# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

September 4, 2014

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# **Huron Consulting Group Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-50976 (Commission File Number) 01-0666114 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

550 West Van Buren Street
Chicago, Illinois
60607
(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(312) 583-8700 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

#### **Purchase Agreement**

On September 4, 2014, Huron Consulting Group Inc. (the "Company") entered into a Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (the "Representatives"), as the representatives of the several initial purchasers named therein (collectively, the "Initial Purchasers") relating to the sale of \$225 million aggregate principal amount of the Company's 1.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Notes"), for resale to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Company also granted the Initial Purchasers an option to purchase, within a period of 13 days beginning on, and including, the date the Notes are first issued, up to an additional \$25 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes on the same terms and conditions.

The Purchase Agreement includes customary representations, warranties and covenants and customary closing conditions. Under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, the Company has agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchasers against certain liabilities.

The foregoing description of the Purchase Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Purchase Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and Warrant Transactions

In connection with the pricing of the Notes, on September 4, 2014, the Company entered into privately negotiated convertible note hedge transactions (together, the "Convertible Note Hedge Transactions") with each of Bank of America, N.A. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as an agent for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, London Branch (together, the "Hedge Counterparties"). The Convertible Note Hedge Transactions cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, the number of shares of the Company's common stock initially underlying the Notes. On September 4, 2014, the Company also entered into separate, privately negotiated warrant transactions (the "Warrant Transactions") with each of the Hedge Counterparties collectively relating to the same number of shares of the Company's common stock underlying the Convertible Note Hedge Transactions, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, with an initial strike price of approximately \$97.12 per share, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, which is approximately 55.0% higher than the closing price per share of the Company's common stock on September 4, 2014. The warrants evidenced by the Warrant Transactions will be settled on a net-share basis. If the Initial Purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional Notes, the Company intends to enter into additional convertible note hedge transactions and additional warrant transactions with the Hedge Counterparties, which will initially cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, the number of shares of the Company's common stock that will initially underlie the additional notes sold to the Initial Purchasers.

The Convertible Note Hedge Transactions are intended to generally reduce the potential dilution with respect to the Company's common stock and/or offset any potential cash payments the Company is required to make in excess of the principal amount of converted Notes, as the case may be, upon any conversion of the Notes in the event that the price per share of the Company's common stock is greater than the strike price of the Convertible Note Hedge Transactions. The Warrant Transactions could separately have a dilutive effect with respect to the Company's common stock to the extent that the price per share of the Company's common stock, as measured under the Warrant Transactions, exceeds the strike price of the warrants.

The Company expects to pay the Hedge Counterparties approximately \$37.91 million for the Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and expects to receive approximately \$21.26 million from the Hedge Counterparties for the Warrant Transactions, resulting in a net cost to the Company of approximately \$16.65 million.

The foregoing description of the Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and Warrant Transactions is qualified in its entirety by reference to the confirmations for the Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and Warrant Transactions with each of the Hedge Counterparties, which are filed as Exhibits 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, and 10.5 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

As described in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference, on September 4, 2014, the Company entered into the Warrant Transactions with each of the Option Counterparties, pursuant to which the Company issued warrants to acquire approximately 2.8 million shares of the Company's common stock at a strike price of \$97.12 per share. The number of warrants and the strike price are subject to adjustment under certain circumstances described in the confirmations for the Warrant Transactions. The Company offered and sold the warrants in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act. Neither the warrants nor the underlying shares of common

stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants comprising the Warrant Transactions, if any, have been registered under the Securities Act, and accordingly neither may be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements.

As described in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, on September 4, 2014, the Company entered into the Purchase Agreement to issue up to \$250 million aggregate principal amount of Notes. The Company offered and sold the Notes to the Initial Purchasers in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act, and the Initial Purchasers are relying, in connection with the initial resale of the Notes, on the exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act. The initial conversion rate of the Notes, which is subject to adjustment, is 12.5170 shares of the Company's common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes. Upon conversion, the Company will deliver cash, shares of its common stock or a combination thereof, at the Company's election and subject to the terms of the indenture governing the Notes.

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 5, 2014, the Company issued a press release announcing the pricing of its offering of \$225 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes in a private offering to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number	Description
10.1	Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 4, 2014, between Huron Consulting Group Inc. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as Representatives of the several Initial Purchasers
10.2	Base Convertible Bond Hedge Transaction Confirmation, dated as of September 4, 2014, by and between Huron Consulting Group Inc. and Bank of America, N.A.
10.3	Base Convertible Bond Hedge Transaction Confirmation, dated as of September 4, 2014, by and between Huron Consulting Group Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as an agent for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, London Branch
10.4	Base Issuer Warrant Transaction Confirmation, dated as of September 4, 2014, by and between Huron Consulting Group Inc. and Bank of America, N.A.
10.5	Base Issuer Warrant Transaction Confirmation, dated as of September 4, 2014, by and between Huron Consulting Group Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as an agent for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, London Branch
99.1	Press release dated September 5, 2014, announcing the pricing of convertible senior notes

# **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant t	to the requirements of the Securi	ties Exchange Act of 1934,	, the registrant has du	ly caused this report to l	be signed on its behalf by the
undersigned her	eunto duly authorized.				

Date: September 5, 2014

Huron Consulting Group Inc.
(Registrant)
/s/ C. Mark Hussey
C. Mark Hussey

C. Mark Hussey Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer

# HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

(a Delaware corporation)

\$225,000,000

# 1.25% CONVERTIBLE SENIOR NOTES DUE 2019

# PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Dated: September 4, 2014

#### HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

(a Delaware corporation)

\$225,000,000

1.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019

#### PURCHASE AGREEMENT

September 4, 2014

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith
Incorporated
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
as Representatives of the several Initial Purchasers

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Huron Consulting Group Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), confirms its agreement with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("Merrill Lynch") and each of the other Initial Purchasers named in Schedule A hereto (collectively, the "Initial Purchasers," which term shall also include any initial purchaser substituted as hereinafter provided in Section 11 hereof), for whom Merrill Lynch and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("J.P. Morgan") are acting as representatives (in such capacity, the "Representatives"), with respect to (i) the sale by the Company and the purchase by the Initial Purchasers, acting severally and not jointly, of the respective principal amounts set forth in said Schedule A of \$225,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 1.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Initial Securities") and (ii) the grant by the Company to the Initial Purchasers, acting severally and not jointly, of the option to purchase all or any part of an additional \$25,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 1.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Option Securities" and, together with the Initial Securities, the "Securities"). The Securities are to be issued pursuant to an indenture, to be dated as of September 10, 2014 (the "Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association as trustee (the "Trustee").

The Company understands that the Initial Purchasers propose to make an offering of the Securities on the terms and in the manner set forth herein and agrees that the Initial Purchasers may resell, subject to the conditions set forth herein, all or a portion of the Securities to purchasers ("Subsequent Purchasers") at any time after this Agreement has been executed and delivered. The Securities are to be offered and sold through the Initial Purchasers without being registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), in reliance upon exemptions therefrom. Pursuant to the terms of the Securities and the Indenture, investors that acquire Securities may only resell or otherwise transfer such Securities if such Securities are hereafter registered under the 1933 Act or if an exemption from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act is available (including the exemption afforded by Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") of the rules and regulations promulgated under the 1933 Act (the "1933 Act Regulations") by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission")).

The Company has prepared and delivered to each Initial Purchaser copies of a preliminary offering memorandum dated September 3, 2014 prior to the Applicable Time (as defined below) (the "Preliminary Offering Memorandum") and has prepared and will deliver to each Initial Purchaser, on the date hereof or the next succeeding business day, copies of a final offering memorandum dated September 4, 2014 (the "Final Offering Memorandum"), each for use by such Initial Purchaser in connection with its solicitation of purchases of, or offering of, the Securities. "Offering Memorandum" means, with respect to any date or time referred to in this Agreement, the most recent offering memorandum (whether the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Final Offering Memorandum, or any amendment or supplement to either such document), including exhibits thereto and any documents incorporated therein by reference, which has been prepared and delivered by the Company to the Initial Purchasers, in the case of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum prior to the Applicable Time, in connection with their solicitation of purchases of, or offering of, the Securities. The Company will prepare a final term sheet reflecting the final terms of the Securities, in the form set forth in Schedule B hereto (the "Final Term Sheet"), and will deliver such Final Term Sheet to the Initial Purchasers prior to the Applicable Time in connection with their solicitation of purchases of, or offering of, the Securities. The Company agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representatives, it will not make any offer relating to the Securities by any written materials other than the Offering Memorandum and the Issuer Written Information. "Issuer Written Information" means (i) any writing intended for general distribution to investors as evidenced by its being specified in Schedule C hereto, including the Final Term Sheet, and (ii) any "road show" that is a "written communication" within the meaning of the 1933 Act. "General Disclosure Package" means the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and any Issuer Written Information specified on Schedule C hereto and issued at or prior to 8:00 A.M., New York City time, on September 5, 2014 or such other time as agreed by the Company and Merrill Lynch (such date and time, the "Applicable Time").

All references in this Agreement to financial statements and schedules and other information which is "contained," "included" or "stated" in the Offering Memorandum (or other references of like import) shall be deemed to mean and include all such financial statements and schedules and other information which are incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum; and all references in this Agreement to amendments or supplements to the Offering Memorandum shall be deemed to mean and include the filing of any document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "1934 Act") which is incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum.

#### SECTION 1. Representations and Warranties.

- (a) *Representations and Warranties by the Company*. The Company represents and warrants to each Initial Purchaser as of the date hereof, the Applicable Time, the Closing Time and any Date of Delivery (as defined below), and agrees with each Initial Purchaser, as follows:
  - (i) <u>General Disclosure Package</u>; <u>Rule 144A Eligibility</u>. The Company hereby confirms that it has authorized the use of the General Disclosure Package, including the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Final Term Sheet, and the Final Offering Memorandum in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers. The Securities are eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A and will not be, at the Closing Time, of the same class as securities of the Company listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the 1934 Act, or quoted in a U.S. automated interdealer quotation system.
  - (ii) <u>No Registration Required; No General Solicitation</u>. Subject to compliance by the Initial Purchasers with the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers and the procedures set forth in Section 6 hereof, it is not necessary in connection with the offer, sale and delivery of the offered Securities to the Initial Purchasers and to each Subsequent Purchaser who

purchases the Securities from the Initial Purchaser in the initial resale of such Securities by the Initial Purchaser in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum to register the Securities under the 1933 Act or to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "1939 Act"). None of the Company, its Affiliates or any person acting on its or any of their behalf (other than the Initial Purchasers, as to whom the Company makes no representation) has engaged, in connection with the offering of the offered Securities, in any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) under the 1933 Act Regulations.

(iii) Accurate Disclosure. As of the Applicable Time, neither (A) the General Disclosure Package nor (B) any Issuer Written Information, when considered together with the General Disclosure Package, included, includes or will include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted, omits or will omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Final Offering Memorandum, as of its date, at the Closing Time or at any Date of Delivery, did not, does not and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, when such documents incorporated by reference were filed with the Commission, when read together with the other information in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, as the case may be, did not, does not and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

The representations and warranties in this subsection shall not apply to statements in or omissions from the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Initial Purchaser through Merrill Lynch expressly for use therein. For purposes of this Agreement, the only information so furnished shall be the information in the first paragraph under the heading "Plan of Distribution—Price Stabilization, Short Positions" in the Offering Memorandum (collectively, the "Initial Purchaser Information").

- (iv) <u>Incorporation of Documents by Reference</u>. The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum at the time they were or hereafter are filed with the Commission, complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the 1934 Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission under the 1934 Act (the "1934 Act Regulations").
- (v) <u>Independent Accountants</u>. The accountants who certified the financial statements and supporting schedules included in the Offering Memorandum are independent public accountants with respect to the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as required by the 1933 Act, the 1934 Act Regulations, the 1934 Act, the 1934 Act Regulations and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.
- (vi) <u>Financial Statements</u>; <u>Non-GAAP Financial Measures</u>. The financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, together with the related schedules and notes, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries at the dates indicated and the statement of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries for the periods specified; said financial statements have been

prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), in all material respects, applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved. The supporting schedules, if any, present fairly in accordance with GAAP the information required to be stated therein, in all material respects. The selected financial data and the summary financial information included in the Offering Memorandum present fairly, in all material respects, the information shown therein and have been compiled on a basis consistent with that of the audited financial statements included therein. No historical or pro forma financial statements or supporting schedules are required to be included or incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum under the 1933 Act or the 1933 Act Regulations. All disclosures contained in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, or incorporated by reference therein, regarding "non-GAAP financial measures" (as such term is defined by the rules and regulations of the Commission) comply with Regulation G of the 1934 Act and Item 10 of Regulation S-K of the 1933 Act, to the extent applicable. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(vii) No Material Adverse Change in Business. Except as otherwise stated therein, since the respective dates as of which information is given in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, (A) there has been no material adverse change in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business affairs or business prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise, whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business (a "Material Adverse Effect"), (B) there have been no transactions entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, other than those in the ordinary course of business, which are material with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise, and (C) there has been no dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made by the Company on any class of its capital stock.

(viii) <u>Good Standing of the Company</u>. The Company has been duly organized and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum and to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement; and the Company is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each other jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except where the failure so to qualify or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(ix) <u>Good Standing of Subsidiaries</u>. Each "significant subsidiary" of the Company (as such term is defined in Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X) (each, a "Subsidiary" and, collectively, the "Subsidiaries") has been duly organized and is validly existing in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, has corporate or similar power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum and is duly qualified to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Except as otherwise disclosed in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of each Subsidiary has been duly authorized and validly issued, is fully paid and non-assessable and

is owned by the Company, directly or through subsidiaries, free and clear of any security interest, mortgage, pledge, lien, encumbrance, claim or equity. None of the outstanding shares of capital stock of any Subsidiary was issued in violation of the preemptive or similar rights of any securityholder of such Subsidiary. The Company does not own or control, directly or indirectly, any corporation, association or other entity other than the subsidiaries listed in Exhibit 21 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013.

- (x) <u>Capitalization</u>. The authorized, issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company are as set forth in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum in the column entitled "Actual" under the caption "Capitalization" (except for subsequent issuances, if any, pursuant to this Agreement, pursuant to reservations, agreements or employee benefit plans referred to in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum or pursuant to the exercise of convertible securities or options referred to in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum).
  - (xi) Authorization of Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.
- (xii) <u>Authorization of the Indenture</u>. The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed and delivered by the Company and the Trustee, will constitute a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights generally and except as enforcement thereof is subject to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).
- (xiii) <u>Authorization of the Securities and the Common Stock</u>. The Securities have been duly authorized and, at the Closing Time, will have been duly executed by the Company and, when authenticated, issued and delivered in the manner provided for in the Indenture and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor as provided in this Agreement, will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights generally and except as enforcement thereof is subject to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), and will be in the form contemplated by, and entitled to the benefits of, the Indenture. The shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities have been duly authorized and reserved for issuance upon such conversion by all necessary corporate action and such shares, when issued upon such conversion, will be validly issued and will be fully paid and non-assessable; no holder of such shares will be subject to personal liability by reason of being such a holder; and the issuance of such shares upon such conversion will not be subject to the preemptive or other similar rights of any securityholder of the Company.
- (xiv) <u>Description of the Securities, the Common Stock and the Indenture</u>. The Securities and the Indenture will conform in all material respects to the respective statements relating thereto contained in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum. The Common Stock conforms in all material respects to all statements relating thereto contained or incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum and such description conforms to the rights set forth in the instruments defining the same.

(xv) <u>Registration Rights</u>. There are no persons with registration rights or other similar rights to have any securities registered for sale or sold by the Company under the 1933 Act.

(xvi) Absence of Violations, Defaults and Conflicts. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is (A) in violation of its charter, by-laws or similar organizational document, (B) in default in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any contract, indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan or credit agreement, note, lease or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of them may be bound or to which any of the properties or assets of the Company or any subsidiary is subject (collectively, "Agreements and Instruments"), except for such defaults that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, or (C) in violation of any law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ or decree of any arbitrator, court, governmental body, regulatory body, administrative agency or other authority, body or agency having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective properties, assets or operations (each, a "Governmental Entity"), except for such violations that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein and in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum (including the issuance and sale of the Securities and the use of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described therein under the caption "Use of Proceeds") and compliance by the Company with its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and do not and will not, whether with or without the giving of notice or passage of time or both, conflict with or constitute a breach of, or default or Repayment Event (as defined below) under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any properties or assets of the Company or any subsidiary pursuant to, the Agreements and Instruments (except for such conflicts, breaches, defaults or Repayment Events or liens, charges or encumbrances that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect); nor will such action result in any violation of (i) the provisions of the charter, by-laws or similar organizational document of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or (ii) any law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ or decree of any Governmental Entity, except, in the case of this clause (ii), for such violations of any law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ or decree (other than (x) federal securities laws, regulations and rules and (y) judgments, orders, writs or decrees thereunder) as would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. As used herein, a "Repayment Event" means any event or condition which gives the holder of any note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness (or any person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a portion of such indebtedness by the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

(xvii) <u>Absence of Labor Dispute</u>. No labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries exists or, to the knowledge of the Company, is imminent, and the Company is not aware of any existing or imminent labor disturbance by the employees of any of its or any subsidiary's principal suppliers, manufacturers, customers or contractors, which, in either case, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xviii) <u>Absence of Proceedings</u>. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or brought by any Governmental Entity now pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened, against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries, which would, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, or which would, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to materially and adversely affect their respective properties or assets or the consummation of the transactions contemplated in this Agreement or the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder; and the aggregate of all pending legal or governmental proceedings to which the Company or any such subsidiary is a party or of which any of their respective properties or assets is the subject which are not described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, including ordinary routine litigation incidental to the business, would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xix) Absence of Further Requirements. No filing with, or authorization, approval, consent, license, order, registration, qualification or decree of, any Governmental Entity is necessary or required for the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder, in connection with the offering, issuance or sale of the Securities hereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or for the due execution, delivery and performance of the Indenture, except (A) such as have been already obtained, (B) such as may be required under the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of U.S. state or non-U.S. jurisdictions or other non-U.S. laws applicable to the purchase of the Securities outside the United States in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, (C) the filing of a current report on Form 8-K with the Commission under the 1934 Act regarding the transactions contemplated hereby, which the Company covenants it will timely file under the 1934 Act or (D) those the failure to obtain would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to (i) result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) materially and adversely affect the consummation of the transactions contemplated in this Agreement or the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder.

