateral materials, and presentations.
- Financial mandates: business plan, financial models, and business risk analysis, helping rise \$100M in financing.
- Segments: software, Application Service Providers, cable TV, video on demand, IP telephony, international carriers, Inter-Exchange Carriers, Competitive Local Exchange Carriers, security systems, and multimedia.

Contract Replacements / Short-term / Interim Management Assignments

Vice President, Finance (2003) – ObjectWorld Technologies Ltd

Reporting to president and CEO. In just over 1 month as VP Finance for this messaging software vendor:

- Secured \$600k bridge financing.
- Implemented better financial controls and reporting.

Vice President, Marketing (2000-2001) - Proxima Systems Ltd

Reporting to president and CEO. Led marketing operations for this Customer Care and Billing system vendor.

- Put in place the product management organization.
- Instituted a new commission plan.
- Launched new corporate image, advertising campaign, and trade show program.

Vice President, Systems and Network Operations (1997-1999) – AlphaNet Telecom Inc.

Reporting to COO. Led planning, deployment and operations of an IP telephony network in 16 countries.

- Negotiated major supply agreements.
- Implemented a network operation centre in Toronto and technical offices in London (UK) and Hong Kong.
- Grew network organization to 65 people with budget of US\$25M.

Director, Finance (1995) – Téléglobe Canada

Director, Finance (1994-1995) – CF Telecom

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE (1981-1994)

1991-1994 OPTINET TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Director, Financial Analysis and Regulatory Affairs (1992-1994)

Corporate budget and planning. Relations with CRTC, carriers and trade associations.

- Established budgets, developed long term financial plan, and followed up on results.
- Developed business plans supporting acquisitions and \$3M equity financing.
- Actively lobbied for Optinet's positions at the CRTC.

Director, Product Marketing (1991-1992)

Positioning and identification of market trends. Corporate communications. Led product management team.

- Organized the marketing launch of Optinet, including distinctive communication strategy.
- Defined Optinet's services and supported sales efforts, with revenues growing to \$4M in 2 years.

1985-1991 MEMOTEC DATA INC.

Manager, Product Marketing (1988-1991)

Overall responsibility for product lines with worldwide sales of \$22M. Supervision of product management team.

- Increased sales 50% in a market dominated by a larger competitor.
- Re-positioned products to side-step competitor's technological advantage.
- Actively supported sales force in Canada, US and overseas.
- Launched 4 products in 2 years and implemented a dynamic communication strategy.

Project Manager (1985-1988)

Supervision of engineers and computer scientists for the development of products and software resulting in annual sales of \$8 millions.

1984-1985 SPERRY INC., DEFENSE SYSTEM GROUP

Scientific Programmer

Design of real-time software for the electronic warfare systems of the Canadian patrol frigates. Security clearance.

1981-1984 CANADAIR INC.

Aerospace Engineer

Support of flight tests and computer simulations of the Challenger business jet.

EDUCATION

- 1988 MCGILL UNIVERSITY (MONTREAL) Master of Business Administration
- 1985 ECOLE POLYTECHNIQUE (MONTREAL) Master of Applied Sciences (Electrical Engineering)
- 1981 ECOLE POLYTECHNIQUE (MONTREAL) Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical / Aerospace)