UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

LAWRENCE E. JAFFE PENSION PLAN,	Lead Case No. 02-C-5893
On Behalf of Itself and all Others Similarly) (Consolidated)
Situated,) <u>CLASS ACTION</u>
Plaintiff,) Judge Ronald A. Guzman
vs.) Magistrate Judge Nan R.) Nolan
HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, INC., et))
al.,)
Defendants.))

DECLARATION OF CAROLE K. SYLVESTER RE: A) MAILING OF THE NOTICE OF PENDENCY AND PROPOSED PARTIAL SETTLEMENT OF CLASS ACTION, AND B) PUBLICATION OF THE SUMMARY NOTICE

I, Carole K. Sylvester, declare:

THE NOTICE

- 1. I submit this declaration in order to provide the Court and the parties to the above-captioned litigation with information regarding the mailing of the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Partial Settlement of Class Action ("Notice"). I am over 21 years of age and am not a party to this action. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and, if called as a witness, could and would testify competently thereto.
- 2. I am employed by Gilardi & Co. LLC, located at 3301 Kerner Boulevard, San Rafael, California. My firm was retained as the Claims Administrator in this matter. I oversaw the notice services Gilardi provided in accordance with the Revised Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement with Arthur Andersen LLP and Providing for Notice (the "Order") that was filed with the Court in this matter. I oversaw the notice services Gilardi provided. A true and correct copy of the Notice is attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Notice was in the form approved by the Court.

MAILING OF THE NOTICE

- 3. On or before February 13, 2006, I caused 48,442 address labels prepared from listings provided by the transfer agent for Household International Inc. ("Household") to be affixed to envelopes containing the Notice of class action. These address labels reflected the names and addresses of persons or entities who owned an interest in the securities of Household from October 23, 1997 through and including October 11, 2002. I thereafter caused all of the Notices to be posted for first-class mail and delivered on February 13, 2006 to the United States Post Office located in Santa Rosa, California. The total number of Notices mailed on February 13, 2006 to those members of the class was 48,442.
- 4. My firm, as a part of its normal procedure, sends a cover letter with the Notice to a list of 84 entities (most of which are major brokerage houses) which commonly hold securities in "street name" as nominees for the benefit of their

customers who are the beneficial purchasers of the securities. The letter advises the nominees of the pending action and requests their cooperation in forwarding notice to the beneficiary. A copy of the letter dated February 13, 2006 sent to nominees and brokerage houses in this case is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

- 5. My firm has acted as a repository for shareholder inquiries and communications received in this action. In this regard, we have forwarded the Notice on request to nominees who held Household securities for the beneficial interest of other persons and entities. We have also forwarded the Notice directly to beneficial owners upon receipt of the names and addresses from such nominees.
- 6. In response to correspondence or inquiries from potential class members and/or nominees, we have caused to be mailed directly to potential class members and nominees an additional 341,077 Notices. As of this date, we have mailed a total of 389,519 Notices to such recipients.
- 7. I also caused a copy of the Notice to be posted on our website (www.gilardi.com) on or about February 13, 2006.

PUBLICATION OF THE SUMMARY NOTICE

8. I caused the Summary Notice to be published in the *USA Today* on February 14, 2006 as shown in the declaration of publication attached here to as Exhibit C.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed this 24th day of March, 2006, at San Rafael, California.

CAROLE K. SYLVÉSTER

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 30, 2006, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the e-mail addresses denoted on the attached Electronic Mail Notice List, and I hereby certify that I have mailed the foregoing document or paper via the United States Postal Service to the non-CM/ECF participants indicated on the attached Manual Notice List.

s/ JOY ANN BULL

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