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(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act

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SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED NOVEMBER 27, 2002

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

YAHOO! INC.

15,000,000 shares of Common Stock

The shares offered in this prospectus involve a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the "Risk Factors" referenced on page 5 in determining whether to purchase the Yahoo! Inc. Common Stock.

Acqua Wellington Private Placement Fund Ltd. and Acqua Wellington Opportunity I Limited (taken together, the "Selling Stockholders") are offering these shares of common stock. The Selling Stockholders may sell these shares of common stock being offered hereby on the Nasdaq National Market, or otherwise, at prices and at terms then prevailing or at prices related to the then current market price or in private sales at negotiated prices directly or through a broker or brokers, who may act as agent or as principal or by a combination of such methods of sale. The Selling Stockholders will receive all proceeds from the sale of the 15,000,000 shares of our common stock being registered in this registration statement. For additional information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section entitled "Plan of Distribution" on page 19. We will not receive any portion of the proceeds from the sale of these shares.

Our common stock is quoted on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "YHOO". Our principal executive offices are located at 701 First Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089, and our telephone number is (408) 349-3300.

On November 25, 2002, the last sale price of the common stock on the Nasdaq National Market was \$18.39 per share.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is November , 2002.

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RISK FACTORS

If our competitors are more successful in attracting and retaining customers and users, then our revenues could decline.

We compete with many other providers of online navigation, information, entertainment, business, community, electronic commerce and broadcast services. As we expand the scope of our Internet offerings, we will compete directly with a greater number of Internet sites, media companies, and companies providing business services across a wide range of different online services, including:

- companies offering communications, information, community and entertainment services and Internet access either on a stand alone basis or integrated into other products and media properties;
- vertical markets where competitors may have advantages in expertise, brand recognition, and other factors;
- manufacturers of personal computers or software who may develop their own Internet portals to which they would direct their customers;
- online employment recruiting companies;
- · online merchant hosting services; and
- online broadcasting of business events.

In order to compete effectively, we may need to expend significant internal engineering resources or acquire other technologies and companies to provide or enhance our capabilities. If we are unable to maintain or expand our customer and user base in the future, our revenues may decline.

Companies such as AOL Time Warner and Microsoft may have a competitive advantage because they have greater access to content, maintain billing relationships with customers and have access to established distribution networks.

We face significant competition from AOL Time Warner and Microsoft ("MSN"). The combination of America Online and Time Warner provides America Online with content from Time Warner's movie and television, music, books and periodicals, news, sports and other media holdings; access to a network of cable and other broadband delivery technologies; and considerable resources for future growth and expansion. The America Online/Time Warner combination also provides America Online with access to a broad potential customer base consisting of Time Warner's current customers and subscribers of its various media properties. To a less significant extent, we also face competition from other companies that have combined a variety of services under one brand in a manner similar to Yahoo!. In certain of these cases, most notably AOL Time Warner and MSN, our competition has a direct billing relationship with the user, which we generally lack, except with respect to users of certain of our premium services. This relationship permits our competitors to have several potential advantages including the potential to be more effective than us in targeting services and advertisements to the specific taste of their users.

Our international segment competes with local Internet service providers that may have a competitive advantage.

On an international level, we compete directly with local providers; they may have several advantages, including greater knowledge about the particular country or local market and access to significant financial or strategic resources in such local markets. We must continue to obtain more knowledge about our users and their

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preferences, deepen our relationships with our users as well as increase our branding and other marketing activities in order to remain competitive and strengthen our market position internationally.

Our intellectual property rights are valuable and any inability to protect them could dilute our brand image.

We regard our copyrights, patents, trademarks, trade dress, trade secrets, and similar intellectual property, including our rights to certain domain names, as important to Yahoo!'s success. Effective trademark, patent, copyright, and trade secret protection may not be available in every country in which our products and media properties are distributed or made available through the Internet. Further, the efforts we have taken to protect our proprietary rights may not be sufficient or effective. If we are unable to protect our trademarks from authorized use, our brand image may be harmed. While we attempt to ensure that the quality of our brand is maintained by our licensees, our licensees may take actions that could impair the value of our proprietary rights or the reputation of our products and media properties. We are aware that third parties have, from time to time, copied significant content available on Yahoo! for use in competitive Internet services. Protection of the distinctive elements of Yahoo! may not be available under copyright law. Any impairment of our brand image could cause our stock price to drop. In addition, protecting our intellectual property and other proprietary rights can be expensive. Any increase in the unauthorized use of our intellectual property could make it more expensive to do business and consequently harm our operating results. In turn, this could harm the results of our business and lower our stock price.

We may be subject to intellectual property infringement claims, which are costly to defend and could limit our ability to use certain technologies in the future.

Many parties are actively developing search, indexing, e-commerce and other Web-related technologies, as well as a variety of online business models and methods. We believe that these parties will continue to take steps to protect these technologies, including, but not limited to, seeking patent protection. As a result, disputes regarding the ownership of these technologies and rights associated with online business are likely to arise in the future. In addition to existing patents and intellectual property rights, we anticipate that additional third-party patents related to our services will be issued in the future. From time to time, parties assert patent infringement claims against us in the form of letters, lawsuits and other forms of communications. Currently, we are engaged in four lawsuits regarding patent issues and have been notified of a number of other potential disputes.

In addition to patent claims, third parties have asserted and most likely will continue to assert claims against us alleging infringement of copyrights, trademark rights, trade secret rights or other proprietary rights, or alleging unfair competition or violations of privacy rights. In the event that we determine that licensing patents or other proprietary rights is appropriate, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to license such proprietary rights on reasonable terms or at all. We may incur substantial expenses in defending against third-party infringement claims regardless of the merit of such claims.

We are aware of lawsuits regarding the presentment of advertisements in response to search requests on "keywords" that may be trademarks of third parties. In the event that there is a determination that we have infringed third-party proprietary rights such as patents, copyrights, trademark rights, trade secret rights or other third party rights such as publicity and privacy rights, we could incur substantial monetary liability or be prevented from using the rights, which could require us to change our business practices in the future.

Financial results for any particular period will not predict results for future periods.

There can be no assurance that the purchasing pattern of customers advertising on the Yahoo! network will not continue to fluctuate, that advertisers will not make smaller and shorter-term purchases, or that market prices for online advertising will not decrease due to competitive or other factors. Because of the rapidly changing market we serve, period-to-period comparisons of operating results are not likely to be meaningful. You should not rely on the results for any period as an indication of future performance.

We expect our operating expenses to continue to increase as we attempt to expand the Yahoo! brand, fund product development, develop media properties and acquire other businesses.

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In addition, Yahoo! currently expects that its operating expenses will continue to increase as we expand our sales and marketing operations in areas of expected growth, continue to develop and extend the Yahoo! brand, fund greater levels of product development, develop and commercialize additional media properties, and acquire complementary businesses and technologies.

We may be required to record a significant charge to earnings if we must reassess our goodwill or amortizable intangible assets.

We are required under generally accepted accounting principles to review our amortizable intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill is required to be tested for impairment at least annually. We have experienced a decline in our stock price and market capitalization in recent years and our industry is experiencing a slower growth rate than historically realized. These factors may be considered a change in circumstances indicating that the carrying value of our intangible assets may not be recoverable. If our stock price and market capitalization continue to decline, we may be required to record a significant charge to earnings in our financial statements during the period in which any impairment of our goodwill or amortizable intangible assets is determined. At September 30, 2002, our goodwill and other intangible assets were \$556.1 million. In the first quarter of 2002, we recorded a transitional impairment charge of \$64.1 million as a cumulative effect of an accounting change, resulting from the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."

We are subject to employer payroll taxes that are unpredictable and as a result we cannot predict their impact on our future financial results.

We are subject to employer payroll taxes when our employees exercise their non-qualified stock options. The employer payroll taxes are assessed on each employee's gain, which is the difference between the price of our common stock on the date of exercise and the exercise price. During a particular period, these payroll taxes could be material. Depending on the number of shares of our common stock for which options are exercised and the fair market value of shares of our common stock during such period, these employer payroll taxes would be recorded as a charge to operations in the period such options are exercised based on actual gains realized by employees. In addition to the net proceeds we would receive upon the exercise of stock options, we would receive tax deductions for gains realized by employees on the exercise of non-qualified stock options for which the benefit is recorded as additional paid-in capital. However, because we are unable to predict our future stock price and the number of optionees who may exercise during any particular period, we cannot predict what, if any, expense will be recorded in a future period and the impact on our future financial results.

We rely heavily on revenues derived from Internet advertising, which are subject to uncertain demand from our current and potential clients and are difficult to forecast accurately.

Currently, the majority of our revenues come from advertisements displayed on our online properties. Our ability to continue to achieve substantial advertising revenue depends upon:

- growth of our user base;
- our user base being attractive to advertisers;
- our ability to derive better demographic and other information from our users;
- acceptance by advertisers of the Web as an advertising medium; and
- our ability to transition and expand into other forms of advertising.

Our agreements with advertisers and sponsors generally have terms of three years or less and, in many cases, the terms are much shorter. In cases where the advertiser is providing services, the agreements often have payments contingent on usage levels. Many of our advertisers are Internet companies which, in certain cases, may lack financial resources to fulfill their commitments. Accordingly, it is difficult to forecast these revenues accurately. However, our expense levels are based in part on expectations of future revenues and are fixed over the short-term with respect to certain categories. We may be unable to adjust spending quickly enough to compensate for any unexpected revenue shortfall.

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If we are unable to continue to provide search and directory capabilities on terms which are acceptable to us, our revenue could significantly decline.

We also generate a significant amount of revenue from our search and directory capabilities through an advertiser's purchase of an enhanced placement in our results. Yahoo! Sponsor Matches, offered through keyword search driven inquiries, is currently provided through an agreement with Overture Services, Inc., with an initial term ending in April 2005 and options for us to extend until April 2011. In the third quarter and for the first nine months of 2002, our revenues from our agreement with Overture Services, Inc. exceeded 10% of our total net revenues. If we are unable to continue to secure an arrangement with a third party provider on terms which are acceptable to us, or we are unable to develop our own ability to provide this service, our revenue could significantly decline.

The sources of our advertising revenue are changing and we must adapt to the needs of our changing mix of advertisers to maintain or increase our advertising revenues.

We are experiencing a shift in the source of our advertising revenues from Internet companies to companies in more traditional lines of business. These advertisers often have substantially different requirements and expectations than Internet companies with respect to advertising programs. In addition, companies in more traditional lines of business are not spending money on advertising as quickly as we anticipated. If we are unsuccessful in adapting to the needs of our changing mix of advertisers, our revenues could decline.

Decreases or delays in advertising spending due to general economic downturns could harm our ability to generate advertising revenue.

Expenditures by advertisers tend to be cyclical, reflecting overall economic conditions as well as budgeting and buying patterns. The overall market for advertising, including Internet advertising, has been generally characterized in recent quarters by softness of demand and the reduction of marketing and advertising budgets or the delay in spending of budgeted resources. As a result, advertising spending across traditional media, as well as the Internet, has decreased. Since Yahoo! derives a large part of its revenues from advertising fees, the decrease in or delay of advertising spending could reduce our revenues. Even if economic conditions do improve, marketing budgets and advertising spending may not increase from current levels.

Due to intense competition, we may not be able to generate substantial revenues from the Internet access market.

In June 2002 and September 2002 we announced the launch of SBC Yahoo! Dial and SBC Yahoo! DSL, our Internet access service provided through an alliance with SBC Communications Inc. Our access service combines customized content and services from Yahoo! and DSL transport and Internet access from SBC Internet Services (an affiliate of SBC Communications Inc.). Our Internet access service will compete with many large companies, some of which may have substantially greater market presence (including an existing user base), financial, technical, marketing or other resources than those committed to our product offerings. Our service will primarily compete directly or indirectly with established Internet services, such as America Online and the Microsoft Network; national telecommunications companies and regional Bell operating companies (other than SBC); and broadband Internet access providers such as Earthlink, Comcast, AT&T Broadband and other cable broadband providers. As a result of these and other competitive factors, we may not be able to attract, grow or retain a customer base for this service.

Our success in the Internet access market will depend on technical and customer service issues which we have a limited ability to control.

Internet access services, including our service, are susceptible to natural or man-made disasters such as earthquakes, floods, fires, power loss, or sabotage, as well as interruptions from technology malfunctions, computer viruses or hacker attacks. Other potential service interruptions may result from unanticipated demands on network infrastructure, increased traffic or problems in customer service to our access customers. Our ability to control technical and customer service issues is further limited by our dependence on SBC for connectivity, customer service, joint marketing and technical integration of aspects of our access service. Significant disruptions in our

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access service could harm our goodwill, the Yahoo! brand and ultimately could significantly and negatively impact the amount of revenue we may earn from our service.

Some of our sponsorship arrangements may not generate anticipated revenues.

A key element of our strategy is to generate advertising revenues through sponsored services and placements by third parties in our online media properties in addition to banner advertising. We typically receive sponsorship fees or a portion of transaction revenues in return for minimum levels of user impressions to be provided by us. These arrangements expose us to potentially significant financial risks in the event our usage levels decrease, including the following:

- the fees we are entitled to receive may be adjusted downwards;
- we may be required to "make good" on our obligations by providing alternative services;
- the sponsors may not renew the arrangements or may renew at lower rates; and
- the arrangements may not generate anticipated levels of shared transaction revenues, or sponsors may default on the payment commitments in such agreements as has occurred in the past.

Accordingly, any leveling off or decrease of our user base or the failure to generate anticipated levels of shared transaction revenues could result in a significant decrease in our revenues.

We have spent considerable amounts of money and resources to provide a variety of communications services, but such services may not prove to be successful in generating significant revenue for us.

Currently, a substantial portion of the traffic on our online properties is directed at our communications services, such as email, instant messaging, calendaring and chat rooms, and we expect this trend to continue for the foreseeable future. We provide these and other basic communications services free of charge to users, as is the case with most of our competitors, and have not yet determined an effective means of generating revenues directly from providing such services. Alternative revenue models for our communications and electronic commerce services, such as subscription fees and commissions, are relatively unproven and may not generate sufficient revenues to be meaningful to us. Currently, we are dependent upon the use of other Yahoo! services to generate revenues from our communications services, and there is a risk that this relationship will not be sustained. As communications services become an increasingly important part of our total offering, we must continue to provide new communications applications that are compelling to users and utilize more sophisticated communications technologies to provide such applications to many types of access devices in addition to the personal computer, while continuing to develop an effective method for generating revenues for such services. In addition, the development of these technologies requires long development cycles and a more significant investment by us. If we cannot develop a direct or indirect means by which we generate revenues from our communications services that are greater than the cost of providing such services, our operating results will be harmed.

We may not be successful in expanding the number of users of our electronic commerce services.

We have focused, and intend to continue to focus, significant resources on the development and enhancement of our electronic commerce properties. These properties, such as Yahoo! Shopping, link users with a network of retailers with whom we have relationships. Through our electronic commerce properties, we do not establish a direct billing relationship with our users as a result of any purchases they may make with the retailers. In addition, a large number of our users

currently utilize Yahoo!'s online shopping services simply to gather information for future offline purchases. We will need to effectively induce information gatherers to make purchases in order for our electronic commerce properties to be successful. Finally, the success of our electronic commerce properties will also depend on, among other things, our ability to attract and retain well-known brands among our network of retailers. The revenue that we derive from our electronic commerce services is typically in the form of a commission paid by the retailer from whom our user purchased a product. Users who had a favorable buying experience with a particular retailer may contact that retailer directly for future purchases rather than through our service. If our users bypass our electronic commerce properties, such as Yahoo! Shopping, and contact retailers directly, we will not receive any revenue for purchases made through such direct contact. Competing providers of online shopping, including merchants with whom we have relationships, may provide a more convenient and comprehensive online shopping experience due to their singular focus on electronic commerce. As a result, we may

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have difficulty competing with those merchants for users of electronic commerce services and as a consequence our revenue could decline or we could fail to generate significant revenues from electronic commerce.

