

April 17, 2007

## Company Roundup

### MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

**Universal Hospital Services Inc.**, Edina-based provider of medical equipment life-cycle services, has agreed to be acquired by Bear Stearns Merchant Banking, the private-equity affiliate of Bear Stearns Companies Inc., for about \$712 million. Universal is owned by management and the private-equity firms J. W. Childs Associates and the Halifax Group. In connection with the transaction, Universal expects to commence a tender offer and consent solicitation relating to all of its 10.125 percent senior notes due 2011 -- \$260 million in principal.

**Dane Technologies Inc.**, Brooklyn Park, has acquired LEVO AG, of Wohlen, Switzerland, a manufacturer and inventor of stand-up wheelchairs for people unable to stand on their own. The Mercanti Group, an investment banking firm headquartered in Minneapolis, acted as financial adviser to Dane.