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XIN NET CORP.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE SHAREHOLDERS
BY WRITTEN CONSENT OF A MAJORITY

FEBRUARY 25, 2004

To The Shareholders of Xin Net Corp.

Xiao-qing Du, Richco Investors, Inc., Zeth Zhang, Grace Ding, Jerry Wang, Susan Wen, and Jason Quan (collectively, the "Majority Shareholders") are the holders of a total of 25,319,500 shares or approximately 61.3% of the total issued and outstanding stock of Xin Net Corp., a Florida corporation (the "Company"). The Majority Shareholders have adopted the following resolutions by written consent in lieu of a meeting pursuant to the Business Corporation Act of the State of Florida, and subject to the Notice requirements of Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

1. To change the Company's name to a name yet to be determined.
2. To authorize a reverse split of the Company's common stock on a one for five basis.

Xiao-qing Du, President

WE ARE NOT ASKING YOU FOR A CONSENT OR A PROXY AND YOU ARE
REQUESTED NOT TO SEND US A PROXY.

Xin Net Corp.
#950-789 W. Pender St.
Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6C 1H2

February 25, 2004

NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDERS' ACTION

The Majority Shareholders have submitted their consents to the actions described in this Information Statement on or about February 24, 2004, to be effective on or before _____, 2004. As of February 24, 2004, the Majority Shareholders held of record 25,319,500 shares of the Company's common stock, or approximately 61.3% of the total issued and outstanding common stock of the Company. The remaining outstanding shares of common stock are held by approximately four thousand other shareholders.

The Majority Shareholders consenting consist of Xiao-qing Du, Richco Investors, Inc., Zeth Zhang, Grace Ding, Jerry Wang, Susan Wen, and Jason Quan. See "SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS."

Holders of the common stock of record as of February 24, 2004 are entitled to submit their consent to the shareholder resolutions described in this Information Statement, although no shareholder consents other than that of the Majority Shareholders are required to be submitted in order for the resolution to be adopted. The Company is NOT soliciting consents or proxies and shareholders have no obligation to submit either of them. Whether or not shareholders submit consents should not affect their rights as shareholders or the prospects of the proposed shareholder resolutions being adopted. The

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Majority Shareholders will consent to all of the shareholder resolutions described in this Information Statement. The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding common stock of the Company is required to adopt the resolutions described in this Information Statement. Florida law does not require that the proposed transaction be approved by a majority of the disinterested shareholders. A total of 41,360,010 shares of common stock will be entitled to vote on the Company's proposed transactions described in this Information Statement.

THE COMPANY

The Company has its executive offices at #950-789 W. Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6C 1H2, and its telephone number is (604) 632-9638. As described in the accompanying NOTICE OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE SHAREHOLDERS, the Company proposes to adopt the Xin Net Corp Stock Compensation Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A.

SHAREHOLDER ACTIONS

Proposal #1

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES FOR CORPORATION NAME CHANGE

The majority shareholders have authorized a change in the name of this corporation to a name to be chosen by the Board. This requires an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation.

The Board believes the name change in our Articles of Incorporation are in the best interest of the corporation, to create a new market image for the Company.

PROPOSAL 2

REVERSE SPLIT OF COMMON STOCK ISSUED AND OUTSTANDING

To Authorize a reverse split of the common stock on a one for five basis, by which each five shares shall become one share;

Our shareholders have approved a pro-rata reverse split of our common stock, by which each five shares would become one share. The effective date of the reverse split will be 20 days following the date of the mailing of this Notice.

We believe that reverse split will be advantageous to us and to all shareholders, because it may provide the opportunity for higher share prices based upon fewer shares. It is also a factor that most brokerage houses do not permit or favor lower-priced stocks to be used as collateral for margin accounts. Certain policies and practices of the securities industry may tend to discourage individual brokers within those firms from dealing in lower-priced stocks. Some of those policies and practices involve time-consuming procedures that make the handling of lower priced stocks economically unattractive. The brokerage commissions on the purchase or sale of lower priced stocks may also represent a higher percentage of the price than the brokerage commission on higher priced stocks.

As a general rule, potential investors who might consider making investments in our company will refuse to do so when the company has a large

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number of shares issued and outstanding with no equity. In other words, the "dilution" which new investors would suffer would discourage them from investing, as general rule of experience. A reduction in the total outstanding shares may, without any assurance, make our capitalization structure more attractive.

While our acceptability for ultimate listing on one of the NASDAQ markets is presently remote, we believe that it is in the interests of our company to adjust our capital structure in the direction of conformity with the NASDAQ structural requirements. At the current date, even with the proposed changes we would not meet NASDAQ criteria. NASDAQ requirements change constantly. There is no assurance that the proposed changes will meet NASDAQ requirements when, and if, we are otherwise qualified. There is no assurance that we will qualify for NASDAQ.

