

News Advisory

For Immediate Release

Alere to Acquire Vintage Portfolio Company eScreen, Inc.

Los Angeles, California (February 27, 2012) - Vintage Capital is pleased to announce that Alere Inc., a global leader in enabling individuals to take charge of their health through the merger of rapid diagnostics and health management, has entered into a binding agreement to purchase eScreen, Inc., a leading technology firm that specializes in toxicology screening and employee health products and services.

The base purchase price is \$270 million cash subject to a customary working capital adjustment and follow-on contingent consideration of up to an additional \$70 million. The acquisition is expected to close within the next 45 days, but remains subject to customary closing conditions.

Headquartered in Overland Park, KS, with operations in Phoenix, AZ and sales and service offices in Richmond, VA and Calgary, Canada, eScreen deploys a class-leading automated platform and FDA-cleared reader for the collection, provision, management and reporting of regulated and non-regulated urine drug screens. The company also offers a growing portfolio of employee-related health testing products and services, and had revenues of approximately \$120 million in 2011.

Mark Sampson, Managing Director of Vintage Capital and a member of the Board of Directors of eScreen, stated, "We are extremely pleased with our long tenured investment in eScreen which dates back to 2003 when, at the time of our original investment, the company was generating approximately \$20 million in annual revenue. We are thankful for the partnership we have developed with eScreen and with Murray Lappe and Bob Thompson. The impressive growth and expansion of eScreen over this period of time is a testament to their vision and leadership. It has been a privilege to partner with such an outstanding management team at eScreen. The development and expansion of the business leading to this transaction with Alere is the result of the successful execution of the business plan put in place by these remarkable operators. We look forward to the acceleration of the evolution of eScreen's market leading product platform now with the addition of Alere."

In a related statement, Dr. Murray Lappe, Founder and Chairman of the Board of eScreen, said, "We have benefited enormously over the years from the relationship with Vintage, as the professionalism and supportive nature of their investment style has been apparent from the very beginning. The Vintage investment made it possible for eScreen to achieve its growth objectives, leading us to this very successful transaction with Alere. Vintage took the time from the very beginning to really understand our business as well as management's goals and objectives, allowing for their ability to be value added partners assisting us in multiple areas. Our relationship with Vintage is truly unique, and I consider their wisdom and knowledge as investors to be invaluable. We appreciate their efforts and look forward to partnering with them in our future endeavors."

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About Vintage Capital Group, LLC

Headquartered in Los Angeles, California, Vintage Capital is a private investment firm founded by successful business executive Mr. Fred Sands in 2000. Mr. Sands and Mark Sampson co-founded Vintage Fund Management to expand upon their successful investment careers. The portfolio companies of Vintage Capital benefit from the decades of private equity and operating experience of the firm's investment principals to assist and guide in the growth and expansion of their business. Vintage Capital prefers to invest with lower middle market business owners that seek capital solutions and a partnership that allows for the retention of a meaningful equity stake while combining creative capital alternatives and value added financial and operational assistance that facilitates the future growth and expansion of their business. Mr. Sampson and Mr. Sands completed the initial investment in eScreen in 2003. Vintage Capital recouped all of its principal debt investment in eScreen through a recapitalization completed in 2008, and remained a significant minority shareholder until the completion of the Alere acquisition. For more information about Vintage Capital, please contact Mark Sampson at (310) 979-9090 ext. 108 or email at msampson@vintage-vfm.com.

About eScreen, Inc.

Located in Overland Park, Kansas, eScreen was founded in 1998 as the pioneer manufacturer and marketer of employment screening technology and web-based applications for the hiring and maintaining of efficient workforces. eScreen set the new standard for drug testing program management and directly affected the evolution of employee drug screening, including introduction of the industry's only instrumented 10-minute negative urine drug screen, the first-to-market paperless chain of custody form, and integrated web-based result reporting. Today, as one of the largest Third Party Administrators (TPA) in the country, eScreen processes millions of corporate data transactions each year and offers a centralized process to ensure program compliance for both federally regulated (DOT) and non-regulated hiring programs, including state-of-the-art physicals management and random drug testing compliance tools. The learn more about eScreen's integrated, electronic drug testing solution for simplified local and nationwide testing please visit: www.escreen.com.