

BEFORE THE
DIVISION OF SECURITIES
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
STATE OF WISCONSIN

In the Matter of
OMNE SRL a/k/a TAORMINA OMNE SRL,
AGUDA FINANCIAL SERVICES, HENDRIK
RIENSTRA, JOSEPH J. AGUDA, JEAN NOEL
PINEAU, and CRAIG L. BROWN,

PETITION FOR ORDER

Respondents.

File No. S-99239(EX)

The staff of the Enforcement Unit, Registration & Enforcement Section, of the Division of Securities, Department of Financial Institutions, State of Wisconsin has conducted an investigation in this matter pursuant to sec. 551.56, Wis. Stats. and as a result thereof alleges as follows:

1. New England International Surety, Inc. ("NEIS") is a Panamanian corporation with last known business addresses of 7 rue des Alpes, CH 201, Geneva, Switzerland and 11 avenue Lloyd George, 1000 Brussels, Belgium.
2. Omne SRL a/k/ Taormina Omne SRL ("Taormina") is a foreign business entity which is a subsidiary of NEIS, with last known business addresses of 43 Via Sicilia, Rome, Italy; and C/O 258 E Altamonte Dr., Altamonte Springs, FL 32701.
3. Aguda Financial Services ("AFS") is a foreign business entity with a last known business address of 5200 Elysian Fields, New Orleans, LA 70122.
4. Hendrik Rienstra is an individual who at all times material hereto has been an officer of Taormina, with a last known business address at that of NEIS in Brussels, Belgium.
5. Joseph J. Aguda ("Aguda") is an individual who at all times material hereto has been a principal of AFS, and the U.S. agent for NEIS, with a last known business address at that of AFS.
6. Jean Noel Pineau ("Pineau") is an individual who at all times material hereto has been a principal of AFS, with a last known business address at that of AFS.
7. Craig L. Brown ("Brown") is an individual who at all times material hereto has been an agent of NEIS, Taormina, Rienstra, AFS, Aguda and Pineau, with a last known business and residence address of 1506 Hoover Dr., N. Mankato, MN 56003.
8. During the period of 1999, Brown, on behalf of NEIS, Taormina, AFS, Rienstra, Aguda and Pineau, offered to at least three persons and sold to at least one person in Wisconsin promissory notes of Taormina.
9. The promissory notes of Taormina are securities as defined by sec. 551.02(13), Wis. Stats., and have never been registered for offer and sale in Wisconsin pursuant to Ch. 551, Wis. Stats.
10. All Respondents have violated sec. 551.21(1), Wis. Stats., by offering and selling unregistered securities in Wisconsin.

