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REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NU SKIN ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of
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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. If any of the securities being registered in this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class Of Securities To Be Registered	Amount To Be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share (1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount Of Registration Fee
Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share	2,000,000 shares	\$21.61	\$43,220,000	\$5,087

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) based upon the average of the high (\$21.85) and low (\$21.37) prices of the registrant's Class A common stock on March 15, 2005, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape.

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 of 1933 or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling stockholders may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and neither we nor the selling stockholders are soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED MARCH 21, 2005.

PROSPECTUS



2,000,000 Shares
Class A Common Stock

The 2,000,000 shares of our Class A common stock covered by this prospectus were initially sold in a private placement transaction on February 18, 2005. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the resale by the selling stockholders of their shares of Class A common stock.

Our Class A common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NUS". On March 18, 2005, the last reported sale price of our Class A common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange was \$21.77 per share.

Investing in our Class A common stock involves a high degree of risk. For a discussion of the risks relevant to an investment in our Class A common stock, please refer to the "[Risk Factors](#)" section of this prospectus beginning on page 5.

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 _____, 2005.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document we file with the SEC at its public reference facilities, which are located at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20459, and obtain copies of our filings at prescribed rates by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference facilities. In addition, you may look at our filings at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., which are located at 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. Our SEC filings are available at the NYSE because our Class A common stock is listed and traded on the NYSE under the symbol "NUS". We also have a website (www.nuskinenterprises.com) through which you may access our filings. Information contained on our website, however, is not and should not be deemed a part of this prospectus.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

We “incorporate by reference” into this prospectus some of the information that we file with the SEC, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those filings. Any information contained in future SEC filings that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus will automatically update this prospectus, and any information included directly in this prospectus updates and supersedes the information contained in past SEC filings incorporated by reference into this prospectus. Unless specifically stated to the contrary, none of the information that we disclose under Item 2.02 or 7.01 of any current report on Form 8-K that we may, from time to time, furnish to the SEC will be incorporated by reference into, or otherwise included in, this prospectus. The information incorporated by reference, as updated, is an important part of this prospectus. We incorporate by reference the following documents:

- our amended current report on Form 8-K/A (file no. 001-12421) filed on March 10, 2005;
- our current report on Form 8-K (file no. 001-12421) filed on February 9, 2005;
- our current report on Form 8-K (file no. 001-12421) filed on February 8, 2005;
- our annual report on Form 10-K (file no. 001-12421) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004;
- the description of our Class A common stock in our registration statement on Form 8-A (file no. 001-12421) filed with the SEC on November 6, 1996 (as such description is updated by the description contained in the “Description of Capital Stock” section of this prospectus); and
- all documents that we file with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this prospectus and prior to the completion of the resale of the shares of the Class A common stock by the selling stockholders pursuant to this prospectus.

You may request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing to our Investor Relations Department at 75 West Center Street, Provo, Utah 84601 or calling our Investor Relations Department at (801) 345-1000.

You should rely only on the information incorporated by reference or provided in this prospectus or a prospectus supplement or amendment. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus or a prospectus supplement or amendment or any documents incorporated by reference therein is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of the applicable document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary may not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should read this summary together with the entire prospectus, including the “Risk Factors” section, and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, including the more detailed information in the financial statements and the accompanying notes contained in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. For ease of reference, throughout this prospectus, we use the terms “we,” “us” and “our” to refer to Nu Skin Enterprises, Inc. and, unless it is otherwise evident from the context, its subsidiaries.

Our Business

Nu Skin Enterprises is a leading, global direct selling company with operations in approximately 40 countries throughout Asia, the Americas and Europe. We develop and distribute premium quality, innovative personal care products and nutritional supplements that are sold worldwide under the Nu Skin and Pharmanex brands. We also market technology-related products and services under the Big Planet brand. We operate through a direct selling model in all of our markets except Mainland China (hereinafter “China”), where we operate using a retail model with employed sales representatives because of current regulatory restrictions on direct selling activities.

We are one of the largest direct selling companies in the world with 2004 revenue of \$1.14 billion. As of December 31, 2004, we had a global network of approximately 820,000 active independent distributors, sales representatives, and preferred customers, approximately 32,000 of whom were executive level distributors or full-time sales representatives. Our executive level distributors and full-time sales representatives play an important leadership role in our distribution network and are critical to the growth and profitability of our business. We recognized approximately 88% of our revenue in markets outside the United States in 2004. Our Japanese operations accounted for approximately 51% of our 2004 revenue, although this market’s contribution to our overall revenue is lower compared to prior years as a result of our expansion into and growth in other markets. Because of the size of our foreign operations, our operating results can be impacted positively or negatively by economic, political and business conditions around the world as well as foreign currency fluctuations, particularly in Japan and other Asian markets.

We develop and market branded consumer products that we believe are well-suited for direct selling. Our distributors market and sell our products by educating consumers about the benefits and distinguishing characteristics of our products and by providing personalized customer service. Through dedicated research and development, we continually develop and introduce new products and enhance our existing line of products to provide our distributors with a differentiated product portfolio. We believe that we are able to attract and motivate high-caliber independent distributors because of our focus on developing innovative products, our attractive global compensation plan and our advanced technological distributor support.

Our business is subject to various laws and regulations throughout the world, in particular with respect to network marketing activities and nutritional supplements. This creates certain risks for our business, including any inability to obtain necessary product registrations or improper activities by our distributors.

Corporate Information

We are incorporated in the State of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 75 West Center Street, Provo, Utah 84601. Our telephone number at that address is (801) 345-1000. Our corporate website is located at <http://www.nuskinenterprises.com>. Our product division websites are located at <http://www.nuskin.com>, <http://www.pharmanex.com> and <http://www.bigplanet.com>. Information contained on our websites does not constitute part of this prospectus.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our Class A common stock involves a high degree of risk. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider the risks described below, together with all of the other information included or incorporated by reference into this prospectus. Our business, financial condition or results of operations could be harmed by any of these risks. The trading price of our Class A common stock could decline due to any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Related to Our Business

Currency exchange rate fluctuations could lower our revenue and net income.

In 2004, we recognized approximately 88% of our revenue in markets outside of the United States in each market's respective local currency. We purchase inventory primarily in the United States in U.S. dollars. In preparing our financial statements, we translate revenue and expenses in foreign countries from their local currencies into U.S. dollars using weighted-average exchange rates. If the U.S. dollar strengthens relative to local currencies, particularly the Japanese yen inasmuch as we generated approximately 51% of our 2004 revenue in Japan, our reported revenue, gross profit and net income will likely be reduced. Given the global, complex political and economic dynamics that affect exchange rate fluctuations, we cannot estimate the effect these fluctuations may have upon future reported results or our overall financial condition. Although we attempt to reduce our exposure to short-term exchange rate fluctuations by using foreign currency exchange rate contracts for the Japanese yen, we cannot be certain these contracts or any other hedging activity will effectively reduce exchange rate exposure. In addition, there have been recent indications that the Chinese government may allow the yuan to float against the U.S. dollar, which would result in exchange rate risk for our Chinese operations.

Because our Japanese operations account for a majority of our business, adverse changes in our business operations in Japan would harm our business.

