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Leapfrog Ventures and Silicon Valley Bank Invest In Striva Corporation; PricewaterhouseCoopers Strategic Fund Invests In Innovative e-Integration Vendor

San Jose, CA & London -- (BUSINESS WIRE) -- March 13, 2001 -- Striva Corporation, a leader in Database to e-Integration technology, announced that Leapfrog Ventures, a leading venture fund and strategic investment channel for PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), has made a substantial equity investment in the company.

Silicon Valley Bank, the United States' premier provider of financial products and services to emerging technology and life sciences companies, has also joined this funding round.

Striva Corporation has developed DETAIL, the first software infrastructure solution to combine high performance native database access with a scalable agent-based technology platform.

This unique architecture addresses the primary challenge facing established companies as they move into e-commerce - how to easily integrate years of dissimilar legacy data and systems with their e-business initiatives.

"We are tremendously excited to have Leapfrog and Silicon Valley Bank on board as our first external investors," said David Richmond, chairman and CEO, Striva. "Leapfrog's close relationship with PwC, coupled with their unparalleled experience with enterprise software companies, should help us accelerate our penetration into the Global 2000."

"Striva's product solves a huge problem faced by major corporations: real-time e-commerce access to legacy data." said Pete Sinclair, senior partner at Leapfrog Ventures. "Together with PwC, we hope to rapidly get the word out to corporations about the significant benefits that DETAIL can deliver".

"Silicon Valley Bank is interested in well-run companies which have a clear technological lead in their market," said Mike Rose, investment manager at Silicon Valley Bank. "Striva attracted us because of the quality of their management and the timeliness of their technology".

About Striva

Striva Corporation is a technology company founded in 1998, with headquarters in Silicon Valley and London. Striva develops software to solve complex database integration problems for some of the world's leading software vendors.

Striva products enable large corporations to invest in new technology while maintaining the viability of their existing database infrastructure, delivering more than 100-fold performance improvements over alternatives. Striva customers include Alcatel, Chase Manhattan, Lockheed Martin, Nortel Networks, UBS Warburg, and Xerox.

About Leapfrog

Leapfrog Ventures is the only U.S. venture capital firm in which PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) has invested. Leapfrog's special relationship with PwC gives a unique advantage in providing entrepreneurs with access to the key relationships that are vital to an early stage company.

These relationships can be introductions to senior executives at other technology companies, potential strategic partners, or potential customers. Leapfrog can also provide preferred access to PwC's worldwide distribution channel for software and IT services.

These strategic advantages can provide enormous leverage to a small company looking to "declare victory" in an emerging category well before the competition.

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USA. More information on the Bank can be found at www.svb.com.

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