(xx) <u>Possession of Licenses and Permits</u>. Except as would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Company and its subsidiaries possess such permits, licenses, approvals, consents and other authorizations (collectively, "Governmental Licenses") issued by the appropriate Governmental Entities necessary to conduct the business now operated by them. The Company and its subsidiaries are in compliance with the terms and conditions of all Governmental Licenses, except where the failure so to comply would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. All of the Governmental Licenses are valid and in full force and effect, except when the invalidity of such Governmental Licenses or the failure of such Governmental Licenses to be in full force and effect would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any Governmental Licenses which, singly or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxi) <u>Title to Property</u>. The Company and its subsidiaries do not own any real property. The Company and its subsidiaries have good title to all other properties owned by them, in each case, free and clear of all mortgages, pledges, liens, security interests, claims, restrictions or encumbrances of any kind except such as (A) are described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum or (B) do not, singly or in the aggregate, materially affect the value of such property and do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property by the Company or any of its subsidiaries; and all of the leases and subleases material to the business of the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one enterprise, and under which the Company or any of its subsidiaries holds properties described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, are

in full force and effect; and neither the Company nor any such subsidiary has any notice of any claim of any sort that has been asserted by anyone adverse to the rights of the Company or any subsidiary under any of the leases or subleases mentioned above, or affecting or questioning the rights of the Company or such subsidiary to the continued possession of the leased or subleased premises under any such lease or sublease except for any claims which would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxii) <u>Possession of Intellectual Property.</u> The Company and its subsidiaries own or possess, or can acquire on reasonable terms, patents rights, licenses, inventions, copyrights, know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures), trademarks, service marks, trade names or other intellectual property (collectively, "Intellectual Property") necessary to carry on the business currently operated by them, except where such failure to own or possess, or such inability to acquire on reasonable terms, would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice or is otherwise aware of any infringement of or conflict with asserted rights of others with respect to any Intellectual Property or of any facts or circumstances which would render any Intellectual Property invalid or inadequate to protect the interest of the Company or any of its subsidiaries therein, and which infringement or conflict (if the subject of any unfavorable decision, ruling or finding) or invalidity or inadequacy, singly or in the aggregate, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxiii) Environmental Laws. Except as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum or would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (A) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is in violation of any applicable federal, state, local or foreign statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, code, policy or rule of common law or any judicial or administrative interpretation thereof, including any judicial or administrative order, consent, decree or judgment, relating to pollution or protection of human health, the environment (including, without limitation, ambient air, surface water, groundwater, land surface or subsurface strata) or wildlife, including, without limitation, laws and regulations relating to the release or threatened release of chemicals, pollutants, contaminants, wastes, toxic substances, hazardous substances, petroleum or petroleum products, asbestos-containing materials or mold (collectively, "Hazardous Materials") or to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Hazardous Materials (collectively, "Environmental Laws"), (B) the Company and its subsidiaries have all permits, authorizations and approvals required under any applicable Environmental Laws and are each in compliance with their requirements, (C) there are no pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened administrative, regulatory or judicial actions, suits, demands, demand letters, claims, liens, notices of noncompliance or violation, investigation or proceedings relating to any applicable Environmental Law against the Company or any of its subsidiaries and (D) there are no events or circumstances that would reasonably be expected to form the basis of an order for clean-up or remediation, or an action, suit or proceeding by any private party or Governmental Entity, against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries relating to Hazardous Materials or any applicable En

(xxiv) Accounting Controls and Disclosure Controls. The Company and each of its subsidiaries maintain effective internal control over financial reporting (as defined under Rule 13-a15 and 15d-15 under the 1934 Act Regulations) and a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (A) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (B) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP and to maintain

accountability for assets; (C) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (D) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (E) the interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language incorporated by reference in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto. Except as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, since the end of the Company's most recent audited fiscal year, there has been (1) no material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (whether or not remediated) and (2) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The Company and each of its subsidiaries maintain an effective system of disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15 and Rule 15d-15 under the 1934 Act Regulations) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the 1934 Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, and is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer or officers and principal financial officer or officers, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure.

(xxv) <u>Compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.</u> There is and, since January 1, 2010, has been, no failure on the part of the Company or, to the knowledge of the Company, any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith, including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(xxvi) <u>Payment of Taxes</u>. All United States federal income tax returns of the Company and its subsidiaries required by law to be filed have been filed and all taxes shown by such returns or otherwise assessed, which are due and payable, have been paid, except assessments against which appeals have been or will be promptly taken and as to which adequate reserves have been provided. The United States federal income tax returns of the Company through the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 have been settled and no assessment in connection therewith has been made against the Company. The Company and its subsidiaries have filed all other tax returns that are required to have been filed by them pursuant to applicable foreign, state, local or other law except insofar as the failure to file such returns would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, and has paid all taxes shown by such returns or pursuant to any assessment received by the Company and its subsidiaries, except for such taxes, if any, as are being contested in good faith and as to which adequate reserves have been established by the Company. The charges, accruals and reserves on the books of the Company in respect of any income and corporation tax liability for any years not finally determined are adequate to meet any assessments or re-assessments for additional income tax for any years not finally determined, except to the extent of any inadequacy that would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxvii) <u>Insurance</u>. The Company and its subsidiaries carry or are entitled to the benefits of insurance, with insurers that the Company reasonably believes are financially sound and reputable, in such amounts and covering such risks as is generally maintained by companies of established repute engaged in the same or similar business, and all such insurance is in full force and effect. The Company has no reason to believe that it or any of its subsidiaries will not be able (A) to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such policies expire or (B) to obtain comparable coverage from similar institutions as may be necessary or appropriate to

conduct its business as now conducted and at a cost that would not result in a Material Adverse Change. Neither of the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has been denied any insurance coverage which it has sought or for which it has applied, except for such denials that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(xxviii) <u>Investment Company Act</u>. The Company is not required, and upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated and the application of the net proceeds therefrom as described in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum will not be required, to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act").

(xxix) <u>Absence of Manipulation</u>. Neither the Company nor any Affiliate of the Company has taken, nor will the Company or any Affiliate take, directly or indirectly, any action which is designed, or would be expected, to cause or result in, or which constitutes, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities or to result in a violation of Regulation M under the 1934 Act.

(xxx) Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Unlawful Payments. None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries (i) has used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) is aware of or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "FCPA"), including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA and the Company and, to the knowledge of the Company, its affiliates have conducted their businesses in compliance with the FCPA and have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure, and which are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith; (iii) has violated or is in violation of any applicable law or regulation implementing the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, or committed an offence under the Bribery Act 2010 of the United Kingdom, or any other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption law; or (iv) has made, offered, agreed, requested or taken an act in furtherance of any unlawful bribe or other unlawful benefit, including, without limitation, any rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful or improper payment or benefit. The Company and its subsidiaries have instituted, maintain and enforce, and will continue to maintain and enforce, policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws.

(xxxi) Money Laundering Laws. The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any Governmental Entity (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws"); and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any Governmental Entity involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(xxxii) OFAC. None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or representative of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is an individual or entity ("Person") currently the subject or target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the United States Government (including, without limitation, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control and the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a "specially designated national" or a "blocked person"), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "Sanctions"), nor is the Company or any of its subsidiaries located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of Sanctions, including, without limitation, Cuba, Burma (Myanmar), Iran, North Korea, Sudan and Syria (each, a "Sanctioned Country"); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the sale of the Securities, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiaries, joint venture partners or other Person, to fund any activities of or business with any Person, or in any country or territory, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of Sanctions or in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person (including any Person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions. For the past five years, the Company and its subsidiaries have not knowingly engaged in, are not now knowingly engaged in and will not engage in any dealings or transactions with any person that at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject or the target of Sanctions or with any Sanctioned Country.

(xxxiii) <u>Lending Relationship</u>. Except as disclosed in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, the Company (i) does not have any material lending or other relationship with any bank or lending affiliate of any Initial Purchaser and (ii) does not intend to use any of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities to repay any outstanding debt owed to any affiliate of any Initial Purchaser.

(xxxiv) <u>Statistical and Market-Related Data</u>. Any statistical and market-related data included in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate and, to the extent required, the Company has obtained the written consent to the use of such data from such sources and, to the extent required, the Company has obtained the written consent to the use of such data from such sources.

(b) Officer's Certificates. Any certificate signed by any officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries delivered to the Representatives or to counsel for the Initial Purchasers pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Company to each Initial Purchaser as to the matters covered thereby.

#### SECTION 2. Sale and Delivery to Initial Purchasers; Closing.

(a) *Initial Securities*. On the basis of the representations and warranties herein contained and subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company agrees to sell to each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, and each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase from the Company, at the price set forth in Schedule A, the aggregate principal amount of Initial Securities set forth in Schedule A, plus any additional principal amount of Initial Securities which such Initial Purchaser may become obligated to purchase pursuant to the provisions of Section 11 hereof, subject to such adjustments as Merrill Lynch in its discretion shall make to ensure that any sales or purchases are in authorized denominations.

- (b) Option Securities. In addition, on the basis of the representations and warranties herein contained and subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company hereby grants an option to the Initial Purchasers, severally and not jointly, to purchase the Option Securities, at the price set forth in Schedule A. The option hereby granted may be exercised in whole or in part from time to time upon notice by the Representatives to the Company setting forth the amount of Option Securities as to which the several Initial Purchasers are then exercising the option and the time and date of payment and delivery for such Option Securities. Any such time and date of delivery (a "Date of Delivery") shall be determined by the Representatives, but shall not be later than seven full business days after the exercise of said option, nor in any event prior to the Closing Time, and shall be within a period of thirteen (13) days beginning from, and including, the date of the Closing Time. If the option is exercised as to all or any portion of the Option Securities, each of the Initial Purchasers, acting severally and not jointly, will purchase that proportion of the total principal amount of Option Securities then being purchased which the number of Initial Securities set forth in Schedule A opposite the name of such Initial Purchaser bears to the total principal amount of Initial Securities, subject in each case to such adjustments as Merrill Lynch in its discretion shall make to ensure that any sales or purchases are in authorized denominations.
- (c) *Payment*. Payment of the purchase price for, and delivery of the Initial Securities (which will be represented by one or more definitive global Securities in book-entry form that will be deposited by or on behalf of the Company with DTCC (as defined below) or its designated custodian) shall be made at the offices of Latham & Watkins LLP at 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022, or at such other place as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company, at 9:00 A.M. (New York City time) on the third (fourth, if the pricing occurs after 4:30 P.M. (New York City time) on any given day) business day after the date hereof (unless postponed in accordance with the provisions of Section 11), or such other time not later than ten business days after such date as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company (such time and date of payment and delivery being herein called "Closing Time").

In addition, in the event that any or all of the Option Securities are purchased by the Initial Purchasers, payment of the purchase price for, and delivery such Option Securities (which will be represented by one or more definitive global Securities in book-entry form that will be deposited by or on behalf of the Company with DTCC (as defined below) or its designated custodian) shall be made at the above-mentioned offices, or at such other place as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company, on each Date of Delivery as specified in the notice from Merrill Lynch to the Company.

Payment shall be made to the Company by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a bank account designated by the Company, against delivery to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the Initial Purchasers of certificates for the Securities to be purchased by them. It is understood that each Initial Purchaser has authorized the Representatives, for its account, to accept delivery of, receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Initial Securities and the Option Securities, if any, which it has agreed to purchase. Merrill Lynch, individually and not as Representatives, may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment of the purchase price for the Initial Securities or the Option Securities, if any, to be purchased by any Initial Purchaser whose funds have not been received by the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, as the case may be, but such payment shall not relieve such Initial Purchaser from its obligations hereunder.

SECTION 3. Covenants of the Company. The Company covenants with each Initial Purchaser as follows:

(a) *Delivery of Offering Memorandum*. The Company has delivered to each Initial Purchaser, without charge, as many copies of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum (as amended or supplemented) thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein as such Initial Purchaser

reasonably requested, and the Company hereby consents to the use of such copies. The Company will furnish to each Initial Purchaser, without charge, such number of copies of the Final Offering Memorandum thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein as such Initial Purchaser may reasonably request.

- (b) *Notice and Effect of Material Events*. If at any time prior to the completion of resales of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers, any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which it is necessary, in the reasonable opinion of counsel for the Initial Purchasers or for the Company, to amend or supplement the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum in order that the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, as the case may be, will not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances existing at the time it is delivered to a Subsequent Purchaser, the Company will promptly (A) give the Representatives notice of such event and (B) prepare any amendment or supplement as may be necessary to correct such statement or omission and, a reasonable amount of time prior to any proposed use or distribution, furnish the Representatives with copies of any such amendment or supplement; provided that the Company shall not use or distribute any such amendment or supplement to which the Representatives or counsel for the Initial Purchasers shall object. The Company will furnish to the Initial Purchasers such number of copies of such amendment or supplement as the Initial Purchasers may reasonably request.
- (c) *Reporting Requirements*. Until the completion of the initial resales of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers, the Company will file all documents required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to the 1934 Act within the time periods required by the 1934 Act and the 1934 Act Regulations. The Company has given the Representatives notice of any filings made pursuant to the 1934 Act or 1934 Act Regulations within 48 hours prior to the Applicable Time; the Company will give the Representatives notice of its intention to make any such filing from the Applicable Time to the Closing Time and will furnish the Representatives with copies of any such documents a reasonable amount of time prior to such proposed filing, as the case may be, and will not file or use any such document to which the Representatives or counsel for the Initial Purchasers shall reasonably object.
- (d) *Blue Sky Qualifications*. The Company will use its best efforts, in cooperation with the Initial Purchasers, to qualify the Securities for offering and sale under the applicable securities laws of such states and other jurisdictions (domestic or foreign) as the Representatives may designate and to maintain such qualifications in effect so long as required to complete the distribution of the Securities; provided, however, that the Company shall not be obligated to file any general consent to service of process or to qualify as a foreign corporation or as a dealer in securities in any jurisdiction in which it is not so qualified or to subject itself to taxation in respect of doing business in any jurisdiction in which it is not otherwise so subject.
- (e) *Use of Proceeds*. The Company will use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Securities in the manner specified in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum under "Use of Proceeds."
- (f) *DTCC*. The Company will cooperate with the Initial Purchasers and use its reasonable efforts to permit the offered Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC").
- (g) *Listing*. For so long as the Company's Common Stock is then listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the Company will use its best efforts to effect and maintain the listing of the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.

(h) Restriction on Sale of Securities. During a period of 60 days from the date of the Final Offering Memorandum, the Company will not, without the prior written consent of Merrill Lynch and J.P. Morgan, (i) directly or indirectly, offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase or otherwise transfer or dispose of any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock or file any registration statement under the 1933 Act with respect to any of the foregoing or (ii) enter into any swap or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of the Common Stock, whether any such swap or transaction described in clause (i) or (ii) above is to be settled by delivery of Common Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise. The foregoing sentence shall not apply to (A) the Securities to be sold hereunder, (B) any shares of Common Stock issued by the Company upon the exercise of an option or warrant or the conversion of a security outstanding on the date hereof and referred to in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum or (C) any shares of Common Stock issued, options to purchase Common Stock granted or other equity incentive awards granted pursuant to existing employee benefit plans of the Company referred to in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum, and any shares of Common Stock issued in respect of such awards.

#### SECTION 4. Payment of Expenses.

- (a) Expenses. The Company will pay or cause to be paid all expenses incident to the performance of their obligations under this Agreement, including (i) preparation, issuance and delivery of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers and the Common Stock issuable upon conversion thereof and any charges of DTCC in connection therewith, (ii) the fees and disbursements of the Company's counsel, accountants and other advisors, (iii) the qualification of the Securities under securities laws in accordance with the provisions of Section 3(d) hereof, including filing fees and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Initial Purchasers in connection therewith and in connection with the preparation of the Blue Sky Survey and any supplement thereto in the amount of \$10,000, (iv) the preparation, printing and delivery to the Initial Purchasers of copies of each Preliminary Offering Memorandum, any Issuer Written Information, the Final Term Sheet and the Final Offering Memorandum and any amendments or supplements thereto and any costs associated with electronic delivery of any of the foregoing by the Initial Purchasers to investors, (v) all fees and expenses of the Trustee and any expenses of any transfer agent or registrar for the Securities or the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities, (vi) the costs and expenses of the Company relating to investor presentations on any "road show" undertaken in connection with the marketing of the Securities, including without limitation, expenses associated with the production of road show slides and graphics, fees and expenses of any consultants engaged by the Company in connection with the road show presentations, travel and lodging expenses of the representatives and officers of the Company and any such consultants, and the cost of aircraft and other transportation chartered by the Company in connection with the road show, (vii) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the listing of the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities on the Nasdaq Global Select Market and (viii) the costs and expenses (including, without limitation, any damages or other amounts payable in connection with legal or contractual liability) associated with the reforming of any contracts for sale of the Securities made by the Initial Purchasers caused by a breach of the representation contained in the first sentence of Section 1(a)(iii).
- (b) *Termination of Agreement*. If this Agreement is terminated by the Representatives in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Section 10(a)(i) or (iii) or Section 11 hereof, the Company shall reimburse the Initial Purchasers for all of their reasonable, documented out-of-pocket expenses, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Initial Purchasers.

SECTION 5. <u>Conditions of Initial Purchasers' Obligations</u>. The obligations of the several Initial Purchasers hereunder are subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Company contained herein or in certificates of any officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, to the performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder, and to the following further conditions:

- (a) *Opinion of Counsel for Company*. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received the favorable opinion and negative assurance letter, each dated the Closing Time, of McDermott Will & Emery LLP, counsel for the Company, in form and substance satisfactory to counsel for the Initial Purchasers, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letters for each of the other Initial Purchasers, to the effect set forth in Exhibits A-1 and A-2, respectively, hereto and to such further effect as counsel to the Initial Purchasers may reasonably request.
- (b) *Opinion of Counsel for Initial Purchasers*. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received the favorable opinion, dated the Closing Time, of Latham & Watkins LLP, counsel for the Initial Purchasers, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letter for each of the other Initial Purchasers in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives. In giving such opinion such counsel may rely, as to all matters governed by the laws of jurisdictions other than the law of the State of New York, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and the federal securities laws of the United States, upon the opinions of counsel satisfactory to the Representatives. Such counsel may also state that, insofar as such opinion involves factual matters, they have relied, to the extent they deem proper, upon certificates of officers and other representatives of the Company and its subsidiaries and certificates of public officials.
- (c) Officers' Certificate. At the Closing Time, there shall not have been, since the date hereof or since the respective dates as of which information is given in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, any material adverse change in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business affairs or business prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise, whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business, and the Representatives shall have received a certificate of the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and of the chief financial or chief accounting officer of the Company, dated the Closing Time, to the effect that (i) there has been no such material adverse change, (ii) the representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement are true and correct with the same force and effect as though expressly made at and as of the Closing Time and (iii) the Company has complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Time.
- (d) *Accountant's Comfort Letter*. At the time of the execution of this Agreement, the Representatives shall have received from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP a letter, dated such date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letter for each of the other Initial Purchasers containing statements and information of the type ordinarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in the Offering Memorandum.
- (e) *Bring-down Comfort Letter*. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP a letter, dated as of the Closing Time, to the effect that they reaffirm the statements made in the letter furnished pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section, except that the specified date referred to shall be a date not more than three business days prior to the Closing Time.
- (f) *Listing*. The Company shall have timely filed a Notification of Listing of Additional Shares with the Nasdaq Stock Market for the listing of the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities and shall have received no objection thereto from The Nasdaq Stock Market.