Approximately 51% of our 2004 revenue was generated in Japan. Various factors could harm our business in Japan, including worsening economic conditions. Many of our competitors have seen their businesses in this market contract in the last few years, which we believe is primarily a result of economic conditions during this period. We believe our operating results have been negatively impacted in the past in part because of economic conditions, and continued or worsening economic and political conditions in Japan could impact our revenue and net income. In addition, we continue to face increasing competition from existing and new competitors in Japan. Our financial results would be harmed if our products, business opportunity or planned growth initiatives do not retain and generate continued interest and enthusiasm among our distributors and consumers in this market. If the BioPhotonic Scanner does not generate distributor excitement or attract new distributors or customers in Japan, it may limit our prospects for growth in that market.

If we are unable to retain our existing independent distributors and recruit additional distributors, our revenue will not increase and may even decline.

We distribute almost all of our products through our independent distributors (including sales representatives) and we depend on them to generate virtually all of our revenue. Our distributors may terminate their services at any time, and, like most direct selling companies, we experience high turnover among distributors from year to year. As a result, in order to maintain sales and increase sales in the future, we need to continue to retain existing distributors and recruit additional distributors. To increase our revenue, we must increase the number of and/or the productivity of our distributors.

We have experienced periodic declines in both active distributors and executive distributors in the past. The number of our active and executive distributors may not increase and could decline again in the future. While we take many steps to help train, motivate and retain distributors, we cannot accurately predict how the number and productivity of distributors may fluctuate because we rely primarily upon our distributor leaders to recruit, train and motivate new distributors. Our operating results could be harmed if we and our distributor leaders do not generate sufficient interest in our business to retain existing distributors and attract new distributors.

The number and productivity of our distributors also depends on several additional factors, including:

- any adverse publicity regarding us, our products, our distribution channel or our competitors;
- a lack of interest in, or the technical failure of, existing or new products;
- the public's perception of our products and their ingredients;
- the public's perception of our distributors and direct selling businesses in general;
- our actions to enforce our policies and procedures; and
- general economic and business conditions.

In addition, we may face saturation or maturity levels in a given country or market which could negatively impact our ability to attract and retain distributors in such market.

Our expansion of operations in China has resulted in governmental scrutiny, and our operations in China may be harmed by the results of such scrutiny.

The Chinese government banned direct selling activities in China in 1998, subject to certain limited exceptions. The government has rigorously monitored and enforced this ban. In the past, the government has taken significant actions against companies that the government found were engaging in direct selling in violation of applicable law, including shutting down their businesses and imposing substantial fines. Although a few of our global direct selling competitors have authorization to conduct limited direct selling activities after the 1998 ban, we have not received such authorization. Consequently, we have not implemented our direct sales model in China. Instead, we have implemented a business model that utilizes retail stores

and an employed sales force that we believe complies with applicable regulations. We also allow distributor leaders from outside of China to help us recruit, find, train and motivate our employed sales force in China. Frequently, individuals, including our competitors, complain to local regulatory agencies that our China business model violates applicable regulations on direct selling. As a result, we regularly visit with regulators to address their questions and concerns and explain our local business model. We also use our best efforts to train our China sales force on our business model.

The regulatory environment in China is evolving, and officials in the Chinese government often exercise discretion in deciding how to interpret and apply applicable regulations. We have made some modifications to our business model and policies in response to concerns expressed by governmental authorities prior to and since we opened for business in January 2003. In addition, some of our distributors living outside of China and some of our employed sales representatives in China have engaged in activities that violated our policies in this market and resulted in some regulatory concern and some adverse publicity. In addition, reviews and investigations by government regulators have at times obstructed our ability to conduct business and have resulted in several cases in fines being paid by us, which in the aggregate have been less than 1% of our revenue in China since we began operating there. We may incur similar or more severe sanctions in the future. Occasionally, we have also been asked to cease sales activity in some stores while the regulators review our operations. While, in each of these cases, we have been allowed to recommence operations after the government's review, there is no assurance that this will always be the case.

Although we have worked closely with both national and local governmental agencies in implementing our plans, our efforts to comply with local laws may be harmed by a rapidly evolving regulatory climate, concerns about activities resembling direct selling and any subjective interpretation of laws. Any determination that our operations or activities, or the activities of our employed sales representatives or distributors living outside of China, are not in compliance with applicable regulations could result in the imposition of substantial fines, extended interruptions of business, restrictions on our ability to open new stores or expand into new locations, changes to our business model, the termination of required licenses to conduct business, limitations on the number of sales persons we can employ, or other actions, all of which would harm our business.

If China fails to adopt new direct selling regulations, or if these regulations are not favorable to us, this could harm our business.

In connection with its admission to the World Trade Organization, China agreed to establish regulations regarding sales away from fixed locations. Chinese regulators have indicated that they intend to publish new direct selling regulations within the next several months. There can be no assurance that these regulations will be adopted or, if adopted, that they will benefit us. While we anticipate that we will be able to obtain a direct selling license under any new proposed regulations, there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain such a license should we apply. There has been some uncertainty and confusion regarding the direction of the new regulations and the type of restrictions or requirements that may be

imposed under such regulations. Although we currently do not operate a direct selling business in China, our future growth could be harmed if the regulations are not adopted or are unfavorable, if the adoption or implementation of new regulations are delayed further than anticipated, or if we are unable to obtain a license for direct selling under these regulations. In the event the new regulations prevent us from offering a distributor compensation model comparable to what we offer in other markets, our business may be negatively impacted. In addition, if the Chinese government adopts new direct selling regulations, these could negatively impact our current business model in China if they incorporate changes that impose restrictions on us, or if interpretations of existing laws change as a result of such new regulations which require us to make changes to our business model in ways that could harm our business in this market.

If we are unable to open new stores in China as quickly as we would like, our ability to grow our business there could be negatively impacted.

It is widely anticipated that new direct selling regulations expected to be adopted in China during the next several months will require a company to have a certain minimum number of retail stores in a particular province in order to conduct direct selling in such province. Regulatory provisions require us to obtain a license for each store that we operate in China and regulators have broad discretion in approving these licenses. If regulators fail to approve licenses for new stores at a rate that meets our growth demands, this could limit our ability to obtain direct selling licenses in some provinces and harm our business.

If we are unable to successfully manage rapid growth in China, our operations may be harmed.

As a result of Chinese regulations prohibiting us from implementing our direct selling model in China, we have opened over 100 of our own retail stores and hired a large and rapidly growing employed sales force. In addition, due to import restrictions in China, we have built and operate our own manufacturing plant to produce the products that we sell in our stores in China. We have experienced rapid growth in China, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to successfully manage rapid expansion of manufacturing operations and a rapidly growing and dynamic sales force. We also cannot assure you that we will not experience difficulties in dealing with or taking employment related actions (such as hiring, terminations and salary administration, including social benefit payments) with respect to our employed sales representatives, particularly given the highly regulated nature of the employment relationship in China. If we are unable to effectively manage such growth and expansion of our retail stores, manufacturing operations or our employees, our government relations may be compromised and our operations in China may be harmed.

Intellectual property rights are difficult to enforce in China.

Chinese commercial law is relatively undeveloped compared to most of our other major markets, and, as a result, we may have limited legal recourse in the event we encounter significant difficulties with patent or trademark infringers. Limited protection of intellectual

property is available under Chinese law, and the local manufacturing of our products may subject us to an increased risk that unauthorized parties may attempt to copy or otherwise obtain or use our product formulations. As a result, we cannot assure you that we will be able to adequately protect our product formulations.