Our business and enterprise services, while costly to develop, may fail to gain market acceptance.

We have invested a significant amount of money and resources in the creation of our Yahoo! Enterprise Solutions offerings, which is composed of our Portals, Broadcast and Small Business Groups. Many of these services are unproven and may fail to gain market acceptance. Because the market for these business and enterprise services is new and evolving, it is difficult to predict the size of this market and its rate of growth, if any. In addition, it is uncertain whether businesses and other organizations will utilize the Internet to any significant degree as a means of broadcasting business conferences and other events. Potential business services customers must accept audio and video broadcast services over the Internet as a viable alternative to face-to-face meetings, television or audio, audio teleconferences and video conferencing. We cannot assure you that the market for business and enterprise services will continue to develop or be sustainable. If the market fails to develop, develops more slowly than expected or becomes more competitive than is currently expected, our operating results could be harmed.

We will continue to operate in international markets in which we have limited experience and are faced with relatively higher costs and are exposed to greater risks.

A key part of our strategy is to develop Yahoo!-branded online properties in international markets. We have developed, through joint ventures, subsidiaries and branch offices, Yahoo! properties localized for over 20 other countries. To date, we have only limited experience in developing localized versions of our products and marketing and operating our products and services internationally, and we rely on the efforts and abilities of our foreign business partners in such activities.

We believe that in light of substantial anticipated competition, we need to expand our operations in international markets quickly in order to obtain market share effectively. However, in a number of international markets, especially those in Europe, we face substantial competition from Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that offer or may offer their own navigational services. Many of these ISPs have a dominant market share in their territories. Further, foreign providers of competing online services may have a substantial advantage over us in attracting users in their country due to more established branding in that country, greater knowledge with respect to the tastes and preferences of users residing in that country and/or their focus on a single market. We have experienced and expect to continue to experience higher costs as a percentage of revenues in connection with the development and maintenance of international online properties. We have selected international markets that may not develop at a rate that supports our level of investment. In particular, international markets typically have been slower than domestic markets in adopting the Internet as an advertising and commerce medium.

Our international operations are subject to greater risks.

In addition to uncertainty about our ability to continue to generate revenues from our foreign operations and expand our international presence, there are certain risks inherent in doing business on an international level, including:

- trade barriers and unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;
- difficulties in developing, staffing and simultaneously managing a large number of unique foreign operations as a result of distance, language and cultural differences;
- longer payment cycles;
- currency exchange rate fluctuations;
- political and economic instability and export restrictions;
- seasonal reductions in business activity;
- risks related to government regulation including those more fully described below; and
- potentially adverse tax consequences.

One or more of these factors could harm our future international operations and consequently, could harm our business, operating results, and financial condition.

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If key personnel leave unexpectedly and are not replaced, we may not be able to execute our business plan.

We are substantially dependent on the continued services of our key personnel, including our two founders, our chief executive officer, chief operating officer, chief financial officer, chief technical officer, executive and senior vice presidents, and vice presidents. These individuals have acquired specialized knowledge and skills with respect to Yahoo! and its operations or, in the cases of our newly appointed chief operating officer, Dan Rosensweig, and certain new

senior vice presidents, only recently joined us. If any of these individuals were to leave Yahoo! unexpectedly, we could face substantial difficulty in hiring qualified successors and could experience a loss in productivity while any such successor obtains the necessary training and experience. Yahoo!'s chief product officer, chief global marketing officer, and senior vice president of Enterprise Solutions recently announced their departures from Yahoo! during 2002. We may experience similar departures from our domestic or international business units in the future. Many of our management personnel have reached or will soon reach the four-year anniversary of their Yahoo! hiring date and, as a result, have become or will shortly become fully vested in their initial stock option grants. While management personnel are typically granted additional stock options, which will usually vest over a period of four years subsequent to their hire date to provide additional incentive to remain at Yahoo!, the initial option grant is typically the largest, and an employee may be more likely to leave Yahoo!'s employ upon completion of the vesting period for the initial option grant.

If we are unable to hire qualified personnel in designated growth areas, we may not be able to execute our business plan.

We expect that we will need to hire additional personnel in designated growth areas. The competition for qualified personnel can be intense, particularly in the San Francisco Bay Area, where our corporate headquarters are located. At times, we have experienced difficulties in hiring personnel with the right training or experience, particularly in technical areas. If we do not succeed in attracting new personnel, or retaining and motivating existing personnel, we may be unable to meet our business plan and as a result our stock price may drop.

We may have difficulty scaling and adapting our existing architecture to accommodate increased traffic and technology advances.

Yahoo! is one of the most highly trafficked Websites on the Internet and is regularly serving numbers of users and delivering daily page views which are beyond previous standards for Internet usage. In addition, the services offered by Yahoo! and popular with users have changed significantly in the past and are expected to change rapidly in the future. Much of the architecture that we employ was not originally designed to accommodate levels or types of use that we currently experience on our online properties, and it is unclear whether current or future anticipated levels of traffic or use of services will result in delays or interruptions in our service. In particular, the architecture utilized for our email and certain other communication services was not primarily designed for this purpose. The architecture is highly complex and may not provide satisfactory service in the future, especially as email and certain other communications services become an increasingly important service offering. In the future, we may be required to make significant changes to our architecture, including moving to a completely new architecture. If we are required to switch architectures, we may incur substantial costs and experience delays or interruptions in our service. If we experience delays or interruptions in our service due to inadequacies in our current architecture or as a result of a change in architectures, users may become dissatisfied with our service and move to competing providers of online services. Further, to the extent that demand for our broadcast services content and other rich media offerings increases, we will need to expand our infrastructure, including the capacity of our hardware servers and the sophistication of our software. This expansion is likely to be expensive and complex, and require additional technical expertise. If we fail to successfully scale our broadcasts to large audiences of simultaneous users, such failure could harm that portion of our business. As we acquire users who rely upon us for a wide variety of services, it becomes more technologically complex and costly to retrieve, store and integrate data that will enable us to track each user's preferences. An unanticipated loss of traffic, increased costs, inefficiencies or failures to adapt to new technologies and the associated adjustments to our architecture could harm our operating results and financial condition.

Our competitors often provide Internet access or computer hardware to our users, and our competitors could make it difficult for our users to access our services which in turn, could reduce the number of our users.

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Our users must access our services through an Internet service provider, or ISP, with which the user establishes a direct billing relationship using a personal computer or other access device. To the extent that an access provider, such as AOL Time Warner or MSN, or a computer or computing device manufacturer offers online services or properties that are competitive with those of Yahoo!, the user may find it more convenient to use the services or properties of that access provider or manufacturer. In addition, the access provider or manufacturer may make it difficult to access our services by not listing them in the access provider's or manufacturer's own directory. Also, because an access provider gathers information from the user in connection with the establishment of the billing relationship, an access provider may be more effective than us in tailoring services and advertisements to the specific tastes of the user. To the extent that a user opts to use the services offered by his or her access provider or those offered by computer or computing device manufacturers rather than the services provided by us, our revenues may decline.

More individuals are utilizing non-PC devices to access the Internet, and we may not be successful in developing a version of our service that will gain widespread adoption by users of such devices.

In the coming years, the number of individuals who access the Internet through devices other than a personal computer, such as personal digital assistants, cellular telephones and television set-top devices, is expected to increase dramatically. Our services are designed for rich, graphical environments such as those available on personal and laptop computers. The lower resolution, functionality and memory associated with alternative devices may make the use of our services through such devices difficult, and we may be unsuccessful in our efforts to modify our online properties to provide a compelling service for users of alternative devices. As we have limited experience to date in operating versions of our service developed or optimized for users of alternative devices, it is difficult to predict the problems we may encounter in doing so, and we may need to devote significant resources to the creation, support and maintenance of such versions. If we are unable to attract and retain a substantial number of alternative device users to our online services, we will fail to capture a sufficient share of an increasingly important portion of the market for online services.

We may not be successful in developing marketable advertising services suited for alternative devices.

As the majority of our revenues are derived through the sale of banner and other advertising optimized for a personal computer screen, we may not be successful at developing a viable strategy for deriving substantial revenues from online properties that are directed at the users of alternative devices. Any failure to develop revenue-generating online properties that are adopted by a significant number of alternative device users could harm our business, operating results and financial condition.

We rely on the value of the Yahoo! brand, and the costs of maintaining and enhancing our brand awareness are increasing.

We believe that maintaining and expanding the Yahoo! brand is an important aspect of our efforts to attract and expand our user and advertiser base. We also believe that the importance of brand recognition will increase due to the relatively low barriers to entry. We have spent considerable money and resources to date on the establishment and maintenance of the Yahoo! brand. We will spend increasing amounts of money on, and devote greater resources to advertising, marketing and other brand-building efforts to preserve and enhance consumer awareness of the Yahoo! brand during 2002 and beyond. We may not be able to successfully maintain or enhance consumer awareness of the Yahoo! brand and, even if we are successful in our branding efforts, such efforts may not be cost-

effective. If we are unable to maintain or enhance customer awareness of the Yahoo! brand in a cost effective manner, our business, operating results and financial condition would be harmed.

The successful operation of our business depends upon the supply of critical elements from other companies and any interruption in that supply could cause service interruptions or reduce the quality of our product offerings.

We depend upon third parties, to a substantial extent, for several critical elements of our business, including various technology, infrastructure, content development, software and distribution components.

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Technology and Infrastructure. We rely on private third-party providers, including Exodus, a Cable & Wireless Service and its affiliates and Level 3 Communications, for our principal Internet connections, co-location of a significant portion of our data servers and network access. We also rely on Network Appliance for key components of our email service. Any disruption in the Internet or network access or co-location services provided by these third-party providers or any failure of these third-party providers to handle current or higher volumes of use could significantly harm our business, operating results and financial condition. For example, Exodus was acquired out of bankruptcy proceedings by Cable & Wireless. Any continued financial difficulties for Exodus may have negative effects on our business, the nature and extent of which we cannot predict. We license technology and related databases from third parties for certain elements of our properties, including, among others, technology underlying the delivery of news, stock quotes and current financial information, chat services, street mapping and telephone listings, streaming capabilities and similar services. We have experienced and expect to continue to experience interruptions and delays in service and availability for such elements. Furthermore, we depend on hardware suppliers for prompt delivery, installation and service of servers and other equipment to deliver our products and services. Any errors, failures, interruptions, or delays experienced in connection with these third-party technologies and information services could negatively impact our relationship with users and adversely affect our brand and our business and could expose us to liabilities to third parties.

Distribution Relationships. To increase traffic for our online properties and services and make them more available and attractive to advertisers and consumers, we have certain distribution agreements and informal relationships with leading Web browser providers, operators of online networks and leading Websites, software developers and computer manufacturers, and telecommunications companies. These distribution arrangements typically are not exclusive and do not extend over a significant amount of time. Further, some of our distributors are competitors or potential competitors who may not renew their distribution contracts with us. Potential distributors may not offer distribution of our properties and services on reasonable terms, or at all. In addition, as new methods for accessing the Web become available, including through alternative devices, we may need to enter into additional distribution relationships. If we fail to obtain distribution or to obtain distribution on terms that are reasonable, we may not be able to execute our business plan.

Streaming Media Software. We rely on the two leading providers of streaming media products, RealNetworks and Microsoft, to license the software necessary to broadcast streaming audio and video content to our users. There can be no assurance that these providers will continue to license these products to us on reasonable terms, or at all. Our users are currently able to electronically download copies of the software to play streaming media free of charge, but providers of streaming media products may begin charging users for copies of their player software or otherwise change their business model in a manner that slows the widespread acceptance of these products. In order for our broadcast services to be successful, there must be a large base of users of these streaming media products. We have limited or no control over the availability or acceptance of streaming media software, and to the extent that any of these circumstances occur, the broadcast services portion of our business will be materially adversely affected.

Content and Search Service. Our future success depends upon our ability to aggregate compelling content and deliver that content through our online properties. We license much of the content that attracts users to our online properties, such as news items, stock quotes, weather reports, maps and audio and video content from third parties such as Reuters. We also obtain important elements of our search service from our relationship with Google. In particular, Yahoo! Broadcast and our music and entertainment properties rely on major sports organizations, radio and television stations, record labels, cable networks, businesses, colleges and universities, film producers and distributors, and other organizations for a large portion of the content available on our properties. Our ability to maintain and build relationships with third-party content providers will be critical to our success. We may be unable to enter into or preserve relationships with the third parties whose content we seek to obtain. Many of our current licenses for third-party content extend for a period of less than two years and there can be no guarantee that they will be renewed upon their expiration. In addition, as competition for compelling content increases both locally and abroad, our content providers may increase the prices at which they offer their content to us and potential content providers may not offer their content on terms agreeable to us. An increase in the prices charged to us by third-party content providers could harm our operating results and financial condition. Further, many of our content licenses with third parties are non-exclusive. Accordingly, other webcasters may be able to offer similar or identical content. Likewise, most sports and entertainment content available on our online properties are also available on other media

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like radio or television. These media are currently, and for the foreseeable future will be, much more widely adopted for listening or viewing such content than the Web. These factors also increase the importance of our ability to deliver compelling editorial content and personalization of this content for users in order to differentiate Yahoo! from other businesses. If we are unable to license or acquire compelling content, if other companies broadcast content that is similar to or the same as that provided by Yahoo!, or if we do not develop compelling editorial content or personalization services, the number of users on our online properties may not grow at all or at a slower rate than anticipated, which would decrease our advertising revenue.

As we provide more audio and video content, particularly music, we may be required to spend significant amounts of money on content acquisition and content broadcasts.

Until recently, the majority of the content that we provided to our users was in print, picture or graphical format and was either created internally or licensed to us by third parties for little or no charge. However, we have been providing recently and intend to continue to provide increasing amounts of audio and video content to our users, such as the broadcast of music, film content, speeches, news footage, concerts and other special events, through our broadcast services and other media and entertainment properties. We believe that users of Internet services such as the Yahoo! online properties will increasingly demand high-quality audio and video content. Such content may require us to make substantial payments to third parties from whom we license or acquire such content.

For example, in order to broadcast music through our online properties, we are currently required to pay royalties both on the copyright in the musical compositions and the copyright in the actual sound recordings of the music to be broadcast. The revenue we receive as a result of our audio and video broadcasts may not justify the costs of providing such broadcasts.

Our failure to manage growth and consolidation could harm us.

We have experienced dramatic growth in personnel in recent years and expect to continue to hire additional personnel in selected areas. We also reduced our workforce in 2001 to decrease our costs and create greater operational efficiency. This growth and consolidation requires significant time and resource commitments from us and our senior management. Further, as a result of recent acquisitions and international expansion, more than one-half of our employees are based outside of our Sunnyvale, California headquarters. If we are unable to effectively manage a large and geographically dispersed group of employees, anticipate our future growth or manage our operational consolidations effectively, our business will be adversely affected.

Acquisitions could result in operating difficulties.

As part of our business strategy, we completed several acquisitions (including the acquisition of HotJobs.com in February 2002) and expect to enter into additional business combinations and acquisitions. The acquisition of HotJobs was accompanied by a number of risks, including:

- the difficulty of assimilating the operations and personnel of HotJobs, which are principally located in New York, with and into Yahoo!'s operations, which are headquartered in California;
- the potential disruption of our ongoing business and distraction of management;
- the difficulty of incorporating HotJobs' technology or content and rights into our products and media properties and unanticipated expenses related to such integration;
- the correct assessment of the relative percentages of in-process research and development expense that can be immediately written off as compared to the amount which must be amortized over the appropriate life of the asset;
- the failure to successfully develop HotJobs' technology resulting in the impairment of amounts currently capitalized as intangible assets;
- the impairment of relationships with employees and customers of HotJobs or our own business as a result of any integration of new management personnel; and
- the potential unknown liabilities associated with HotJobs.