- (g) *Lock-up Agreements*. At the date of this Agreement, the Representatives shall have received an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto signed by the persons listed on Schedule D hereto.
- (h) *Ratings*. Neither the Company nor its subsidiaries have any debt securities or preferred stock that are rated by any "nationally recognized statistical rating agency" (as that term is defined under Section 3(a)(62) of the 1934 Act).
- (i) *Conditions to Purchase of Option Securities*. In the event that the Initial Purchasers exercise their option provided in Section 2(b) hereof to purchase all or any portion of the Option Securities, the representations and warranties of the Company contained herein and the statements in any certificates furnished by the Company and any of its subsidiaries hereunder shall be true and correct as of each Date of Delivery and, at the relevant Date of Delivery, the Representatives shall have received:
  - (i) Officers' Certificate. A certificate, dated such Date of Delivery, of the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and of the chief financial or chief accounting officer of the Company confirming that the certificate delivered at the Closing Time pursuant to Section 5(c) hereof remains true and correct as of such Date of Delivery.
  - (ii) <u>Opinion of Counsel for Company</u>. If requested by the Representatives, the favorable opinion and negative assurance letter of McDermott Will & Emery LLP, counsel for the Company, in form and substance satisfactory to counsel for the Initial Purchasers, dated such Date of Delivery, relating to the Option Securities to be purchased on such Date of Delivery and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion and negative assurance letter required by Section 5(a) hereof.
  - (iii) <u>Opinion of Counsel for Initial Purchasers</u>. If requested by the Representatives, the favorable opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP, counsel for the Initial Purchasers, dated such Date of Delivery, relating to the Option Securities to be purchased on such Date of Delivery and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 5(b) hereof.
  - (iv) <u>Bring-down Comfort Letter</u>. If requested by the Representatives, a letter from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives and dated such Date of Delivery, substantially in the same form and substance as the letter furnished to the Representatives pursuant to Section 5(d) hereof, except that the "specified date" in the letter furnished pursuant to this paragraph shall be a date not more than three business days prior to such Date of Delivery.
- (j) Additional Documents. At the Closing Time and at each Date of Delivery (if any), counsel for the Initial Purchasers shall have been furnished with such documents and opinions as they may reasonably require for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated, or in order to evidence the accuracy of any of the representations or warranties, or the fulfillment of any of the conditions, herein contained; and all proceedings taken by the Company in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated shall be reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Representatives and counsel for the Initial Purchasers.
- (k) *Termination of Agreement*. If any condition specified in this Section shall not have been fulfilled when and as required to be fulfilled, this Agreement, or, in the case of any condition to the purchase of Option Securities on a Date of Delivery which is after the Closing Time, the obligations of the several Initial Purchasers to purchase the relevant Option Securities, may be terminated by the

Representatives by notice to the Company at any time at or prior to Closing Time or such Date of Delivery, as the case may be, and such termination shall be without liability of any party to any other party except as provided in Section 4 and except that Sections 1, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 and 17 shall survive any such termination and remain in full force and effect.

#### SECTION 6. Subsequent Offers and Resales of the Securities.

- (a) Offer and Sale Procedures. Each of the Initial Purchasers and the Company hereby establish and agree to observe the following procedures in connection with the offer and sale of the Securities:
  - (i) Offers and Sales. Offers and sales of the Securities shall be made to such persons and in such manner as is contemplated by the Offering Memorandum. Each Initial Purchaser severally agrees that it will not offer, sell or deliver any of the Securities in any jurisdiction outside the United States except under circumstances that will result in compliance with the applicable laws thereof, and that it will take at its own expense whatever action is required to permit its purchase and resale of the Securities in such jurisdictions. The Company has not entered into any contractual arrangement, other than this Agreement, with respect to the distribution of the Securities or the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities and the Company will not enter into any such arrangement except as contemplated thereby.
  - (ii) <u>No General Solicitation</u>. No general solicitation or general advertising (within the meaning of Rule 502(c) under the 1933 Act Regulations) will be used in the United States in connection with the offering or sale of the Securities.
  - (iii) <u>Legends</u>. Each of the Securities will bear, to the extent applicable, the legend contained in "Notice to Investors" in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum for the time period and upon the other terms stated therein.
  - (iv) <u>Minimum Principal Amount</u>. No sale of the Securities to any one Subsequent Purchaser will be for less than U.S. \$1,000 principal amount and no Security will be issued in a smaller principal amount.
  - (b) Covenants of the Company. The Company covenants with each Initial Purchaser as follows:
  - (i) <u>Integration</u>. The Company agrees that it will not and will cause its Affiliates not to, directly or indirectly, solicit any offer to buy, sell or make any offer or sale of, or otherwise negotiate in respect of, securities of the Company of any class if, as a result of the doctrine of "integration" referred to in Rule 502 under the 1933 Act Regulations, such offer or sale would render invalid (for the purpose of (i) the sale of the offered Securities by the Company to the Initial Purchasers, (ii) the resale of the offered Securities by the Initial Purchasers to Subsequent Purchasers or (iii) the resale of the offered Securities by such Subsequent Purchasers to others) the exemption from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act provided by Section 4(a) (2) thereof or by Rule 144A thereunder or otherwise.
  - (ii) <u>Rule 144A Information</u>. The Company agrees that, in order to render the offered Securities eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A, while any of the offered Securities remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the 1933 Act, it will make available, upon request, to any holder of offered Securities or prospective purchasers of Securities the information specified in Rule 144A(d)(4), unless the Company furnishes information to the Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act.

- (iii) <u>Restriction on Repurchases</u>. Until the expiration of one year after the original issuance of the offered Securities, the Company will not, and will cause its Affiliates not to, resell any offered Securities which are reacquired by such persons which are "restricted securities" (as such term is defined under Rule 144(a)(3)), whether as beneficial owner or otherwise (except as agent acting as a securities broker on behalf of and for the account of customers in the ordinary course of business in unsolicited broker's transactions).
- (c) Representations, Warranties and Agreements of the Initial Purchasers. Each Initial Purchaser severally and not jointly represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the Company that it is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and an "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501(a) under the 1933 Act Regulations. Each Initial Purchaser understands that the offered Securities have not been and will not be registered under the 1933 Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the 1933 Act. Each Initial Purchaser severally represents and agrees that it has not offered or sold, and will not offer or sell, any offered Securities constituting part of its allotment within the United States except in accordance with Rule 144A or another applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act. Accordingly, neither it nor any person acting on its behalf has made or will make offers or sales of the Securities in the United States by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising (within the meaning of Regulation D) in the United States. Each Initial Purchaser will take reasonable steps to inform, and cause each of its affiliates (as such term is defined in Rule 501(b) under the 1933 Act Regulations (each, an "Affiliate")) to take reasonable steps to inform, persons acquiring Securities from such Initial Purchaser or Affiliate, as the case may be, in the United States that the Securities (A) have not been and will not be registered under the 1933 Act, (B) are being sold to them without registration under the 1933 Act in reliance on Rule 144A or in accordance with another exemption from registration under the 1933 Act, as the case may be, and (C) may not be offered, sold or otherwise transferred except (1) to the Company, (2) outside the United States in accordance with Regulation S or (3) inside the United States in accordance with (x) Rule 144A to a person whom the seller reasonably believes is a Qualified Institutional Buyer that is purchasing such Securities for its own account or for the account of a Qualified Institutional Buyer to whom notice is given that the offer, sale or transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A or (y) pursuant to another available exemption from registration under the 1933 Act.

#### SECTION 7. Indemnification.

- (a) *Indemnification of Initial Purchasers*. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Initial Purchaser, its Affiliates, its selling agents and their respective officers and directors and each person, if any, who controls any Initial Purchaser within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act as follows:
  - (i) against any and all loss, liability, claim, damage and expense whatsoever, as incurred, arising out of any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact included in any Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the Final Offering Memorandum, the information contained in the Final Term Sheet, any Issuer Written Information, any "road show" (as defined in Rule 433 under the 1933 Act) not constituting Issuer Written Information or any other information used by or on behalf of the Company in connection with the offer or sale of the Securities (or any amendment or supplement to the foregoing) or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;

- (ii) against any and all loss, liability, claim, damage and expense whatsoever, as incurred, to the extent of the aggregate amount paid in settlement of any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or of any claim whatsoever based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission; provided that (subject to Section 7(d) below) any such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company; and
- (iii) against any and all expense whatsoever, as incurred (including the fees and disbursements of counsel chosen by Merrill Lynch), reasonably incurred in investigating, preparing or defending against any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission, to the extent that any such expense is not paid under clauses (i) or (ii) above;

provided, however, that this indemnity agreement shall not apply to any loss, liability, claim, damage or expense to the extent arising out of any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in any Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the Final Offering Memorandum or the information contained in the Final Term Sheet (or any amendment or supplement to the foregoing) in reliance upon and in conformity with the Initial Purchaser Information.

- (b) *Indemnification of Company, Directors and Officers*. Each Initial Purchaser severally agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, its officers and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act, against any and all loss, liability, claim, damage and expense described in the indemnity contained in subsection (a) of this Section, as incurred, but only with respect to untrue statements or omissions, or alleged untrue statements or omissions, made in any Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the Final Offering Memorandum or the information contained in the Final Term Sheet (or any amendment or supplement to the foregoing) in reliance upon and in conformity with the Initial Purchaser Information.
- (c) Actions against Parties; Notification. Each indemnified party shall give notice as promptly as reasonably practicable to each indemnifying party of any action commenced against it in respect of which indemnity may be sought hereunder, but failure to so notify an indemnifying party shall not relieve such indemnifying party from any liability hereunder to the extent it is not materially prejudiced as a result thereof and in any event shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have otherwise than on account of this indemnity agreement. In the case of parties indemnified pursuant to Section 7(a) above, counsel to the indemnified parties shall be selected by Merrill Lynch, and, in the case of parties indemnified pursuant to Section 7(b) above, counsel to the indemnified parties shall be selected by the Company. In no event shall the indemnifying parties be liable for fees and expenses of more than one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) separate from their own counsel for all indemnified parties in connection with any one action or separate but similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, unless the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have mutually agreed to the contrary. An indemnifying party may participate at its own expense in the defense of any such action; provided, however, that counsel to the indemnifying party shall not (except with the consent of the indemnified party) also be counsel to the indemnified party. Any indemnified party shall have the right to retain its own counsel in any such action, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such indemnified party unless (i) the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the indemnifying party has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party; (iii) the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the indemnifying party; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the indemnifying party and the indemnified party and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interest between them. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written

consent of the indemnified parties, settle or compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever in respect of which indemnification or contribution could be sought under this Section 7 or Section 8 hereof (whether or not the indemnified parties are actual or potential parties thereto), unless such settlement, compromise or consent (i) includes an unconditional release of each indemnified party from all liability arising out of such litigation, investigation, proceeding or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(d) Settlement without Consent if Failure to Reimburse. If at any time an indemnified party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel, such indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of the nature contemplated by Section 7(a)(ii) effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 45 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request, (ii) such indemnifying party shall have received notice of the terms of such settlement at least 30 days prior to such settlement being entered into and (iii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed such indemnified party in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement.

SECTION 8. <u>Contribution</u>. If the indemnification provided for in Section 7 hereof is for any reason unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, liabilities, claims, damages or expenses referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the aggregate amount of such losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses incurred by such indemnified party, as incurred, (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and of the Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, liabilities, claims, damages or expenses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations.

The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, in connection with the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement (before deducting expenses) received by the Company, on the one hand, and the total underwriting discount received by the Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, bear to the aggregate initial offering price of the Securities as set forth on the cover of the Final Offering Memorandum.

The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any such untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or by the Initial Purchasers and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

The Company and the Initial Purchasers agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 8 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Initial Purchasers were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this Section 8. The aggregate amount of losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses incurred by an indemnified party and referred to above in this Section 8 shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in investigating, preparing or defending against any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever based upon any such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 8, no Initial Purchaser shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities purchased by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages that such Initial Purchaser has otherwise been required to pay by reason of any such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission.

No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the 1933 Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

For purposes of this Section 8, each person, if any, who controls an Initial Purchaser within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act and each Initial Purchaser's Affiliates and selling agents shall have the same rights to contribution as such Initial Purchaser, and each director of the Company, each officer of the Company, and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company. The Initial Purchasers' respective obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 8 are several in proportion to the aggregate principal amount of Initial Securities set forth opposite their respective names in Schedule A hereto and not joint.

SECTION 9. <u>Representations</u>, <u>Warranties and Agreements to Survive</u>. All representations, warranties and agreements contained in this Agreement or in certificates of officers of the Company or any of its subsidiaries submitted pursuant hereto, shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of (i) any investigation made by or on behalf of any Initial Purchaser or its Affiliates or selling agents, any person controlling any Initial Purchaser, its officers or directors or any person controlling the Company and (ii) delivery of and payment for the Securities.

#### SECTION 10. Termination of Agreement.

(a) *Termination*. The Representatives may terminate this Agreement, by notice to the Company, at any time at or prior to the Closing Time (i) if there has been, in the judgment of the Representatives, since the time of execution of this Agreement or since the respective dates as of which information is given in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum, any material adverse change in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business affairs or business prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise, whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business, or (ii) if there has occurred any material adverse change in the financial markets in the United States or the international financial markets, any outbreak of hostilities or escalation thereof or other calamity or crisis or any change or development involving a prospective change in national or international political, financial or economic conditions, in each case the effect of which is such as to make it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offering or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Securities, or (iii) if trading in any securities of the Company has been suspended or materially limited by the Commission or the Nasdaq Global Select Market, or (iv) if trading generally on the New York Stock Exchange or in the Nasdaq Global Market has been suspended or materially limited, or minimum or maximum prices for trading have been fixed, or maximum ranges for prices have been required, by any of said exchanges or by order of the Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. or any other governmental authority, or (v) a material disruption has occurred in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States, or (vi) if a banking moratorium has been declared by either Federal or New York authorities.

- (b) *Liabilities*. If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section, such termination shall be without liability of any party to any other party except as provided in Section 4 hereof, and provided further that Sections 1, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 and 17 shall survive such termination and remain in full force and effect.
- SECTION 11. <u>Default by One or More of the Initial Purchasers</u>. If one or more of the Initial Purchasers shall fail at the Closing Time or a Date of Delivery to purchase the Securities which it or they are obligated to purchase under this Agreement (the "Defaulted Securities"), the Representatives shall have the right, within 36 hours thereafter, to make arrangements for one or more of the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers, or any other initial purchasers, to purchase all, but not less than all, of the Defaulted Securities in such amounts as may be agreed upon and upon the terms herein set forth; if, however, the Representatives shall not have completed such arrangements within such 36-hour period, then:
  - (i) if the number of Defaulted Securities does not exceed 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities to be purchased on such date, each of the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers shall be obligated, severally and not jointly, to purchase the full amount thereof in the proportions that their respective underwriting obligations hereunder bear to the underwriting obligations of all non-defaulting Initial Purchasers, or
  - (ii) if the number of Defaulted Securities exceeds 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities to be purchased on such date, this Agreement or, with respect to any Date of Delivery which occurs after the Closing Time, the obligation of the Initial Purchasers to purchase, and the Company to sell, the Option Securities to be purchased and sold on such Date of Delivery, shall terminate without liability on the part of any non-defaulting Initial Purchaser.

No action taken pursuant to this Section shall relieve any defaulting Initial Purchaser from liability in respect of its default.

In the event of any such default which does not result in a termination of this Agreement or, in the case of a Date of Delivery which is after the Closing Time, which does not result in a termination of the obligation of the Initial Purchasers to purchase and the Company to sell the relevant Option Securities, as the case may be, either the (i) Representatives or (ii) the Company shall have the right to postpone Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, as the case may be, for a period not exceeding seven days in order to effect any required changes in the General Disclosure Package or the Final Offering Memorandum or in any other documents or arrangements. As used herein, the term "Initial Purchaser" includes any person substituted for an Initial Purchaser under this Section 11.

SECTION 12. Notices. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Initial Purchasers shall be directed to Merrill Lynch at One Bryant Park, New York, New York 10036, attention of Syndicate Department (facsimile: (646) 855-3073), with a copy to ECM Legal (facsimile: (212) 230-8730); notices to the Company shall be directed to it at 550 W. Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois 60607, Attention: General Counsel, with a copy to McDermott Will & Emery LLP, 227 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Attention: Eric Orsic (facsimile: (312) 984-7700).

SECTION 13. No Advisory or Fiduciary Relationship. The Company acknowledges and agrees that (a) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, including the determination of the initial offering price of the Securities and any related discounts and commissions, is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Initial Purchasers, on the other hand, (b) in connection with the offering of the Securities and the process leading thereto, each

Initial Purchaser is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not the agent or fiduciary of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or their respective stockholders, creditors, employees or any other party, (c) no Initial Purchaser has assumed or will assume an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to the offering of the Securities or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Initial Purchaser has advised or is currently advising the Company or any of its subsidiaries on other matters) and no Initial Purchaser has any obligation to the Company with respect to the offering of the Securities except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement, (d) the Initial Purchasers and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Company and (e) the Initial Purchasers have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering of the Securities and the Company has consulted its own respective legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate.

SECTION 14. <u>Parties</u>. This Agreement shall each inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Initial Purchasers and the Company and their respective successors. Nothing expressed or mentioned in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any person, firm or corporation, other than the Initial Purchasers and the Company and their respective successors and the controlling persons and officers and directors referred to in Sections 7 and 8 and their heirs and legal representatives, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision herein contained. This Agreement and all conditions and provisions hereof are intended to be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Initial Purchasers and the Company and their respective successors, and said controlling persons and officers and directors and their heirs and legal representatives, and for the benefit of no other person, firm or corporation. No purchaser of Securities from any Initial Purchaser shall be deemed to be a successor by reason merely of such purchase.

SECTION 15. <u>Trial by Jury</u>. The Company (on its behalf and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, on behalf of its stockholders and Affiliates) and each of the Initial Purchasers hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

SECTION 16. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF, THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

SECTION 17. Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Immunity. Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby shall be instituted in (i) the federal courts of the United States of America located in the City and County of New York, Borough of Manhattan or (ii) the courts of the State of New York located in the City and County of New York, Borough of Manhattan (collectively, the "Specified Courts"), and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction (except for proceedings instituted in regard to the enforcement of a judgment of any such court, as to which such jurisdiction is non-exclusive) of such courts in any such suit, action or proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or other proceeding in the Specified Courts and irrevocably and unconditionally waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

SECTION 18. <u>TIME</u>. TIME SHALL BE OF THE ESSENCE OF THIS AGREEMENT. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SET FORTH HEREIN, SPECIFIED TIMES OF DAY REFER TO NEW YORK CITY TIME.

SECTION 19. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Agreement. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by facsimile or any other electronic transmission shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.

SECTION 20. Effect of Headings. The Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to the Company a counterpart hereof, whereupon this instrument, along with all counterparts, will become a binding agreement among the Initial Purchasers and the Company in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

By: /s/ C. Mark Hussey

Name: C. Mark Hussey Title: EVP, COO & CFO

CONFIRMED AND ACCEPTED, as of the date first above written:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Clemence Rasigni

Name: Clemence Rasigni Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ Sudheer Tegulapalle

Name: Sudheer Tegulapalle Title: Executive Director

For themselves and as Representatives of the other Initial Purchasers named in Schedule A hereto.

# SCHEDULE A

The initial offering price of the Securities shall be 100.00% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest, if any, from the date of issuance.

The purchase price to be paid by the Initial Purchasers for the Securities shall be 97.25% of the principal amount thereof.

The interest rate on the Securities shall be 1.25% per annum.

	Principal Amount of
Name of Initial Purchaser	Securities
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	
Incorporated	\$135,000,000
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	45,000,000
RBS Securities Inc.	13,500,000
BMO Capital Markets Corp	9,000,000
KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc.	9,000,000
PNC Capital Markets LLC	9,000,000
BBVA Securities Inc.	4,500,000
Total	\$225,000,000

SCHEDULE B

Final Term Sheet

[Insert Final Term Sheet]

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#### HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

## \$225,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF 1.25% CONVERTIBLE SENIOR NOTES DUE 2019

The information in this pricing term sheet supplements the preliminary offering memorandum, dated September 3, 2014, of Huron Consulting Group Inc. (the "Preliminary Offering Memorandum"), and supersedes the information in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum to the extent inconsistent with the information in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum. In all other respects, this pricing term sheet is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, including all documents incorporated by reference therein. Terms used herein but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings set forth in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum. All references to dollar amounts are references to U.S. dollars.

additional notes).

Ticker/Exchange for Common Stock:

**Securities:** 

Maturity:

**Principal Amount:** 

**No Optional Redemption:** 

**Fundamental Change:** 

**Regular Record Dates:** 

**Denominations:** 

Huron Consulting Group Inc., a Delaware corporation.

1.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 (the "notes").