Technical issues associated with the BioPhotonic Scanner could negatively impact the success of our scanner program, which could harm our business.

Our introduction of a laser-based scanner that measures the levels of carotenoid antioxidants in the skin has generated considerable enthusiasm among some of our distributors. We have not had experience in developing, manufacturing, and marketing sophisticated technology products such as the BioPhotonic Scanner. As with any new technology, we have experienced technical issues in developing and manufacturing a scanner that meets required specifications and performs at a consistent level. If we are unable to timely resolve technical issues or are otherwise unable to deliver scanners that perform to a standard expected by our distributors or if we are unable to make a sufficient number of scanners available to interested distributors at reasonable lease rates, we could dampen distributor enthusiasm and this may harm our business. Because of the substantial investment in the scanner initiative, we may not be able to recoup our investment or may have to record an expense that would negatively impact earnings if the scanner program is not successful for any reason.

If the BioPhotonic Scanner is determined to be a medical device in a particular geographic market or if our distributors use it for medical diagnostic purposes, this could harm our ability to utilize it.

In March 2003 the FDA questioned the status of the BioPhotonic Scanner as a non-medical device. We subsequently filed an application with the FDA to have it classified as a non-medical device. The FDA has not yet acted on our application. There are various factors that could determine whether the BioPhotonic Scanner is a medical device including the claims that we or our distributors make about it. We have faced similar uncertainties and regulatory issues in other markets with respect to the status of the BioPhotonic Scanner as a non-medical device and the claims that can be made in using it. A determination in any of these markets that it is a medical device or that distributors are using it to make medical claims or perform medical diagnoses could negatively impact our plans for or use of the BioPhotonic Scanner in such market. In the event medical device clearance is required in any market, obtaining clearance could require us to provide documentation concerning its clinical utility and to make some modifications to its design, specifications and manufacturing process in order to meet stringent standards imposed on medical device companies. There can be no assurance we would be able to provide such documentation and make such changes promptly or in a manner that is satisfactory to regulatory authorities.

We are currently involved in litigation with another licensee of the technology utilized in the BioPhotonic Scanner. The other licensee has alleged that the BioPhotonic Scanner is being used for medical diagnostic purposes in a medical clinical setting by certain distributors who

are medical doctors, dentists and chiropractors. We allow such practitioners to use the BioPhotonic Scanner solely for promoting the sale of our nutritional supplements and not for medical diagnostic purposes or in a medical clinical setting, but the other licensee alleges that the way in which the BioPhotonic Scanner is used by such practitioners violates our license. We disagree. We estimate that we lease 10% or less of our active BioPhotonic Scanners in the United States to such practitioners. An adverse ruling in this matter could limit the ability of distributors who are health professionals to utilize the BioPhotonic Scanner, which could have a negative impact on our business.

Governmental regulations relating to the marketing and advertising of our products and services, in particular our nutritional supplements, may restrict or inhibit our ability to sell these products.

Our products and our related marketing and advertising efforts are subject to extensive governmental regulations by numerous domestic and foreign governmental agencies and authorities. These include the FDA, the FTC, the Consumer Product Safety Commission and the Department of Agriculture in the United States, State Attorneys General and other state regulatory agencies and the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare in Japan along with similar governmental agencies in other foreign markets where we operate.

Our markets have varied regulations concerning product formulation, labeling, packaging and importation. These laws and regulations often require us to, among other things:

- reformulate products for a specific market to meet the specific product formulation laws of that country;
- conform product labeling to the regulations in each country; and
- register or qualify products with the applicable governmental authority or obtain necessary approvals or file necessary notifications for the marketing of our products.

Restrictions on or our ability to introduce products, or delays in introducing products, could reduce revenue and decrease profitability. Regulators also may prohibit us from making therapeutic claims about products, regardless of the existence of research and independent studies that may support such claims. These product claim restrictions could prevent us from realizing the potential revenue from some of our products.

Recent negative publicity concerning supplements with certain controversial ingredients has spurred efforts to change existing laws and regulations with respect to nutritional supplements that, if successful, could result in more restrictive and burdensome regulations.

There have been some recent injuries and deaths that have been attributed to the use of nutritional supplements that contain ephedra (which we have never sold) and other controversial ingredients that have generated negative publicity. Because of this negative publicity, there has been an increasing movement in the United States and other markets to increase the regulation of dietary supplements which could impose additional restrictions or

requirements in the future. Although we are committed to not market nutritional supplements that contain any substances such as ephedra that are controversial and that could pose health risks, our operations could be harmed if governmental laws or regulations are enacted that restrict the ability of companies to market or distribute nutritional supplements or impose additional burdens or requirements on nutritional supplement companies as a result of public reaction to the recent injuries and deaths caused by supplements that do contain such ingredients.

If we are unable to successfully expand operations in any of the new markets we have currently targeted, we may have difficulty achieving our long-term objectives.

A significant percentage of our revenue growth over the past decade has been attributable to our expansion into new markets. For example, the revenue growth we experienced in the last two years was due in part to our successful expansion of operations into China. Moreover, our growth over the next several years depends in part on our ability to successfully introduce our products and our distribution system into new markets, including Indonesia and Russia and further development of China and Eastern Europe. In addition to the regulatory difficulties we may face in gaining access into these new markets, we could face difficulties in achieving acceptance of our premium-priced products in developing markets. In the past, we have struggled to operate successfully in developing country markets, such as Latin America. This may also be the case in Eastern Europe and the other new markets into which we currently intend to expand. If we are unable to successfully expand our operations into these new markets, our opportunities to grow our business may be limited, and, as a result, we may not be able to achieve our long-term objectives.

In addition, sometimes the opening of a new market or the introduction of a key initiative in a market can have a negative impact on other markets if it attracts the attention and time of key executive distributor leaders from other markets.

Global political issues and conflicts could harm our business.

Because a substantial portion of our business is conducted outside of the United States, our business is subject to global political issues and conflicts, including terrorism threats, tensions related to North Korea, political tensions between the People's Republic of China and Taiwan, and other issues. If these conflicts or issues escalate, or if there is increased anti-American sentiment, this could harm our foreign operations. In addition, changes and actions by governments in foreign markets, in particular those markets such as China where capitalism and free market trading is still evolving, could harm our business.

Adverse publicity concerning our business, marketing plan or products could harm our business and reputation.

The size of our distribution force and the results of our operations can be particularly impacted by adverse publicity regarding us, the legality of our distributor network, our

products or the actions of our distributors. Specifically, we are susceptible to adverse publicity concerning:

- suspicions about the legality and ethics of network marketing;
- the ingredients or safety of our or our competitors' products;
- regulatory investigations of us, our competitors and our respective products;
- the actions of our current or former distributors; and
- public perceptions of direct selling businesses generally.

In addition, in the past we have experienced negative publicity that has harmed our business in connection with regulatory investigations and inquiries. We may receive negative publicity in the future, and it may harm our business and reputation.

Although our distributors are independent contractors, improper distributor actions that violate laws or regulations could harm our business.