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We may not be successful in addressing these risks or any other problems encountered in connection with the acquisition of HotJobs or future acquisitions and the failure to do so could harm our business.

We are subject to U.S. and foreign government regulation of the Internet, the impact of which is difficult to predict.

There are currently few laws or regulations directly applicable to the Internet. The application of existing laws and regulations to Yahoo! relating to issues such as user privacy, defamation, pricing, advertising, taxation, gambling, sweepstakes, promotions, financial market regulation, consumer protection, content regulation, quality of products and services, and intellectual property ownership and infringement can be unclear. In addition, we will also be subject to new laws and regulations directly applicable to our activities. Any existing or new legislation applicable to us could expose us to substantial liability, including significant expenses necessary to comply with such laws and regulations, and dampen the growth in use of the Web.

Several federal laws could have an impact on our business. The Digital Millennium Copyright Act is intended to reduce the liability of online service providers for listing or linking to third-party Websites that include materials that infringe copyrights or other rights of others. The Children's Online Protection Act and the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act are intended to restrict the distribution of certain materials deemed harmful to children and impose additional restrictions on the ability of online services to collect user information from minors. In addition, the Protection of Children From Sexual Predators Act of 1998 requires online service providers to report evidence of violations of federal child pornography laws under certain circumstances. Such legislation may impose significant additional costs on our business or subject us to additional liabilities.

We post our privacy policy and practices concerning the use and disclosure of user data. In addition, GeoCities, a company we acquired in 1999, is required to comply with a consent order between it and the Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC"), which imposes certain obligations and restrictions with respect to information collected from users. Any failure by us to comply with our posted privacy policy, the consent order, FTC requirements or other privacy-related laws and regulations could result in proceedings by the FTC or others which could potentially have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. In this regard, there are a large number of legislative proposals before the United States Congress and various state legislative bodies regarding privacy issues related to our business. It is not possible to predict whether or when such legislation may be adopted, and certain proposals, if adopted, could materially and adversely affect our business through a decrease in user registrations and revenues. This could be caused by, among other possible provisions, the required use of disclaimers or other requirements before users can utilize our services.

Due to the global nature of the Web, it is possible that the governments of other states and foreign countries might attempt to regulate Web transmissions or prosecute us for violations of their laws. We might unintentionally violate such laws, such laws may be modified and new laws may be enacted in the future. Any such developments (or developments stemming from enactment or modification of other laws) could increase the costs of regulatory compliance for us or force us to change our business practices.

We may be subject to legal liability for online services.

We host a wide variety of services that enable individuals to exchange information, generate content, conduct business and engage in various online activities on an international basis, including public message posting and services relating to online auctions and homesteading. The law relating to the liability of providers of these online services for activities of their users is currently unsettled both within the United States and abroad. Claims have been threatened and have been brought against us for defamation, negligence, copyright or trademark infringement, unlawful activity, tort, including personal injury, fraud, or other theories based on the nature and content of information that we provide links to or that may be posted online or generated by our users or with respect to auctioned materials. Currently, our subsidiary Launch Media, Inc. ("Launch") is engaged in a lawsuit regarding copyright issues which commenced prior to our entering into an agreement to acquire Launch. In addition, Yahoo! was recently the subject of a claim brought by certain entities in a French court regarding, among other

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management and other resources. In addition, we are aware that governmental agencies are currently investigating the conduct of online auctions.

We also periodically enter into arrangements to offer third-party products, services, or content under the Yahoo! brand or via distribution on various Yahoo! properties, including stock quotes and trading information. We may be subject to claims concerning these products, services or content by virtue of our involvement in marketing, branding, broadcasting or providing access to them, even if we do not ourselves host, operate, provide, or provide access to these products, services or content. While our agreements with these parties often provide that we will be indemnified against such liabilities, such indemnification may not be adequate.

It is also possible that, if any information provided directly by us contains errors or is otherwise negligently provided to users, third parties could make claims against us. For example, we offer Web-based email services, which expose us to potential risks, such as liabilities or claims resulting from unsolicited email, lost or misdirected messages, illegal or fraudulent use of email, or interruptions or delays in email service. Investigating and defending any of these types of claims is expensive, even to the extent that the claims do not ultimately result in liability.

Our stock price has been volatile historically and may continue to be volatile.

The trading price of our common stock has been and may continue to be subject to wide fluctuations. During the first nine months of 2002, the closing sale prices of our common stock on the Nasdaq ranged from \$20.50 to \$9.00 per share and the closing sale price on November 25, 2002 was \$18.39 per share. Our stock price may fluctuate in response to a number of events and factors, such as quarterly variations in operating results, announcements of technological innovations or new products and media properties by us or our competitors, changes in financial estimates and recommendations by securities analysts, the operating and stock price performance of other companies that investors may deem comparable to us, and news reports relating to trends in our markets.

In addition, the stock market in general, and the market prices for Internet-related companies in particular, have experienced extreme volatility that often has been unrelated to the operating performance of such companies. These broad market and industry fluctuations may adversely affect the price of our stock, regardless of our operating performance. Additionally, volatility or a lack of positive performance in our stock price may adversely affect our ability to retain key employees, all of whom have been granted stock options.

Our operations could be significantly hindered by the occurrence of a natural disaster or other catastrophic event.

Our operations are susceptible to outages due to fire, floods, power loss, telecommunications failures, break-ins and similar events. In addition, the majority of our network infrastructure is located in Northern California, an area susceptible to earthquakes. In the recent past, the western United States (and California in particular) has experienced repeated episodes of diminished electrical power supply. As a result of these episodes, certain of our operations or facilities may be subject to "rolling blackouts" or other unscheduled interruptions of electrical power. The prospect of such unscheduled interruptions may continue for the foreseeable future and we are unable to predict either their occurrence, duration or cessation. We do not have multiple site capacity for all of our services in the event of any such occurrence. Despite our implementation of network security measures, our servers are vulnerable to computer viruses, physical and electronic break-ins, and similar disruptions from unauthorized tampering with our computer systems.

Technological or other assaults on our service could harm our business.

We are vulnerable to coordinated attempts to overload our systems with data, resulting in denial or reduction of service to some or all of our users for a period of time. We have experienced a coordinated denial of service attack in the past, and may experience such attempts in the future. We do not carry sufficient business interruption insurance to compensate us for losses that may occur as a result of any of these events. Any such event could reduce our revenue and harm our operating results and financial condition.

Anti-takeover provisions could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us.

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We have adopted a stockholder rights plan and declared a dividend distribution of one right for each outstanding share of common stock to stockholders of record as of March 20, 2001. Each right entitles the holder to purchase one unit consisting of one one-thousandth of a share of our Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock for \$250 per unit. Under certain circumstances, if a person or group acquires 15% or more of our outstanding common stock, holders of the rights (other than the person or group triggering their exercise) will be able to purchase, in exchange for the \$250 exercise price, shares of our common stock or of any company into which we are merged having a value of \$500. The rights expire on March 1, 2011 unless extended by our board of directors. Because the rights may substantially dilute the stock ownership of a person or group attempting to take us over without the approval of our board of directors, our rights plan could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us (or a significant percentage of our outstanding capital stock) without first negotiating with our board of directors regarding such acquisition.

In addition, our board of directors has the authority to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock (of which 2,000,000 shares have been designated as Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock) and to determine the price, rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions, including voting rights, of those shares without any further vote or action by the stockholders.

The rights of the holders of our common stock may be subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of any preferred stock that may be issued in the future. The issuance of preferred stock may have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a change of control of Yahoo! without further action by the stockholders and may adversely affect the voting and other rights of the holders of our common stock. Further, certain provisions of our charter documents, including provisions eliminating the ability of stockholders to take action by written consent and limiting the ability of stockholders to raise matters at a meeting of stockholders without giving advance notice, may have the effect of delaying or preventing changes in control or management of Yahoo!, which could have an adverse effect on the market price of our stock. In addition, our charter documents do not permit cumulative voting, which may make it more difficult for a third party to gain control of our Board of Directors. Further, we are subject to the anti-takeover provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which will prohibit us from engaging in a "business combination" with an "interested stockholder" for a period of three years after the date of the transaction

in which the person became an interested stockholder, even if such combination is favored by a majority of stockholders, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. The application of Section 203 also could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control or management.

Terrorist attacks have contributed to economic instability in the United States; continued terrorist attacks, war or other civil disturbances could lead to further economic instability and depress our stock price.

On September 11, 2001, the United States was the target of terrorist attacks of unprecedented scope. These attacks have caused instability in the global financial markets, and have contributed to volatility in the stock prices of United States publicly traded companies, such as Yahoo!. These attacks have and may continue to lead to armed hostilities or may lead to further acts of terrorism and civil disturbances in the United States or elsewhere, which may further contribute to economic instability in the United States and could reduce our revenue.

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YAHOO!

Yahoo! was incorporated on March 5, 1995 under the laws of California. Yahoo! was subsequently reincorporated on May 14, 1999 under the laws of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 701 First Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089 and our telephone number is (408) 349-3300. As used in this prospectus, the words "we," "us," "our" and "Yahoo!" refer to Yahoo! Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries.

Yahoo! is a leading provider of comprehensive online products and services to consumers and businesses worldwide. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, California, Yahoo!'s global network includes 25 world properties and is available in 13 languages. We have offices in the United States, Europe, Asia, Latin America, Australia and Canada.

USE OF PROCEEDS

The proceeds from the sale of the Shares of common stock offered pursuant to this prospectus (the Offering") are solely for the account of the Selling Stockholders. Accordingly, we will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the Shares by the Selling Stockholders.

SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

The Selling Stockholders are existing stockholders of the Company. We granted registration rights in a Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of August 28, 2002, by and among the Company and the Selling Stockholders (the "Registration Rights Agreement"), executed in connection with the purchase of 15,000,000 shares of Yahoo! common stock, par value \$0.001 (the "Shares") by the Selling Stockholders.

All of the Shares registered hereby were purchased by the Selling Stockholders in connection with a Purchase Agreement by and between SOFTBANK America and the Selling Stockholders, dated August 28, 2002. Immediately prior to its sale of the Shares, and SOFTBANK America's concurrent sales of Yahoo! common stock, SOFTBANK America, including its consolidated affiliates, held approximately 14.1% of our common stock. After giving effect to these sales, SOFTBANK America's percentage of our common stock declined to approximately 7.4%. We have joint ventures or affiliations with SOFTBANK Corp., SOFTBANK America's parent corporation, in France, Germany, Japan, Korea and the United Kingdom. A Managing Partner of a SOFTBANK America affiliate is also a member of our Board of Directors.

The Shares represent approximately 2.5% of our outstanding capitalization as of the date of this prospectus. The Selling Stockholders may from time to time offer and sell pursuant to this prospectus any or all of the Shares being registered. Since the Selling Stockholders will sell the Shares for their own accounts, we cannot determine the amount of Shares that will be beneficially owned by the Selling Stockholders after the Offering or the percent of Yahoo! common stock that the amount of Shares held after the Offering will represent. The Selling Stockholders do not currently have a material relationship with Yahoo!, any Yahoo! predecessor or any Yahoo! affiliate. The Selling Stockholders have not had a material relationship, in the last three years, with Yahoo!, any Yahoo! predecessor or any Yahoo! affiliate, except that Yahoo! granted registration rights to and registered shares of Yahoo! common stock beneficially owned by affiliates of the Selling Stockholders in June 2000. None of the Selling Stockholders are broker/dealers or affiliates of broker/dealers.

The following table sets forth certain information known to us with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of November 22, 2002, by each of the Selling Stockholders. The number of Shares in the column labeled "Shares Offered by This Prospectus" represent all of the Shares that each Selling Stockholder may offer under this prospectus. The table assumes that the Selling Stockholders sell all of the Shares. We are unable to determine the exact number of Shares that actually will be sold. We do not know how long the Selling Stockholders will hold the Shares before selling them and we currently have no agreements, arrangements or understandings with any of the Selling Stockholders regarding the sale of any of the Shares.

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Selling Stockholder	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to the Offering	Shares Offered by This Prospectus
Acqua Wellington Private Placement Fund Ltd.	4,000,000	4,000,000
Acqua Wellington Opportunity I Limited	11,000,000	11,000,000

According to information supplied to us by the Selling Stockholders, the natural person who has voting and/or investment control over the Shares owned by Acqua Wellington Private Placement Fund Ltd. is Anthony Inder Rieden, Director of that entity.

According to information supplied to us by the Selling Stockholders, the natural person who has voting and/or investment control over the Shares owned by Acqua Wellington Opportunity I Limited Fund is Michael Taylor, Director and President of that entity.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale the Shares covered by this prospectus. The Shares are being offered on behalf of the Selling Stockholders. The Shares may be sold or distributed from time to time by the Selling Stockholders, or by pledgees, donees or transferees of, or other successors in interest to, the Selling Stockholders, directly to one or more purchasers (including pledgees) or through brokers, dealers or underwriters who may act solely as agents or who may acquire the Shares as principals, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices, at negotiated prices, or at fixed prices, which may be changed. Unless otherwise permitted by law, if the Shares are to be sold by pledgees, donees or transferees of, or other successors in interest to the Selling Stockholders, then we must distribute a prospectus supplement and/or file an amendment to this registration statement under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of Selling Stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as Selling Stockholders under this prospectus.

The sale of the Shares may be effected in one or more of the following methods:

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which our common stock may be listed or quoted at the time of sale, including the Nasdaq National Market;
- in the over-the-counter market;
- in transactions otherwise than on such exchanges or services in the over-the-counter market;
- through the writing of options, whether the options are listed on an option exchange or otherwise; or
- through the settlement of short sales.

In addition, any shares that qualify for resale pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") may be sold under Rule 144 of the Securities Act rather than pursuant to this prospectus.

These transactions may include crosses or block transactions. Crosses are transactions in which the same broker acts as agent on both sides of the trade.

In addition, the Selling Stockholders or their successors in interest may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers who may engage in short sales of the Shares in the course of hedging the positions they assume with the Selling Stockholders. The Selling Stockholders or their successors in interest may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers that require the delivery by such broker-dealers of the Shares which may be resold thereafter pursuant to this prospectus if the Shares are delivered by the Selling Stockholders. However, if the Shares are to be delivered by the Selling Stockholder's successors in interest, unless permitted by law, we must distribute a

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prospectus supplement and/or file an amendment to this registration statement under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of Selling Stockholders to include the successors in interest as Selling Stockholders under this prospectus.

The Selling Stockholders or their successors in interest may from time to time pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the Shares and, if the Selling Stockholders default in the performance of their secured obligation, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the Shares from time to time under this prospectus; however, in the event of a pledge or the default on the performance of a secured obligation by the Selling Stockholders, in order for the Shares to be sold under cover of this registration statement, unless permitted by law, we must distribute a prospectus supplement and/or an amendment to this registration statement under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of Selling Stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee, secured party or other successors in interest as Selling Stockholders under this prospectus.

Brokers, dealers, underwriters or agents participating in the distribution of the Shares as agents may receive compensation in the form of commissions, discounts or concessions from the Selling Stockholders and/or purchasers of the Shares for whom such broker-dealers may act as agent, or to whom they may sell as principal, or both (which compensation as to a particular broker-dealer may be less than or in excess of customary commissions).