There is no assurance that any effect of the price of our stock will result, or that the market price for our common stock, immediately or shortly after the proposed changes, if approved, will rise, or that any rise which may occur will be sustained. Market conditions obey their own changes in investor attitudes and external conditions. We are proposing the steps we deem best calculation to meet the market attractively. We cannot control the markets reaction.

Dissenting shareholders have no appraisal rights under Florida law or pursuant to our constituent documents of incorporation or bylaws, in connection with the reverse split.

Additional information regarding the Company, its business, its stock, and its financial condition are included in the Company's Form 10-KSB annual reports and its Form 10-QSB quarterly reports. Copies of the Company's Form 10-KSB for its fiscal year ending December 31, 2002 and its quarterly report on the Form 10-QSB for the quarter ending September 30, 2003 are available upon request to: Xiao-qing Du, #950-789 W. Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6C 1H2.

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS AND CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS

The following table sets forth certain information known to the Company with respect to the beneficial ownership of the Company's common stock as of _____, 2004 by (i) each person who is known by the Company to own beneficially more than 5% of the Company's common stock, (ii) each of the Company's directors and executive officers, and (iii) all officers and directors of the Company as a group. Except as otherwise listed below, the address of each person is c/o Xin Net Corp., #950-789 W. Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6C 1H2.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Amount and nature of Beneficial Ownership (1)	Percentage of Class
Xiao-qing Du (1) #2754 Adanac Street Vancouver, BC V5K 2M9	2,760,000	6.7%
Ernest Cheung 789 W. Pender St., #830 Vancouver, BC Canada V6C 1H2	2,559,500	6.2%
Maurice Tsakok (1)	2,559,500	6.2%

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Maurice Tsakok

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Director

XIAO-QING (ANGELA) DU, President of subsidiary Infornet Investment Corp. and Director, age 33, was President and Director of our company from 1996 to April 1999. She received a Bachelor of Science in International Finance in 1992 from East China Normal University. She received a Master of Science in Finance and Management Science in 1996 from the University of Saskatchewan Canada. She has been Business Manager of China Machinery & Equipment I/E Corp. (CMEC) from 1992 to 1994. She is now President of Infornet Investment CORP., our wholly owned subsidiary in Canada, and remains a director of our Company.

ERNEST CHEUNG, Secretary and Director, age 54, has been Secretary of our company since May 1998. He received a B.A. in Math in 1973 from University of Waterloo Ontario. He received an MBA in Finance and Marketing from Queen's University, Ontario in 1975. From 1991 to 1993 he was Vice President of Midland Walwyn Capital, Inc. of Toronto, Canada, now known as Merrill Lynch Canada. From 1992 until 1995 he served as Vice President and Director of Tele Pacific International Communications Corp. He has also served as President for Richco Investors, Inc. since 1995. He has been a director of our Company since 1996. He is currently a Director of Agro International Holdings, Inc. since 1997, Richco Investors, Inc. since 1995.

MAURICE TSAKOK, Director (since 1997), age 52, was employed from 1994 to 1996 by Sagit Mutual Funds, a mutual fund company, who as a vice-president was responsible for computer operations and research on global technology companies. From 1997 to present, he acted as a consultant on the high-tech industry and provides technical analysis on high-tech companies. He holds a Mechanical Engineering degree (1974 University of Minnesota) as well as an MBA specializing in Management Information Systems (MIS) (1976 Hofstra University). In 2000, he became a Director of China NetTV Holdings, Inc.

Under the Florida Business Corporation Act and the Company's Articles of Incorporation, as amended, the Company's directors will have no personal liability to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages incurred as the result of the breach or alleged breach by a director of his "duty of care". This provision does not apply to the directors' (i) acts or omissions that

involve intentional misconduct or a knowing and culpable violation of law, (ii) acts or omissions that a director believes to be contrary to the best interests of the corporation or its shareholders or that involve the absence of good faith on the part of the director, (iii) approval of any transaction from which a director derives an improper personal benefit, (iv) acts or omissions that show a reckless disregard for the director's duty to the corporation or its shareholders in circumstances in which the director was aware, or should have been aware, in the ordinary course of performing a director's duties, of a risk of serious injury to the corporation or its shareholders, (v) acts or omissions that constituted an unexcused pattern of inattention that amounts to an abdication of the director's duty to the corporation or its shareholders, or (vi) approval of an unlawful dividend, distribution, stock repurchase or redemption. This provision would generally absolve directors of personal liability for negligence in the performance of duties, including gross negligence.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is therefore unenforceable.

BOARD COMMITTEES

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The Board of Directors does not currently maintain an Audit Committee or a Compensation Committee, but plans to appoint an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee in the near future. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, the Board of Directors held occasional meetings.

COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

Directors receive no cash compensation for their services to the Company as directors, but are reimbursed for expenses actually incurred in connection with attending meetings of the Board of Directors.

SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE OF EXECUTIVES								

Name and Principal Compensation Position	Year	Cash Compensation			Security Grants			
		Salary	Bonus	Annual Compensation /Other (\$)	Restricted Stock Awards	Securities Underlying Options/ SARs (#) (SHARES)	Long Term Compensation/ Options	LTIP Payment

Xiao-qing Du President	2000	30,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2001	32,084	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2002	4,809 (CDN)	0	0	0	0	0	0

Ernest Cheung Secretary	2000	0	0	24,000	0	0	0	0
	2001	0	0	24,000	0	0	0	0
	2002	0	0	24,000 (CDN)	0	0	0	0

Officers as A Group	2000	30,000	0	24,000	0	0	0	0
	2001	32,084	0	24,000	0	0	0	0
	2002	4,809 (CDN)	0	24,000 (CDN)	0	0	0	0

(b) Directors' Compensation

Directors who are also officers of Xin Net Corp. receive no cash compensation for services as a director. However, the directors will be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with attendance at board and committee meetings. The Company has granted options to directors under its Stock Incentive Plan subsequently adopted.

SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE OF DIRECTORS								
(To December 31, 2002)								

Cash Compensation								
Security Grants								

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Name and Principal Position	Year	Annual retainer Fees (\$)	Meeting Fees (\$) (\$)	Consulting Fees/Other Fees (\$)	Number of Shares (#)	Securities Underlying Options/SARs (#) (SHARES)	LTIP Payments	AL Co
Xiao-qing Du, Director	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2001	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2002	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Marc Hung Director (resigned)	2000	0	0	29,500	0	0	0	
	2001	0	0	60,000	0	0	0	
	2002	0	0	30,000 CDN	0	0	0	
Ernest Cheung, Director	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2001	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2002	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Maurice Tsakok Director	2000	0	0	24,000 CDN	0	0	0	
	2001	0	0	24,000 CDN	0	0	0	
	2002	0	0	24,000 CDN	0	0	0	
Directors as a group	2000	0	0	53,500 CDN	0	0	0	
	2001	0	0	84,000 CDN	0	0	0	
	2002	0	0	54,000 CDN	0	0	0	

There have been no Option/SAR grants or exercises in the last fiscal year reportable under Reg. S-B, 402(c) or (d).

(c) Termination of Employment and Change of Control Arrangements. None.

(d) Stock purchase options:

On February 26, 1999, stock options for a total of 480,000 shares at \$.40 per share were granted to officers and employees (or persons who became officers) that had contributed to the success of the company in the past: Marc Hung (150,000 shares) and Xin Wei (330,000 shares) (Note: Mr. Wei is not an officer of the Company, but an employee of InforNet Investment Corp., a subsidiary of Xin Net Corp.) All share options were exercised as of April 6, 1999.

On November 12, 1999 the Company granted 2,136,000 options to purchase shares at \$1.30 per share to entities/persons who contributed to the successful results achieved by the Company in 1999, as follows:

a. 262,000 options to Gemsco Management Ltd. (owned beneficially by director Maurice Tsakok) for designing and implementing the Company's corporate website, advising on technological matters, researching the technology sector and for services as a director.

b. 262,000 options to FarMind Link Corp. for their role as advisor on strategic issues, technology market trends, and financial and capital market issues.

c. 262,000 options to Sinhoj Management Ltd. (owned beneficially by officer and director Marc Hung) for their contributions to the general management of the Company, investor relations, technological matters and for services as a director.

d. 212,000 options to Lancaster Pacific Investment, Ltd. for their contributions in the areas of regulatory matters, Chinese market conditions and

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strategies aimed at penetrating the market.

e. 50,000 options to Ernest Cheung for services rendered as secretary and director of the Company.

f. 20,000 options to Yonderiche International Consultants Ltd. for services rendered in matters regarding Chinese government policies and regulations.

g. 1,068,000 options to Weststar Holdings Limited (owned beneficially by Xiao-qing Du, a director and president of Infornet Investment Corp., and Xin Wei, a director and secretary of Infornet Investment Corp. and president of XIN HAI) and employees of Xin Hai Technology Development Ltd., as a group, for the successful continued development of the business in China and achieving excellent operational results during the year. The breakdown of the 1,068,000 options is to be determined at a later date.

The average closing price for the five trading days ended on November 12, 1999 was \$1.28 per share. The closing price on November 12, 1999 was \$1.187 per share.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

On February 26, 1999, Marc Hung, who was neither an officer nor director but since has become President and Director, was granted and exercised (in March, 1999) an option to purchase 150,000 shares of common stock at \$.40 per share. The option to purchase shares was granted to him for services rendered since July 1998 as advisor to the Company in matters relating to management, technology and strategies.