Distributor activities in our existing markets that violate governmental laws or regulations could result in governmental actions against us in markets where we operate. Except in China, our distributors are not employees and act independently of us. We implement strict policies and procedures to ensure our distributors will comply with legal requirements. However, given the size of our distributor force, we experience problems with distributors from time to time. For example, product claims made by some of our distributors in 1990 and 1991 led to an investigation by the FTC, which resulted in our entering into a consent decree with the FTC as described below.

Inability of new products to gain distributor and market acceptance could harm our business.

A critical component of our business is our ability to develop new products that create enthusiasm among our distributor force. If we are unable to introduce new products planned for introduction, our distributor productivity could be harmed. In addition, if any new products fail to gain market acceptance, are restricted by regulatory requirements or have quality problems, this would harm our results of operations. Factors that could affect our ability to continue to introduce new products include, among others, government regulations, the inability to attract and retain qualified research and development staff, the termination of third-party research and collaborative arrangements, proprietary protections of competitors that may limit our ability to offer comparable products and the difficulties in anticipating changes in consumer tastes and buying preferences.

Government inquiries, investigations, and actions could harm our business.

From time to time, we receive formal and informal inquiries from various government regulatory authorities about our business and our compliance with local laws and regulations. Any determination that we or our distributors are not in compliance with existing laws or regulations could potentially harm our business. Even if governmental actions do not result in

rulings or orders, they potentially could create negative publicity which could detrimentally affect our efforts to recruit or motivate distributors and attract customers and, consequently, reduce revenue and net income.

In the early 1990s, we entered into voluntary consent agreements with the FTC and a few state regulatory agencies relating to investigations of our distributors' product claims and practices. These investigations centered on alleged unsubstantiated product and earnings claims made by some of our distributors. We believe that the negative publicity generated by this FTC action, as well as a subsequent action in the mid-1990s related to unsubstantiated product claims, harmed our business and results of operations in the United States. Pursuant to the consent decrees, we agreed, among other things, to supplement our procedures to enforce our policies, to not allow distributors to make earnings representations without making additional disclosures relating to average earnings and to not make, or allow our distributors to make, product claims that were not substantiated. We have taken various actions, including implementing a more generous inventory buy-back policy, publishing average distributor earnings information, supplementing our procedures for enforcing our policies, and reviewing distributor product sales aids, to address the issues raised by the FTC and state agencies in these investigations. As a result of the previous investigations, the FTC makes inquiries from time to time regarding our compliance with applicable laws and regulations and our consent decree. Any further actions by the FTC or other comparable state or federal regulatory agencies, in the United States or abroad, could have a further negative impact on us in the future.

In addition, we are susceptible to government-initiated campaigns that do not rise to the level of formal regulations. For example, the South Korean government, several South Korean trade groups and members of the South Korean media initiated campaigns in 1997 and 1998 urging South Korean consumers not to purchase luxury or foreign goods. We believe that these campaigns and the related media attention they received, together with the economic recession that occurred in the late 1990s in the South Korean economy, significantly harmed our South Korean business. We cannot assure you that similar government, trade group or media actions will not occur again in South Korea or in other countries where we operate or that such events will not similarly harm our operations.

The loss of key high-level distributors could negatively impact our distributor growth and our revenue.

As of December 31, 2004, we had approximately 820,000 active independent distributors, sales representatives and preferred customers, including approximately 32,000 executive level distributors or full-time sales representatives. Approximately 385 distributors occupied the highest distributor level under our global compensation plan as of that date. These distributors, together with their extensive networks of downline distributors, account for substantially all of our revenue. As a result, the loss of a high-level distributor or a group of leading distributors in the distributor's network of downline distributors, whether by their own choice or through disciplinary actions by us for violations of our policies and procedures, could negatively impact our distributor growth and our revenue.

Laws and regulations may prohibit or severely restrict our direct sales efforts and cause our revenue and profitability to decline.

Various government agencies throughout the world regulate direct sales practices. These laws and regulations are generally intended to prevent fraudulent or deceptive schemes, often referred to as “pyramid” schemes, that compensate participants for recruiting additional participants irrespective of product sales, use high pressure recruiting methods and/or do not involve legitimate products. The laws and regulations in our current markets often:

- impose order cancellations, product returns, inventory buy-backs and cooling-off rights for consumers and distributors;
- require us or our distributors to register with governmental agencies;
- impose reporting requirements to regulatory agencies; and/or
- require us to ensure that distributors are not being compensated based upon the recruitment of new distributors.

Complying with these widely varying and sometimes inconsistent rules and regulations can be difficult and require the devotion of significant resources on our part. If we are unable to continue business in existing markets or commence operations in new markets because of these laws, our revenue and profitability will decline. Countries where we currently do business could change their laws or regulations to negatively affect or prohibit completely direct sales efforts. In addition, government agencies and courts in the countries where we operate may use their powers and discretion in interpreting and applying laws in a manner that limits our ability to operate or otherwise harms our business. If any governmental authority were to bring a regulatory enforcement action against us that interrupts our business, revenue and earnings would likely suffer.

Challenges by private parties to the form of our network marketing system could harm our business.

We may be subject to challenges by private parties, including our distributors, to the form of our network marketing system or elements of our business. In the United States, the network marketing industry and regulatory authorities have generally relied on the implementation of distributor rules and policies designed to promote retail sales to protect consumers and to prevent inappropriate activities and to distinguish between legitimate network marketing distribution plans and unlawful pyramid schemes. We have adopted rules and policies based on case law, rulings of the FTC, discussions with regulatory authorities in several states and domestic and global industry standards. Legal and regulatory requirements concerning network marketing systems, however, involve a high level of subjectivity, are inherently fact-based and are subject to judicial interpretation. Because of the foregoing, we can provide no assurance that we would not be harmed by the application or interpretation of statutes or regulations governing network marketing, particularly in any civil challenge by a current or former distributor.

Increases in duties on our imported products in our markets outside of the United States could reduce our revenue and harm our competitive position.

Historically, we have imported most of our products into the countries in which they are ultimately sold. These countries impose various legal restrictions on imports and typically impose duties on our products. In any given country, regulators may challenge our methodologies used in determining our duties and other amounts owed, or may increase duties on imports. Such increases by regulators may reduce our profitability and harm our competitive position relative to locally produced goods. For example, in October 2004, we were assessed by the Yokohama customs authorities in Japan a total of approximately \$9 million, net of any recovery of consumption taxes, for duties on products imported into Japan from October 2002 through October 2003. The value and methodology we used for determining the amount of duties payable for these periods is consistent with prior years and has been previously reviewed on several occasions by the audit division of the Japan customs authorities, and reviewed and approved by the Valuation Department of the Yokohama customs authority. As such, we believe the assessment is improper and we have filed letters of protest with Yokohama customs. We expect to receive a reply within the next couple of months. If necessary, we will appeal this issue to the Ministry of Finance in Japan. In order to file our letter of protest with Yokohama customs, we were required to pay the amount that was assessed. In addition, the Audit Division of Yokohama customs has recently completed an audit of the period from November 2003 through October 2004. Although we have not yet been informed of the results of this audit, we may be assessed for additional duties related to this period, which we anticipate would be a similar amount to the prior assessment. We would file letters of protest with Yokohama customs in a similar manner in case of any such assessment. To the extent we are unable to successfully defend ourselves against this or other such challenges by regulators or our methodologies, we may be required to pay additional assessments and penalties and increased duties as a result which may, individually or in the aggregate, negatively impact our gross margins and operating results.