The Selling Stockholders and any broker-dealers who act in connection with the sale of Shares hereunder may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commissions they receive and proceeds of any sale of Shares may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Neither we nor any selling stockholder can presently estimate the amount of such compensation. We know of no existing arrangements between any Selling Stockholder, any other stockholder, broker, dealer, underwriter or agent relating to the sale or distribution of the Shares. We have agreed to indemnify the Selling Stockholders against certain liabilities arising under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), federal and/or state law.

The anti-manipulation rules under the Exchange Act may apply to sales of Shares in the market and to the activities of the Selling Stockholders and their affiliates. Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, the Selling Stockholders may not effect any sale or distribution of the Shares until after the prospectus has been appropriately amended or supplemented, if required.

The Selling Stockholders may indemnify any broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving the sale of the Shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act, as amended. Any commissions paid or any discounts or concessions allowed to any such broker-dealers, and any profits received on the resale of such Shares, may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act, as amended if any such broker-dealers purchase Shares as principal.

We have agreed to use our best efforts to maintain the effectiveness of this registration statement with respect to the Shares until the earlier of the sale of all the Shares or one year following the effective date of this registration statement. No sales may be made pursuant to this prospectus after such date unless we amend or supplement this prospectus to indicate that we have agreed to extend such period of effectiveness. There can be no assurance that the Selling Stockholders will sell all or any of the Shares offered hereunder.

We are required to pay all fees and expenses incident to the registration of the Shares.

EXPERTS

The financial statements incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

This prospectus is part of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Certain information in the registration statement has been omitted from this prospectus in accordance with the rules of the SEC. We file our annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You can inspect and copy the registration statement as well as reports, proxy statements and other information we have filed with the SEC at the public reference room maintained by the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20549. You can obtain copies from the public reference room of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20549 upon payment of certain fees. You can call the SEC at 1-800-732-0330 for further information about the public reference room. We are also required to file electronic versions of these documents with the SEC, which may be accessed through the SEC's World Wide Web site at http://www.sec.gov. Our common stock is quoted on the Nasdaq National Market. Reports, proxy and information statements and other information concerning Yahoo! Inc. may be inspected at the Nasdaq Stock Market at 1735 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20006. You may also obtain information about Yahoo! at our World Wide Web site at http://www.yahoo.com.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference into this prospectus certain of our publicly-filed documents, which means that information included in these documents is considered part of this prospectus. Information that we file with the SEC subsequent to the date of this prospectus will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, until the Selling Stockholders have sold all the Shares.

The following documents filed with the SEC are incorporated by reference in this prospectus:

- 1. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 (File No. 000-28018).
- 2. Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2002 (File No. 000-28018), June 30, 2002 (File No. 000-28018) and September 30, 2002 (File No. 000-28018).
- 3. Our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed on April 17, 2002 (File No. 000-28018), June 11, 2002 (File No. 000-28018), July 12, 2002 (File No. 000-28028), August 14, 2002 (File No. 000-28018) and October 11, 2002 (File No. 000-28018).
- 4. Our Proxy Statement dated March 22, 2002, filed on March 15, 2002 in connection with our April 26, 2002 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (File No. 000-28018).
- 5. The description of our common stock set forth in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on March 12, 1996, (File No. 000-28028) as updated by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 11, 2000 (File No. 812-11976).
- 6. The description of our Preferred Stock Purchase Rights contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on March 19, 2001 (File No. 000-28018).

All documents subsequently filed by Yahoo! pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, after the date of this registration statement and prior to the effectiveness of this registration statement, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference.

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We will furnish without charge to you, on written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference herein, other than exhibits to such documents that are not specifically incorporated by reference therein. You should direct any requests for documents to Paul Hollerbach, Investor Relations, Yahoo! Inc., 701 First Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089, telephone: (408) 349-3300.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains or incorporates by reference certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, including those identified by the words "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," "seeks," "pro forma," "anticipates" and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements regarding:

- the trends we see in our business and the markets in which we operate;
- the features, functionality and market acceptance of our products (including newly launched products and services); and
- our expectations for our future operating results and cash flows.

These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including those set forth in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page 1, and actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in these statements. All forward-looking statements included in this prospectus are made as of the date hereof. We assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statement or reason why actual results might differ except as required by the Exchange Act. Investors should carefully review the risk factors and any subsequently filed SEC reports.

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The registrant will bear no expenses in connection with any sale or other distribution by the Selling Stockholders of the Shares being registered other than the expenses of preparation and distribution of this registration statement and the prospectus included in this registration statement. Such expenses are set forth in the following table. Except for the registration fee, the amounts shown are estimates except the SEC registration fee.

SEC registration fee	\$ 13,329
Accountants' fees and expenses	\$ 10,000
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 50,000
Miscellaneous expenses	\$ 5,000
Total	\$ 78,329

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Our Amended Bylaws provide generally for indemnification of our officers, directors, agents and employees to the extent authorized by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware ("DGCL"). Pursuant to Section 145 of the DGCL, a corporation generally has the power to indemnify its present and former directors, officers, employees and agents against expenses incurred by them in connection with any suit to which they are, or are threatened to be made, a party by reason of their serving in such positions so long as they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of a corporation, and with respect to any criminal action, they had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. With respect to suits by

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or in the right of a corporation, however, indemnification is not available if such person is adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the corporation unless the court determines that indemnification is appropriate. In addition, a corporation has the power to purchase and maintain insurance for such person. The statute also expressly provides that the power to indemnify that it authorizes is not exclusive of any rights granted under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

As permitted by Section 102 of the DGCL, our stockholders have approved and incorporated provisions into Article XII of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Article VI of our Amended Bylaws eliminating a director's personal liability for monetary damages to us and our stockholders arising from a breach of a director's fiduciary duty, except for liability under Section 174 of the DGCL or liability for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or its stockholders, for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law or for any transaction in which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Yahoo! has also entered into agreements with its directors and certain of its officers that will require Yahoo!, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors to the fullest extent not prohibited by law.

In connection with this Offering, the Selling Stockholders have agreed to indemnify Yahoo!, its directors and officers and each such person who controls Yahoo!, against any and all liability arising from inaccurate information provided to Yahoo! by the Selling Stockholders and contained herein up to a maximum of the net proceeds received by the Selling Stockholders from the sale of their Shares hereunder.

Item 16. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1*	Registration Rights Agreement, dated August 28, 2002, by and among Yahoo! Inc., Acqua Wellington Private Placement Fund Ltd. and Acqua Wellington Opportunity I Limited, incorporated by reference into this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-
	3 from the Registrant's Registration Statement filed on Form S-3 (File No. 333-100298) on October 3, 2002.
5.1*	Opinion regarding legality by Michael J. Callahan, dated October 2, 2002, incorporated by reference into this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 from the Registrant's Registration Statement filed on Form S-3 (File No. 333-100298) on October 3, 2002.
10.40	Amendment to the Yahoo! Japan License Agreement, dated September 17, 1997 by and between the Registrant and Yahoo! Japan Corporation.
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10.42	Services Agreement, dated November 30, 1997 by and between Yahoo! Korea Corporation and Softbank Korea Corporation.
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
23.2*	Consent of Michael J. Callahan (see Exhibit 5.1).
24.1*	Power of Attorney, incorporated by reference into this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 from the Registrant's Registration Statement filed on Form S-3 (File No. 333-100298) on October 3, 2002 (see signature page).

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Item 17. Undertakings

- A. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
 - 1. To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

- (i) include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high and of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

provided, however, that paragraphs (A)(1)(i) and (A)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- 2. That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time to be the bona fide offering thereof.
- 3. To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- 4. The registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the bona fide offering thereof.
- 5. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the undersigned registrant has been advised 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. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the undersigned registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the undersigned registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Yahoo! Inc. certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Sunnyvale, State of California, on November 27, 2002.

YAHOO! INC.

By: /s/ SUSAN L. DECKER

> Susan L. Decker Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the registration statement, has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on this 27th day of November 2002.

Signature

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Title

/s/	SUSAN L. DECKER	Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
	Susan L. Decker	(Timeipai Financiai Office)
	*	Vice President, Finance (Principal Accounting Officer)
	William E. Losch	
	*	Director
	Timothy Koogle	
	*	Director
	Ronald Burkle	
	*	Director
	Eric Hippeau	
	*	Director
	Arthur H. Kern	
	*	Director
	Edward Kozel	
		Director
	Michael Moritz	
	*	Director
	Gary Wilson	
	*	Director
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*By:	/s/ SUSAN L. DECKER	Attorney-In-Fact
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EXHIBIT 10.40

AMENDMENT TO YAHOO! JAPAN LICENSE AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT TO YAHOO! JAPAN LICENSE AGREEMENT (the "Amendment Agreement") is entered in as of the 12th day of September, 1997 by and between:

YAHOO! INC. ("Yahoo"), a California corporation with its principal offices at 625 Vaqueros Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94086; and

YAHOO! JAPAN CORPORATION ("YJC"), a Japanese corporation with its principal offices at 3-42-3, Nihonbashi-Hamcho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103 Japan, with reference to the following:

RECITALS

The following provisions form the basis for, and are hereby made a part of, this Agreement:

- A. Yahoo and YJC have entered into a License Agreement dated April 1, 1996 (the "Agreement") pursuant to which terms Yahoo granted YJC licenses to certain Yahoo intellectual property rights.
- B. Yahoo and YJC now wish to amend certain terms of the Agreement in connection with a proposed initial public offering of common stock of YJC as set forth herein.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, this parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. For purposes of this Amendment Agreement, any capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.
- 2. Section 2.1 of the Agreement is deleted and restated in its entirety as follows:
 - "2.1 License Grant to YJC. Subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Yahoo hereby grants to YJC the following:
- (i) an exclusive right and license to use, reproduce, display, perform, transmit, distribute, market, promote, and permit YJC users no to use, in on-line form and in the manner described in this Agreement, Yahoo Japan solely under a title that indicates the work "Yahoo!" (such as "Yahoo! Japan");
- (ii) a non-exclusive (except as provided in Section 2.7) right to use, reproduce, display, perform, distribute and transmit the Yahoo Brand Features in Japan solely as part of the mark "Yahoo! Japan" in full form and solely in connection with advertising, marketing, and promoting Yahoo Japan;
- (iii) an exclusive right to use, reproduce, and display the yahoo Brand Features in Japan solely in connection with Related Print Publications; *provided*, *however*, that Yahoo obtains written consent from Ziff-Davis Publishing Company to grant such rights, which consent Yahoo shall use best efforts to obtain; and *provided*, *further*, that YJC shall obtain the prior written consent of Yahoo to use Yahoo Brand Features on each such print material, which consent yahoo shall not unreasonably withhold;
- (iv) a non-exclusive (except as provided in Section 2.7) right and license to use and reproduce for internal purposes any and all Yahoo-own software (in object code and source code forms) associated with the Yahoo Properties solely to facilitate the exploitation of the Yahoo Properties and YJC's internal use in furtherance of YJC's rights, as anticipated and described in this Agreement; and
- (v) subject to the terms and limitations set forth in Section 2.3 of this Agreement, a non-exclusive right (except as provided in Section 2.7) to make Yahoo Japan Derivative Works, solely for use.

incorporation, and integration in Yahoo Japan and solely as necessary for the Japanese consumer market in Japan;

(vi) the exclusive worldwide right to develop, create, maintain, operate, commercially exploit, market, promote and otherwise distribute Yahoo Japan through any electronic means, subject to the exceptions set forth in Section 2.7 hereto.

provided, however, that "YJC Users" right to access and use the Yahoo Properties shall be subject to such customary limitations and restrictions on use and reproduction as Yahoo may impose with respect to the Yahoo Properties. No rights or licenses are granted by Yahoo to YJC except for these expressly granted in this Section 2.1."

- 3. Section 2.7 of the Agreement is deleted and restated in its entirety as follows:
- "2.7 *Exclusivity.* The licenses granted hereunder shall be exclusive and perpetual (subject to the terms of Section 9.1), which shall mean that no other party in the world shall be provided with the rights to use, display, reproduce or permit others to use the Yahoo Properties for the establishment and operation of a version of the Yahoo Service localized for Japan; *provided*, *however*, that nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting, preventing, restricting, or otherwise limited the ability of a person in Japan from electronically accessing the Yahoo Services on a server located in any jurisdiction outside of Japan."
- 4. Section 9.1 of the Agreement is deleted and restated in its entirety as follows:

- "9.1 *Terms.* Unless earlier terminated as provided herein or unless otherwise provided in the Joint Venture Agreement, this Agreement shall be effective during the period (the "Term") from the date of this Agreement until the sooner of: (i) the date on which the parties hereto mutually agree to terminate this Agreement; (ii) the date on which this Agreement is terminated under Section 9.2; (iii) upon a sale or series of sales of YJC's stock to a competitor or a group of competitors of Yahoo as determined by Yahoo in its reasonable discretion, which results in such competitor or a group of competitors having beneficial ownership of at least one-third (1/3) of the total outstanding stock of YJC; (iv) upon a merger, consolidation or acquisition of YJC, in which transaction its shareholders do not retain a majority of the voting power in the surviving corporation, or a purchase of all or substantially all of YJC's assets (and "*Acquisition*"), provided, however, that any Acquisition which has occurred with Yahoo's consent shall not result in termination of this Agreement.
- 5. This Amendment Agreement shall become effective only upon and after the effectiveness of the Amendment Agreement to Joint Venture Agreement by and between Yahoo and SOFTBANK Corporation dated the even date hereof in accordance with the terms of Section 3 of such Amendment Agreement to Joint Venture Agreement.
- 6. Except as expressly provided herein, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 7. This Amendment Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, with the same force and effect as if fully executed and performed therein, and the laws of the United States of America. Each of YJC and Yahoo hereby consents and submits to the personal jurisdiction of the United States and state courts of the State of California, and expressly agrees that the venue for any action arising under this Amendment Agreement shall be the appropriate court sitting within the Northern District of California.
- 8. This Amendment Agreement may be executed with counterpart signatures, which may be effectively delivered by telecopy. The miscellaneous provisions of Article 10 of the Agreement shall apply to this Amendment Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Amendment Agreement by their duly authorized representatives have executed this Amendment Agreement as of the date first above written.

YAHOO JAPAN CORPORATION

By: /s/ MASAHIRO INOUE

Name: Masahiro Inoue
Title: President & CEO

YAHOO! INC.

By: /s/ TIMOTHY A. KOOGLE

Name: Timothy Koogle
Title: President

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AMENDMENT TO YAHOO! JAPAN LICENSE AGREEMENT

YAHOO! KOREA LICENSE AGREEMENT

by and among

YAHOO! INC.,

YAHOO! KOREA CORPORATION

and

YAHOO! JAPAN CORPORATION

November 30, 1997

YAHOO! KOREA LICENSE AGREEMENT

This YAHOO! KOREA LICENSE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into as of November 30, 1997 (the "Effective Date") by and among:

YAHOO! INC., a California corporation ("Yahoo") with its principal offices at 3400 Central Expressway, Santa Clara, California 95051;

YAHOO! KOREA CORPORATION, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea (the "*Company*"), with its principal offices at 502 Kyungki Bldg., 184-4, Chungjeong-Ro 2-Ka, Seodaemun-Ku, Seoul Korea 120-012; and

YAHOO! JAPAN CORPORATION, a Japanese corporation ("Yahoo Japan"), with its principal offices at 24-1, Nihonbashi-Hakozakicho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103 Japan, solely in connection with the rights and obligations set forth in Article IV of this Agreement.