\$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

October 1, 2019, unless earlier repurchased by us or converted.

\$225,000,000 (or \$250,000,000 if the initial purchasers fully exercise their option to purchase

If we undergo a "fundamental change" (as defined in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum

our election, as described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum under the caption

"Description of Notes—Conversion Rights—Settlement Upon Conversion."

HURN/The NASDAQ Global Select Market.

We may not redeem the notes prior to maturity.

	under the caption "Description of Notes—Fundamental Change Permits Holders to Require Us to Purchase Notes"), subject to certain conditions, holders may require us to repurchase for cash all or a part of their notes in principal amounts of \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof. The fundamental change repurchase price will be equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date.
Interest:	1.25% per year.
	Interest will accrue from, and including, September 10, 2014, and will be payable semiannually in arrears on April 1 and October 1 of each year, beginning on April 1, 2015. We will pay additional interest, if any, at our election as the sole remedy relating to our failure to comply with our reporting obligations as described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum under the caption "Description of Notes—Events of Default" and under the circumstances described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum under the caption "Description of Notes—No Registration Rights; Additional Interest."
Settlement:	Cash, shares of our common stock or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock, at

March 15 and September 15 of each year.

**Issue Price:** 

NASDAQ Last Reported Sale Price of our Common

Stock on September 4, 2014:

**Initial Conversion Rate:** 

Initial Conversion Price:

**Conversion Premium:** 

Joint Book-Running Managers:

Senior Co-Manager: Co-Managers:

**Pricing Date:** 

Trade Date:

**Expected Settlement Date:** 

CUSIP Number: ISIN:

Listing:

Concurrent Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and Warrant Transactions:

100% of principal, plus accrued interest, if any.

\$62.66 per share.

12.5170 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes.

Approximately \$79.89 per share of our common stock.

Approximately 27.5% above the NASDAQ last reported sale price of our common stock on

September 4, 2014.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith

Incorporated

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

RBS Securities Inc.

BMO Capital Markets Corp.

KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc. PNC Capital Markets LLC BBVA Securities Inc.

September 4, 2014.

September 4, 2014.

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None.

In connection with the pricing of the notes, we entered into one or more privately negotiated convertible note hedge transactions with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P Morgan Securities LLC or their respective affiliates (in this capacity, the "hedge counterparties"). The convertible note hedge transactions collectively cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, the number of shares of common stock that initially underlie the notes sold in the offering. We also entered into one or more separate, privately negotiated warrant transactions with the hedge counterparties collectively relating to the same number of shares of our common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments. The warrants evidenced by the warrant transactions will be settled on a net-share basis.

The convertible note hedge transactions are intended to reduce the potential dilution with respect to our common stock and/or offset any potential cash payments we are required to make in excess of the principal amount of converted notes, as the case may be, upon any conversion of the notes. The warrant transactions could have a dilutive effect with respect to our common stock to the extent that the price per share of our common stock exceeds the strike price of the warrants evidenced by the warrant transactions. The strike price of the warrants initially equals approximately \$97.12 and is subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments.

If the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes from us, we intend to enter into one or more additional convertible note hedge transactions and one or more additional warrant transactions with the hedge counterparties, which will initially cover, collectively, the number of shares of our common stock that will initially underlie the additional notes we sell to the initial purchasers.

#### Use of Proceeds:

See "Description of the Concurrent Convertible Note Hedge Transactions and Warrant Transactions" in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum.

We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$218.3 million (or approximately \$242.6 million if the initial purchasers fully exercise their option to purchase additional notes), after deducting initial purchasers' discounts and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us.

We intend to use approximately \$16.65 million of the net proceeds of this offering to fund the cost of entering into the convertible note hedge transactions (after such cost is partially offset by the proceeds that we receive from entering into the warrant transactions). We also intend to use approximately \$25 million of the net proceeds of this offering to repurchase shares of our common stock concurrently with the pricing of this offering from purchasers of the notes.

We expect to use the remaining net proceeds from this offering for working capital and general corporate purposes. We may also use the net proceeds for one or more acquisitions or other strategic transactions. However, we have no current commitments or obligations with respect to any acquisitions or other strategic transactions.

If the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes, we intend to use a portion of the net proceeds to fund the net cost of entering into the additional convertible note hedge transactions.

See "Use of Proceeds" in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum.

Description of Notes—Conversion Rights—Increase to Conversion Rate Upon a Conversion in Connection With a Make-Whole Fundamental Change:

The following table sets forth the stock prices and effective dates and the number of additional shares, if any, by which the conversion rate will be increased for a holder that converts a note in connection with a make-whole fundamental change having such stock price and effective date:

		Stock Price												
Effective Date	\$62.66	\$65.00	\$67.50	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$79.89	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$150.00	\$175.00	\$200.00	\$250.00	\$300.00
September 10, 2014	3.4420	3.1376	2.8486	2.5916	2.1578	1.8178	1.3052	0.9681	0.5134	0.3095	0.2029	0.1437	0.0783	0.0428
October 1, 2015	3.4420	3.1811	2.8666	2.5881	2.1210	1.7578	1.2201	0.8762	0.4351	0.2523	0.1641	0.1169	0.0640	0.0349
October 1, 2016	3.4420	3.1992	2.8543	2.5497	2.0430	1.6542	1.0919	0.7469	0.3369	0.1865	0.1225	0.0879	0.0490	0.0268
October 1, 2017	3.4420	3.1536	2.7709	2.4347	1.8819	1.4660	0.8881	0.5580	0.2154	0.1157	0.0788	0.0583	0.0335	0.0183
October 1, 2018	3.4420	2.9626	2.5276	2.1487	1.5376	1.0976	0.5413	0.2775	0.0839	0.0516	0.0385	0.0296	0.0174	0.0094
October 1, 2019	3.4420	2.8675	2.2977	1.7686	0.8162	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

The exact stock prices and effective dates may not be set forth in the table above, in which case:

- if the stock price is between two stock prices listed in the table or the effective date is between two effective dates listed in the table, the number of additional shares will be determined by a straight-line interpolation between the number of additional shares set forth for the higher and lower stock prices and the earlier and later effective dates based on a 365- or 366-day year, as applicable;
- if the stock price is greater than \$300.00 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock prices set forth in the column headings of the table above), no additional shares will be added to the conversion rate; and
- if the stock price is less than \$62.66 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock prices set forth in the column headings of the table above), no additional shares will be added to the conversion rate.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the conversion rate exceed 15.9590 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, subject to adjustment at the same time and in the same manner as the conversion rate as set forth in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum under the caption "Description of Notes—Conversion Rights—Conversion Rate Adjustments."

Our obligation to increase the conversion rate as described above could be considered a penalty, in which case the enforceability thereof would be subject t
general principles of reasonableness and equitable remedies.

This communication is intended for the sole use of the person to whom it is provided by the sender. This material is confidential and is for your information only and is not intended to be used by anyone other than you. This information does not purport to be a complete description of the notes or the offering. This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any notes in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction.

The offer and sale of the notes and the shares of common stock, if any, issuable upon conversion of the notes have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or any other securities laws. Accordingly, the notes and such shares may not be offered or sold within the United States or to U.S. persons or in any other jurisdiction, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any other applicable securities laws. The initial purchasers are initially offering the notes only to qualified institutional buyers as defined in, and in reliance on, Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

The notes and the shares of common stock, if any, issuable upon conversion of the notes are not transferable except in accordance with the restrictions described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum under the caption "Notice to Investors."

Any disclaimer or other notice that may appear below is not applicable to this communication and should be disregarded. Such disclaimer or notice was automatically generated as a result of this communication being sent by Bloomberg or another email system.

## SCHEDULE C

# <u>Issuer Written Information</u>

Final Term Sheet in the form set forth on Schedule B

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## SCHEDULE D

# List of Persons and Entities Subject to Lock-up

# **Directors**

DuBose Ausley James B. Edwards H. Eugene Lockhart George E. Massaro John McCartney John S. Moody

# **Executive Officers**

C. Mark Hussey Diane E. Ratekin James H. Roth

Exhibit A-1

# FORM OF OPINION OF COMPANY'S COUNSEL TO BE DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 5(a)

[See attached]

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# FORM OF NEGATIVE ASSURANCE LETTER OF COMPANY'S COUNSEL TO BE DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 5(a)

[See attached]

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#### FORM OF LOCK-UP TO BE DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 5(g)

September [1], 2014

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

as Representatives of the several Initial Purchasers to be named in the within-mentioned Purchase Agreement

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

Re: Proposed Offering by Huron Consulting Group Inc.

#### Dear Sirs:

The undersigned understands that Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("Merrill Lynch") and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("J.P. Morgan") propose to enter into a Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") with the Company providing for the offering of up to \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's Convertible Senior Notes (the "Securities"). In recognition of the benefit that such an offering will confer upon the undersigned as a stockholder and an officer and/or director of the Company, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned agrees with each initial purchaser to be named in the Purchase Agreement that, during the period beginning on the date hereof and ending on the date that is 60 days from the date of the Purchase Agreement (the "Lock-Up Period"), the undersigned will not, without the prior written consent of Merrill Lynch and J.P. Morgan, directly or indirectly, (i) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for Common Stock, whether now owned or hereafter acquired by the undersigned or with respect to which the undersigned has or hereafter acquires the power of disposition (collectively, the "Lock-Up Securities"), or exercise any right with respect to the registration of any of the Lock-up Securities, or file or cause to be filed any registration statement in connection therewith, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or (ii) enter into any swap or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of the Lock-Up Securities, whether any such swap or transaction is to be settled by de

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the undersigned may transfer the Lock-Up Securities without the prior written consent of Merrill Lynch and J.P. Morgan in the following circumstances:

- (i) as a bona fide gift or gifts;
- (ii) to any trust, limited liability company, limited partnership or other estate planning vehicle for the direct or indirect benefit of the undersigned or the immediate family of the undersigned (for purposes of this lock-up agreement, "immediate family" shall mean any relationship by blood, marriage or adoption, not more remote than first cousin);
- (iii) as a distribution to limited partners or stockholders of the undersigned;
- (iv) to the undersigned's affiliates or to any investment fund or other entity controlled or managed by the undersigned;
- (v) transfers to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations that become due during the Lock-Up Period upon vesting of previously issued restricted stock awards or restricted stock units; provided that, if the undersigned is required to file a report under the Exchange Act reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock during the term of this lock-up agreement related to such disposition of shares of Common Stock to the Company by the undersigned solely to satisfy tax withholding obligations, the undersigned shall include a statement in such report to the effect that the filing relates to the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations of the undersigned in connection with the vesting of restricted stock awards or restricted stock units;
- (vi) the sale pursuant to any contract, instruction or plan established prior to the date hereof that satisfies all of the requirements of Rule 10b5-1 (a "10b-5 Plan") of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"); provided this exception to the lock-up restrictions is referred to in the General Disclosure Package and the Final Offering Memorandum (in each case, as defined in the Purchase Agreement);
- (vii) the establishment of any 10b5-1 Plan, provided that no sales of Lock-Up Securities or securities convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for Lock-Up Securities, shall be made pursuant to a 10b5-1 Plan prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period if such 10b5-1 Plan was established after the date hereof; provided, that such 10b5-1 Plan may only be established if no public announcement of the existence thereof, and no filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other regulatory authority shall be required or shall be made voluntarily by the undersigned, the Company or any other person, prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period; or
- (viii) the transfer or intestate succession to the legal representatives or a member of the immediate family of the undersigned upon death of the undersigned;

provided, in the case of clauses (i)-(v), (vii) and (viii) above, that (1) Merrill Lynch and J.P. Morgan receive a signed lock-up agreement for the balance of the lockup period from each donee, trustee, distributee, or transferee, as the case may be, (2) except as contemplated by clauses (v) and (vi) above, any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value, (3) except as contemplated by clauses (v) and (vi) above, such transfers are not required to be reported with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 4 in accordance with Section 16 of the Exchange Act, and (4) the undersigned does not otherwise voluntarily effect any public filing or report regarding such transfers.

Furthermore, the undersigned may sell shares of Common Stock of the Company purchased by the undersigned on the open market following the offering if and only if (i) such sales are not required to be reported in any public report or filing with the Securities Exchange Commission, or otherwise and (ii) the undersigned does not otherwise voluntarily effect any public filing or report regarding such sales.

The undersigned also agrees and consents to the entry of stop transfer instructions with the Company's transfer agent and registrar against the transfer of the Lock-Up Securities except in compliance with the foregoing restrictions.

This Lock-Up Agreement shall lapse and become null and void if (i) the offering shall not have occurred on or before September 30, 2014, (ii) prior to the execution of the Purchase Agreement by the parties thereto, either the Representatives notify the Company, or the Company notifies the Representatives, in writing, that they do not intend to proceed with the offering, or (iii) the Purchase Agreement (other than the provisions thereof which survive termination) shall terminate or be terminated prior to payment for and delivery of the Securities to be sold thereunder.

Very truly you	ırs,
Signature:	
Print Name: _	



September 4, 2014

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607 Attn: Mark Hussey

Telephone: (312) 583-8740 Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

From: Bank of America, N.A.

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036

Attn: Peter Tucker, Assistant General Counsel

Telephone: 646-855-5821 Facsimile: 646-822-5633

Re: Base Convertible Bond Hedge Transaction (Transaction Reference Number: 148518079)

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this communication (this "Confirmation") is to set forth the terms and conditions of the above-referenced transaction entered into on the Trade Date specified below (the "Transaction") between Bank of America, N.A. ("Dealer") and Huron Consulting Group Inc. ("Counterparty"). This communication constitutes a "Confirmation" as referred to in the ISDA Master Agreement specified below.

1. This Confirmation is subject to, and incorporates, the definitions and provisions of the 2006 ISDA Definitions (including the Annex thereto) (the "2006 Definitions") and the definitions and provisions of the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "Equity Definitions", and together with the 2006 Definitions, the "Definitions"), in each case as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA"). In the event of any inconsistency between the 2006 Definitions and the Equity Definitions, the Equity Definitions will govern. Certain defined terms used herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture to be dated as of September 10, 2014 between Counterparty and U.S. Bank National Association as trustee (the "Indenture") relating to the USD225,000,000.00 principal amount of 1.25% convertible securities due 2019 (the "Base Convertible Securities") together with any 1.25% convertible securities due 2019 that may be issued pursuant to the Initial Purchasers' option under the Purchase Agreement (as defined below) (the "Optional Convertible Securities" and, together with the Base Convertible Securities, the "Convertible Securities"). In the event of any inconsistency between the terms defined in the Indenture and this Confirmation, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, references herein to sections of the Indenture are based on the draft of the Indenture most recently reviewed by the parties at the time of execution of this Confirmation. If any relevant sections of the Indenture are changed, added or renumbered following execution of this Confirmation but prior to the execution of the Indenture, the parties will amend this Confirmation in good faith to preserve the economic intent of the parties based on the draft of the Indenture so reviewed. The parties further acknowledge that references to the Indenture herein are references to the Indenture as in effect on the date of its execution and if the Indenture is, or the Convertible Securities are, amended, supplemented or modified following their execution, any such amendment, supplement or modification (other than a Merger Supplemental Indenture (as defined below)) will be disregarded for purposes of this Confirmation (other than (i) as provided in Section 8(a) below and (ii) any amendment, supplement or modification pursuant to Section 9.01(b) of the Indenture that, as determined by the Calculation Agent, conforms the Indenture to the description of the Convertible Securities in the preliminary offering memorandum, as supplemented by the pricing term sheet related to the Convertible Securities) unless the parties agree otherwise in writing.

This Confirmation evidences a complete and binding agreement between Dealer and Counterparty as to the terms of the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates. This Confirmation shall be subject to an agreement (the "Agreement") in the form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement (the "ISDA Form") as if Dealer and Counterparty had executed an agreement in such form (without any Schedule but with the elections set forth in this Confirmation and the election that the "Cross Default" provisions of Section 5(a)(vi) of the Agreement shall apply to Counterparty with a "Threshold Amount" of USD30.0 million and to Dealer with a "Threshold Amount" of 3% of the stockholders' equity of Dealer's ultimate parent company ("Dealer Parent"), in each case, as if (x) the phrase ", or becoming capable at such time of being declared," were deleted from Section 5(a)(vi)(1) of the Agreement, (y) the term "Specified Indebtedness" had the meaning specified in Section 14 of the Agreement, except that such term did not include obligations in respect of deposits received in the ordinary course of a party's banking business and (z) the following language shall be added to the end of such Section 5(a)(vi): "Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default under subsection (2) hereof shall not constitute an Event of Default if (i) the default was caused solely by error or omission of an administrative or operational nature; (ii) funds were available to enable the party to make the payment when due; and (iii) the payment is made within two Local Business Days of such party's receipt of written notice of its failure to pay". For the avoidance of doubt, the Transaction shall be the only transaction under the Agreement.

All provisions contained in, or incorporated by reference to, the Agreement will govern this Confirmation except as expressly modified herein. In the event of any inconsistency between this Confirmation and either the Definitions or the Agreement, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, except to the extent of an express conflict, the application of any provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions shall not be construed to exclude or limit the application of any other provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions.

2. The Transaction constitutes a Share Option Transaction for purposes of the Equity Definitions. The terms of the particular Transaction to which this Confirmation relates are as follows:

#### General Terms:

Trade Date: September 4, 2014

Effective Date: The closing date of the initial issuance of the Convertible Securities.

Option Type: Call
Seller: Dealer

Buyer: Counterparty

Shares: The common stock of Counterparty, par value USD 0.01 per share (Ticker Symbol: "HURN").

Number of Options: The number of Base Convertible Securities in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount issued by

Counterparty.

Number of Shares: As of any date, the *product of* (i) the Number of Options (ii) the Conversion Rate and (iii) the Applicable

Percentage.

Conversion Rate: As of any date, the "Conversion Rate" (as defined in the Indenture) as of such date, but without regard to

any adjustments to the "Conversion Rate" pursuant to Sections 10.05(g), 10.05(j) or 10.07 of the

Indenture.

Applicable Percentage: 60.0%

Premium: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Premium Payment Date: The Effective Date

Exchange: NASDAQ Global Select Market

Related Exchange: All Exchanges

Procedures for Exercise:

**Exercise Dates:** 

Conversion Date:

Required Exercise on Conversion Dates:

Expiration Date:

Automatic Exercise:

Exercise Notice Deadline:

Notice of Exercise:

Each Conversion Date.

Each "Conversion Date", as defined in the Indenture, occurring during the period from and excluding the Trade Date to and including the Expiration Date, for Convertible Securities, each in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount, that are submitted for conversion on such Conversion Date in accordance with the terms of the Indenture (such Convertible Securities, the "Relevant Convertible Securities" for such Conversion Date).

On each Conversion Date, a number of Options equal to the number of Relevant Convertible Securities for such Conversion Date in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount shall be automatically exercised.

The second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture).

As provided above under "Required Exercise on Conversion Dates".