On February 26, 1999, Kun Wei, a shareholder, was granted and exercised (in March) an option to purchase 330,000 shares of common stock at \$.40 per share. The option to purchase shares was granted to him for contributing to the success of the joint venture, in particular with regards to technology development and implementation. Kun Wei is Vice President of Xin Hai Technology Development, Ltd. and the brother of Xin Wei.

On February 26, 1999, Xin Wei, a shareholder, who is President of Xin Hai Technology Development, Ltd., the Company's joint venture Partner, was granted and exercised (in March 1999) an option to purchase 330,000 shares of common at \$.40 per share. The option to purchase shares was granted to him for contributing to the success of the joint venture, in particular with regards to general management of Xin Hai Technology Development Ltd., business development and governmental relations.

In May 1999, Marc Hung, President and Director of the Company, purchased 80,000 units of the private placement at the \$1.00 offering price. Richco Investors, Inc., a public company of which both Messrs. Ernest Cheung and Maurice Tsakok are directors, officers and shareholders, purchased 700,000 units in the private placement at \$1.00 per unit in May 1999.

On September 17, 1999 385,000 units were issued to Richco Investors, Inc. as a consulting fee for services rendered in structuring the unit placement.

The units consisted of one share and a warrant ("A" Warrant) to purchase an additional unit at \$2.00 per unit, such additional unit consisting of one share and a warrant ("B" Warrant) to purchase an additional share at \$5.00 per share. On March 15, 2001 the Company amended both the Series "A" and Series "B" warrants as follows:

- The exercise price of the Series "A" warrants is adjusted to \$1.00 each and their term is extended to the earlier of (a) March 31, 2004 and (b) the 90th day after the day on which the weighted average trading price of Xin Net Corp.'s

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shares exceeds \$1.25 per share for ten consecutive days;

- Upon exercise of one Series "A" warrant at \$1.00, the holder will receive one Xin Net Corp. common share and one Series "B" warrant;

- The exercise price of the Series "B" warrants is adjusted to \$1.50 each and their term is extended to the earlier of (a) March 31, 2004 and (b) one year after the 90th day occurrence described above.

On November 12, 1999 the Company granted 2,136,000 options to purchase shares at \$1.30 per share to entities/persons who contributed to the successful results achieved by the Company in 1999, as described above under "Stock Purchase Options."

The Company has made loans to the joint venture since the year 1999. These loans bear 0% interest and are payable on demand. At December 31, 2002 the cumulative amount of the loans was \$3,152,184.

On June 22, 2001 the Company, through its Chinese joint venture partner Xin Hai Technology Development Ltd, signed an agreement to transfer ISP assets to Beijing Sino Soft Intel Information Technology Ltd. for USD 700,000 equivalent in Renminbi, plus other considerations. The text of the agreement is appended to this Information Statement as Exhibit B. Xin Hai was an affiliate at the time of the contract.

On February 26, 2004 the Company signed an agreement to sell 100% ownership of Xin Net Telecom Corp., its domain name Registration business to Sino-i.com Limited. A formal agreement has been executed subject to shareholder approval. The translated text of the Agreement as provided by translators in China is appended to this Information Statement as Exhibit C. Sino-i.com is not an affiliate or related.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The Board of Directors has authorized the firm of Clancy & Co., C.P.A., independent certified public accountants, to serve as independent auditors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003.

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS AND NOMINATING PROCEDURES

Any proposal that a shareholder intends to present at the Company's 2004 Annual Meeting should have been received at the Company's principal executive office not later than _____, 2004. Any such proposal must comply with Rule 14a-8 of Regulation 14A of the proxy rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Shareholder proposals should be addressed to the Secretary of the Company.

Nominations for directors to be elected at the 2004 Annual Meeting, other than those made by the Board of Directors, should be submitted to the Secretary of the Company no later than _____, 2004. The nomination should include the full name of the nominee and a description of the nominee's background in compliance with Regulation S-K of the reporting rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

OTHER MATTERS

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The Board of Directors of the Company is not aware that any matter other than those described in this Information Statement is to be presented for the consent of the shareholders.

UPON WRITTEN REQUEST BY ANY SHAREHOLDER TO ERNEST CHEUNG, SECRETARY OF THE COMPANY, AT XIN NET CORP, #950-789 W. PENDER STREET, VANCOUVER, B.C. CANADA V6C 1H2 TELEPHONE (604) 632-9638, A COPY OF THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-KSB AND INTERIM REPORTS ON FORM 10QSB WILL BE PROVIDED WITHOUT CHARGE.