RECITALS

The following provisions form the basis for, and are hereby made a part of, this Agreement:

- A. Yahoo owns, operates and distributes a leading index and directory of Internet resources, including a hierarchical index, information indexing and retrieval software and certain other elements of content and software (www.yahoo.com);
- B. The Company has been organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea, and is 60% owned by Yahoo, 25% owned by SOFTBANK Korea Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea, 10% owned by SOFTBANK Corporation, a Japanese corporation, and 5% owned by Yahoo Japan pursuant to a joint venture agreement dated as of the Effective Date (the "Joint Venture Agreement"), in order to operate in the Republic of Korea (the "Korea")(the "Territory"), a localized version of the Yahoo! Guide, to develop related products and on-line services in the Territory and to conduct certain other business related to such activities; and
- C. Upon the terms and conditions set forth below, the Company and Yahoo will offer a version of certain Yahoo software and services through the Company in the Territory.

AGREEMENT

The parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS; RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

- 1.1 *Definitions*. For purposes of this Agreement, in addition to the capitalized terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them below:
 - (a) "Affiliate" shall mean a company in which, directly or indirectly, more than fifty percent (50%) of the stock entitled to vote for the election of directors is owned or controlled by a party, but only so long as such ownership or control exists.
 - (b) "Ancillary Properties" shall mean any future or present products and/or services of Yahoo that are not included in the Yahoo Service as of the Effective Date.
 - (c) "Company Users" shall mean Internet-users to whom the Company provides access to Yahoo! Korea.

- (e) "Confidential Information" shall mean any information disclosed in the course of this Agreement, which is identified as or should be reasonably understood to be confidential or proprietary to the disclosing party, including, but not limited to know-how, trade secrets, log data, technical processes and formulas, source codes, product designs, sales, cost and other unpublished financial information, product and business plans, projections, and marketing data. "Confidential Information" shall not include information which: (i) is known or becomes known to the recipient on the Effective Date directly or indirectly from a third party source other than one having an obligation of confidentiality to the providing party; (ii) hereafter becomes known (independently of disclosure by the providing party) to the recipient directly or indirectly from a source other than one having an obligation of confidentiality to the providing party; (iii) becomes publicly known or available or otherwise ceases to be secret or confidential, except through a breach of this Agreement by the recipient; or (iv) is or was independently developed by the recipient without use of or reference to the providing party's Confidential Information, as shown by evidence in the recipient's possession.
- (f) "Derivative Work" shall mean all "derivative works" and "compilations" within the meaning of such terms as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act (17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.).
- (g) "Enhancements" shall mean any enhancements, added functionalities, additions, extensions or improvements to Yahoo! Korea that are created or developed by the Company, its Affiliates or its agents.
- (h) "Error(s)" shall mean any verifiable and reproducible failure of the Yahoo! Korea Site to materially conform to the level of operation of Yahoo service. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the term "Error" shall not include any failure of the Yahoo! Korea Site to materially conform to level of operation of the Yahoo Service that: (i) results from the Company's misuse or improper use of the Yahoo! Korea Site, Yahoo! Korea, or any Yahoo Properties; (ii) results from the Company's combination, incorporation, or merger of the Yahoo! Korea Site with any software, or content not supplied by Yahoo or not authorized by Yahoo to be combined, incorporated, or merged with the Yahoo Client Software; (iii) does not materially affect the operation and use of the Yahoo! Korea Site; or (iv) results from the modification by the Company of the Yahoo! Korea Site, or any Yahoo Properties therein.
- (i) "Error Correction(s)" shall mean either a modification or addition to or deletion from the Yahoo! Korea Site that, when made to such site shall materially conform such site to the then-current functionality of the Yahoo Service, or a procedure or routine that, when observed in the regular operation of the Yahoo! Korea Site, eliminates the material adverse effect on the Company of such Error.
- (j) "Gross Revenues" shall mean the total amount of revenues recognized by the Company (as reflected in the Company's financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Korea) without any reductions, including, but not limited to, commissions, discounts, billing adjustments and allowance and fees and expenses.
- (k) "Intellectual Property Rights" shall mean trade secrets, patents, patent rights, copyrights, trademarks, know-how, moral rights and similar rights of any type under the laws of any governmental authority, domestic or foreign including all applications and registrations relating to any of the foregoing.

- (l) "Launch Date" shall mean the first date on which Yahoo! Korea is made generally available to the public in the Territory.
- (m) "Local Content" shall mean content, including URL listings, added to Yahoo! Korea by the Company and that is: (i) specific to the market of the Territory; and (ii) originates in or arises from activities in the Territory.
- (n) "Log Data" shall mean all data generated by an Internet server that relates to file requests, user identification, session times and similar available information.
 - (o) "Territory" shall mean the geographic territories of the Republic of Korea, excluding any protectorates and territories thereof.
 - (p) "Third Party" shall mean a party other than Yahoo or the Company.
 - (q) "Upgrades" shall mean all error corrections, upgrades, enhancements, new releases, and new versions of Yahoo! Korea.
- (r) "Yahoo Brand Features" shall mean Yahoo trademarks, trade names, service marks, service names, distinct elements of the Yahoo Service Look and Feel and all other Components specifically associated with the "Yahoo!" brand or as to which Yahoo has established trademark or trade dress rights, and any modifications to the foregoing that may be created during the Term (as defined in Section 10.1 hereof).
- (s) "Yahoo Brand Guidelines" shall mean the guidelines for use of the Yahoo Brand Features in Yahoo! Korea, as specifically set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto.
- (t) "Yahoo Directory" shall mean the collection of HTML files and certain related scripts and rules comprising of URL listings and related descriptions and the related organizational hierarchy.
- (u) "Yahoo Directory Search Engine" shall mean the search tools currently available for end users of the Yahoo Service to perform searches within the Yahoo Directory.
- (v) "Yahoo! Korea" shall mean the version of the Yahoo Service that is customized and localized specifically for all or any portion of Territory in any and all languages specifically relevant to the Territory, in accordance with this Agreement.
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- (x) "Yahoo Service" shall mean, collectively, the following (in each case as the same may be modified, upgraded, updated or enhanced during the term of this Agreement):
 - (i) (A) the Yahoo Brand Features, (B) the Yahoo Service Look and Feel, and (C) the Yahoo Directory; and

(ii) any enhancements, upgrades, improvements or modifications of the Yahoo Directory Search Engine, and all written materials, documents and manuals used in the operation of the foregoing as the same may be modified from time to time;

provided, however, that the Yahoo Service shall not include any content or technology licensed to Yahoo from a third party.

- (aa) "Yahoo Service Look and Feel" shall mean the artistic renderings, drawings, animations, sketches, characters, layouts and designs, and digital implementations thereof which are embodied within the Yahoo Directory.
- (bb) "Yahoo Tools" shall mean Yahoo's internal hierarchical index, information indexing and retrieval software, tools, and search engine, not including the Yahoo Directory Search Engine, as set forth in *Exhibit A*.

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1.2 Rules of Construction. As used in this Agreement, all terms used in the singular shall be deemed to include the plural, and vice versa, as the context may require. The words "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole, including any exhibits hereto, as the same may from time to time be amended or supplemented. The word "including" when used herein is not intended to be exclusive and means "including, without limitation." The descriptive headings of this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and do not constitute a part of and shall not be utilized in interpreting this Agreement. The terms "party" and "parties" shall refer to Yahoo and the Company, individually or collectively, and shall not refer to Yahoo Japan except as used in Article IV below. This Agreement has been negotiated by the parties hereto and their respective counsel and shall be fairly interpreted in accordance with its terms and without any rules of construction relating to which party drafted the Agreement being applied in favor of or against either party.

ARTICLE II GRANT OF RIGHTS

- 2.1 License Grant to Company. Subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Yahoo hereby grants to the Company during the Term:
 - (a) a non-exclusive (except as provided in Section 2.7) right and license to use, reproduce, display, perform, and transmit, the Yahoo Service Look and Feel, Yahoo Directory and Yahoo Directory Search Engine solely in on-line form solely in connection with Yahoo! Korea, and in the manner described in this Agreement;
 - (b) a non-exclusive right and license to use and reproduce, and to display, perform, and transmit on-line the Yahoo Brand Features in the Territory, in tangible and on-line form, solely in connection with Yahoo Korea and the advertising, marketing and promotion of Yahoo! Korea in the Territory, provided, however, that the license granted under this subsection 2.1(b) shall not include any right or license with respect to or relating to the sale of any product or service other than Yahoo! Korea without Yahoo's consent;
 - (c) a non-exclusive right and license to use and reproduce the Yahoo Tools, solely for the Company's internal purposes, as necessary to establish and operate Yahoo! Korea; and
 - (d) subject to the terms and limitations set forth in Section 2.2 of this Agreement, a non-exclusive right to make, reproduce, and use the Enhancements, solely for use, incorporation, or integration with or into Yahoo! Korea, and solely as necessary for the advertising, marketing and promotion of Yahoo! Korea;

provided, however, that (i) the license granted to the Company under this Section 2.1 shall not include any content or technology, except as determined by Yahoo in its sole discretion, without any obligation to do so, and (ii) the Company Users' right to access and use the Yahoo Properties shall be subject to such customary limitations and restrictions on use and reproduction as Yahoo may impose with respect to the Yahoo Properties. If Yahoo, in its sole discretion, decided to sublicense any Third Party content or technology to the Company (and the Company accepts such sublicense) and such sublicense requires the payment of royalties or other fees to a Third Party, the Company agrees to pay all such necessary royalties and/or fees payable to such Third Party in connection with such sublicense. No rights or licenses are granted by Yahoo to the Company except for those expressly granted in this Section 2.1.

2.2 *Ancillary Properties*. To the extent that Yahoo possesses or develops in the future Ancillary Properties, Yahoo agrees that it will in good faith consider making such Ancillary Properties available for localization in the Korean market through the Company for additional fees to be mutually agreed upon by Yahoo and the Company; provided that Yahoo shall not be obligated to do so.

- 2.3 *No Other Rights.* Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the Company shall neither: (a) distribute or make available the Yahoo Service or Yahoo! Korea except in its entirety as a complete work; (b) distribute or make available the Yahoo Service or Yahoo! Korea other than in on-line electric form; (c) sublicense any rights granted hereunder; (d) modify, adapt, translate, or create Derivative Works or Enhancements of the Yahoo Service or Yahoo! Korea; nor (e) remove any copyright or other proprietary rights notices from the Yahoo Properties.
- 2.4 *Yahoo! Korea Content.* Prior to the Launch Date, Yahoo shall provide to the Company Yahoo Properties to the extent necessary to launch the Yahoo! Korea Site and for the Company to create Enhancements for incorporation into Yahoo! Korea.
- 2.5 *Local Content*. The Company shall solely be responsible for collecting and classifying Local Content. Subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and subject to a license fee to be mutually agreed upon by Yahoo and the Company from time to time, the Company hereby grants Yahoo an exclusive, perpetual, irrevocable, license to use Local Content and Enhancements for the purpose of incorporating such Local Content and Enhancements into Yahoo! Korea and into the Yahoo Service and any other Yahoo properties. Subject to the foregoing license grant, the Company retains all right, title to and interest in the Local Content and Enhancements.

- 2.6 Ownership. Yahoo shall retain all ownership rights in and to the Yahoo Properties. The Company assigns any interest it may be deemed to possess in such Yahoo Properties to Yahoo and will assist Yahoo in every reasonable way, at Yahoo's expense, to obtain, secure, perfect, maintain, defend and enforce for Yahoo's benefit all Intellectual Property Rights with respect to the Yahoo Properties and any enhancements thereto, including, without limitation, the procurement of binding and enforceable assignments from all Company employees and contractors who assisted in the development and creation of any enhancements to the Yahoo Properties.
- 2.7 *Exclusivity.* After the Launch Date, Yahoo shall not grant any right or license to any person, to use, display, reproduce or permit others to use the Yahoo Service for the establishment and operation of a version of the Yahoo Service localized for the Territory; *provided*, *however*, that nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting, preventing, restricting, or otherwise limiting the ability of a person in the Territory from electronically accessing the Yahoo Service on a server located in any jurisdiction outside Korea.

ARTICLE III YAHOO! KOREA SITE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS

- 3.1 Development of Yahoo! Korea Site. Yahoo shall provide a reasonable level of technical and operational assistance in developing Yahoo! Korea.
- 3.2 *Upgrades*. If Yahoo creates any Upgrades of Yahoo! Korea which materially modify the format or functionality of Yahoo! Korea, Yahoo shall provide the Company with the opportunity to review and test each such Upgrade prior to its public release.

ARTICLE IV YAHOO! KOREA SUPPORT

4.1 Support Services. Yahoo Japan agrees to: (a) provide to the Company telephone or confirmed facsimile or telecopy and electronic mail consultation during Yahoo Japan's regular business hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Korea Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays scheduled by Yahoo Japan) to allow the Company to report Errors in the Yahoo! Korea Site or to allow the Company to inquire on the use or operation of the Yahoo! Korea Site and (b) use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Error Corrections for Errors in the Yahoo! Korea Site reported to Yahoo Japan by the Company. Yahoo agrees to provide back-up support for the Yahoo! Korea Site as Yahoo

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Japan or the Company reasonably requests in connection with Yahoo Japan's obligations set forth in this Section 4.1 to the extent Yahoo Japan cannot adequately fulfill such obligations without assistance from Yahoo.

ARTICLE V PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS, ADVERTISING, AND TRADEMARKS

- 5.1 *Company's Efforts.* As a material condition to this Agreement, the Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts during the Term to offer Yahoo! Korea to the general public via the Internet, in accordance with user performance (as measured by factors such as latency of user response) at least equivalent to, on average, that of the main U.S. www.yahoo.com website, to market and promote the commercial exploitation of Yahoo! Korea in the Territory, and to sell advertising and promotional services in Yahoo! Korea.
 - 5.2 Trademarks.
 - 5.2.1 *Acknowledgment of Ownership.* The Company acknowledges that: (a) as between the Company and Yahoo, Yahoo owns all right, title and interest in the Yahoo Brand Features; and (b) neither the Company nor any other persons will acquire any ownership interest in the Yahoo Brand Features or associated goodwill by virtue of this Agreement or the use of the Yahoo Service pursuant to this Agreement.
 - 5.2.2 *Usage Guidelines*. The Company's use of the Yahoo Brand Features shall be subject to Yahoo's prior written approval and consent and shall adhere to the Yahoo Brand Guidelines set forth in *Exhibit B* attached hereto; *provided*, *however*, the Company may use the mark "YAHOO! KOREA" and the associated logo without any such consent so long as the Company uses such Yahoo! Korea marks: (a) in a manner and form consistent with Yahoo's use of its Yahoo Brand Features; (b) without making any modifications or changes thereto; (c) in an advertising campaign, promotional or other event that has high consumer visibility; (d) without co-branding or other similar collaboration with any third party brand features; and (e) in conformance with the Yahoo Brand Guidelines. In any event, the Company's use of the Yahoo Brand Features shall be at least of a quality and standard reasonably commensurate with the Company's use of its own trademarks. Throughout the Term, Yahoo shall promptly provide the Company with all written details of, specifications for and artwork for all Yahoo Brand Features as required by the Company for performing its rights and obligations under this Agreement. If any use of the Yahoo Brand Features by the Company fails to satisfy such quality standards, Yahoo may terminate the Company's right to use such Yahoo Brand Features; *provided*, *however*, that the Company has failed to cure such failure to satisfy within thirty (30) business days from receipt by the Company of a notice of such failure to satisfy quality standards sent by Yahoo.
 - 5.2.3 *Promotional Materials.* The Company shall supply Yahoo with specimens of each type of promotional materials using the Yahoo Brand Features, all of which shall comply with the Yahoo Brand Guidelines and other provisions of this Agreement. The Company shall remedy any violation of the Yahoo Brand Guidelines or of this Agreement as soon as practicable following receipt of notice from Yahoo of such violation. The Company shall consider in good faith any suggestions or comments of Yahoo in the content and design of any and all promotional materials.