Governmental authorities may question our intercompany transfer pricing policies or change their laws in a manner that could increase our effective tax rate or otherwise harm our business.

As a U.S. company doing business in international markets through subsidiaries, we are subject to foreign tax and intercompany pricing laws, including those relating to the flow of funds between our company and our subsidiaries. Regulators in the United States and in foreign markets closely monitor our corporate structure and how we effect intercompany fund transfers. If regulators challenge our corporate structure, transfer pricing mechanisms or intercompany transfers, our operations may be harmed, and our effective tax rate may increase. Tax rates vary from country to country, and, if regulators determine that our profits in one jurisdiction may need to be increased, we may not be able to fully utilize all foreign tax credits that are generated, which will increase our effective tax rate. For example, our corporate income tax rate in the United States is 35%. If our profitability in a higher tax jurisdiction, such as Japan where the corporate tax rate is currently set at 46%, increases disproportionately to the rest of our business, our effective tax rate may increase. The various

customs, exchange control and transfer pricing laws are continually changing and are subject to the interpretation of governmental agencies. Despite our efforts to be aware of and comply with such laws and changes to and interpretations thereof, there is a risk that we may not continue to operate in compliance with such laws. We may need to adjust our operating procedures in response to such changes, and as a result our business may suffer.

The loss of suppliers could harm our business.

For approximately ten years, we have acquired ingredients and products from a supplier that currently manufactures approximately 41% of our Nu Skin personal care products. In addition, we currently rely on two suppliers for a majority of Pharmanex nutritional supplement products, one of which supplies approximately 38% and the other of which supplies approximately 26%. In the event we were to lose any of these suppliers and experience any difficulties in finding or transitioning to alternative suppliers, this could harm our business. In addition, we obtain some of our products from sole suppliers. We also license the right to distribute some of our products from third parties. Although none of these products individually represent a substantial portion of our revenue, in the event we are unable to renew these contracts, we may need to discontinue some products or develop substitute products, which could harm our revenue. In addition, if we experience supply shortages or regulatory impediments with respect to the raw materials and ingredients we use in our products (as was the case with BSE issues described below), we may need to seek alternative supplies or suppliers. If we are unable to successfully respond to such issues our business could be harmed.

Production difficulties and quality control problems could harm our business.

Occasionally, we have experienced production difficulties with respect to our products, including the delivery of products that do not meet our quality control standards. These quality problems have resulted in the past, and could result in the future, in stock outages or shortages in our markets with respect to products, harming our sales and creating inventory write-offs for unusable product. In addition, these issues can negatively impact distributor confidence as well as potentially invite additional governmental scrutiny in our various markets.

We depend on our key personnel, and the loss of the services provided by any of our executive officers or other key employees could harm our business and results of operations.

Our success depends to a significant degree upon the continued contributions of our senior management, many of whom would be difficult to replace. These employees may voluntarily terminate their employment with us at any time. We may not be able to successfully retain existing personnel or identify, hire and integrate new personnel. We do not carry key person insurance for any of our personnel. While we have signed offer letters from most of our senior executives, we have no formal employment agreements in effect with any of them. If we lose the services of our executive officers or key employees for any reason, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be harmed.

Our markets are intensely competitive, and market conditions and the strengths of competitors may harm our business.

The markets for our products are intensely competitive. Our results of operations may be harmed by market conditions and competition in the future. Many competitors have much greater name recognition and financial resources than we have, which may give them a competitive advantage. For example, our Nu Skin products compete directly with branded, premium retail products. We also compete with other direct selling organizations. The leading direct selling companies in our existing markets are Avon and Alticor (Amway). We currently do not have significant patent or other proprietary protection, and our competitors may introduce products with the same ingredients that we use in our products. Because of regulatory restrictions concerning claims about the efficacy of dietary supplements, we may have difficulty differentiating our products from our competitors' products, and competing products entering the nutritional market could harm our nutritional supplement revenue.

We also compete with other network marketing companies for distributors. Some of these competitors have a longer operating history and greater visibility, name recognition and financial resources than we do. Some of our competitors have also adopted and could continue to adopt some of our successful business strategies, including our global compensation plan for distributors. Consequently, to successfully compete in this market and attract and retain distributors, we must ensure that our business opportunities and compensation plans are financially rewarding. We have over 20 years of experience in this market and believe we have significant competitive advantages, but we cannot assure you that we will be able to successfully compete in every endeavor in this market.

Product liability claims could harm our business.

We may be required to pay for losses or injuries purportedly caused by our products. Although we have had a very limited product claims history, we have recently experienced difficulty in finding insurers that are willing to provide product liability coverage at reasonable rates due to insurance industry trends and the rising cost of insurance generally. As a result, we have elected to self-insure our product liability risks for our core product lines. Until we elect and are able to obtain product liability insurance, if any of our products are found to cause any injury or damage, we will be subject to the full amount of liability associated with any injuries or damages. This liability could be substantial. We cannot predict if and when product liability insurance will be available to us on reasonable terms.

System failures could harm our business.

Because of our diverse geographic operations and our complex distributor compensation plan, our business is highly dependent on efficiently functioning information technology systems. These systems and operations are vulnerable to damage or interruption from fires, earthquakes, telecommunications failures and other events. They are also subject to break-ins, sabotage, intentional acts of vandalism and similar misconduct. We have adopted a Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery Plan, which is in the process of being implemented. Our primary data sets are archived and stored at third-party, secure sites, but we have not

contracted for a third-party recovery site. Despite any precautions, the occurrence of a natural disaster or other unanticipated problems could result in interruptions in services and reduce our revenue and profits.

The discovery of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (“BSE”, commonly referred to as “mad cow disease”) in the United States could harm our business if the measures we have implemented to address regulatory issues surrounding BSE are not successful.

Prior to 2004, substantially all of our Pharmanex nutritional supplement revenue was generated from products encapsulated in gel capsules produced with bovine materials. In early 2004 we implemented alternative production plans to utilize non-bovine gelatin capsules, and produce certain products in tablet form. Following the implementation of these measures, substantially all of our Pharmanex revenue in 2004 outside of the United States was generated from products that are encapsulated in porcine-based capsules or from tablet products. Substantially all of our nutritional supplement products for sale in the United States continue to utilize bovine-based gel capsules. If we experience production difficulties, quality control problems, or shortages in supply in connection with these alternative plans, this could result in additional risk of product shortages or write-offs of inventory that no longer can be used. In addition, our business could be harmed if consumers become unduly concerned about the risks of BSE with respect to our remaining bovine-sourced gelatin capsules or, alternatively, if consumers react negatively to our switching from capsules to tablets on some products.

The sources and ingredients of our products are also subject to additional governmental regulations by numerous domestic and foreign governmental agencies and authorities regarding product ingredients. We may be unable to introduce our products in some markets if we are unable to obtain the necessary regulatory approvals or if any product ingredients are prohibited, which could harm our business.

There is uncertainty whether the SARS or other epidemics could return or arise, particularly in those Asian markets most affected by such epidemics in recent years.

