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**Press Release**

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## UNITED-GUARDIAN GRANTED NEW U.S. PATENT

Hauppauge, NY, March 13, 2002 -- United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX:UG) today reported that it has been granted U.S. Patent # 6,348,199 for the microemulsification of silicone into a clear, transparent, water-based gel that is extremely stable and has high moisturizing and lubricating properties. The resulting product can be used both in cosmetics and as a carrier for drug active ingredients, such as for the treatment of skin irritations, infections, and burns. The company has marketed products utilizing the new technology for several years, and is working with its marketing partners to expand the uses of those products. The granting of patent protection insures that the company will be able to expand its marketing efforts without fear of competitors utilizing its technology.

United-Guardian is a manufacturer of cosmetic ingredients, personal and health care products, pharmaceuticals, and specialty industrial products.

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