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5.2.4 *No Adverse Claim.* The Company agrees that it will not at any time during or after this Agreement assert any claim or interest in or do anything which may adversely affect the validity or enforceability of Yahoo's right in the Yahoo Brand Features. Unless otherwise agreed to between the parties, the Company will not register, seek to register, or cause to be registered any of the Yahoo Brand Features without Yahoo's prior written consent,

and the Company shall not adopt or use Yahoo Brand Features or any confusingly similar word or symbol as part of the Company's company name, nor allow Yahoo Brand Features to be used by others, without Yahoo's prior written consent. With respect to any trademark registrations and pending trademark applications for any Yahoo Brand Features in the Territory owned or filed by the Company without Yahoo's prior written consent ("Yahoo! Korea Marks"), the Company shall promptly transfer ownership in such Yahoo! Korea Marks to Yahoo, and Yahoo shall promptly reimburse the Company its reasonable costs incurred in obtaining such registration and in filing such applications. Failure of the Company to transfer ownership in such Yahoo! Korea Marks within one hundred twenty (120) days of the Effective Date of this Agreement shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement. Such Yahoo! Korea Marks shall be considered part of and included in the Yahoo Brand Features for purposes of this Agreement.

- 5.2.5 *No Additional Rights in Trademarks.* Except for the rights expressly granted to Company under this Agreement to use the Yahoo Brand Features, Yahoo grants no rights in or to any Yahoo trademarks, service marks or trade names. All powers that would otherwise be granted to the Company under Section 26 of the Korean Trade Mark Act are hereby excluded.
- 5.3 *Yahoo! Korea Advertising.* The Company shall have the exclusive right to include third party advertising, marketing and promotional information in Yahoo! Korea, provided, however, that Yahoo shall have the right to conduct worldwide promotions for certain advertisers of Yahoo, including inclusion of advertising, marketing and promotional information in Yahoo! Korea. The parties hereto agree that all revenues and income derived by the Company in connection with advertising, marketing and promotional information in Yahoo! Korea shall accrue solely to the Company. The Company shall be solely and exclusively responsible for ensuring that all advertising, marketing and promotional information conducted and provided by the Company complies with all local, federal, and other governmental laws and regulations of the Territory that may be applicable thereto. In connection with any worldwide promotion conducted by Yahoo for an advertiser, the Company will receive a portion of the aggregate revenue from the sale of such worldwide promotion in accordance with the Yahoo International Pricing Policy attached hereto as *Exhibit D*. If the inventory positions for the worldwide promotion are not available for the time and period requested by Yahoo, the Company will promptly notify Yahoo of the next time and period when the inventory becomes first available and provide Yahoo with the opportunity to utilize such inventory.
- 5.4 *Log Data*. The Company will provide Yahoo with access to all Log Data generated from use of Yahoo! Korea. All Log Data shall be maintained as Confidential Information by the Company and Yahoo.
 - 5.4.1 *Limited Disclosure to Third Parties*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no party shall be prohibited by the terms if this Agreement from providing Log Data to any third party (on a confidential basis) for aggregation or analysis, or otherwise on an aggregated basis to advertisers, potential advertisers and other third parties in connection with the sale of advertising, or to third parties in connection with market research and similar publishing; provided that no party will use such information in a misleading fashion so as to understate or overstate to any third party the magnitude of usage of Yahoo! Korea.
 - 5.4.2 *Ownership of Log Data.* Yahoo shall own all rights, title, and interest in and to any and all Log Data generated on Yahoo! Korea; *provided*, *however*, Yahoo shall grant to the Company a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use and reproduce such Log Data for internal,

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non-commercial purposes. Yahoo shall own all rights, title, and interest in and to any and all Log Data generated on any Yahoo Service mirror site.

ARTICLE VI CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

- 6.1 *Protection of Confidential Information.* The parties recognize that, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, each of them may disclose to the other its Confidential Information. The party receiving any Confidential Information agrees to maintain the confidential status of such Confidential Information and not to use any such Confidential Information for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was originally disclosed to the receiving party, and not to disclose any of such Confidential Information to any third party. No party shall disclose the other's Confidential Information to its employees and agents except on a need-to-know basis.
- 6.2 *Permitted Disclosure.* The parties acknowledge and agree that each may disclose Confidential Information: (a) as required by law or the rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or any applicable securities exchange; (b) to their respective directors, officers, employees, attorneys, accountants and other advisors, who are under an obligation of confidentiality, on a "need-to-know" basis; (c) to investors or joint venture partners, who are under an obligation of confidentiality, on a "need-to-know" basis; or (d) in connection with disputes or litigation between the parties involving such Confidential Information and each party shall endeavor to limit disclosure to that purpose and to ensure maximum application of all appropriate judicial safeguards (such as placing documents under seal). In the event a party is required to disclose Confidential Information as required by law, such party will, to the extent practicable, in advance of such disclosure, provide the other party with prompt notice of such requirement. Such party also agrees, to the extent legally permissible, to provide the other party, in advance of any such disclosure, with copies of any information or documents such party intends to disclose (and, if applicable, the text of the disclosure language itself) and to cooperate with the other party to the extent the other party may seek to limit such disclosure.
- 6.3 *Applicability.* The foregoing obligations of confidentiality shall apply to directors, officers, employees and representatives of the parties and any other person to whom the parties have delivered copies of, or permitted access to, such Confidential Information in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and each party shall advise each of the above of the obligations set forth in this Article VI.
- 6.4 Third party Confidential Information. Any Confidential Information of a third party disclosed to any party shall be treated by such party in accordance with the terms under which such third party Confidential Information was disclosed; provided, however, that the party disclosing such third party Confidential Information shall first notify the other party that such information constitutes third party Confidential Information and the terms applicable to such third party Confidential Information and provided further that any party may decline, in its sole discretion, to accept all or any portion of such third party Confidential Information.
- 6.5 *Confidentiality of Agreement.* Except as required by law or generally accepted accounting principles, and except to assert its rights hereunder or for disclosures to its own officers, directors, employees and professional advisers on a need-to-know basis or in confidence to investors, investment bankers, financial institutions or other lenders or acquirers, each party hereto agrees that neither it nor its directors, officers, employees, consultants or agents shall disclose the

terms of this Agreement or specific matters relating hereto without the prior consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

6.6 Future Business Activities. This Agreement shall not limit any party's present and future business activities of any nature, including business activities which could be competitive with the other party, except: (a) to the extent such activities would involve a breach of the confidentiality restrictions

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contained in this Article VI; (b) to the extent provided in Section 5.3, or (c) as otherwise expressly provided herein. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed as a representation or agreement that the recipient of Confidential Information will not develop or have developed for its products, concepts, systems or techniques contemplated by or embodied in such Confidential Information, provided that such recipient does not violate any of its obligations under this Article VI in connection with such development.

ARTICLE VII FEES AND PAYMENT

- 7.1 *Fees.* The Company shall pay to Yahoo, as full and complete remuneration for the performance of all of Yahoo's obligations hereunder, the fees and amounts that are set forth in *Exhibit E* attached hereto (the "*Fees*"). All payments under this Agreement shall be made quarterly by wire transfer to an account designated by Yahoo on or prior to the due date.
 - 7.2 Currency. In this Agreement, all references to currency shall be references to the lawful currency of the United States of America.
- 7.3 Taxes. All Fees paid by the Company to Yahoo hereunder shall be made without deducting any sales, goods and services, use and other similar taxes imposed by any governmental authority concerning the use of the Yahoo Properties in accordance with this Agreement (collectively, the "Taxes"), all of which Taxes shall be paid by the Company. Further, all Fees paid by the Company to Yahoo hereunder shall be made after deducting any excise and customs duties and other similar taxes imposed by any governmental authority relating to the export of the Yahoo Properties, and all withholding taxes that may be required by either the Korean or the United States governments under the relevant tax laws and treaties (collectively, the "Other Taxes"), all of which Other Taxes shall be paid by Yahoo.
- 7.4 Withholding. If any Korean withholding taxes are imposed on payments to Yahoo by the Company under this Article VII, the Company shall withhold such amounts, pay the same to the Korean tax authority, and promptly furnish Yahoo with appropriate documentation of the amounts so withheld as soon as practicable. The parties shall cooperate to make any necessary filings to utilize the lowest withholding rate available under any treaty between Korea and the United States.
- 7.5 *Arms Length Dealings*. The parties acknowledge and agree that, although the amount of the Fees is intended to be an arms length consideration for the performance of Yahoo's obligations under the Agreement, and that the Fees have been agreed in the course of real bargaining between the parties, the parties shall review the services actually performed by Yahoo under this Agreement at the time of Yahoo's performance thereof and, if mutually agreed, will negotiate for the payment to Yahoo of additional fees in excess of the Fees set forth in the attached *Exhibit D*.

ARTICLE VIII REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each party represents and warrants to the other parties that: (a) such party has been duly incorporated and is validly existing under the laws such party is incorporated; (b) such party has the full corporate right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform the acts required of it hereunder; (c) the execution of this Agreement by such party, and the performance by such party of its obligations and duties hereunder, do not and will not violate any agreement to which such party is a party or by which it is otherwise bound; (d) when executed and delivered by such party, this Agreement will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such party, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms; and (e) such party acknowledges that the other party makes no representations, warranties or agreements related to the subject matter hereof that are not expressly provided for in this Agreement.

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ARTICLE IX LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; DISCLAIMER; INDEMNIFICATION

- 9.1 Liability. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 9.3 AND 9.4 AND TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL ANY PARTY BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTIES FOR INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES (EVEN IF THAT PARTY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES), ARISING FROM ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT, SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LOSS OF REVENUE OR ANTICIPATED PROFITS OR LOST BUSINESS.
- 9.2 No Additional Warranties. EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT AND TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, NO PARTY MAKES ANY, AND EACH PARTY HEREBY SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, REGARDING THE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARISING FROM COURSE OF DEALING OR COURSE OF PERFORMANCE.
 - 9.3 Yahoo Indemnity and Liability.

- 9.3.1 *Yahoo Indemnity*. Subject to the limitations set forth below, Yahoo, at its own expense, shall indemnify, defend (or at Yahoo's option and expense, settle,) and hold the Company and any Company Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees, agents, distributors and licensees (the "*Company Indemnified Party(ies*)") harmless from and against any damages and costs (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) awarded in a final adjudication or settlement, whether required to be paid to a third party or otherwise incurred in connection with or arising from any claim, suit, action or proceeding (collectively, a "*Claim*"), against a Company Indemnified Party to the extent the basis of such Claim is that: (a) the Yahoo Properties infringe any Intellectual Property Rights of a third party; or (b) Yahoo does not have the right to license the Yahoo Properties as set forth herein.
- 9.3.2 No Yahoo Liability. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Yahoo assumes no liability for infringement claims arising from: (a) a combination of the Yahoo Properties or any part thereof with other Components not provided by Yahoo where such infringement would not have arisen from the use of the Yahoo Properties or portion thereof absent such combination; (b) modification of the Yahoo Properties or portion thereof by anyone other than Yahoo or on its behalf where such infringement would not have occurred but for such modifications; (c) continued infringing activity after the Company has been notified of the infringement or informed of modifications that would have avoided the infringement; (d) circumstances where the infringement is incidental to an infringement arising primarily from the exercise of rights other than those granted under this Agreement.
- 9.3.3 Yahoo Infringement Liability. If Yahoo receives notice of an alleged infringement of a third party's intellectual property rights relating to the Yahoo Properties, Yahoo at its option and expense, shall use all reasonable efforts to: (a) obtain a license at no cost to the Company permitting continued use of the Yahoo Properties on terms and conditions consistent with the rights granted to the Company hereunder; (b) modify the infringing portion of the Yahoo Properties to perform its intended function without infringing third party rights; or (c) provide a substitute for such infringing portion of the Yahoo Properties. If none of the foregoing options are reasonably available to Yahoo, then upon written notice by Yahoo to the Company, the Company shall thereupon take the necessary action to discontinue further distribution of the infringing material to the extent that and only for so long as such use would be infringing. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, THIS SECTION SETS FORTH THE

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ENTIRE LIABILITY OF YAHOO WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIM OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT.

- 9.4 Company Indemnity and Liability. Subject to the limitations set forth below, the Company, at its own expense, shall indemnify, defend (or at the Company's option and expense, settle, provided that the Company provides Yahoo with prior notice of any settlement that will significantly affect Yahoo's rights hereunder) and hold Yahoo and any Yahoo Affiliates and their officers, directors, employees, agents, distributors and licensees (the "Yahoo Indemnified Party(ies)") harmless from and against any damages and costs (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) awarded in a final adjudication or settlement, whether required to be paid to a third party or otherwise incurred in connection with or arising from any liabilities related to the operation of Yahoo! Korea (other than those liabilities for which Yahoo is responsible pursuant to the terms of Section 9.3.1), including, without limitation, any Claim against a Yahoo Indemnified Party to the extent the basis of such Claim is that: (a) Yahoo! Korea, any Enhancements, or any Local Content infringes any Intellectual Property Rights of a third party or contain any material or information that is erroneous, obscene, defamatory, libelous, slanderous, violates any law or regulation, is negligently performed, or that violates or breaches any duty toward, or rights of any person or entity, including, without limitation, rights of publicity, privacy or personality; (b) the Company does not have the right to license the Local Content as set forth herein (other than as a result of infringement by a Yahoo Property licensed to the Company by Yahoo hereunder); (c) the Company has materially breached any of its duties, representations or warranties under this Agreement; or (d) any products, promotions or services of the Company or its Affiliates have resulted in any consumer fraud, product liability, tort, breach of contract, injury, damage or harm of any kind to any person or entity (other than as a result of Content licensed to the Company by Ya
- 9.5 *Procedure.* All indemnification obligations under this Section 9 shall be subject to the following requirements: (a) the indemnified party shall provide the indemnifying party with prompt written notice of any claim; (b) the indemnified party shall permit the indemnifying party to assume and control the defense of any action upon the indemnifying party's written acknowledgment of the obligation to indemnify (unless, in the opinion of counsel of the indemnified party, such assumption would result in a material conflict of interest); and (c) the indemnifying party shall not enter into any settlement or compromise of any claim without the indemnified party's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. In addition, the indemnified party may, at its own expense, participate in its defense of any claim. In the event that the indemnifying party assumes the defense of any such claim, the indemnifying party shall have no liability for attorney's fees and costs incurred by the indemnified party.

ARTICLE X TERM

10.1 *Term.* Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall be effective during the period (the "*Term*" from the Effective Date of this Agreement until the sooner of: (a) the date on which Yahoo and the Company mutually agree to terminate this Agreement; (b) the date on which this Agreement is terminated under Section 10.2 hereto; or (c) the date of termination of the Joint Venture Agreement.

- 10.2 *Early Termination*. Either Yahoo or the Company may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice in the event of: (a) any material breach of any warranty, representation or covenant of this Agreement by the other party which remains uncured thirty (30) days after notice of such breach; or (b) in the event of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceeding of the other party which continues for twenty (20) days from filing.
- 10.3 *Return of Information.* No party shall incur any liability resulting from the termination of this Agreement, provided, however, that no party shall be relieved of any liabilities arising from any obligation incurred or any breach by such party prior to the termination of the Agreement.
- 10.4 *Return of Information*. Within thirty (30) calendar days after the termination or expiration of this Agreement, each party hereto shall either deliver to the others, or destroy, all copies of any tangible Confidential Information of the other parties provided hereunder in its possession or under its control, and shall

furnish to the other parties an affidavit signed by an officer of its company certifying that to the best of its knowledge, such delivery or destruction has been fully effected.

