# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 Registration Statement Under The Securities Act of 1933

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USA TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 7359 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) 23-2679963 (I.R.S. employer Identification No.)

1265 Drummers Lane, Suite 306 Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

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RUSSELL TRAINING GROUP, INC. CONSULTING AGREEMENT (full title of the plan)

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George R. Jensen, Jr.

President and Chief Executive Officer
 USA Technologies, Inc.

1265 Drummers Lane, Suite 306
 Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087
 (610) 989-0340

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

> Copies to: Douglas M. Lurio, Esquire Lurio & Associates 1760 Market Street, Suite 1300 Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 665-9300

## CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Proposed Proposed Securities Amount Maximum Maximum Amount of Offering Price Aggregate Registration to be to be Per share (1) Offering Price (1) Offered Registered Fee(1) \$ .40 \$ 6,000 Common Stock 15,000 \$ 100

(1) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(h), the offering price is based upon the average of the bid and asked price for the Common Stock on the OTC Electronic Bulletin Board on September 26, 1996. The registration fee represents the minimum prescribed fee.

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## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1996 is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement and made a part hereof. All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

## Item 4. Description of Securities

The Company is authorized to issue up to 45,000,000 shares of Common Stock, no par value. As of September 26, 1996, there were 23,023,976 shares of issued and outstanding Common Stock. The foregoing amount does not reflect shares of Common Stock issuable by the Company upon the conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock of the Company (796,025 of which are outstanding on September 26, 1996), or any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, or upon the exercise of outstanding stock options or purchase rights to acquire Common Stock. The foregoing also does not include the Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of the remaining 1,414,000 1995 Common Stock Purchase Warrants or the 5,200,000 1996 Common Stock Purchase Warrants which are outstanding on September 26, 1996.

The holder of each share of Common Stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders of the Company, including the election of directors. There is no cumulative voting for directors.

The holders of Common Stock are entitled to receive such dividends as the Board of Directors may from time to time declare out of funds legally available for payment of dividends. No dividends may be paid on the Common Stock until all accumulated and unpaid cumulative dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock have been paid. Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, holders of shares of Common Stock are entitled to receive pro rata all assets of the Company available for distribution, subject to the liquidation preference of the Series A Preferred Stock of \$10.00 per share and any unpaid and accumulated dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock. Shareholders of the Company do not have any preemptive rights to subscribe for or purchase shares, obligations, warrants, or other securities of the Company.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel
 Not Applicable.

## Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Section 1746 of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, as amended ("BCL"), authorizes a Pennsylvania corporation to indemnify its officers, directors, employees and agents under certain circumstances against expenses and liabilities incurred in legal proceedings involving such persons because of their holding or having held such positions with the Company and to purchase and maintain insurance of such indemnification. The Company's By-laws substantively provide that the Company will indemnify its officers, directors, employees and agents to the fullest extent provided by Section 1746 of the BCL.

Section 1713 of the BCL permits a Pennsylvania corporation, by so providing in its By-laws, to eliminate the personal liability of a director for monetary damages for any action taken unless the director has breached or failed to perform the duties of his office and the breach or failure constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or recklessness. In addition, no such limitation of liability is available with respect to the responsibility or liability of a director pursuant to any criminal statute or for the payment of taxes pursuant to Federal, state or local law. The Company's By-laws eliminate the personal liability of the directors to the fullest extent permitted by Section 1713 of the BCL.

# Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits

- 4.1 Articles of Incorporation of Company filed on January 16, 1992 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
- 4.1.1 First Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on July 17, 1992 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.1 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
- 4.1.2 Second Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on July 27, 1992 (Incorporated by reference

	to Exhibit 3.1.2 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
4.1.3	Third Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on October 5, 1992 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.3 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
4.1.4	Fourth Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on October 18, 1993 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.4 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
4.1.5	Fifth Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on June 7, 1995 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Form 5.3 Registration Statement No. 33-98808, filed October 31, 1995)
4.1.6	Sixth Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Company filed on May 1, 1996 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.6 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 333-09465)
4.2	By-Laws of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Form SB-2 Registration Statement No. 33-70992)
5	Opinion of Lurio & Associates
23.1	Consent of Lurio & Associates (included in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5 hereto)
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Auditors
28.1	Consulting Agreement between Russell Training Group, Inc. and USA Technologies, Inc. dated July 25, 1996

## Item 9. Undertakings

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (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 most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or together, represent a fundamental change in the information in the 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.