In respect of any exercise of Options hereunder on any Conversion Date, the "Scheduled Trading Day" prior to the first "VWAP Trading Day" of the "Observation Period" (each as defined in the Indenture, but, in the case of any such "Observation Period", as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method" below) relating to the Convertible Securities converted on the Conversion Date occurring on the relevant Exercise Date; *provided* that in the case of any exercise of Options hereunder in connection with the conversion of any Relevant Convertible Securities on any Conversion Date occurring during the period starting on and including the 55th "Scheduled Trading Day" and ending on and including the second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) (the "Final Conversion Period"), the Exercise Notice Deadline shall be the Exchange Business Day immediately following such Conversion Date.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, Dealer shall have no obligation to make any payment or delivery in respect of any exercise of Options hereunder unless Counterparty notifies Dealer in writing prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time, on the Exercise Notice Deadline in respect of such exercise of (i) the number of Options being exercised on the relevant Exercise Date (including, if applicable, whether all or any portion of such exercise relates to the conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities in connection with which holders thereof are entitled to receive additional Shares and/or cash pursuant to the adjustment to the Conversion Rate set forth in Section 10.07 of the Indenture), (ii) the scheduled settlement date under the Indenture for the Convertible Securities converted on the Conversion Date corresponding to such Exercise Date, (iii) whether such Relevant Convertible Securities will be settled by Counterparty by delivery of cash, Shares or a combination of cash and Shares and, if such a combination, the "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) and (iv) the first "Scheduled Trading Day" of the

Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method:

"Observation Period" (as defined in the Indenture); provided that in the case of any exercise of Options hereunder in connection with the conversion of any Relevant Convertible Securities on any Conversion Date occurring during the Final Conversion Period, the contents of such notice shall be as set forth in clause (i) above. Counterparty acknowledges its responsibilities under applicable securities laws, and in particular Section 9 and Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act (as defined below) and the rules and regulations thereunder, in respect of any election of a settlement method with respect to the Convertible Securities. For the avoidance of doubt, if Counterparty fails to give such notice when due in respect of any exercise of Options hereunder, Dealer's obligation to make any payment or delivery in respect of such exercise shall be permanently extinguished, and late notice shall not cure such failure; provided that notwithstanding the foregoing, such notice (and the related exercise of Options) in connection with any conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities prior to the Final Conversion Period (or, if earlier, the second "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) prior to the first "VWAP Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) of the "Observation Period" that applies to the Convertible Security Settlement Method) shall be effective if given after the Exercise Notice Deadline, but prior to 4:00 PM New York City time, on the fifth Exchange Business Day following the Exercise Notice Deadline, in which event the Calculation Agent shall have the right to adjust the Delivery Obligation as appropriate to reflect the additional costs (including, but not limited to, hedging mismatches and market losses) and expenses incurred by Dealer in connection with its hedging activities (including the unwinding of any hedge position) as a result of Dealer not having received such notice on or prior to the Exercise Notice Deadline.

Counterparty shall notify Dealer in writing by 5:00 P.M. (New York City time) on the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) of the irrevocable election by the Counterparty, in accordance with Section 10.03(a) of the Indenture, of the settlement method and, if applicable, the "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) applicable to Relevant Convertible Securities with a Conversion Date occurring on or after the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" and ending on and including the second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) (the "Free Convertibility Period"). If Counterparty fails timely to provide such notice, Counterparty shall be deemed to have notified Dealer of combination settlement with a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of USD1,000 for all conversions occurring during the Free Convertibility Period. Counterparty agrees that it shall settle any Relevant Convertible Securities with a Conversion Date occurring during the Free Convertibility Period in the same manner as provided in the Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method it provides or is deemed to have provided hereunder.

Dealer's Telephone Number and Telex and/or Facsimile Number and Contact Details for purpose of Giving Notice:

To be provided by Dealer.

Settlement Terms:

Settlement Date:

**Delivery Obligation:** 

In respect of an Exercise Date occurring on a Conversion Date, the settlement date for the cash and/or Shares (if any) to be delivered in respect of the Relevant Convertible Securities converted on such Conversion Date pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture; *provided* that the Settlement Date will not be prior to the latest of (i) the date one Settlement Cycle following the final day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method"), (ii) the Exchange Business Day immediately following the date on which Counterparty gives notice to Dealer of such Settlement Date prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time or (iii) the Exchange Business Day immediately following the date Counterparty provides the Notice of Delivery Obligation prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time.

In lieu of the obligations set forth in Sections 8.1 and 9.1 of the Equity Definitions, and subject to "Notice of Exercise" above, in respect of an Exercise Date occurring on a Conversion Date, Dealer will deliver to Counterparty, on the related Settlement Date, a number of Shares and/or amount of cash in USD equal to the product of (i) the Applicable Percentage and (ii) (x) the aggregate number of Shares, if any, that Counterparty would be obligated to deliver to the holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities converted on such Conversion Date pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture and/or (y) the aggregate amount of cash, if any, in excess of USD1,000 per Convertible Security (in denominations of USD1,000) that Counterparty would be obligated to deliver to holder(s) pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such Section of the Indenture (except that such aggregate number of Shares shall be determined without taking into consideration any rounding pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture and shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number) and cash in lieu of fractional Shares, if any, resulting from such rounding, if Counterparty had elected to satisfy its conversion obligation in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities by the Convertible Security Settlement Method, notwithstanding any different actual election by Counterparty with respect to the settlement of such Convertible Securities ( the "Convertible Obligation"); provided that such obligation shall be determined (i) excluding any Shares and/or cash that Counterparty is obligated to deliver to holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities as a result of any adjustments to the Conversion Rate pursuant to Sections 10.05(g), 10.05(j), or 10.07 of the Indenture and (ii) without regard to the election, if any, by Counterparty to adjust the Conversion Rate (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the Delivery Obligation shall not include any interest payment on the Relevant Convertible Securities that the Counterparty is (or would have been) obligated to deliver to holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities for such Conversion Date); and provided further that if such exercise relates

to the conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities in connection with which holders thereof are entitled to receive additional Shares and/or cash pursuant to the adjustment to the Conversion Rate set forth in Section 10.07 of the Indenture, then, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Delivery Obligation shall include the Applicable Percentage of such additional Shares and/or cash (as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such Section of the Indenture), except that the Delivery Obligation shall be capped so that the value of the Delivery Obligation per Option (with the value of any Shares included in the Delivery Obligation determined by the Calculation Agent using the VWAP Price (as defined below) on the last day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")) does not exceed the amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that would be payable by Dealer pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement if such Conversion Date were an Early Termination Date resulting from an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction (except that, for purposes of determining such amount (x) the Number of Options shall be deemed to be equal to the number of Options exercised on such Exercise Date and (y) such amount payable will be determined as if Section 10.07 of the Indenture were deleted) was the sole Affected Transaction and Counterparty was the sole Affected Party (determined without regard to Section 8(b) of this Confirmation). Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in addition to the cap described in the further proviso to the preceding sentence, in all events the Delivery Obligation shall be capped so that the value of the Delivery Obligation does not exceed the value of the Convertible Obligation (with the Convertible Obligation determined based on the actual settlement method elected by Counterparty with respect to such Relevant Convertible Securities instead of the Convertible Security Settlement Method and with the value of any Shares included in either the Delivery Obligation or such Convertible Obligation determined by the Calculation Agent using the VWAP Price on the last day of the relevant "Observation Period" (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")).

Convertible Security Settlement Method:

For any Relevant Convertible Securities, if Counterparty has notified Dealer in the related Notice of Exercise (or in the Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method, as the case may be) that it has elected to satisfy its conversion obligation in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities in cash or in a combination of cash and Shares in accordance with Section 10.03(a) of the Indenture (a "Cash Election") with a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of at least USD1,000, the Convertible Security Settlement Method shall be the settlement method actually so elected by Counterparty in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities; otherwise, (i) the Convertible Security Settlement Method shall assume Counterparty made a Cash Election with respect to such Relevant Convertible Securities with a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of USD1,000 per Relevant Convertible Security and (ii) the Delivery Obligation shall be calculated as if the relevant "Observation Period" (as defined in the Indenture) pursuant to Section

Notice of Delivery Obligation:

Other Applicable Provisions:

**Restricted Certificated Shares:** 

Share Adjustments:

Method of Adjustment:

10.03(b)(iii) of the Indenture consisted of 100 "VWAP Trading Days" (as defined in the Indenture) commencing on (x) the second "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) after the Conversion Date for conversions occurring prior to the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) or (y) the 102nd "Scheduled Trading Day" prior to the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) for conversions occurring on or after the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture).

No later than the "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) immediately following the last day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method"), Counterparty shall give Dealer notice of the final number of Shares and/or cash comprising the Convertible Obligation (determined as though the words "the Applicable Percentage" in clause (i) of the definition thereof were deleted and replaced with the word "one"); provided that, with respect to any Exercise Date occurring during the Final Conversion Period, Counterparty may provide Dealer with a single notice of an aggregate number of Shares and/or cash comprising the Convertible Obligations (determined as though the words "the Applicable Percentage" in clause (i) of the definition thereof were deleted and replaced with the word "one") for all Exercise Dates occurring in such period (it being understood, for the avoidance of doubt, that the requirement of Counterparty to deliver such notice shall not limit Counterparty's obligations with respect to Notice of Exercise or Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method or Dealer's obligations with respect to Delivery Obligation, each as set forth above, in any way).

To the extent Dealer is obligated to deliver Shares hereunder, the provisions of Sections 1.27, 9.1(c), 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Counterparty is the Issuer of the Shares) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, Dealer may, in whole or in part, deliver Shares required to be delivered to Counterparty hereunder in certificated form in lieu of delivery through the Clearance System. With respect to such certificated Shares, the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by deleting the remainder of the provision after the word "encumbrance" in the fourth line thereof.

Notwithstanding Section 11.2 of the Equity Definitions, upon the occurrence of any event or condition set forth in Sections 10.05(a) through (e) of the Indenture that the Calculation Agent determines would result in an adjustment under the Indenture by reference to

such Sections thereof (any such event or condition, an "Adjustment Event"), the Calculation Agent shall make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction, subject to "Discretionary Adjustments" below. Promptly following the occurrence of any Adjustment Event, Counterparty shall notify the Calculation Agent of such Adjustment Event; and once the adjustments to be made to the terms of the Indenture and the Convertible Securities in respect of such Adjustment Event have been determined, Counterparty shall promptly notify the Calculation Agent in writing of the details of such adjustments.

In addition, the Calculation Agent shall, to the extent the Calculation Agent determines practicable in good faith and in its commercially reasonable discretion (taking into account the Convertible Security Settlement Method and Dealer's Hedge Positions), make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction (but without duplication of any adjustment pursuant to the foregoing sentence) upon the occurrence of any event or condition that the Calculation Agent determines (taking into account the Convertible Security Settlement Method and Dealer's Hedge Positions) would result in an adjustment under the Indenture by reference to Sections 10.05(f), 10.05(g) or 10.05(h) of the Indenture; *provided* that the Calculation Agent may limit or alter any such adjustment referenced in this sentence so that the fair value of the Transaction to Dealer is not reduced as a result of such adjustment.

For the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall not have any payment or delivery obligation hereunder in respect of, and no adjustment shall be made to the terms of the Transaction on account of, (x) any distribution of cash, property or securities by Counterparty to the holders of Convertible Securities (upon conversion or otherwise) or (y) any other transaction in which holders of Convertible Securities are entitled to participate, in each case, in lieu of an adjustment under the Indenture in respect of an Adjustment Event (including, without limitation, under the second paragraph Section 10.05(c)(i) of the Indenture or the third paragraph of Section 10.05(d) of the Indenture).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Equity Definitions, if the Calculation Agent in good faith disagrees with any adjustment under the Indenture that involves an exercise of discretion by Counterparty or its board of directors (including, without limitation, pursuant to Section 10.05(h) of the Indenture, pursuant to Section 10.06 of the Indenture or any supplemental indenture entered into thereunder (a "Merger Supplemental Indenture") or in connection with any proportional adjustment or the determination of the fair value of any securities, property, rights or other assets), then the Calculation Agent will determine the adjustment to be made to any one or more of the Strike Price, Number of Options, Option Entitlement and any other variable relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of or under the Transaction in a commercially reasonable manner.

Discretionary Adjustments:

**Extraordinary Events:** 

Merger Events:

Consequences of Merger Events:

Notwithstanding Section 12.1(b) of the Equity Definitions, a "Merger Event" means the occurrence of any "Conversion Right Change Event" (as defined in the Indenture).

Notwithstanding Sections 12.2 and 12.3 of the Equity Definitions, upon the occurrence of a Merger Event that the Calculation Agent determines by reference to Section 10.06 of the Indenture would result in an adjustment under the Indenture, the Calculation Agent shall make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction, subject to "Discretionary Adjustments" above; provided that such adjustment shall be made without regard to any adjustment to the Conversion Rate pursuant to Section 10.05(j) or 10.07 of the Indenture and the election, if any, by Counterparty to adjust the Conversion Rate; and provided further that the Calculation Agent may limit or alter any such adjustment referenced in this paragraph so that the fair value of the Transaction to Dealer (taking into account a commercially reasonable hedge position) is not adversely affected as a result of such adjustment; and provided further that if, with respect to a Merger Event, (i) the consideration for the Shares includes (or, at the option of a holder of Shares, may include) shares of an entity or person that is not a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia or (ii) the Counterparty following such Merger Event will not be a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia or will not be the Issuer following such Merger Event, in either case, Dealer may elect in its commercially reasonable discretion that Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) shall apply.

Notice of Merger Consideration:

Upon the occurrence of a Merger Event that causes the Shares to be converted into the right to receive more than a single type of consideration (determined based in part upon any form of stockholder election), Counterparty shall reasonably promptly (but, in any event prior to the effective time of such Merger Event) notify the Calculation Agent of (i) the weighted average of the types and amounts of consideration received by the holders of Shares entitled to receive cash, securities or other property or assets with respect to or in exchange for such Shares in any Merger Event who affirmatively make such an election or, if no holders of Shares affirmatively make such an election, the types and amounts of consideration actually received by holders of Shares and (ii) the details of the adjustment made under the Indenture in respect of such Merger Event.

Nationalization, Insolvency or Delisting:

Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination); *provided* that, in addition to the provisions of Section 12.6(a)(iii) of the Equity Definitions, it shall also constitute a Delisting if the Shares are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors); if the Shares are immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any such exchange or quotation system, such exchange or quotation system shall thereafter be deemed to be the Exchange.

#### Additional Disruption Events:

(a) Change in Law:

(b) Failure to Deliver:

(c) Insolvency Filing:

(d) Hedging Disruption:

(e) Increased Cost of Hedging:

Applicable; *provided* that Section 12.9(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (i) adding the words "(including, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, any tax law or the adoption or promulgation of new regulations authorized or mandated by existing statute)" after the word "regulation" in the second line thereof, (ii) replacing the phrase "the interpretation" in the third line thereof with the phrase ", or public announcement of, the formal or informal interpretation", (iii) adding the words "or any Hedge Positions" after the word "Shares" in the clause (X) thereof, (iv) immediately following the word "Transaction" in clause (X) thereof, adding the phrase "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (v) adding the words ", or holding, acquiring or disposing of Shares or any Hedge Positions relating to," after the words "obligations under" in clause (Y) thereof.

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Applicable; provided that:

(i) Section 12.9(a)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (a) inserting the following words at the end of clause (A) thereof: "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (b) inserting the following two phrases at the end of such Section:

"For the avoidance of doubt, the term "equity price risk" shall be deemed to include, but shall not be limited to, stock price and volatility risk. And, for the further avoidance of doubt, any such transactions or assets referred to in phrases (A) or (B) above must be available on commercially reasonable pricing terms."; and

(ii) Section 12.9(b)(iii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, after the words "to terminate the Transaction", the words "or a portion of the Transaction affected by such Hedging Disruption".

Applicable; *provided* that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Hedging on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

"Avoidance Criteria" means, with respect to an action, as determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith, that (i) such action is legal and complies with all applicable regulations, rules (including by self-regulatory organizations) and policies, (ii) if such party is to establish one or more alternative Hedge Positions, there is sufficient liquidity in those alternative Hedge Positions available for that Hedging Party to hedge, (iii) by taking such action, there would not be a material risk that such Hedging Party would incur, any one or more of an increased performance cost, increased hedging cost or increased capital charges, (iv) such action is known to such Hedging Party or market participants generally and (v) such action would not require such Hedging Party to incur a material administrative or operational burden.

Hedging Party: For all applicable Potential Adjustment Events and Extraordinary Events, Dealer

Determining Party: For all applicable Extraordinary Events, Dealer; provided that all calculations and adjustments by the

Determining Party shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

Non-Reliance: Applicable

Agreements and Acknowledgments

Regarding Hedging Activities: Applicable
Additional Acknowledgments: Applicable

#### 3. Calculation Agent: Dealer, subject to the following:

The Calculation Agent is Dealer, whose judgments, determinations and calculations as Calculation Agent shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. Following any determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent hereunder, upon a written request by Counterparty, the Calculation Agent shall promptly (but in any event within five Scheduled Trading Days) provide to Counterparty by email to the email address provided by Counterparty in such request a report (in a commonly used file format for the storage and manipulation of financial data) displaying in reasonable detail the basis for such determination or calculation (including any assumptions used in making such determination or calculation), it being understood that the Calculation Agent shall not be obligated to disclose any proprietary or confidential data or information or any proprietary or confidential models used by it for such determination or calculation.

#### 4. Account Details:

Dealer Payment Instructions: Bank of America, N.A.

New York, NY SWIFT: BOFAUS3N Bank Routing: 026-009-593 Account Name: Bank of America Account No.: 0012334-61892

Counterparty Payment Instructions: Bank Name: Bank of America

135 S. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL. 60603

Account Name: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

Account #: 5800-987447

Routing #: 026009593 (for Wires) Routing #: 071000039 (for ACHs).

## 5. Offices:

The Office of Dealer for the Transaction is: New York

The Office of Counterparty for the Transaction is: Not applicable

## 6. Notices: For purposes of this Confirmation:

Address for notices or communications to Counterparty:

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607

Attn: Mark Hussey

Telephone: (312) 583-8740 Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

Address for notices or communications to Dealer:

To: Bank of America, N.A. c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036 Attn: Peter Tucker, Assistant General Counsel

Telephone: 646-855-5821 Facsimile: 646-822-5633

#### 7. Representations, Warranties and Agreements:

(a) In addition to the representations and warranties in the Agreement and those contained elsewhere herein, Counterparty represents and warrants to and for the benefit of, and agrees with, Dealer as follows:

- (i) On the Trade Date, (A) Counterparty is not aware of any material nonpublic information regarding Counterparty or the Shares and (B) all reports and other documents filed by Counterparty with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") when considered as a whole (with the more recent such reports and documents deemed to amend inconsistent statements contained in any earlier such reports and documents), do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.
- (ii) (A) On the Trade Date, the Shares or securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for Shares, are not, and shall not be, subject to a "restricted period," as such term is defined in Regulation M under the Exchange Act ("**Regulation M**") and (B) Counterparty shall not engage in any "distribution," as such term is defined in Regulation M, other than a distribution meeting the requirements of the exceptions set forth in sections 101(b)(10) and 102(b)(7) of Regulation M, until the second Exchange Business Day immediately following the Trade Date.
- (iii) On the Trade Date, neither Counterparty nor any "affiliate" or "affiliated purchaser" (each as defined in Rule 10b-18 under the Exchange Act ("Rule 10b-18")) shall directly or indirectly (including, without limitation, by means of any cash-settled or other derivative instrument) purchase, offer to purchase, place any bid or limit order that would effect a purchase of, or commence any tender offer relating to, any Shares (or an equivalent interest, including a unit of beneficial interest in a trust or limited partnership or a depository share) or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for Shares, except through Dealer.
- (iv) Without limiting the generality of Section 13.1 of the Equity Definitions, Counterparty acknowledges that Dealer is not making any representations or warranties or taking any position or expressing any view with respect to the treatment of the Transaction under any accounting standards including ASC Topic 260, *Earnings Per Share*, ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, or ASC Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* and ASC 815-40, *Derivatives and Hedging Contracts in Entity's Own Equity* (or any successor issue statements) or under FASB's Liabilities & Equity Project.
- (v) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a)(iii) of the Agreement, the Transaction will not violate Rule 13e-1 or Rule 13e-4 under the Exchange Act.
- (vi) On or prior to the Trade Date, Counterparty shall deliver to Dealer a resolution of Counterparty's board of directors or any duly authorized committee thereof authorizing the Transaction and such other certificate or certificates as Dealer shall reasonably request.
- (vii) Counterparty is not entering into this Confirmation to create actual or apparent trading activity in the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or to raise or depress or otherwise manipulate the price of the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or otherwise in violation of the Exchange Act.

- (viii) Counterparty is not, and after giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby will not be, required to register as an "investment company" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (ix) On each of the Trade Date and the Premium Payment Date, Counterparty is not, or will not be, "insolvent" (as such term is defined under Section 101(32) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (Title 11 of the United States Code) (the "Bankruptcy Code")) and Counterparty would be able to purchase the Shares hereunder in compliance with the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation.
- (x) To Counterparty's knowledge, based on due inquiry, no state or local (including non-U.S. jurisdictions) law, rule, regulation or regulatory order applicable to the Shares would give rise to any reporting, consent, registration or other requirement (including without limitation a requirement to obtain prior approval from any person or entity) as a result of Dealer or its affiliates owning or holding (however defined) Shares.
- (xi) The representations and warranties of Counterparty set forth in Section 3 of the Agreement and Section 1 of the Purchase Agreement dated as of September 4, 2014, among the Counterparty and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC as representatives of the Initial Purchasers party thereto (the "**Purchase Agreement**") are true and correct and are hereby deemed to be repeated to Dealer as if set forth herein.
- (xii) Counterparty understands no obligations of Dealer to it hereunder will be entitled to the benefit of deposit insurance and that such obligations will not be guaranteed by any affiliate of Dealer or any governmental agency.
- (xiii) Counterparty (A) is capable of evaluating investment risks independently, both in general and with regard to all transactions and investment strategies involving a security or securities; (B) will exercise independent judgment in evaluating the recommendations of any broker-dealer or its associated persons, unless it has otherwise notified the broker-dealer in writing; and (C) has total assets of at least \$50 million.
- (xiv) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a) of the Agreement, neither the execution and delivery of this Confirmation nor the incurrence or performance of obligations of Counterparty hereunder will conflict with or result in a breach of the certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or any equivalent documents) of Counterparty, or any applicable law or regulation, or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority or agency, or the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 14, 2011, among, *inter alia*, Counterparty as borrower and Bank of America, N.A. as administrative agent and collateral agent (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified) or any other agreement or instrument filed as an exhibit to Counterparty's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, as updated by any subsequent filings, to which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is subject, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien under, any such agreement or instrument.
- (xv) Counterparty understands, acknowledges and agrees that: (A) at any time during the term of the Transaction, Dealer and its affiliates may buy or sell Shares or other securities or buy or sell options or futures contracts or enter into swaps or other derivative securities in order to adjust its hedge position with respect to the Transaction; (B) Dealer and its affiliates also may be active in the market for Shares other than in connection with hedging activities in relation to the Transaction; (C) Dealer shall make its own determination as to whether, when or in what manner any hedging or market activities in securities of Counterparty shall be conducted and shall do so in a manner that it deems appropriate to hedge its price and market risk with respect to the relevant prices with respect to the Shares referred to herein; and (D) any market activities of Dealer and its affiliates with respect to Shares may affect the market price and volatility of Shares, as well as the relevant prices with respect to the shares referred to herein, each in a manner that may be adverse to Counterparty.
- (b) Each of Dealer and Counterparty agrees and represents that it is an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1a(18) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.
- (c) Each of Dealer and Counterparty acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transaction to it is intended to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) thereof. Accordingly, Counterparty represents and warrants to Dealer that (i) it has the financial ability to bear the economic risk of its investment in the Transaction and is able to bear a total loss of its investment, (ii) it is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Regulation D as promulgated under the Securities Act, (iii) it is

entering into the Transaction for its own account and without a view to the distribution or resale thereof and (iv) the assignment, transfer or other disposition of the Transaction has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and is restricted under this Confirmation, the Securities Act and state securities laws.

- (d) Counterparty agrees and acknowledges that Dealer is a "financial institution" and "financial participant" within the meaning of Sections 101(22) and 101(22A) of the Bankruptcy Code. The parties hereto further agree and acknowledge that it is the intent of the parties that (A) this Confirmation is a "securities contract," as such term is defined in Section 741(7) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "settlement payment," within the meaning of Section 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "transfer," as such term is defined in Section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and a "payment or other transfer of property" within the meaning of Sections 362 and 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (B) Dealer is entitled to the protections afforded by, among other sections, Sections 362(b)(6), 362(b)(27), 362(o), 546(e), 546(j), 548(d)(2), 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- (e) Counterparty shall deliver to Dealer an opinion of counsel, dated as of the Effective Date and reasonably acceptable to Dealer in form and substance, with respect to the matters set forth in Section 3(a) of the Agreement, Sections 7(a)(viii) and 7(a)(xiv) hereof and such other matters as Dealer may reasonably request, subject to such qualifications and assumptions that are customary for legal opinions of this type.

#### 8. Other Provisions:

- (a) *Additional Termination Events*. The occurrence of (i) an "Event of Default" with respect to Counterparty under the terms of the Convertible Securities as set forth in Section 6.01(a) of the Indenture or (ii) an Amendment Event shall be an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction is the sole Affected Transaction and Counterparty is the sole Affected Party and Dealer shall be the party entitled to designate an Early Termination Date pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Agreement.
  - "Amendment Event" means that Counterparty amends, modifies, supplements, waives or obtains a waiver in respect of any term of the Indenture or the Convertible Securities governing the principal amount, coupon, maturity, repurchase obligation of Counterparty, redemption right of Counterparty, any term relating to conversion of the Convertible Securities (including changes to the conversion rate, conversion rate adjustment provisions, conversion settlement dates or conversion conditions), or any term that would require consent of the holders of not less than 100% of the principal amount of the Convertible Securities to amend (other than Sections 9.02(b) or 9.02(g) of the Indenture), in each case without the consent of Dealer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.
- (b) Alternative Calculations and Payment on Early Termination and on Certain Extraordinary Events. If Dealer shall owe Counterparty any amount pursuant to "Consequences of Merger Events" above or Sections 12.6, 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or pursuant to Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement (a "Payment Obligation"), Counterparty shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to require Dealer to satisfy any such Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative (as defined below) by giving irrevocable telephonic notice to Dealer, confirmed in writing within one Scheduled Trading Day, no later than 9:30 A.M. New York City time on the relevant merger date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable ("Notice of Share Termination"); provided that if Counterparty does not elect to require Dealer to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, Dealer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to elect to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, notwithstanding Counterparty's failure to elect or election to the contrary; and provided further that Counterparty shall not have the right to so elect (but, for the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall have the right to so elect) in the event (i) of an Insolvency, a Nationalization or a Merger Event, in each case, in which the consideration or proceeds to be paid to holders of Shares consists solely of cash, (ii) of an Event of Default in which Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or a Termination Event in which Counterparty is the Affected Party or an Extraordinary Event, which Event of Default, Termination Event or Extraordinary Event resulted from an event or events within Counterparty's control or (iii) that Counterparty fails to remake the representation set forth in Section 7(a)(i) as of the date of such election. Upon such Notice of Share Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraor

Share Termination Alternative:

If applicable, means that Dealer shall deliver to Counterparty the Share Termination Delivery Property on the date on which the Payment Obligation would otherwise be due pursuant to "Consequences of Merger Events" above, Section 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement, as applicable, or such later date or dates as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine (the "Share Termination Payment Date"), in satisfaction of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery

Property:

A number of Share Termination Delivery Units, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, equal to the Payment Obligation divided by the Share Termination Unit Price. The Calculation Agent shall adjust the Share Termination Delivery Property by replacing any fractional portion of the aggregate amount of a security therein with an amount of cash equal to the value of such fractional security based on the values used to calculate the Share Termination Unit Price.

Share Termination Unit Price:

The value of property contained in one Share Termination Delivery Unit on the date such Share Termination Delivery Units are to be delivered as Share Termination Delivery Property, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion by commercially reasonable means and notified by the Calculation Agent to Dealer at the time of notification of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Unit:

In the case of a Termination Event, Event of Default, Delisting or Additional Disruption Event, one Share or, in the case of an Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event, one Share or a unit consisting of the number or amount of each type of property received by a holder of one Share (without consideration of any requirement to pay cash or other consideration in lieu of fractional amounts of any securities) in such Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event, as applicable. If such Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event involves a choice of consideration to be received by holders, such holder shall be deemed to have elected to receive the maximum possible amount of cash.

Failure to Deliver:

Applicable

Other applicable provisions:

If Share Termination Alternative is applicable, the provisions of Sections 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Counterparty is the issuer of the Shares or any portion of the Share Termination Delivery Units) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction, except that all references to "Shares" shall be read as references to "Share Termination Delivery Units."

(c) Disposition of Hedge Shares. Counterparty hereby agrees that if, in the good faith reasonable judgment of Dealer based on advice of counsel, any Shares (the "Hedge Shares") acquired by Dealer for the purpose of hedging its obligations pursuant to the Transaction cannot be sold in the public market by Dealer without registration under the Securities Act, Counterparty shall, at its election: (i) in order to allow Dealer to sell the Hedge Shares in a registered offering, make available to Dealer an effective registration statement under the Securities Act to cover the resale of such Hedge Shares and (A) enter into an agreement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Dealer, substantially in the form of an underwriting agreement for a registered offering of similar size, (B) provide accountant's "comfort" letters in customary form for registered offerings of equity securities of similar size, (C) provide disclosure opinions of nationally recognized outside counsel to Counterparty reasonably acceptable to Dealer, (D) provide other customary opinions, certificates and closing documents customary in form for registered offerings of equity securities and (E) afford Dealer a reasonable opportunity to conduct a "due diligence" investigation with respect to Counterparty customary in scope for underwritten offerings of equity securities of similar size; provided, however, that if Dealer, in its sole reasonable discretion, is not satisfied with access to due diligence materials, the results of its due diligence investigation, or the procedures and documentation for the registered offering referred to above, then clause (ii) or clause (iii) of this Section 8(c) shall apply at the election of Counterparty; (ii) in order to allow Dealer to sell the Hedge Shares

in a private placement, enter into a private placement agreement substantially similar to private placement purchase agreements customary for private placements of equity securities of similar size, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Dealer, including customary representations, covenants, blue sky and other governmental filings and/or registrations, indemnities to Dealer, due diligence rights (for Dealer or any designated buyer of the Hedge Shares from Dealer), opinions and certificates and such other documentation as is customary for private placements of similar size, all reasonably acceptable to Dealer (in which case, the Calculation Agent shall make any adjustments to the terms of the Transaction that are necessary, in its reasonable judgment, to compensate Dealer for any discount from the public market price of the Shares incurred on the sale of Hedge Shares in a private placement); or (iii) purchase the Hedge Shares from Dealer at the VWAP Price on such Exchange Business Days, and in the amounts, requested by Dealer. "VWAP Price" means, on any Exchange Business Day, the per Share volume-weighted average price as displayed under the heading "Bloomberg VWAP" on Bloomberg Screen HURN <Equity> VAP (or any successor thereto) in respect of the period from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (New York City time) on such Exchange Business Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent using a volume-weighted method).

(d) Amendment to Equity Definitions. The following amendment shall be made to the Equity Definitions:

Section 12.6(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (1) deleting from the fourth line thereof the word "or" after the word "official" and inserting a comma therefor, and (2) deleting the semi-colon at the end of subsection (B) thereof and inserting the following words therefor "or (C) at Dealer's option, the occurrence of any of the events specified in Section 5(a)(vii) (1) through (9) of the ISDA Master Agreement with respect to that Issuer."

- (e) Repurchase and Conversion Rate Adjustment Notices. Counterparty shall, at least 10 Scheduled Trading Days prior to effecting any repurchase of Shares or consummating or otherwise executing or engaging in any transaction or event (a "Conversion Rate Adjustment Event") that would lead to an increase in the Conversion Rate (as such term is defined in the Indenture), give Dealer a written notice of such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event (a "Repurchase Notice") if, following such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event, the Notice Percentage as determined on the date of such Repurchase Notice is (i) greater than 4.5% and (ii) greater by 0.5% than the Notice Percentage included in the immediately preceding Repurchase Notice (or, in the case of the first such Repurchase Notice, greater than the Notice Percentage as of the date hereof), and, if such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event, or the intention to effect the same, would constitute material non-public information with respect to Counterparty or the Shares, Counterparty shall make public disclosure thereof at or prior to delivery of such Repurchase Notice. The "Notice Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the Number of Shares plus the number of Shares underlying any other call options sold by Dealer to Counterparty and the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding on such day. In the event that Counterparty fails to provide Dealer with a Repurchase Notice on the day and in the manner specified in this Section 8(e) then Counterparty agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Dealer, its affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and controlling persons (Dealer and each such person being an "Indemnified Party") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), joint or several, to which such Indemnified Party may become subject under applicable securities laws, including without limitation, Section 16 of the Exchange Act, relating to or arising out of such failure. If for any reason the foregoing indemnification is unavailable to any Indemnified Party or insufficient to hold harmless any Indemnified Party, then Counterparty shall contribute, to the maximum extent permitted by law, to the amount paid or payable by the Indemnified Party as a result of such loss, claim, damage or liability. In addition, Counterparty will reimburse any Indemnified Party for all expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) as they are incurred (after notice to Counterparty) in connection with the investigation of, preparation for or defense or settlement of any pending or threatened claim or any action, suit or proceeding arising therefrom, whether or not such Indemnified Party is a party thereto and whether or not such claim, action, suit or proceeding is initiated or brought by or on behalf of Counterparty. This indemnity shall survive the completion of the Transaction contemplated by this Confirmation and any assignment and delegation of the Transaction made pursuant to this Confirmation or the Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any permitted assignee of Dealer.
- (f) *Transfer and Assignment*. Either party may transfer any of its rights or obligations under the Transaction with the prior written consent of the nontransferring party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. For the avoidance of doubt, Dealer may condition its consent on any of the following, without limitation: (i) the receipt by Dealer of opinions and documents reasonably satisfactory to Dealer in connection with such assignment, (ii) such assignment being effected on terms reasonably satisfactory to Dealer with respect to any legal and regulatory requirements relevant to Dealer, (iii) Counterparty continuing to be obligated to provide notices hereunder relating to the

Convertible Securities and continuing to be obligated with respect to "Disposition of Hedge Shares" and "Repurchase and Conversion Rate Adjustment Notices" above, (iv) payment by Counterparty of all reasonable costs and expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, incurred by Dealer in connection with such assignment, (v) Dealer not being obliged, as a result of such assignment, to pay the assignee on any payment date, an amount greater than Dealer would have been required to pay in the absence of such assignment, (vi) no Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or Termination Event occurring as a result of such assignment and (vii) Counterparty causing the transferee to make such Payee Tax Representations and to provide such tax documentation as may be reasonably requested by Dealer to permit Dealer to determine that the results described in clauses (v) and (vi) will not occur upon or after such transfer. In addition, Dealer may transfer or assign without any consent of the Counterparty its rights and obligations hereunder and under the Agreement, in whole or in part, to any of its affiliates (i) with a credit quality equivalent to Dealer or Dealer's guarantor or (ii) whose obligations hereunder will be guaranteed, pursuant to the terms of a customary guarantee in a form used by Dealer or its relevant affiliate for similar transactions, by Dealer, an affiliate of Dealer with credit quality equivalent to Dealer or Dealer Parent or Dealer's guarantor, in each case, only if (x) an Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or Termination Event will not occur as a result of such transfer or assignment, (y) as a result of such transfer or assignment, Counterparty will not be required to pay the transferee on any payment date an amount under Section 2(d)(i)(4) of the Agreement, as applicable, greater than the amount that Counterparty would have been required to pay to Dealer in the absence of such transfer or assignment and (z) such transfer or assignment is made to a transferee or assignee that is a "dealer in securities" within the meaning of Section 475(c)(1) of the Code. At any time at which any Excess Ownership Position or a Hedging Disruption exists, if Dealer, in its discretion, is unable to effect a transfer or assignment to a third party in accordance with the requirements set forth above after using its commercially reasonable efforts on pricing terms and within a time period reasonably acceptable to Dealer such that an Excess Ownership Position or a Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists, Dealer may designate any Scheduled Trading Day as an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion (the "Terminated Portion") of the Transaction, such that such Excess Ownership Position or Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists. In the event that Dealer so designates an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction, a payment or delivery shall be made pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement and Section 8(b) of this Confirmation as if (i) an Early Termination Date had been designated in respect of a Transaction having terms identical to the Terminated Portion of the Transaction, (ii) Counterparty shall be the sole Affected Party with respect to such partial termination and (iii) such portion of the Transaction shall be the only Terminated Transaction. "Excess Ownership Position" means any of the following: (i) the Equity Percentage exceeds 7.5%, (ii) the Option Equity Percentage exceeds 14.5%, (iii) Dealer or any "affiliate" or "associate" of Dealer would own in excess of 13% of the outstanding Shares for purposes of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iii) Dealer, Dealer Group (as defined below) or any person whose ownership position would be aggregated with that of Dealer or Dealer Group (Dealer, Dealer Group or any such person, a "Dealer Person") under any federal, state or local laws, regulations, regulatory orders or organizational documents or contracts of Counterparty that are, in each case, applicable to ownership of Shares ("Applicable Restrictions"), owns, beneficially owns, constructively owns, controls, holds the power to vote or otherwise meets a relevant definition of ownership in excess of a number of Shares equal to (x) the number of Shares that would give rise to reporting or registration obligations or other requirements (including obtaining prior approval by a state or federal regulator) of a Dealer Person, or could result in an adverse effect on a Dealer Person, under Applicable Restrictions, as determined by Dealer in its reasonable discretion, and with respect to which such requirements have not been met or the relevant approval has not been received or that would give rise to any consequences under the constitutive documents of Counterparty or any contract or agreement to which Counterparty is a party, in each case minus (y) 1% of the number of Shares outstanding on the date of determination. The "Equity Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the number of Shares that Dealer and any of its affiliates or any other person subject to aggregation with Dealer, for purposes of the "beneficial ownership" test under Section 13 of the Exchange Act, or any "group" (within the meaning of Section 13) of which Dealer is or may be deemed to be a part (Dealer and any such affiliates, persons and groups, collectively, "Dealer Group") beneficially owns (within the meaning of Section 13 of the Exchange Act), without duplication, on such day (or, to the extent that, as a result of a change in law, regulation or interpretation after the date hereof, the equivalent calculation under Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder results in a higher number, such number) and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding on such day. The "Option Equity Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the sum of (1) the Number of Shares and (2) the aggregate number of Shares underlying any other call option transaction sold by Dealer to Counterparty, and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding.