Our revenue was negatively impacted in 2003 by the SARS epidemic that hit Asia during that year. It is difficult to predict the impact on our business, if any, of a recurrence of SARS or other epidemic or the emergence of new epidemics. Although such an event could generate increased sales of health/immune supplements and certain personal care products, our direct selling and retail activities and results of operations could be harmed if the fear of SARS or other communicable diseases that spread rapidly in densely populated areas causes people to avoid public places and interaction with one another.

Risks Related to Our Class A Common Stock

The market price of our Class A common stock is subject to significant fluctuations due to a number of factors that are beyond our control.

Our Class A common stock closed at \$10.30 per share on March 3, 2003 and closed at \$22.33 per share on February 28, 2005. During this two-year period, our Class A common

stock traded as low as \$8.75 per share and as high as \$28.15 per share. Many factors could cause the market price of our Class A common stock to fall. Some of these factors include:

- fluctuations in our quarterly operating results;
- the sale of shares of Class A common stock by our original or significant stockholders;
- general trends in the market for our products;
- acquisitions by us or our competitors;
- economic and/or currency exchange issues in those foreign countries in which we operate;
- changes in estimates of our operating performance or changes in recommendations by securities analysts; and
- general business and political conditions.

Broad market fluctuations could also lower the market price of our Class A common stock regardless of our actual operating performance.

As of February 28, 2005, our original stockholders, together with their family members, estate planning entities and affiliates, controlled approximately 28% of the combined stockholder voting power, and their interests may be different from yours.

The original stockholders of our company, together with their family members and affiliates, have the ability to influence the election and removal of the board of directors and, as a result, future direction and operations of our company. As of February 28, 2005, these stockholders owned approximately 28% of the voting power of the outstanding shares of Class A common stock. Accordingly, they may influence decisions concerning business opportunities, declaring dividends, issuing additional shares of Class A common stock or other securities and the approval of any merger, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of our assets. They may make decisions that are adverse to your interests.

If our stockholders sell a substantial number of shares of our Class A common stock in the public market, the market price of our Class A common stock could fall.

Several of our principal stockholders hold a large number of shares of the outstanding Class A common stock. Any decision by any of our principal stockholders to aggressively sell their shares could depress the market price of our Class A common stock.

As of February 28, 2005, we had 69,818,601 shares of Class A common stock outstanding. All of these shares are freely tradable, except for approximately 20 million shares held by certain stockholders who participated in our October 2003 recapitalization transaction wherein we repurchased approximately 10.8 million of our shares from our original stockholders and their affiliates and facilitated their resale of approximately 6.2 million additional shares to a group of private equity investors. Under the terms of our repurchase, our original stockholders agreed that they will not sell or otherwise dispose of any shares of

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Class A common stock on the open market or without the prior written consent of a majority of our independent directors prior to October 22, 2005. This agreement is subject to the following exceptions:

- certain charitable donations to religious organizations;
- transfers to us;
- transfers of common stock to immediate family members or related persons who or estate planning entities that agree to be bound by similar restrictions;
- transfers pursuant to an existing put option held by one of our original stockholders, Sandra Tillotson, for up to 3.5 million shares; and
- the pledge of shares as security for loans up to \$10 million, provided certain conditions are met, including our right to purchase any shares upon the occurrence of an event of default at a price equal to 50% of the average closing price for the 15 days immediately prior to the event of default.

These stockholders also agreed that, after the expiration of the two-year lock-up agreement in October 2005, they will be subject to certain volume limitations with respect to open market transactions. In the event these lock-up restrictions were removed, the resulting sales could cause the price of our Class A common stock to decline.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements contained in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the prospectus are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. The statements contained in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the prospectus that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including statements regarding our expectations, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding the future. The words “anticipate”, “believe”, “could”, “should”, “propose”, “continue”, “estimate”, “expect”, “intend”, “may”, “plan”, “predict”, “project”, “will” and other similar terms and phrases are used to identify forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements are made based on our management’s expectations and beliefs concerning future events affecting us and are subject to uncertainties and factors relating to our operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control. These uncertainties and factors, including those discussed in the “Risk Factors” section of this prospectus, could cause our actual results to differ materially from those matters expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements. All of the forward-looking statements should be considered in light of these factors.

We urge you not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. Except as required by law, we do not undertake any obligation to update our forward-looking statements or the risk factors contained in this prospectus to reflect new information or future events or otherwise.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any proceeds from the resale of all or any portion of the 2,000,000 shares of our Class A common stock by the selling stockholders or their pledgees, donees, transferees or other successors-in-interest pursuant to this prospectus.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

As of the date of this prospectus, our authorized capital stock consists of 500,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, 100,000,000 shares of Class B common stock and 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of February 28, 2005, we had 69,818,601 shares of Class A common stock issued and outstanding and no shares of Class B common stock issued and outstanding. Of the authorized shares of preferred stock, no shares of preferred stock were outstanding as of February 28, 2005.

The following description of our capital stock is a summary and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the provisions of our certificate of incorporation.

Common Stock

As of February 28, 2005, there were approximately 655 holders of record of our Class A common stock.

Voting Rights

Each share of our Class A common stock entitles the holder to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of our stockholders, including the election of directors. There is no cumulative voting. With respect to corporate changes, including liquidations, reorganizations, recapitalizations, mergers, consolidations and sales of substantially all of our assets, the approval of 66²/₃% of the outstanding voting power is required to authorize or approve the transactions.

Dividends

The holders of our Class A common stock are entitled to receive dividends if, as and when the dividends are declared by our board of directors out of assets legally available for the dividends after payment of dividends required to be paid on shares of preferred stock, if any.

Liquidation Preference

In the event of liquidation, after payment of the debts and other liabilities of our company and after making provision for the holders of our preferred stock, if any, our remaining assets will be distributable ratably among holders of the Class A common stock.

Mergers and Other Business Combinations

Upon the merger or consolidation of our company, holders of our common stock are entitled to receive equal per-share payments or distributions. We may not dispose of all or any substantial part of our assets to, or merge or consolidate with, any person, entity or group (as the term "group" is defined in Rule 13d-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that beneficially owns, in the aggregate, 10% or more of our outstanding common stock without

the affirmative vote of the holders, other than a related person, of not less than 66 ²/₃% of the voting power. For the sole purpose of determining the 66 ²/₃% vote, a related person will also include the seller or sellers from whom the related person acquired, during the preceding six months, at least 5% of the outstanding shares of Class A common stock in a single transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to one or more agreements or other arrangements and not through a brokers' transaction, but only if the seller or sellers have beneficial ownership of shares of common stock having a fair market value in excess of \$10 million in the aggregate following the disposition to a related person. This 66 ²/₃% voting requirement is not applicable, however, if:

- the proposed transaction is approved by a vote of not less than a majority of our directors who are neither affiliated nor associated with the related person or the seller of shares to the related person as described above; or
- in the case of a transaction pursuant to which the holders of common stock are entitled to receive cash, property, securities or other consideration, the cash or fair market value of the property, securities or other consideration to be received per share in the transaction is not less than the higher of:
 - the highest price per share paid by the related person for any of its holdings of common stock within the two-year period immediately prior to the announcement of the proposed transaction; or
 - the highest closing sale price during the 30-day period immediately preceding that date or during the 30-day period immediately preceding the date on which the related person became a related person, whichever is higher.

Registration Rights

Shelf Registration

On September 22, 2003, Sandra Tillotson, who is a member of our board of directors and also serves as one of our senior vice presidents, together with The Sandra N. Tillotson Family Trust, sold 750,000 shares of the Class A common stock in a private placement transaction. For ease of reference, we refer to the purchasers of those 750,000 shares as the Tillotson initial purchasers. In connection with the private placement transaction, we, Ms. Tillotson, her family trust and the Tillotson initial purchasers entered into an amended and restated registration rights agreement, pursuant to which we agreed to file a registration statement under the Securities Act for the registration and resale of the 750,000 shares under Rule 415 of the Securities Act. This registration statement was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 29, 2004.

Demand Registration

In addition to the private placement of the 750,000 shares of our Class A common stock, Ms. Tillotson and her family trust provided the Tillotson initial purchasers with an option to purchase, or call, in one or more transactions up to an aggregate of 2,000,000 shares of the Class A common stock held by either Ms. Tillotson or her family trust, and the Tillotson initial purchasers provided Ms. Tillotson with an option to sell, or put, in one or more

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transactions (not to exceed 500,000 shares in any one transaction) up to an aggregate of 3,500,000 shares of the Class A common stock held by either Ms. Tillotson or her family trust to the Tillotson initial purchasers. For shorthand purposes, we refer to the shares of our Class A common stock that may be purchased pursuant to the call option as the call shares and the shares of our Class A common stock that may be sold pursuant to the put option as the put shares. The put option and the call option may be exercised by Ms. Tillotson and the Tillotson initial purchasers, respectively, in one or more transactions at any time prior to July 5, 2005. The price to be paid for the call shares will be \$13.70 per share. The per share price to be paid for any given block of put shares will be 94% of the volume weighted average price of our stock for the 12 trading days following the date Ms. Tillotson exercises a put option. On February 18, 2005, two of the Tillotson initial purchasers, Mainfield Enterprises Inc. and Smithfield Fiduciary LLC, exercised the call option in full and purchased 2,000,000 call shares of the Class A common stock held by Ms. Tillotson and her family trust at a purchase price of \$13.70 per share. For ease of reference, we refer to the purchasers of these call shares as the call option purchasers.

Under the terms of the amended and restated registration rights agreement, upon the written request from the holders of at least a majority of the call shares and the put shares then outstanding, we will be obligated to file a registration statement under the Securities Act to cover the resale of the call shares and the put shares then outstanding. Under this agreement, we are not required to file more than two such registration statements in any consecutive 12-month period. On February 18, 2005, we received notice from the call option purchasers that they were exercising their demand registration rights pursuant to the amended and restated registration rights agreement with respect to the call shares purchased on February 18, 2005. As a result, we have filed a registration statement (of which this prospectus forms a part) under the Securities Act of 1933 for the registration and resale of the 2,000,000 call shares under Rule 415 of the Securities Act and will use our commercially reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as possible but, in any event, no later than June 17, 2005.

The foregoing description of the amended and restated registration rights agreement that we entered into with the Tillotson initial purchasers is only a brief summary and is not complete. We urge you to refer to this agreement (a copy of which is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part) for a full description of the terms, conditions and other provisions of the registration rights that apply to our Class A common stock.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our Class A common stock is American Stock Transfer and Trust Company.

Listing

Our Class A common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "NUS".

Preferred Stock

Our board of directors is authorized, subject to the limitations prescribed by the Delaware General Corporation Law or the rules of the New York Stock Exchange or other organizations on whose systems our stock may be quoted or listed, to:

- provide for the issuance of shares of preferred stock in one or more series;
- establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each series;
- fix the rights, powers, preferences and privileges of the shares of each wholly unissued series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions on such shares; and
- increase or decrease the number of shares of each series, without any further vote or action by the stockholders.

The approval of the holders of at least 66 ²/₃% of the combined voting power of the outstanding shares of common stock, however, is required for the issuance of shares of preferred stock that have the right to vote for the election of directors under ordinary circumstances or to elect 50% or more of the directors under any circumstances.

Depending upon the terms of the preferred stock established by our board of directors, any or all series of preferred stock could have preference over the common stock with respect to dividends and other distributions and upon liquidation of our company or could have voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the holders of the outstanding common stock. In addition, the preferred stock could delay, defer or prevent a change of control of our company. We have no present plans to issue any shares of preferred stock.

Anti-Takeover Provisions

Special Stockholder Meetings

Special meetings of stockholders may be called only by the board of directors, the president, the secretary or at least a majority of the stockholders of our company. Except as otherwise required by law, stockholders are not entitled to request or call a special meeting of the stockholders.

Director Nominations and Business Proposals

Our stockholders are required to provide advance notice of nominations of directors to be made at, and of business proposed to be brought before, a meeting of the stockholders. The failure to deliver proper notice within the periods specified in our amended and restated bylaws will result in the denial of the stockholder of the right to make any nominations or propose any action at the meeting.

Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law

We are a Delaware corporation and are subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. This law prevents many Delaware corporations,

including those whose securities are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, from engaging, under specific circumstances, in a business combination with an interested stockholder for three years following the date that the stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless the business combination or interested stockholder is approved in a prescribed manner. An interested stockholder is a stockholder who, together with affiliates and associates, within the prior three years did own 15% or more of the corporation's outstanding voting stock.

A Delaware corporation may opt out of the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law with an express provision in its original certificate of incorporation or an express provision in its certificate of incorporation or bylaws resulting from a stockholders' amendment approved by at least a majority of the outstanding voting shares. We have not opted out of the provisions of Section 203.

SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

In a private placement transaction that occurred on February 18, 2005, Sandra Tillotson, who is a member of our board of directors and also serves as one of our senior vice presidents, together with The Sandra N. Tillotson Family Trust, sold 2,000,000 shares of the Class A common stock to Mainfield Enterprises Inc. and Smithfield Fiduciary LLC pursuant to a call option described in more detail in the section of this prospectus entitled “Description of Capital Stock – Registration Rights – Demand Registration.” For ease of reference, we refer to these purchasers as the call option purchasers. After having received notice on February 18, 2005 from the call option purchasers that they were exercising their demand registration rights pursuant to an amended and restated registration rights agreement entered into by Ms. Tillotson, her family trust, the Tillotson initial purchasers and us, we are obligated to file a registration statement (of which this prospectus forms a part) under the Securities Act of 1933 for the registration and resale of the 2,000,000 call shares under Rule 415 of the Securities Act and to use our commercially reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as possible but, in any event, no later than June 17, 2005.

The following table sets forth information as of February 28, 2005 about the shares of our Class A common stock beneficially owned by each call option purchaser. We refer to the holders who are named in the table below as the selling stockholders.

As described in the “Plan of Distribution” section of this prospectus, the selling stockholders may offer all or some portion of their shares of the Class A common stock from time to time. As a result, we are not able to accurately estimate the amount or percentage of shares of the Class A common stock that will be held by the selling stockholders at any given time. In addition, the selling stockholders identified below may have sold, transferred or disposed of all or a portion of their shares of the Class A common stock since the date on which they provided the information regarding their holdings in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to an effective registration statement.

Unless otherwise described below, to our knowledge, no selling stockholder or any of its affiliates has held any position or office with, been employed by or otherwise had any material relationship with us or our affiliates during the three years prior to the date of this prospectus.