- 10.5 *Remaining Payment*. Within forty-five (45) calendar days of the expiration or termination of this Agreement, each party shall pay to the other party all sums, if any, due and owing as of the date of expiration or termination.
- 10.6 *Survival*. The respective rights and obligations of the parties under Sections 2.6, 2.7, 5.2.1, 5.2.4, 10.3, 10.4, 10.5, 10.6 and Articles I, VI, VIII, IX, and XI shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement. No termination or expiration of this Agreement shall relieve any party for any liability for any breach of or liability accruing under this Agreement prior to termination.

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

- 11.1 *Governing Law.* This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of California, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions, and not under the Convention for the International Sale of Goods. Each of the Company and Yahoo hereby consents and submits to the personal jurisdiction of the United States and the state courts of the State of California, and expressly agrees that the venue for any action arising under this Agreement shall be the appropriate court sitting within the Northern District of California.
- 11.2 *Amendment or Modification.* This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented by the parties in any manner, except by an instrument in writing signed on behalf of each of the parties by a duly authorized officer or representative.
- 11.3 *No Assignment.* No party shall transfer or assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder, in whole or in part, whether voluntarily or by operation of law, without the prior written consent of the other parties. Any purported transfer, assignment or delegation by any party without the appropriate prior written approval shall be null and void and of no force or effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each party shall have the right to assign this Agreement to any successor of such party by way of merger or consolidation or the acquisition of all or substantially all of the business and assets of the assigning party relating to the Agreement.
- 11.4 *Notices*. Except as otherwise provided herein, any notice or other communication to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be (as elected by the party giving such notice): (a) personally delivered; (b) transmitted by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested; (c) transmitted by electronic mail via the Internet with receipt being acknowledged by the recipient by return electronic mail (with a copy of such transmission concurrently transmitted by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested); (d) transmitted by facsimile (with a copy of such transmission by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested); or (e) deposited prepaid with a nationally recognized overnight courier service. Unless

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otherwise provided herein, all notices shall be deemed to have been duly given on: (x) the date of receipt (or if delivery is refused, the date of such refusal) if delivered personally, by electronic mail, facsimile or by courier; or (y) three (3) days after the date of posting if transmitted by mail or by electronic mail. Either party may change its address for notice purposes hereof on not less than three (3) days prior notice to the other party pursuant to this Section 11.4. Notice hereunder shall be directed to a party at the address for such party which is set forth below:

To Yahoo: Yahoo! Inc.

3400 Central Expressway Santa Clara, California 95051 Attention: Tim Koogle, President

Fax: (408) 731-3301

Copy to: John Place, General Counsel

To the Company: Yahoo! Korea Corporation

502 Kyungki Bldg., 184-4 Chungjeong-Ro 2-Ka

Seodaemun-Ku, Seoul Korea 120-012

Seoul, Korea Attn: Jin Youm Fax: 82-2-365-7911

To Yahoo Japan: 24-1 Nihonbashi-Hakozakicho

Chuo-ku

Tokyo 103 Japan Attn: Masahiro Inoue

Fax:

- 11.5 *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and/or contemporaneous agreements and understandings, written or oral between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- 11.6 *Waiver*. Any of the provisions of this Agreement may be waived by the party entitled to the benefit thereof. No party shall be deemed, by any act or omission, to have waived any of its rights or remedies hereunder unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the waiving party, and then only to the extent specifically set forth in such writing. A waiver with reference to one event shall not be construed as continuing or as a bar to or waiver of any right or remedy as to a subsequent event.
- 11.7 *Recovery of Costs and Expenses.* If any party to this Agreement brings an action against the other parties to enforce its rights under this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its costs and expenses, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with such action, including any appeal of such action.

- 11.8 *Severability.* Any provision of this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent to such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining portions hereof or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 11.9 *Other Agreements.* No party shall agree to any contractual provision or term in any agreement with any third party which contains a provision or term which cause such party to be in breach of or violates this Agreement.
- 11.10 *No Third Party Beneficiaries.* Nothing express or implied in this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than the parties and the respective successors or assigns of the parties, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

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- 11.11 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH OF YAHOO, YAHOO JAPAN AND THE COMPANY DO HEREBY KNOWINGLY, VOLUNTARILY, INTENTIONALLY AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVE SUCH RIGHT ANY PARTY MAY HAVE TO A JURY TRIAL IN EVERY JURISDICTION IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM BROUGHT BY EITHER OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY HERETO OR THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS IN RESPECT OF ANY MATTER ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT EXECUTED AND DELIVERED BY ANY PARTY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY ACTION TO RESCIND OR CANCEL THIS AGREEMENT, AND ANY CLAIMS OR DEFENSES ASSERTING THAT THIS AGREEMENT WAS FRAUDULENTLY INDUCED OR OTHERWISE VOID OR VOIDABLE).
- 11.12 *Execution in Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if all parties hereto had all signed the same document. All counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

YAHOO! KOREA CORPORATION YAHOO! INC. /s/ JIN YOUM By: /s/ HEATHER KILLEN Heather Killen Name: Jin Youm Name: Title: President and Chief Executive Officer Title: Vice President YAHOO! JAPAN CORPORATION By: /s/ MASAHIRO INOUE Name: Masahiro Inque Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT A YAHOO! KOREA TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Yahoo will provide to the Company the following tools for use in connection with Yahoo! Korea. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Yahoo reserves the right to add, delete and modify from this list so long as the service is not degraded or interrupted significantly, and Yahoo notifies the Company in advance and works with the Company in good faith before making any such changes.

- A. *HTTP Server*: A C program compiled on the hardware platform provided. The initial version of HTTP software will be proprietary to Yahoo. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, this software may be replaced by third party software in the future.
- B. *Search Server*: A C program compiled on the hardware provided. This software is proprietary to Yahoo. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Yahoo reserves the right to change the search engine to a third party software at Yahoo's discretion without notice.
 - C. CGI Scripts: These scripts are either written in C or in Perl. The platforms must have Perl installed.
- D. *Utility Scripts*: These scripts are written in Perl or similar shell languages. The platform must support cron jobs and have Perl, and other required shell environments, installed.
- E. *Log Data Tool:* This software tool, which is proprietary to Yahoo, is a set of CGI scripts written in Perl that summarize, analyze, and display summary information regarding Log Data. Yahoo will use this tool to remotely access Log Data collected by the Company pursuant to this Agreement.
- F. Ad Scheduling Tools (aka "JFK"): These proprietary scripts, written in C or Perl, are used to schedule and place advertisements throughout the Yahoo Guide.
 - G. Surfing Tools: These proprietary scripts, written in C, Perl and tcl/tk, are used to add/change/delete categories and URL listings into the database.

EXHIBIT B GUIDELINES FOR USE OF YAHOO TRADEMARKS

- 1. *General*. The Yahoo Brand Features will be used by the Company only in connection with the exercise of the Company's rights pursuant to this Agreement, and only with the promotion of the use of Yahoo Properties pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and only in a manner consistent with proper usage of the trademarks, trade names, service marks, service names and other elements that are contained in the Yahoo Brand Features.
- 2. Appearance of Logos. Yahoo and the Company will use their best efforts to ensure that the presentation of the Yahoo Brand Features shall be consistent with Yahoo's use of the Yahoo Brand Features on Yahoo's URL listings. The Company shall use the Yahoo Brand Features in a manner reasonably consistent with other key third party content used by the Company in connection with Yahoo! Korea.
- 3. Notices. All trademarks and service marks included in the Yahoo Brand Features shall be designated with "SM", "TM", or "®", in the manner directed by Yahoo.
- 4. *Appearance.* Promptly following the Effective Date, and from time to time during the Term, Yahoo shall provide the Company with written guidelines for the size, typeface, colors and other graphic characteristics of the Yahoo Brand Features, which upon delivery to the Company shall be deemed to be incorporated into the "Yahoo Brand Guidelines" under this Agreement.
- 5. Restrictions Upon Use. Unless otherwise mutually agreed, the Yahoo Brand Features shall not be presented or used by the Company:
- A. in a manner that could be reasonably interpreted to suggest that any editorial content other than the Yahoo Service has been authored by, or represents the views or opinions of, Yahoo or any Yahoo personnel;
 - B. in a manner that is misleading, defamatory, libelous, obscene or otherwise objectionable, in Yahoo's reasonable opinion;
 - C. in a way that infringes, derogates, dilutes or impairs the rights of Yahoo in the Yahoo Brand Features;
- D. for the purposes of promoting the sale, license or other transfer for value of property or services, other than in connection with the promotion of the sale and use of Yahoo! Korea; or
 - E. as part of a name of a product or service of a company other than Yahoo, except as expressly provided in this Agreement.
- 6. Remedy. The Company will make any changes to its use of the Yahoo Brand Features as are requested by Yahoo.
- 7. Revisions. These Guidelines may be modified at any time by Yahoo upon written notice to the Company.

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EXHIBIT D YAHOO! INC. INTERNATIONAL PRICING POLICY

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set forth guidelines for insertion orders which are placed with Yahoo! or its subsidiaries whereby the contracted impressions are to be provided in more than one country. This policy is effective July 1, 1997.

Scope

This policy applies to Yahoo! Inc. and its subsidiaries.

Objectives

The Company's primary objective is to properly account for customer orders which are taken in one country to run in another country or countries. The accounting must be acceptable for local tax requirements, convenient for customer billing and receipt of payments, provide equitable compensation to sales representatives and sales management, and be mutually beneficial and acceptable for Yahoo! and its jointly owned subsidiaries.

Policy

Revenue Allocation

30% of the total order is to be accounted for in the country where the customer sales order was taken (selling country). This is to cover the administrative costs the selling country will incur as a result of taking the order (ie. order entry costs, invoicing and collection costs, commission costs, etc.). The remaining 70% of the order is to be allocated to the country providing the contracted impressions (flight country). In the case where more than one country is providing impressions, the 70% is to be allocated based on the proportion of contracted impressions provided by each country.

Order Administration, Invoicing, and Collection

The selling country is responsible for issuing an insertion order, invoicing the customer, and collection. As part of this process, the selling country must coordinate reserving inventory in other countries and performing a credit check in accordance with Yahoo! Inc.'s corporate policy.

Commissions

100% of the commission credit is to be credited to the sales representative or sales team of the selling country. The sales representative or sales team of the flight country or countries should not receive any commission credit for the order, although, the 70% revenue allocation will count towards the country manager's overall revenue goal (as it has already been included in the targeted goal).

Bad Debt

The selling country and flight country will share credit risk in proportion to the 30/70 revenue allocation. However, where negligence exists in the performance of a credit check, invoicing on a timely and accurate basis, or follow-up collection procedures, the selling country as the entity responsible for such procedures, will bear all of the credit risk.

Procedures

Due to the nature of these transactions and the constant evolution of Yahoo!'s sales administration system and accounting system, procedures may change frequently. The most current set of procedures will be provided by Yahoo! upon request.

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EXHIBIT E FEES AND PAYMENTS

I. License Fee Per Quarter

Twelve Thousand Five Hundred dollars (US\$12,500.00) or 3% of Gross Revenues of the Company for such calendar quarter, whichever is greater, plus any necessary Third Party royalties and/or fees payable by the Company pursuant to the terms of Section 2.1.

II. Ancillary Properties

Additional license fees to be mutually agreed upon by Yahoo and the Company in the event that Yahoo provides any Ancillary Properties to the Company pursuant to the terms of Section 2.2.

III. Payment Terms

Payable in full to Yahoo on the Effective Date of the agreement, and on the final business day of each three month period thereafter for the term of this Agreement.

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EXHIBIT 10.41

YAHOO! KOREA LICENSE AGREEMENT

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SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Services Agreement (the "*Agreement*") is made as of November 30, 1997 (the "*Effective Date*") by and between Yahoo! Korea Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea (the "*Company*") having its principal office at 502 Kyungki Bldg., 184-4, Chungjeong-Ro 2-Ka, Seodaemun-Ku, Seoul Korea 120-012, and SOFTBANK Korea Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea ("*SOFTBANK Korea*") having its principal office at 2 Flr., 4 Naengchen-dong, Seodaemun-ku, Seoul, Korea.

RECITALS

- A. The Company has been organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea ("Korea"), and is 60% owned by Yahoo! Inc., a California corporation ("Yahoo"), 25% owned by SOFTBANK Korea, a Korean corporation, 10% owned by SOFTBANK Corporation, a Japanese corporation, and 5% owned by Yahoo! Japan Corporation, a Japanese corporation, pursuant to a joint venture agreement dated as of the Effective Date (the "Joint Venture Agreement"), in order to operate in Korea (the "Territory") a localized version of the Yahoo! Guide (such localized guide, products and services to be referred to herein as "Yahoo! Korea"), to develop related products and online services in the Territory and to conduct certain other business related to such activities; and to conduct certain other business related to such activities.
- B. The Company desires that SOFTBANK Korea provide certain services for the Company as set forth below (the "Services") and SOFTBANK Korea desires to provide such Services for the Company.

AGREEMENT

The parties hereto agree as follows:

1.

- Office, Personnel, Financial and Administrative Services.
- 1.1 *Services*. SOFTBANK Korea shall provide the following office, personnel, financial and administrative Services (the "*Office Services*") to the Company:
 - (a) SOFTBANK Korea shall use its diligent efforts in procuring office space for employees of the Company, along with related office services such as utilities, telecommunications equipment, general office supplies, mailroom services, cleaning services (including the costs of installment and maintenance of lines, office units and the PBX switch as well as an estimated amount for actual calls), maintenance services and general office equipment (for example, photocopiers and telefax machines); *provided*, *however*, that SOFTBANK Korea shall obtain the Company's approval prior to signing any documents or making any commitments to third parties with respect to such office space or related office services.
 - (b) SOFTBANK Korea shall provide the Company with such time of SOFTBANK Korea's technical support, sales, secretarial, administrative and management personnel as is necessary to launch Yahoo! Korea on such date as the parties may mutually agree (the "Launch Date"), and thereafter until the completion of the hiring of the Company's initial technical support, sales, secretarial, administrative and management personnel. SOFTBANK Korea shall use all reasonable efforts to recruit and hire for the Company those personnel specified in the Company's Operating Plan. In addition, SOFTBANK Korea shall use all reasonable efforts to provide the Company with referrals for qualified candidates and to allow the Company access to SOFTBANK Korea's recruiting channels.
 - (c) SOFTBANK Korea shall provide the Company with financial management and other administrative support including payroll processing, accounting, purchasing, management information, recruiting, human resource and facility services. SOFTBANK Korea shall also provide to the Company all other similar administrative and operational services required to carry out the

Company's Operating Plan. In addition, SOFTBANK Korea covenants that it will provide general management assistance to the Company, including the services of a general manager to manage the business of the Company, through September of 1998. Such general manager shall be subject to the Company's normal reporting and accounting policies and procedures.

- 1.2 *Reimbursement*. As consideration for SOFTBANK Korea's performance of the Office Services as set forth in Section 1.1 above, the Company shall reimburse SOFTBANK Korea for:
 - (a) SOFTBANK Korea's reasonable, documented, out-of-pocket expenses to third parties reasonably incurred in connection with the Office Services (including those incurred prior to the Effective Date on behalf of the Company), which shall include actual charges for telecommunications calls, special postage, courier service, and any other similar products or services provided by third parties that are individually billed to SOFTBANK Korea and that are not included in its general charges contemplated by Section 1.2(a) above; and
 - (b) any other reasonable, pre-approved, documented, out-of-pocket expenses incurred by SOFTBANK Korea or its personnel on behalf of the Company in the course of providing the Office Services hereunder including, without limitation, travel expenses and employee procurement fees and expenses.
- 1.3 *Invoices*. SOFTBANK Korea shall send an itemized monthly invoice to the Company for the Office Services provided by SOFTBANK Korea during the previous month. The Company shall pay such amount within thirty (30) days following receipt of the invoice.
- Promotional Services.

