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American Software 2003 Annual Report



Dear Fellow Shareholders:

I am very pleased to report to you that our Company has completed another successful year within an economic environment that has been difficult for our industry. For several years, market conditions have been characterized by reduced capital spending for technology, including software. During this period, American Software has recorded consistent performance, having reported profits for nine consecutive quarters. As of this writing, there is no clear indication that the environment relative to capital expenditures for software is actually improving. However, many experts are predicting that 2004 will be a major turnaround year.

Throughout the downturn, we have positioned the company so that we may fully participate in the eventual upturn. We have the people, products, customers, and capital to continue our success. Our people are highly skilled and motivated. We continue to invest in our products, adding those features and enhancements that will generate the most value for our customers. Our customer base is satisfied and willing to serve as references to new prospects. We are debt free and have growing capital reserves.

During the year, we enhanced shareholder value by repurchasing 605,500 shares in open market transactions at an average price of \$3.07 per share. Under the existing share buy-back program, we are authorized to buy up to 1,899,000 additional shares. With year-ending cash and investments over \$60,000,000 and no debt, we initiated a quarterly dividend program on July 9, 2003. The first dividend in the amount of \$.06 per share is payable on or about September 19, 2003 to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 20, 2003.

We are working diligently with our outside directors, audit committee, auditors and legal counsel to implement all requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules being enacted by the Securities and Exchange Commission and NASDAQ to ensure that our corporate governance activities continue to meet the highest standards.

We are looking forward to the new year with enthusiasm and confidence. We believe we have laid a foundation for the future that will prove rewarding to our customers, employees and shareholders over the long term.

Thank you for your continued support.

James C. Edenfield

Sincerely,

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Market Makers

The following firms make a market in the common shares of American Software:

Avondale Partners, LLC BrokerageAmerica, LLC Cantor, Fitzgerald & Co. Forge Financial Group, Inc. Goldman, Sachs & Co. Hill, Thompson, Magid & Co. Knight Securities L.P. Morgan, Keegan & Company Schwab Capital Markets Seidler Amdec Securities Inc. SunTrust Robinson Humphrev Capital Markets

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Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of shareholders will be held at 1:00 PM EST on Monday, August 18, 2003, at American Software Headquarters, 470 East Paces Ferry Road, NE Atlanta, GA. All American Software shareholders are encouraged to attend.

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Forward-looking Statements

This annual report may include statements that may constitute "forward-looking statements," including estimates of future business prospects or financial results and statements containing the words "believe," "expect," or similar expressions. Any forward-looking statements herein are made pursuant to the safe harbor provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by statements made herein. These factors include, but are not limited to, changes in general economic conditions, technology and the market for the Company's products and services, including economic conditions within the e-commerce markets: the timely availability and market acceptance of these products and services; the effect of competitive products and pricing; the uncertainty of the viability and effectiveness of strategic alliances; and the irregular pattern of the Company's revenues. For a more detailed discussion of these risks and uncertainties, as well as our financial condition, business operations, products and services, directors and executive officers and common stock, please refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 30. 2003 furnished within





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