<u>Name of the Selling Stockholder</u>	<u>Number of Shares of Class A Common Registered Stock for Resale</u>	<u>Number of Shares of Class A Common Stock Beneficially Owned</u>	<u>Percentage of Class A Common Stock Outstanding(1)</u>
Mainfield Enterprises Inc. (2)	1,066,600	1,066,600	1.5%
Smithfield Fiduciary LLC (3)	933,400	1,069,650	1.5

(1) Percentage of ownership is calculated based on Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, using 69,818,601 shares of the Class A common stock outstanding as of February 28, 2005.

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- (2) Pursuant to an investment management agreement, Mor Sagi has voting discretion and investment control over the shares held by Mainfield Enterprises Inc. Mor Sagi disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) Highbridge Capital Management, LLC is the trading manager of Smithfield Fiduciary LLC and consequently has voting control and investment discretion over shares of the Class A common stock held by Smithfield. Glenn Dubin and Henry Swieca control Highbridge. Each of Highbridge, Glenn Dubin and Henry Swieca disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by Smithfield. The shares held by Smithfield were purchased in the ordinary course of its business for investment purposes. At the time of the purchase, there was no agreement or understanding, directly or indirectly, between Smithfield and any person or entity to distribute such shares.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The shares of the Class A common stock listed in the table appearing in the “Selling Stockholders” section of this prospectus are being registered to permit public secondary trading of the shares by the holders of such shares from time to time after the date of this prospectus. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the shares of the Class A common stock by the selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders and their pledgees, assignees and successors-in-interest may, from time to time, sell any or all of their shares of the Class A common stock on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These sales may be at fixed or negotiated prices. The selling stockholders may use any one or more of the following methods when selling their shares:

- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker dealer as principal and resale by the broker dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;
- in satisfaction of positions created by short sales;
- a combination of any such methods of sale; and
- any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

The selling stockholders may also sell their shares under Rule 144 under the Securities Act, if available, rather than under this prospectus.

Broker dealers engaged by the selling stockholders may arrange for other brokers dealers to participate in sales. Broker dealers may receive commissions or discounts from the selling stockholders (or, if any broker dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling stockholders do not expect these commissions and discounts to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved.

The selling stockholders may from time to time pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares of the Class A common stock owned by them, and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares of the Class A common stock from time to time under this prospectus, or under a supplement to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act, by amending the list of the selling stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as a selling stockholder under this prospectus.

The selling stockholders and any broker dealers or agents that are involved in selling the shares may be deemed to be “underwriters” within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any commissions received by such broker dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. The selling stockholders have informed us that they do not have any agreement or understanding, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute the Class A common stock.

We are required to pay all fees and expenses incident to the registration of the shares. We estimate that these expenses will be \$80,087. We have agreed to indemnify the selling stockholders against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act.

LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters relating to the validity of the Class A common stock are being passed upon for us by Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, Palo Alto, California.

EXPERTS

The financial statements and management’s assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting (which is included in Management’s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting) incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

 **NU SKIN ENTERPRISES®**
2,000,000 Shares
Class A Common Stock

PROSPECTUS

, 2005

PART II
Information Not Required in Prospectus

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table lists the expenses expected to be incurred in connection with the preparation and filing of the registration statement, including amendments thereto, and the printing and distribution of the prospectus contained therein, all of which will be paid by the registrant. All amounts listed below, other than the SEC registration fee, are estimates.

SEC registration fee	\$ 5,087
Printing and engraving expenses	5,000
Accounting fees and expenses	10,000
Legal fees and expenses	50,000
Miscellaneous expenses	10,000
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Total	\$80,087

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers***Indemnification***

The registrant is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify persons who were, are or are threatened to be made parties to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was illegal. The registrant's certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide for the indemnification of the registrant's officers and directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. The registrant believes that such indemnification is necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and officers. The registrant has also entered into separate indemnification agreements with each of its directors and executive officers.

Liability Insurance

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law also permits a Delaware corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of its directors and officers. The registrant's bylaws permit the registrant to purchase such insurance on behalf of its directors and officers.

Limitation of Liability

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law permits a Delaware corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duties as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of a director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve international misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) for improper payment of dividends or redemptions of shares; or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit. The registrant's certificate of incorporation provides for, to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, elimination or limitation of liability of its directors to the registrant or its stockholders for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

Item 16. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Specimen Form of Stock Certificate for Class A Common Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-90716)).
4.2	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-12073)).
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23.2	Consent of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page hereto).

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) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
 - (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 end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
 - (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 Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.
- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, 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 shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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- (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.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (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) 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 initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions set forth in response to Item 15, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities 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 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 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 of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant 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 registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Provo, State of Utah, on March 21, 2005.

NU SKIN ENTERPRISES, INC.

By: /s/ M. TRUMAN HUNT

Name: M. Truman Hunt
Title: Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints M. Truman Hunt, Ritch N. Wood and D. Matthew Dorny, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to the registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting each of said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as full to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or their substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<hr/> /s/ M. TRUMAN HUNT M. Truman Hunt	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	March 21, 2005
<hr/> /s/ RITCH N. WOOD Ritch N. Wood	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	March 21, 2005
<hr/> /s/ BLAKE M. RONEY Blake M. Roney	Chairman of the Board	March 21, 2005

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Signature	Title	Date
<hr/> <p>/s/ SANDRA N. TILLOTSON</p> <hr/> <p>Sandra N. Tillotson</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
<hr/> <p>/s/ DANIEL W. CAMPBELL</p> <hr/> <p>Daniel W. Campbell</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
<hr/> <p>/s/ E.J. GARN</p> <hr/> <p>E.J. "Jake" Garn</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
<hr/> <p>/s/ PAULA F. HAWKINS</p> <hr/> <p>Paula F. Hawkins</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
<hr/> <p>/s/ ANDREW D. LIPMAN</p> <hr/> <p>Andrew D. Lipman</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
<hr/> <p>/s/ JOSE FERREIRA, JR.</p> <hr/> <p>Jose Ferreira, Jr.</p>	Director	March 21, 2005
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March 21, 2005

Nu Skin Enterprises, Inc.
75 West Center Street
Provo, Utah 84601

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Nu Skin Enterprises, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, relating to the registration and resale of the 2,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company (the "Shares").

We have examined the Registration Statement and a form of the share certificate, which has been filed with the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. We also have examined the originals, or duplicates or certified or conformed copies, of such corporate records, agreements, documents and other instruments and have made such other investigations as we have deemed relevant and necessary in connection with the opinions hereinafter set forth. As to questions of fact material to this opinion, we have relied upon certificates or comparable documents of public officials and of officers and representatives of the Company.

In rendering the opinion set forth below, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as duplicates or certified or conformed copies and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications, assumptions and limitations stated herein, we are of the opinion that the Shares are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We do not express any opinion herein concerning any law other than the Delaware General Corporation Law (including the statutory provisions, all applicable provisions of the Delaware Constitution and reported judicial decisions interpreting the foregoing).

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus included in the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

/s/ SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT LLP

SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT LLP

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our report dated March 15, 2005, relating to the consolidated financial statements, management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in Nu Skin Enterprises, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Salt Lake City, UT
March 21, 2005