- 2.1 Advertising Services. SOFTBANK Korea shall provide the Company with the right to run advertisements and promotions in any and all publications and services owned, operated or otherwise under the direct or indirect control of SOFTBANK Korea at the most favorable rate offered by SOFTBANK Korea to any third party for similar advertisements and promotions. In addition, SOFTBANK Korea shall use its best efforts to secure for the Company the right to run advertisements and promotions in any and all publications, services, radio stations, television stations and billboards owned, operated or otherwise under the direct or indirect control of companies in which SOFTBANK Korea has, directly or indirectly, at least 50% equity ownership, which companies are listed on Schedule A hereto (the "SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries") at the most favorable rate offered by such SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries to such companies' most favored licensee for similar advertisements and promotions. SOFTBANK Korea shall also use its commercially reasonable efforts to secure for the Company the right to run advertisements and promotions in any and all publications, services, radio stations, television stations and billboards owned, operated or otherwise under the direct or indirect control of companies in which SOFTBANK Korea has, directly or indirectly, at least 10% equity ownership or that control, or are under common control with, SOFTBANK Korea, which companies are listed on Schedule B hereto (the "SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates") at the most favorable rate offered by such SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates to such companies' most favored licensee for similar advertisements and promotions. All advertising services provided hereunder shall be subject to the applicable rate card or other applicable terms and conditions of the publication or service being used.
- 2.2 Hypertext Links. Commencing on the Launch Date, SOFTBANK Korea shall (i) provide prominent placement of hypertext links to Yahoo! Korea on all online services owned, operated or otherwise under its control in a manner that is reasonably acceptable to the Company, (ii) use its best efforts to ensure prominent placement of hypertext links to Yahoo! Korea on all online services owned, operated or otherwise under the control of the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries in a manner that is reasonably acceptable to the Company, and (iii) use its commercially reasonable efforts to ensure prominent placement of hypertext links to Yahoo! Korea on all online services owned, operated or otherwise under the control of the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates in a manner that is reasonably

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acceptable to the Company. For the purposes of this Section 2, "online services" shall mean any service that provides text, graphics, sound and/or other media to subscribers electronically.

2.3 Participation in Marketing and Promotional Activities. SOFTBANK Korea shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform the Company of all upcoming advertising, marketing and promotional activities related to the online services owned, operate or otherwise under its direct or indirect control and allow the Company to participate in such activities, subject to the Company's agreement to pay such portion of the costs associated with such activities as fairly represents the Company's participation therein. In addition, SOFTBANK Korea shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform the Company of all upcoming advertising, marketing and promotional activities related to the online services owned, operated or otherwise under the direct or indirect control of the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries and use its best efforts to have the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries allow the Company to participate in such activities, subject to the Company's agreement to pay such portion of the costs associated with such activities as fairly represents the Company's participation therein. SOFTBANK Korea Shall also, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform the Company of all upcoming advertising, marketing and promotional activities related to the online services owned, operate or otherwise under the direct or indirect control of the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates and use its commercially reasonable efforts to have the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates allow the Company to participate in such activities, subject to the Company's agreement to pay such portion of the costs associated with such activities as fairly represents the Company's participation therein. Further, SOFTBANK Korea shall (i) cooperate with the Company, (ii) use its best efforts to have the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries cooperate with the Company and (iii) use its commercially reasonable efforts to have the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates cooperate with the Company in connection with other promotional activities in the Territory as may be appropriate including, for example, joint participation i

3. Advertising Sales Services.

- 3.1 Advertising Sales Services. During the term of this Agreement, SOFTBANK Korea shall use its best efforts to assist the Company in establishing channels for selling advertising sponsorship, linking and similar promotional rights (collectively, "Advertising Rights") on Yahoo! Korea to advertisers targeting the Territory (the "Advertisers"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have the right to sell or otherwise provide, on its own behalf, Advertising Rights on Yahoo! Korea. In addition, the Board of Directors of the Company may, in its sole discretion, permit Yahoo and SOFTBANK Korea to sell advertising space on Yahoo! Korea, subject to appropriate restrictions and limitations to be mutually agreed to by the parties. The Board of Directors of the Company shall have the right to engage third party sales representatives to sell Advertising Rights on Yahoo! Korea.
- 3.2 Advertising Sales Guidelines. The parties hereby acknowledge that the Company may, from time to time and in its sole discretion, (a) set such standards and adopt such policies and guidelines with regard to the acceptance of advertisements and advertising clients on Yahoo! Korea and (b) determine the pricing applicable to the sale of Advertising Rights on Yahoo! Korea. Any sale of Advertising Rights shall be subject to such Company standards, policies, guidelines, price rates and procedures for advertisements and Advertising Rights as shall be in effect at the time of the proposed sale and the Company may reject any proposed advertisement or advertising client that the Company, in its sole discretion, determines does not meet the Company's standards, policies and/or guidelines. Further, any sale of Advertising Rights shall be subject to the proposed advertising client's agreement to be bound by the Company's standard advertising sales agreement as is then in effect.
- 3.3 *Covenant of SOFTBANK Korea*. SOFTBANK Korea shall not quote prices or make any other representations regarding Advertising Rights on Yahoo! Korea or www.yahoo.com other than as expressly authorized by the Company.

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4. Management Support

SOFTBANK Korea covenants to ensure that its officers and directors will, as requested by the Company's Board, provide reasonable support and assistance to the Company in facilitating discussions between the Company and third party strategic partners and other service providers located in Korea.

Content Licenses

Upon the Company's request, SOFTBANK Korea will use its best efforts to facilitate, with respect to the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries, and use its commercially reasonable efforts to facilitate, with respect to the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates, providing license to the Company of any content owned by (or licensed, with the right to sublicense, to) the SOFTBANK Korea Subsidiaries or the SOFTBANK Korea Affiliates pursuant to an agreement that provides that (a) the Company will have the right to use, modify, reproduce, publicly display, publicly perform, distribute and transmit such content on terms no less favorable than those offered to its most favored licensees and (b) the license(s) granted thereunder will survive any termination of this Agreement. The parties further agree to ensure that any such third party content licensed to the Company may be complemented by content created by the Company (the "Complementary Content"). The Company shall maintain ownership and all intellectual property rights to the Complementary Content.

6. Term and Termination.

- 6.1 *Term.* Unless earlier terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall be effective during the period (the "*Term*") from the Effective Date of this Agreement until the sooner of: (a) the date on which this Agreement is terminated under Sections 6.2, 6.3 or 6.4 hereto; or (c) the date of termination of the Joint Venture Agreement. Upon termination, all rights and obligations of each party hereto shall cease as of the date of termination and any amounts owed hereunder shall be paid in full; *provided*, *however*, that rights and obligations set forth in Sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the rights and obligations set forth in Section 1 shall expire on the first anniversary of the Effective Date, subject to earlier termination pursuant to this Section 6, provided that, no later than ten (10) months following the Effective Date, the parties will enter into good faith negotiations to renew the rights and obligations set forth in Section 1 and subsequently, but not later than the first anniversary of the Effective Date, execute a written addendum to this Agreement specifying the new expiration date for Section 1 and such other terms and conditions as the parties may agree and, provided further that, the parties shall remain liable for any liabilities arising from any breach of the Agreement prior to any such termination.
- 6.2 *SOFTBANK Korea's Right to Terminate for Breach*. In the event that the Company shall commit any material breach under this Agreement and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days following receipt of written notice thereof from SOFTBANK Korea, SOFTBANK Korea shall have the right (but not the obligation), in addition to all other legal and equitable remedies that may be available to it, to terminate this Agreement.
- 6.3 *Company's Right to Terminate for Breach*. In the event that SOFTBANK Korea or an SOFTBANK Korea Affiliate shall commit any material breach under this Agreement and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days following receipt of written notice thereof from the Company, the Company shall have the right (but not the obligation), in addition to all other legal and equitable remedies that may be available to it, to terminate this Agreement.
- 7. Direction and Control of SOFTBANK Korea's Personnel; Indemnification.

SOFTBANK Korea shall have the right to direct and control its personnel and/or any third parties providing the Services hereunder and to determine the conditions of employment for all such personnel providing the Services, including without limitation, their working hours, employment and vacation policies, benefits, seniority, promotions and assignments. SOFTBANK Korea shall also have the

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exclusive right to hire and fire its personnel. Notwithstanding the foregoing, SOFTBANK Korea shall (a) consider, in good faith, the Company's suggestions with regard to SOFTBANK Korea's staffing as it relates to the provision of the Services and (b) upon the Company's reasonable request, prohibit an employee from performing Services if the Company has received one or more complaints from a third party regarding such employee's provision of Services. SOFTBANK Korea will be solely responsible for compensation of its personnel and for all withholding taxes, unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation, and any other insurance and fringe benefits with respect to such personnel. SOFTBANK Korea shall be solely responsible for severance or amounts payable upon the termination of employment of such personnel or any dispute or claim concerning that termination, and SOFTBANK Korea shall indemnify, defend and hold the Company and its officers, directors, agents and securityholders harmless from and against any and all losses, expenses, damages, or claims incurred by or brought against them by SOFTBANK Korea personnel relating to such termination, dispute or claims. In addition, SOFTBANK Korea nor any of their employees, directors or officers shall make any representations regarding the Company, Yahoo! Korea or Yahoo to Advertisers or other individuals except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or as approved in writing by the Company and SOFTBANK Korea shall indemnify, defend and hold the Company and its officers, directors, agents and securityholders harmless from and against any and all losses, expenses, damages, or claims incurred by or brought against them as a result of such unauthorized representations.

8. *Confidentiality*.

- 8.1 The parties recognize that, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, each of them may disclose to the others its Confidential Information (as defined below). The party receiving any Confidential Information agrees to maintain the confidential status of such Confidential Information and not to use any such Confidential Information for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was originally disclosed to the receiving party, and not to disclose any of such Confidential Information to any third party. No party shall disclose the others' Confidential Information to its employees and agents except on a "need-to-know" basis.
- 8.2 The parties acknowledge and agree that each may disclose Confidential Information: (a) as required by law or the rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or any applicable securities exchange; (b) to their respective directors, officers, employees, attorneys, accountants and other advisors, who are under an obligation of confidentiality, on a "need-to-know" basis; (c) to investors or joint venture partners, who are under an obligation of confidentiality, on a "need-to-know" basis; or (d) in connection with disputes or litigation between the parties involving such Confidential Information and each party shall endeavor to limit disclosure to that purpose and to ensure maximum application of all appropriate judicial safeguards (such as placing documents under seal). In the event a party is required to disclose Confidential Information as required by law, such party will, to the extent practicable, in advance of such disclosure, provide the disclosing party with prompt notice of such requirement. Such party also agrees, to the extent legally permissible, to provide the disclosing party, in advance of any such disclosure, with copies of any information or documents such party intends to disclose (and, if applicable, the text of the disclosure language itself) and to cooperate with the disclosing party to the extent the disclosing party may seek to limit such disclosure.
- 8.3 "Confidential Information" shall mean any information disclosed in the course of this Agreement, which is identified as or should be reasonably understood to be confidential or proprietary to the disclosing party, including, but not limited to, know-how, trade secrets, log data, technical processes and formulas, source codes, product designs, sales, cost and other unpublished financial information, product and business plans, projections, pricing, advertising and marketing data. "Confidential Information" shall not include information which: (a) is known by the recipient on, or becomes known to the recipient following, the Effective Date directly or indirectly from a third party source other than one having an obligation of confidentiality to the disclosing party; (b) hereafter becomes known (independently of disclosure by the disclosing party) to the recipient directly or

indirectly from a source other than one having an obligation of confidentiality to the disclosing party; (c) becomes publicly known or available or otherwise ceases to be secret or confidential, except through a breach of this Agreement by the recipient; or (d) is or was independently developed by the recipient without use of or reference to the disclosing party's Confidential Information, as shown by evidence in the recipient's possession.

Notices.

Except as otherwise provided herein, any notice or other communication to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be (as elected by the party giving such notice): (a) personally delivered; (b) transmitted by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested; (c) transmitted by electronic mail via the Internet with receipt being acknowledged by the recipient by return electronic mail (with a copy of such transmission concurrently transmitted by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested); (d) transmitted by facsimile (with a copy of such transmission by postage prepaid registered or certified airmail, return receipt requested); or (e) deposited prepaid with a nationally recognized overnight courier service. Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices shall be deemed to have been duly given on: (x) the date of receipt (or if delivery is refused, the date of such refusal) if delivered personally, by electronic mail, facsimile or by courier; or (y) three (3) days after the date of posting if transmitted by mail. Notice hereunder shall be directed to a party at the address for such party as set forth on *Schedule A* or in the first paragraph of this Agreement. Any party may change its address for notice purposes hereof on not less than three (3) days prior notice to the other party pursuant to this Section 9.

10. Non-Competition.

During the term of the Joint Venture Agreement and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, neither SOFTBANK Korea nor any subsidiaries of SOFTBANK Korea that may come into existence after the date of this Agreement shall engage or otherwise participate, directly, indirectly, by license, joint venture, security ownership or otherwise, in a business or service that offers, in the Territory, any significant portion of the content or services offered, or proposed to be offered, by the Company during the term of the Joint Venture Agreement (a "Competitive Service"). Competitive Services shall include, without limitation, the services owned, operated, or offered by the companies listed in Schedule C attached hereto, and any other third party online navigational service or information aggregator that provides a comprehensive hierarchical directory or text-based index of worldwide web sites. Schedule C may be updated on a quarterly basis by Yahoo, subject to SOFTBANK Korea's approval which may not be unreasonably withheld.

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11. Miscellaneous.

- 11.1 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if all parties hereto had all signed the same document. All counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one agreement.
- 11.2 No Assignment. Neither party shall transfer or assign any rights or delegate any obligations hereunder, in whole or in part, whether voluntarily or by operation of law, without the prior written consent of the other party. Any purported transfer, assignment or delegation by either party without the appropriate prior written approval shall be null and void and of no force or effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each party shall have the right to assign this Agreement to any successor of such party by way of merger or consolidation or the acquisition of all or substantially all of the business and assets of the assigning party relating to the Agreement.
 - 11.3 Headings. Sections, titles or captions in no way define, limit, extend or describe the scope of this Agreement nor the intent of any of its provisions.
- 11.4 Severability. Any provision of this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining portions hereof or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 11.5 *Entire Agreement*. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and/or contemporaneous agreements or understandings, written or oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- 11.6 *Governing Law*. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of Korea, and not under the Convention for the International Sale of Goods.
- 11.7 Amendment. This Agreement may not be amended or modified by the parties in any manner, except by an instrument in writing signed on behalf of each of the parties to which such amendment or modification applies by a duly authorized officer or representative.
- 11.8 *Waiver*. Any of the provisions of this Agreement may be waived by the party entitled to the benefit thereof. Neither party shall be deemed, by any act or omission, to have waived any of its rights or remedies hereunder unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the waiving party, and then only to the extent specifically set forth in such writing. A waiver with reference to one event shall not be construed as continuing or as a bar to or waiver of any right or remedy as to a subsequent event.
- 11.9 *Recovery of Costs and Expenses*. If either party to this Agreement brings an action against the other party to enforce its rights under this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its costs and expenses, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with such action, including any appeal of such action.

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SERVICES AGREEMENT

Exhibit 23.1

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-100298) of Yahoo! Inc. of our report dated January 16, 2002, except for Note 12, which is as of February 12, 2002, relating to the financial statements and financial statement schedule, which appears in Yahoo! Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP

San Jose, California November 27, 2002

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS