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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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SCANSOFT, INC.

(NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

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The following e-mail was sent by ScanSoft, Inc. to an institutional holder of ScanSoft common stock on March 10, 2005.

At a future meeting of ScanSoft's Compensation Committee, I will review the topic of providing loans for the exercise for stock options with a view towards eliminating this provision. I will also review with them the topic of accelerating vesting with a view toward redefining the Administrator's ability to accelerate vesting only for terminations and with proscribing specific conditions and circumstances by which the Compensation Committee can accelerate vesting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul A. Ricci
Paul A. Ricci
Chairman & CEO
ScanSoft, Inc.