Except that, subparagraph (i) and (ii) of this paragraph do not apply provided that the information required in a post-effective amendment is incorporated by reference from periodic reports filed by the issuer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

- (2) That for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1993, each such post-effective amendment shall be treated as a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and shall treat the offering of such securities at that time as the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (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.
- (4) 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 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.
- (5) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, 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 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 whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## SIGNATURES

In accordance with 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-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Wayne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on September 30, 1996.

USA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ George R. Jensen, Jr.

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George R. Jensen, Jr.,

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date

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 date indicated.

Title

Signatures

	Chairman of the Board, - President and Chief Executive	September	30,	1996	
George R. Jensen, Jr.	Officer (Principal and Chief Executive Officer)				
/s/ Edward J. Sullivan	Vice President and Chief - Financial Officer (Principal	September	30,	1996	
Edward J. Sullivan					
/s/ Stephen P. Herbert	Vice President, Director	September	30,	1996	
Stephen P. Herbert	-				
/s/ Keith L. Sterling		September	30,	1996	
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/s/ William W. Sellers	Director	September	30,	1996	
William W. Sellers	-				
/s/ Peter G. Kapourelos	Director	September	30,	1996	
Peter G. Kapourelos	-				
	Director	September	,	1996	
Henry B. duPont Smith	-				
/s/ William L. Van Alen, Jr.	Director	September	30,	1996	
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October 4, 1996

USA Technologies, Inc. Three Glenhardie Corporate Center Suite 306 1265 Drummers Lane Wayne, PA 19087

Attn: Mr. George R. Jensen, Jr., President

Re: USA Technologies, Inc. - Russell Training Group, Inc.
Registration Statement on Form S-8

Dear Mr. Jensen:

We have acted as counsel to USA Technologies, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation (the "Company"), in connection with a Registration Statement on Form S-8, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Registration Statement"). The Registration Statement covers 15,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company issuable to Russell Training Group, Inc. ("Russell") pursuant to a Consulting Agreement between the Company and Russell dated July 25, 1996 (the "Consulting Agreement").

In rendering this opinion, we have examined (i) the Articles of Incorporation, as amended, and By-laws of the Company; (ii) the resolutions of the Board of Directors evidencing the corporate proceedings taken by the Company to authorize the issuance of the Common Stock pursuant to the Registration Statement; (iii) the Registration Statement (including all exhibits thereto); (iv) the Consulting Agreement; and (v) such other documents as we have deemed appropriate or necessary as a basis for the opinion hereinafter expressed.

In rendering the opinion expressed below, we assumed the authenticity of all documents and records examined, the conformity with the original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies and the genuineness of all signatures.

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Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and such legal considerations as we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that, when sold as contemplated by the Registration Statement and the Consulting Agreement, the Common Stock will be legally issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

 $\label{eq:weak_problem} \mbox{We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement.}$ 

Sincerely,

LURIO & ASSOCIATES
/s/ LURIO & ASSOCIATES

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-00000) pertaining to the registration of 15,000 shares of common stock of USA Technologies, Inc. of our report dated August 9, 1996, except for Note 12 as to which the date is September 10, 1996, with respect to the financial statements of USA Technologies, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-KSB) for the year ended June 30, 1996, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP
-----Ernst & Young LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania October 4, 1996

## [RUSSELL TRAINING GROUP INC. LOGO]

INVOICE NUMBER: 9240

INVOICE DATE: 7/25/96

TO: Mr. Stephen P. Herbert

Executive Vice President of Marketing and Sales

USA Technologies

1265 Drummers Lane, Suite 306

Wayne, PA 19087

FOR: P.R.O.F.I.T.S. Selling Skills/Marketing Consulting

Philadelphia, PA

July 22, 23 and 24, 1996

FEE: \$2,000.00 per day 4 days \$8,000.00\*

**EXPENSES:** Air Travel, MCI-PHL-MCI \$914.00 \$0.00 Lodging Ground Transportation, KC @ .28 \$48.00 Destination Ground Transportation \$30.00 Telephone \$0.00 Tips \$0.00 Miscellaneous \$312.29 Meals: Dinner 7/21/96 \$8.00 Breakfast 7/22/96 \$0.00 \$0.00 Dinner Breakfast 7/23/96 \$0.00 Dinner \$0.00 Breakfast 7/24/96 \$0.00

Dinner

\$0.00

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,312.29

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GRAND TOTAL: \$9,312.29

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TERMS: Net Thirty Days NOTES: Applicable Receipts Attached

 $Stock/Options\ may\ be\ acceptable\ in\ lieu\ of\ the\ fee\ portion$ 

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\*15,000 shares for fee of \$8,000

THANK YOU

/s/ Paul M. Russell
----Paul M. Russell

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: RUSSELL TRAINING GROUP INC. Vendor No. 481108186

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