- (g) *Staggered Settlement*. If upon advice of counsel with regard to applicable legal and regulatory requirements Dealer reasonably determines that it would not be advisable to deliver, or to acquire Shares to deliver, any or all of the shares to be delivered by Dealer on the relevant "Nominal Settlement Date", Dealer may, by notice to Counterparty on or prior to any Settlement Date (a "Nominal Settlement Date"), elect to deliver the Shares on two or more dates (each, a "Staggered Settlement Date") or at two or more times on the Nominal Settlement Date as follows:
  - (i) in such notice, Dealer will specify to Counterparty the related Staggered Settlement Dates (each of which will be on or prior to such Nominal Settlement Date, but not prior to the beginning of the related "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")) or delivery times and how it will allocate the Shares it is required to deliver under "Delivery Obligation" (above) among the Staggered Settlement Dates or delivery times; and
  - (ii) the aggregate number of Shares that Dealer will deliver to Counterparty hereunder on all such Staggered Settlement Dates and delivery times will equal the number of Shares that Dealer would otherwise be required to deliver on such Nominal Settlement Date.
- (h) *Right to Extend.* Dealer, acting commercially reasonably, may postpone or add, in whole or in part, any Exercise Date or Settlement Date or any other date of valuation or delivery by Dealer, with respect to some or all of the relevant Options (in which event the Calculation Agent shall make appropriate adjustments to the Delivery Obligation), if Dealer determines, based on advice of counsel in the case of the immediately following clause (ii), that such extension or addition by Dealer is reasonably necessary or appropriate (i) to preserve Dealer's commercially reasonable hedging or hedge unwind activity hereunder in light of existing liquidity conditions in the cash market, the stock loan market or any other relevant market or (ii) to enable Dealer to effect purchases of Shares in connection with its hedging, hedge unwind or settlement activity hereunder in a manner that would, if Dealer were Counterparty or an affiliated purchaser of Counterparty, be in compliance with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements).
- (i) *Adjustments*. For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Calculation Agent is called upon to make an adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation or the Definitions to take into account the effect of an event, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment by reference to the effect of such event on the Hedging Party, assuming that the Hedging Party maintains a commercially reasonable hedge position.
- (j) *Disclosure*. Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning the Transaction, Counterparty and each of its employees, representatives, or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to Counterparty relating to such tax treatment and tax structure.
- (k) *Designation by Dealer*. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Confirmation to the contrary requiring or allowing Dealer to purchase, sell, receive or deliver any Shares or other securities to or from Counterparty, Dealer may designate any of its affiliates to purchase, sell, receive or deliver such shares or other securities and otherwise to perform Dealer obligations in respect of the Transaction and any such designee may assume such obligations. Dealer shall be discharged of its obligations to Counterparty to the extent of any such performance in conformance with this Agreement; *provided* that Dealer shall not be relieved hereby of any liability relating to the manner of such performance or any failure to perform.
- (l) *No Netting and Set-off.* Each party waives any and all rights it may have to set off obligations arising under the Agreement and the Transaction against other obligations between the parties, whether arising under any other agreement, applicable law or otherwise.
- (m) *Equity Rights*. Dealer acknowledges and agrees that this Confirmation is not intended to convey to it rights with respect to the Transaction that are senior to the claims of common stockholders in the event of Counterparty's bankruptcy. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties agree that the preceding sentence shall not apply at any time other than during Counterparty's bankruptcy to any claim arising as a result of a breach by Counterparty of any of its obligations under this Confirmation or the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties acknowledge that this Confirmation is not secured by any collateral that would otherwise secure the obligations of Counterparty herein under or pursuant to any other agreement.
- (n) *Early Unwind*. In the event the sale by Counterparty of the Initial Securities (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) is not consummated with the initial purchasers pursuant to the Purchase Agreement for any reason by the close of business in New York on September 10, 2014 (or such later date as agreed upon by the parties, which in

no event shall be later than September 24, 2014) (September 10, 2014 or such later date being the "Early Unwind Date"), the Transaction shall automatically terminate (the "Early Unwind"), on the Early Unwind Date and (i) the Transaction and all of the respective rights and obligations of Dealer and Counterparty thereunder shall be cancelled and terminated and (ii) only in the case where such Early Unwind occurred as a result of events within Counterparty's control, Counterparty shall (x) pay to Dealer an amount in cash equal to the aggregate amount of costs and expenses relating to the unwinding of Dealer's hedging activities in respect of the Transaction (including market losses incurred in reselling any Shares purchased by Dealer or its affiliates in connection with such hedging activities) or (y) at the election of Counterparty, deliver to Dealer Shares with a value equal to such amount, as commercially reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent, in which event the parties shall enter into customary and commercially reasonable documentation relating to the registered or exempt resale of such Shares; provided that, if Counterparty makes such election to deliver Shares, notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of Shares so delivered will not exceed a number of Shares equal to two multiplied by the Number of Shares (with such Number of Shares determined, for the avoidance of doubt, as if the relevant Convertible Securities had been issued). Following such termination, cancellation and payment, each party shall be released and discharged by the other party from and agrees not to make any claim against the other party with respect to any obligations or liabilities of either party arising out of and to be performed in connection with the Transaction either prior to or after the Early Unwind Date. Dealer and Counterparty represent and acknowledge to the other that upon an Early Unwind and following the payment referred to above, all obligations with respect to the Transaction shall be deemed fully and finally

(o) Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010. The parties hereby agree that none of (v) Section 739 of the Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 ("WSTAA"), (w) any similar legal certainty provision in any legislation enacted, or rule or regulation promulgated, on or after the Trade Date, (x) the enactment of WSTAA or any regulation under the WSTAA, (y) any requirement under WSTAA nor (z) an amendment made by WSTAA, shall limit or otherwise impair either party's rights to terminate, renegotiate, modify, amend or supplement this Confirmation or the Agreement, as applicable, arising from a termination event, force majeure, illegality, increased costs, regulatory change or similar event under this Confirmation, the Equity Definitions incorporated herein, or the Agreement (including, but not limited to, rights arising from Change in Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, an Excess Ownership Position or Illegality (as defined in the Agreement)).

## (p) Tax Matters

- (i) Withholding Tax imposed on payments to non-US counterparties under the United States Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any U.S. federal withholding tax imposed or collected pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (a "FATCA Withholding Tax"). For the avoidance of doubt, a FATCA Withholding Tax is a Tax the deduction or withholding of which is required by applicable law for the purposes of Section 2(d) of the Agreement.
- (ii) *HIRE Act.* "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any tax imposed on payments treated as dividends from sources within the United States under Section 871(m) of the Code or any regulations issued thereunder.
- (iii) *Tax documentation*. Counterparty shall provide to Dealer a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, or any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Counterparty has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Counterparty shall, promptly upon request by Dealer, provide such other tax forms and documents requested by Dealer. Dealer shall provide Counterparty, as applicable, (x) a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8ECI or (y) (A) a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY along with a withholding statement and (B) attached a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8ECI, or, in each case, any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Dealer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Dealer shall, promptly upon request by Counterparty, provide such other tax forms and documents as are reasonably requested by Counterparty.

- (iv) *Tax Representations*. Counterparty is a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Counterparty is a "U.S. person" (as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of United States Treasury Regulations) for U.S. federal income tax purposes and an exempt recipient under Treasury Regulation Section 1.6049-4(c)(1)(ii).
- (q) Waiver of Trial by Jury. EACH OF COUNTERPARTY AND DEALER HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES (ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ON BEHALF OF ITS STOCKHOLDERS) ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION OR THE ACTIONS OF DEALER OR ITS AFFILIATES IN THE NEGOTIATION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF.
- (r) Governing Law; Jurisdiction. THIS CONFIRMATION AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS CONFIRMATION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK IN CONNECTION WITH ALL MATTERS RELATING HERETO AND WAIVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE IN, AND ANY CLAIM OF INCONVENIENT FORUM WITH RESPECT TO, THESE COURTS.

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Counterparty hereby agrees (a) to check this Confirmation carefully and immediately upon receipt so that errors or discrepancies can be promptly identified and rectified and (b) to confirm that the foregoing (in the exact form provided by Dealer) correctly sets forth the terms of the agreement between Dealer and Counterparty with respect to the Transaction, by manually signing this Confirmation or this page hereof as evidence of agreement to such terms and providing the other information requested herein and immediately returning an executed copy to Peter Tucker via email: peter.tucker@bankofamerica.com .

Yours faithfully,

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

By: /s/ Christopher A. Hutmaker

Name: Christopher A. Hutmaker Title: Managing Director

Agreed and Accepted By:

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

By: /s/ C. Mark Hussey

Name: C. Mark Hussey Title: EVP, COO & CFO Premium: USD22,747,500.00 (Premium per Option USD101.10).



September 4, 2014

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607 Attn: Mark Hussey

Telephone: (312) 583-8740 Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

From: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

London Branch 25 Bank Street Canary Wharf London E14 5JP England

### Re: Base Convertible Bond Hedge Transaction

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this communication (this "Confirmation") is to set forth the terms and conditions of the above-referenced transaction entered into on the Trade Date specified below (the "Transaction") between JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, London Branch ("Dealer") and Huron Consulting Group Inc. ("Counterparty"). This communication constitutes a "Confirmation" as referred to in the ISDA Master Agreement specified below.

1. This Confirmation is subject to, and incorporates, the definitions and provisions of the 2006 ISDA Definitions (including the Annex thereto) (the "2006 Definitions") and the definitions and provisions of the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "Equity Definitions", and together with the 2006 Definitions, the "Definitions"), in each case as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA"). In the event of any inconsistency between the 2006 Definitions and the Equity Definitions, the Equity Definitions will govern. Certain defined terms used herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture to be dated as of September 10, 2014 between Counterparty and U.S. Bank National Association as trustee (the "Indenture") relating to the USD225,000,000.00 principal amount of 1.25% convertible securities due 2019 (the "Base Convertible Securities") together with any 1.25% convertible securities due 2019 that may be issued pursuant to the Initial Purchasers' option under the Purchase Agreement (as defined below) (the "Optional Convertible Securities" and, together with the Base Convertible Securities, the "Convertible Securities"). In the event of any inconsistency between the terms defined in the Indenture and this Confirmation, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, references herein to sections of the Indenture are based on the draft of the Indenture most recently reviewed by the parties at the time of execution of this Confirmation. If any relevant sections of the Indenture are changed, added or renumbered following execution of this Confirmation but prior to the execution of the Indenture, the parties will amend this Confirmation in good faith to preserve the economic intent of the parties based on the draft of the Indenture so reviewed. The parties further acknowledge that references to the Indenture herein are references to the Indenture as in effect on the date of its execution and if the Indenture is, or the Convertible Securities are, amended, supplemented or modified following their execution, any such amendment, supplement or modification (other than a Merger Supplemental Indenture (as defined below)) will be disregarded for purposes of this Confirmation (other than (i) as provided in Section 8(a) below and (ii) any amendment, supplement or modification pursuant to Section 9.01(b) of the Indenture that, as determined by the Calculation Agent, conforms the Indenture to the description of the Convertible Securities in the preliminary offering memorandum, as supplemented by the pricing term sheet related to the Convertible Securities) unless the parties agree otherwise in writing.

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This Confirmation evidences a complete and binding agreement between Dealer and Counterparty as to the terms of the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates. This Confirmation shall be subject to an agreement (the "Agreement") in the form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement (the "ISDA Form") as if Dealer and Counterparty had executed an agreement in such form (without any Schedule but with the elections set forth in this Confirmation and the election that the "Cross Default" provisions of Section 5(a)(vi) of the Agreement shall apply to Counterparty with a "Threshold Amount" of USD30.0 million and to Dealer with a "Threshold Amount" of 3% of the stockholders' equity of Dealer's ultimate parent company ("Dealer Parent"), in each case, as if (x) the phrase ", or becoming capable at such time of being declared," were deleted from Section 5(a)(vi)(1) of the Agreement, (y) the term "Specified Indebtedness" had the meaning specified in Section 14 of the Agreement, except that such term did not include obligations in respect of deposits received in the ordinary course of a party's banking business and (z) the following language shall be added to the end of such Section 5(a)(vi): "Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default under subsection (2) hereof shall not constitute an Event of Default if (i) the default was caused solely by error or omission of an administrative or operational nature; (ii) funds were available to enable the party to make the payment when due; and (iii) the payment is made within two Local Business Days of such party's receipt of written notice of its failure to pay". For the avoidance of doubt, the Transaction shall be the only transaction under the Agreement.

All provisions contained in, or incorporated by reference to, the Agreement will govern this Confirmation except as expressly modified herein. In the event of any inconsistency between this Confirmation and either the Definitions or the Agreement, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, except to the extent of an express conflict, the application of any provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions shall not be construed to exclude or limit the application of any other provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions.

2. The Transaction constitutes a Share Option Transaction for purposes of the Equity Definitions. The terms of the particular Transaction to which this Confirmation relates are as follows:

#### General Terms:

Trade Date: September 4, 2014

Effective Date: The closing date of the initial issuance of the Convertible Securities.

Option Type: Call
Seller: Dealer
Buyer: Counterparty

Shares: The common stock of Counterparty, par value USD 0.01 per share (Ticker Symbol: "HURN").

Number of Options: The number of Base Convertible Securities in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount issued by

Counterparty.

Number of Shares: As of any date, the *product of* (i) the Number of Options (ii) the Conversion Rate and (iii) the

Applicable Percentage.

Conversion Rate: As of any date, the "Conversion Rate" (as defined in the Indenture) as of such date, but without regard

to any adjustments to the "Conversion Rate" pursuant to Sections 10.05(g), 10.05(j) or 10.07 of the

Indenture.

Applicable Percentage: 40.0%

Premium: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Premium Payment Date: The Effective Date

Exchange: NASDAQ Global Select Market

Related Exchange: All Exchanges

Procedures for Exercise:

**Exercise Dates:** 

Conversion Date:

Required Exercise on Conversion Dates:

**Expiration Date:** 

Automatic Exercise:

Exercise Notice Deadline:

Notice of Exercise:

Each Conversion Date.

Each "Conversion Date", as defined in the Indenture, occurring during the period from and excluding the Trade Date to and including the Expiration Date, for Convertible Securities, each in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount, that are submitted for conversion on such Conversion Date in accordance with the terms of the Indenture (such Convertible Securities, the "Relevant Convertible Securities" for such Conversion Date).

On each Conversion Date, a number of Options equal to the number of Relevant Convertible Securities for such Conversion Date in denominations of USD1,000 principal amount shall be automatically exercised.

The second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture).

As provided above under "Required Exercise on Conversion Dates".

In respect of any exercise of Options hereunder on any Conversion Date, the "Scheduled Trading Day" prior to the first "VWAP Trading Day" of the "Observation Period" (each as defined in the Indenture, but, in the case of any such "Observation Period", as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method" below) relating to the Convertible Securities converted on the Conversion Date occurring on the relevant Exercise Date; *provided* that in the case of any exercise of Options hereunder in connection with the conversion of any Relevant Convertible Securities on any Conversion Date occurring during the period starting on and including the 55th "Scheduled Trading Day" and ending on and including the second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) (the "Final Conversion Period"), the Exercise Notice Deadline shall be the Exchange Business Day immediately following such Conversion Date.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, Dealer shall have no obligation to make any payment or delivery in respect of any exercise of Options hereunder unless Counterparty notifies Dealer in writing prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time, on the Exercise Notice Deadline in respect of such exercise of (i) the number of Options being exercised on the relevant Exercise Date (including, if applicable, whether all or any portion of such exercise relates to the conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities in connection with which holders thereof are entitled to receive additional Shares and/or cash pursuant to the adjustment to the Conversion Rate set forth in Section 10.07 of the Indenture), (ii) the scheduled settlement date under the Indenture for the Convertible Securities converted on the Conversion Date corresponding to such Exercise Date, (iii) whether such Relevant Convertible Securities will be settled by Counterparty by delivery

of cash, Shares or a combination of cash and Shares and, if such a combination, the "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) and (iv) the first "Scheduled Trading Day" of the "Observation Period" (as defined in the Indenture); provided that in the case of any exercise of Options hereunder in connection with the conversion of any Relevant Convertible Securities on any Conversion Date occurring during the Final Conversion Period, the contents of such notice shall be as set forth in clause (i) above. Counterparty acknowledges its responsibilities under applicable securities laws, and in particular Section 9 and Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act (as defined below) and the rules and regulations thereunder, in respect of any election of a settlement method with respect to the Convertible Securities. For the avoidance of doubt, if Counterparty fails to give such notice when due in respect of any exercise of Options hereunder, Dealer's obligation to make any payment or delivery in respect of such exercise shall be permanently extinguished, and late notice shall not cure such failure; provided that notwithstanding the foregoing, such notice (and the related exercise of Options) in connection with any conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities prior to the Final Conversion Period (or, if earlier, the second "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) prior to the first "VWAP Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) of the "Observation Period" that applies to the Convertible Security Settlement Method) shall be effective if given after the Exercise Notice Deadline, but prior to 4:00 PM New York City time, on the fifth Exchange Business Day following the Exercise Notice Deadline, in which event the Calculation Agent shall have the right to adjust the Delivery Obligation as appropriate to reflect the additional costs (including, but not limited to, hedging mismatches and market losses) and expenses incurred by Dealer in connection with its hedging activities (including the unwinding of any hedge position) as a result of Dealer not having received such notice on or prior to the Exercise Notice Deadline.

Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method:

Counterparty shall notify Dealer in writing by 5:00 P.M. (New York City time) on the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) of the irrevocable election by the Counterparty, in accordance with Section 10.03(a) of the Indenture, of the settlement method and, if applicable, the "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) applicable to Relevant Convertible Securities with a Conversion Date occurring on or after the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" and ending on and including the second "Scheduled Trading Day" immediately preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) (the "Free Convertibility Period"). If Counterparty fails timely to provide such notice, Counterparty shall be deemed to have notified Dealer of combination settlement with a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of USD1,000 for all conversions occurring during the Free Convertibility Period. Counterparty agrees that it shall settle any Relevant Convertible Securities with a Conversion Date occurring during the Free Convertibility Period in the same manner as provided in the Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method it provides or is deemed to have provided hereunder.

Dealer's Telephone Number and Telex and/or Facsimile Number and Contact Details for purpose of Giving Notice:

To be provided by Dealer.

**Settlement Terms:** 

Settlement Date:

**Delivery Obligation:** 

In respect of an Exercise Date occurring on a Conversion Date, the settlement date for the cash and/or Shares (if any) to be delivered in respect of the Relevant Convertible Securities converted on such Conversion Date pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture; *provided* that the Settlement Date will not be prior to the latest of (i) the date one Settlement Cycle following the final day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method"), (ii) the Exchange Business Day immediately following the date on which Counterparty gives notice to Dealer of such Settlement Date prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time or (iii) the Exchange Business Day immediately following the date Counterparty provides the Notice of Delivery Obligation prior to 4:00 PM, New York City time.

In lieu of the obligations set forth in Sections 8.1 and 9.1 of the Equity Definitions, and subject to "Notice of Exercise" above, in respect of an Exercise Date occurring on a Conversion Date, Dealer will deliver to Counterparty, on the related Settlement Date, a number of Shares and/or amount of cash in USD equal to the product of (i) the Applicable Percentage and (ii) (x) the aggregate number of Shares, if any, that Counterparty would be obligated to deliver to the holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities converted on such Conversion Date pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture and/or (y) the aggregate amount of cash, if any, in excess of USD1,000 per Convertible Security (in denominations of USD1,000) that Counterparty would be obligated to deliver to holder(s) pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture, as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such Section of the Indenture (except that such aggregate number of Shares shall be determined without taking into consideration any rounding pursuant to Section 10.03(b) of the Indenture and shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number) and cash in lieu of fractional Shares, if any, resulting from such rounding, if Counterparty had elected to satisfy its conversion obligation in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities by the Convertible Security Settlement Method, notwithstanding any different actual election by Counterparty with respect to the settlement of such Convertible Securities ( the "Convertible Obligation"); provided that such obligation shall be determined (i) excluding any Shares and/or cash that Counterparty is obligated to deliver to holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities as a result of any adjustments to the Conversion Rate pursuant to Sections 10.05(g), 10.05(j), or 10.07 of the Indenture and (ii) without regard to the election, if any, by Counterparty to adjust the Conversion Rate (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the Delivery Obligation shall not include any

interest payment on the Relevant Convertible Securities that the Counterparty is (or would have been) obligated to deliver to holder(s) of the Relevant Convertible Securities for such Conversion Date); and provided further that if such exercise relates to the conversion of Relevant Convertible Securities in connection with which holders thereof are entitled to receive additional Shares and/or cash pursuant to the adjustment to the Conversion Rate set forth in Section 10.07 of the Indenture, then, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Delivery Obligation shall include the Applicable Percentage of such additional Shares and/or cash (as determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such Section of the Indenture), except that the Delivery Obligation shall be capped so that the value of the Delivery Obligation per Option (with the value of any Shares included in the Delivery Obligation determined by the Calculation Agent using the VWAP Price (as defined below) on the last day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")) does not exceed the amount as determined by the Calculation Agent that would be payable by Dealer pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement if such Conversion Date were an Early Termination Date resulting from an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction (except that, for purposes of determining such amount (x) the Number of Options shall be deemed to be equal to the number of Options exercised on such Exercise Date and (y) such amount payable will be determined as if Section 10.07 of the Indenture were deleted) was the sole Affected Transaction and Counterparty was the sole Affected Party (determined without regard to Section 8(b) of this Confirmation). Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in addition to the cap described in the further proviso to the preceding sentence, in all events the Delivery Obligation shall be capped so that the value of the Delivery Obligation does not exceed the value of the Convertible Obligation (with the Convertible Obligation determined based on the actual settlement method elected by Counterparty with respect to such Relevant Convertible Securities instead of the Convertible Security Settlement Method and with the value of any Shares included in either the Delivery Obligation or such Convertible Obligation determined by the Calculation Agent using the VWAP Price on the last day of the relevant "Observation Period" (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")).

