

that actively engages in solicitation on behalf of it, must collect local sales tax. If the retailer's cumulative gross receipts from Colorado ties are below \$10,000 the preceding year, the online tax does not need to be collected. Overstock.com, according to the OIA, has severed ties with all of its Colorado affiliates due to the new law.

**CROCS** sees a federal appeals court overturn a 2008 U.S. International Trade Commission ruling that rejected the company's claims of patent infringements by makers of knock-off foam clogs. Besides saying the ITC was incorrect in its assertion that other firms didn't infringe on a Crocs' patent, The U.S. Court of Appeals restored another Crocs patent while also sending the case back to the ITC for further action.

**GTX CORP.** scores three additional patents related to its GPS shoe technology since being granted U.S. Patent RE 40,879. The new patents significantly increase GTX's IP portfolio value. All of the new patent applications cover fundamental aspects of providing a GPS location device in footwear.

**REEBOK's** 2005 stock fraud case sees a New York federal judge slap a retired Croatian seamstress with a \$5.72 million fine for alleged involvement. The woman, Sonja Anticevic, refused to appear in a U.S. court on the matter.

## SHORT STOPS

**Torspo Hockey** adds Neil Smith, a 35-year veteran of the hockey industry who was president and GM of the NHL's New York Rangers from 1989 to 2000,

to its board.++++**Reebok** conducted a global event launch of its new Zigtech training shoe with a face-off between British Formula One race car driver Lewis Hamilton and French soccer player Thierry Henry in Barcelona.++++**Winter Trails**, organized by the SnowSports Industries America in partnership with the Cross Country Ski Areas Association and American Hiking Society, attracted 10,700 participants and 40 million media impression for this year's event on Jan. 9. Twenty-two states, led by Vermont's 913, hosted events.++++**Lonsdale** signs cruiserweight boxer B.J. "El Peligroso" Flores to a multi-year endorsement contract.++++**NSGA** names Richard H. Schascheck, most recently VP of The Stanford Organization, as CFO.++++**Indonesian footwear exports** are projected to rise 7% this year to \$2 billion from \$1.86 billion in 2009.++++**Shock Doctor** inks a three-contract to become the official mouthguard of USA Football.++++**Cascade Designs** names Canada West Sports Agencies LTD as its 2009 Rep Agency of the Year.++++**Nike** reportedly extends soccer star Ronaldo's endorsement contract for another four years, giving him a 33% annual pay hike to €6 million (\$8.1 mm) annually until 2014.++++**Champion Athleticwear** will outfit the cast of Disney World's ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex.++++**Simms** adds Rose Quinn, sportswear and accessories product developer, and Christy Evans, senior merchandiser for sportswear and accessories, to its product development team.++++**SGMA** intends to honor U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA), Rep. Zach Wamp (R-TN) and Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI) with Congressional Health & Fitness Awards for their support of fitness initiatives that promote healthy and active lifestyles in the U.S.

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