Convertible Security Settlement Method:

For any Relevant Convertible Securities, if Counterparty has notified Dealer in the related Notice of Exercise (or in the Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method, as the case may be) that it has elected to satisfy its conversion obligation in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities in cash or in a combination of cash and Shares in accordance with Section 10.03(a) of the Indenture (a "Cash Election") with a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of at least USD1,000, the Convertible Security Settlement Method shall be the settlement method actually so elected by Counterparty in respect of such Relevant Convertible Securities; otherwise, (i) the Convertible Security Settlement Method shall assume Counterparty made a Cash Election with respect to such Relevant Convertible Securities with

Notice of Delivery Obligation:

Other Applicable Provisions:

**Restricted Certificated Shares:** 

a "Specified Dollar Amount" (as defined in the Indenture) of USD1,000 per Relevant Convertible Security and (ii) the Delivery Obligation shall be calculated as if the relevant "Observation Period" (as defined in the Indenture) pursuant to Section 10.03(b)(iii) of the Indenture consisted of 100 "VWAP Trading Days" (as defined in the Indenture) commencing on (x) the second "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) after the Conversion Date for conversions occurring prior to the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) or (y) the 102nd "Scheduled Trading Day" prior to the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture) for conversions occurring on or after the 105th "Scheduled Trading Day" preceding the "Maturity Date" (each as defined in the Indenture).

No later than the "Scheduled Trading Day" (as defined in the Indenture) immediately following the last day of the relevant "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method"), Counterparty shall give Dealer notice of the final number of Shares and/or cash comprising the Convertible Obligation (determined as though the words "the Applicable Percentage" in clause (i) of the definition thereof were deleted and replaced with the word "one"); provided that, with respect to any Exercise Date occurring during the Final Conversion Period, Counterparty may provide Dealer with a single notice of an aggregate number of Shares and/or cash comprising the Convertible Obligations (determined as though the words "the Applicable Percentage" in clause (i) of the definition thereof were deleted and replaced with the word "one") for all Exercise Dates occurring in such period (it being understood, for the avoidance of doubt, that the requirement of Counterparty to deliver such notice shall not limit Counterparty's obligations with respect to Notice of Exercise or Notice of Convertible Security Settlement Method or Dealer's obligations with respect to Delivery Obligation, each as set forth above, in any way).

To the extent Dealer is obligated to deliver Shares hereunder, the provisions of Sections 1.27, 9.1(c), 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Counterparty is the Issuer of the Shares) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, Dealer may, in whole or in part, deliver Shares required to be delivered to Counterparty hereunder in certificated form in lieu of delivery through the Clearance System. With respect to such certificated Shares, the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by deleting the remainder of the provision after the word "encumbrance" in the fourth line thereof.

Share Adjustments:

Method of Adjustment:

Notwithstanding Section 11.2 of the Equity Definitions, upon the occurrence of any event or condition set forth in Sections 10.05(a) through (e) of the Indenture that the Calculation Agent determines would result in an adjustment under the Indenture by reference to such Sections thereof (any such event or condition, an "Adjustment Event"), the Calculation Agent shall make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction, subject to "Discretionary Adjustments" below. Promptly following the occurrence of any Adjustment Event, Counterparty shall notify the Calculation Agent of such Adjustment Event; and once the adjustments to be made to the terms of the Indenture and the Convertible Securities in respect of such Adjustment Event have been determined, Counterparty shall promptly notify the Calculation Agent in writing of the details of such adjustments.

In addition, the Calculation Agent shall, to the extent the Calculation Agent determines practicable in good faith and in its commercially reasonable discretion (taking into account the Convertible Security Settlement Method and Dealer's Hedge Positions), make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction (but without duplication of any adjustment pursuant to the foregoing sentence) upon the occurrence of any event or condition that the Calculation Agent determines (taking into account the Convertible Security Settlement Method and Dealer's Hedge Positions) would result in an adjustment under the Indenture by reference to Sections 10.05(f), 10.05(g) or 10.05(h) of the Indenture; *provided* that the Calculation Agent may limit or alter any such adjustment referenced in this sentence so that the fair value of the Transaction to Dealer is not reduced as a result of such adjustment.

For the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall not have any payment or delivery obligation hereunder in respect of, and no adjustment shall be made to the terms of the Transaction on account of, (x) any distribution of cash, property or securities by Counterparty to the holders of Convertible Securities (upon conversion or otherwise) or (y) any other transaction in which holders of Convertible Securities are entitled to participate, in each case, in lieu of an adjustment under the Indenture in respect of an Adjustment Event (including, without limitation, under the second paragraph Section 10.05(c)(i) of the Indenture or the third paragraph of Section 10.05(d) of the Indenture).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Equity Definitions, if the Calculation Agent in good faith disagrees with any adjustment under the Indenture that involves an exercise of discretion by Counterparty or its board of directors (including, without limitation, pursuant to Section 10.05(h) of the Indenture, pursuant to Section 10.06 of the Indenture or any supplemental indenture entered into thereunder (a "Merger Supplemental Indenture") or in connection with any proportional adjustment or the determination of the fair value of any securities, property, rights or other assets), then the Calculation Agent will determine the adjustment to be made to any one or more of the Strike Price, Number of Options, Option Entitlement and any other variable relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of or under the Transaction in a commercially reasonable manner.

Discretionary Adjustments:

**Extraordinary Events:** 

Merger Events:

Consequences of Merger Events:

Notwithstanding Section 12.1(b) of the Equity Definitions, a "Merger Event" means the occurrence of any "Conversion Right Change Event" (as defined in the Indenture).

Notwithstanding Sections 12.2 and 12.3 of the Equity Definitions, upon the occurrence of a Merger Event that the Calculation Agent determines by reference to Section 10.06 of the Indenture would result in an adjustment under the Indenture, the Calculation Agent shall make a corresponding adjustment to the terms relevant to the exercise, settlement or payment of the Transaction, subject to "Discretionary Adjustments" above; provided that such adjustment shall be made without regard to any adjustment to the Conversion Rate pursuant to Section 10.05(j) or 10.07 of the Indenture and the election, if any, by Counterparty to adjust the Conversion Rate; and provided further that the Calculation Agent may limit or alter any such adjustment referenced in this paragraph so that the fair value of the Transaction to Dealer (taking into account a commercially reasonable hedge position) is not adversely affected as a result of such adjustment; and provided further that if, with respect to a Merger Event, (i) the consideration for the Shares includes (or, at the option of a holder of Shares, may include) shares of an entity or person that is not a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia or (ii) the Counterparty following such Merger Event will not be a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia or will not be the Issuer following such Merger Event, in either case, Dealer may elect in its commercially reasonable discretion that Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) shall apply.

Notice of Merger Consideration:

Upon the occurrence of a Merger Event that causes the Shares to be converted into the right to receive more than a single type of consideration (determined based in part upon any form of stockholder election), Counterparty shall reasonably promptly (but, in any event prior to the effective time of such Merger Event) notify the Calculation Agent of (i) the weighted average of the types and amounts of consideration received by the holders of Shares entitled to receive cash, securities or other property or assets with respect to or in exchange for such Shares in any Merger Event who affirmatively make such an election or, if no holders of Shares affirmatively make such an election, the types and amounts of consideration actually received by holders of Shares and (ii) the details of the adjustment made under the Indenture in respect of such Merger Event.

Nationalization, Insolvency or Delisting:

Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination); *provided* that, in addition to the provisions of Section 12.6(a)(iii) of the Equity Definitions, it shall also constitute a Delisting if the Shares are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors); if the Shares are immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any such exchange or quotation system, such exchange or quotation system shall thereafter be deemed to be the Exchange.

## Additional Disruption Events:

(a) Change in Law:

Applicable; provided that Section 12.9(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (i) adding the words "(including, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, any tax law or the adoption or promulgation of new regulations authorized or mandated by existing statute)" after the word "regulation" in the second line thereof, (ii) replacing the phrase "the interpretation" in the third line thereof with the phrase ", or public announcement of, the formal or informal interpretation", (iii) adding the words "or any Hedge Positions" after the word "Shares" in the clause (X) thereof, (iv) immediately following the word "Transaction" in clause (X) thereof, adding the phrase "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (v) adding the words ", or holding, acquiring or disposing of Shares or any Hedge Positions relating to," after the words "obligations under" in clause (Y) thereof.

(b) Failure to Deliver:

Applicable

(c) Insolvency Filing:

Applicable

(d) Hedging Disruption:

Applicable; provided that:

(i) Section 12.9(a)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (a) inserting the following words at the end of clause (A) thereof: "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (b) inserting the following two phrases at the end of such Section:

"For the avoidance of doubt, the term "equity price risk" shall be deemed to include, but shall not be limited to, stock price and volatility risk. And, for the further avoidance of doubt, any such transactions or assets referred to in phrases (A) or (B) above must be available on commercially reasonable pricing terms."; and

(ii) Section 12.9(b)(iii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, after the words "to terminate the Transaction", the words "or a portion of the Transaction affected by such Hedging Disruption".

(e) Increased Cost of Hedging:

Applicable; *provided* that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Hedging on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

"Avoidance Criteria" means, with respect to an action, as determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith, that (i) such action is legal and complies with all applicable regulations, rules (including by self-regulatory organizations) and policies, (ii) if such party is to establish one or more alternative Hedge Positions, there is sufficient liquidity in those alternative Hedge Positions available for that Hedging Party to hedge, (iii) by taking such action, there would not be a material risk that such Hedging Party would incur, any one or more of an increased performance cost, increased hedging cost or increased capital charges, (iv) such

action is known to such Hedging Party or market participants generally and (v) such action would not

require such Hedging Party to incur a material administrative or operational burden.

Hedging Party: For all applicable Potential Adjustment Events and Extraordinary Events, Dealer

Determining Party: For all applicable Extraordinary Events, Dealer; provided that all calculations and adjustments by the

Determining Party shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

Non-Reliance: Applicable

Agreements and Acknowledgments

Regarding Hedging Activities: Applicable
Additional Acknowledgments: Applicable

3. <u>Calculation Agent</u>: Dealer, subject to the following:

The Calculation Agent is Dealer, whose judgments, determinations and calculations as Calculation Agent shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. Following any determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent hereunder, upon a written request by Counterparty, the Calculation Agent shall promptly (but in any event within five Scheduled Trading Days) provide to Counterparty by email to the email address provided by Counterparty in such request a report (in a commonly used file format for the storage and manipulation of financial data) displaying in reasonable detail the basis for such determination or calculation (including any assumptions used in making such determination or calculation), it being understood that the Calculation Agent shall not be obligated to disclose any proprietary or confidential data or information or any proprietary or confidential models used by it for such determination or calculation.

# 4. Account Details:

Dealer Payment Instructions: To be provided under separate cover Counterparty Payment Instructions: Bank Name: Bank of America

135 S. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL. 60603

Account Name: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

Account #: 5800-987447

Routing #: 026009593 (for Wires) Routing #: 071000039 (for ACHs).

# 5. Offices:

The Office of Dealer for the Transaction is: London

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association London Branch 25 Bank Street Canary Wharf London E14 5JP

England

The Office of Counterparty for the Transaction is: Not applicable

6. Notices: For purposes of this Confirmation:

Address for notices or communications to Counterparty:

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc. 550 West Van Buren Street Chicago, IL 60607 Attn: Mark Hussey
Telephone: (312) 583-8740
Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

Address for notices or communications to Dealer:

To: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

**EDG Marketing Support** 

Email: edg\_notices@jpmorgan.com

edg\_ny\_corporate\_sales\_support@jpmorgan.com

Facsimile No: 1-866-886-4506

With a copy to:

Attention: Sudheer Tegulapalle

Title: Head of West Coast Equity-Linked Capital Markets

Telephone No: 1-415-315-6775 Facsimile No: 1-212-622-6037

## 7. Representations, Warranties and Agreements:

(a) In addition to the representations and warranties in the Agreement and those contained elsewhere herein, Counterparty represents and warrants to and for the benefit of, and agrees with, Dealer as follows:

- (i) On the Trade Date, (A) Counterparty is not aware of any material nonpublic information regarding Counterparty or the Shares and (B) all reports and other documents filed by Counterparty with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") when considered as a whole (with the more recent such reports and documents deemed to amend inconsistent statements contained in any earlier such reports and documents), do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.
- (ii) (A) On the Trade Date, the Shares or securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for Shares, are not, and shall not be, subject to a "restricted period," as such term is defined in Regulation M under the Exchange Act ("**Regulation M**") and (B) Counterparty shall not engage in any "distribution," as such term is defined in Regulation M, other than a distribution meeting the requirements of the exceptions set forth in sections 101(b)(10) and 102(b)(7) of Regulation M, until the second Exchange Business Day immediately following the Trade Date.
- (iii) On the Trade Date, neither Counterparty nor any "affiliate" or "affiliated purchaser" (each as defined in Rule 10b-18 under the Exchange Act ("Rule 10b-18")) shall directly or indirectly (including, without limitation, by means of any cash-settled or other derivative instrument) purchase, offer to purchase, place any bid or limit order that would effect a purchase of, or commence any tender offer relating to, any Shares (or an equivalent interest, including a unit of beneficial interest in a trust or limited partnership or a depository share) or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for Shares, except through Dealer.
- (iv) Without limiting the generality of Section 13.1 of the Equity Definitions, Counterparty acknowledges that Dealer is not making any representations or warranties or taking any position or expressing any view with respect to the treatment of the Transaction under any accounting standards including ASC Topic 260, *Earnings Per Share*, ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, or ASC Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* and ASC 815-40, *Derivatives and Hedging Contracts in Entity's Own Equity* (or any successor issue statements) or under FASB's Liabilities & Equity Project.
- (v) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a)(iii) of the Agreement, the Transaction will not violate Rule 13e-1 or Rule 13e-4 under the Exchange Act.

- (vi) On or prior to the Trade Date, Counterparty shall deliver to Dealer a resolution of Counterparty's board of directors or any duly authorized committee thereof authorizing the Transaction and such other certificate or certificates as Dealer shall reasonably request.
- (vii) Counterparty is not entering into this Confirmation to create actual or apparent trading activity in the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or to raise or depress or otherwise manipulate the price of the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or otherwise in violation of the Exchange Act.
- (viii) Counterparty is not, and after giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby will not be, required to register as an "investment company" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (ix) On each of the Trade Date and the Premium Payment Date, Counterparty is not, or will not be, "insolvent" (as such term is defined under Section 101(32) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (Title 11 of the United States Code) (the "Bankruptcy Code")) and Counterparty would be able to purchase the Shares hereunder in compliance with the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation.
- (x) To Counterparty's knowledge, based on due inquiry, no state or local (including non-U.S. jurisdictions) law, rule, regulation or regulatory order applicable to the Shares would give rise to any reporting, consent, registration or other requirement (including without limitation a requirement to obtain prior approval from any person or entity) as a result of Dealer or its affiliates owning or holding (however defined) Shares.
- (xi) The representations and warranties of Counterparty set forth in Section 3 of the Agreement and Section 1 of the Purchase Agreement dated as of September 4, 2014, among the Counterparty and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC as representatives of the Initial Purchasers party thereto (the "Purchase Agreement") are true and correct and are hereby deemed to be repeated to Dealer as if set forth herein.
- (xii) Counterparty understands no obligations of Dealer to it hereunder will be entitled to the benefit of deposit insurance and that such obligations will not be guaranteed by any affiliate of Dealer or any governmental agency.
- (xiii) Counterparty (A) is capable of evaluating investment risks independently, both in general and with regard to all transactions and investment strategies involving a security or securities; (B) will exercise independent judgment in evaluating the recommendations of any broker-dealer or its associated persons, unless it has otherwise notified the broker-dealer in writing; and (C) has total assets of at least \$50 million.
- (xiv) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a) of the Agreement, neither the execution and delivery of this Confirmation nor the incurrence or performance of obligations of Counterparty hereunder will conflict with or result in a breach of the certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or any equivalent documents) of Counterparty, or any applicable law or regulation, or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority or agency, or the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 14, 2011, among, *inter alia*, Counterparty as borrower and Bank of America, N.A. as administrative agent and collateral agent (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified) or any other agreement or instrument filed as an exhibit to Counterparty's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, as updated by any subsequent filings, to which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which Counterparty or any of its subsidiaries is subject, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien under, any such agreement or instrument.
- (xv) Counterparty understands, acknowledges and agrees that: (A) at any time during the term of the Transaction, Dealer and its affiliates may buy or sell Shares or other securities or buy or sell options or futures contracts or enter into swaps or other derivative securities in order to adjust its hedge position with respect to the Transaction; (B) Dealer and its affiliates also may be active in the market for Shares other than in connection with hedging activities in relation to the Transaction; (C) Dealer shall make its own determination as to whether, when or in what manner any hedging or market activities in securities of Counterparty shall be conducted and shall do so in a manner that it deems appropriate to hedge its price and market risk with respect to the relevant prices with respect to the Shares referred to herein; and (D) any market activities of Dealer and its affiliates with respect to Shares may affect the market price and volatility of Shares, as well as the relevant prices with respect to the shares referred to herein, each in a manner that may be adverse to Counterparty.

- (b) Each of Dealer and Counterparty agrees and represents that it is an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1a(18) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.
- (c) Each of Dealer and Counterparty acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transaction to it is intended to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) thereof. Accordingly, Counterparty represents and warrants to Dealer that (i) it has the financial ability to bear the economic risk of its investment in the Transaction and is able to bear a total loss of its investment, (ii) it is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Regulation D as promulgated under the Securities Act, (iii) it is entering into the Transaction for its own account and without a view to the distribution or resale thereof and (iv) the assignment, transfer or other disposition of the Transaction has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and is restricted under this Confirmation, the Securities Act and state securities laws.
- (d) Counterparty agrees and acknowledges that Dealer is a "financial institution" and "financial participant" within the meaning of Sections 101(22) and 101(22A) of the Bankruptcy Code. The parties hereto further agree and acknowledge that it is the intent of the parties that (A) this Confirmation is a "securities contract," as such term is defined in Section 741(7) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "settlement payment," within the meaning of Section 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "transfer," as such term is defined in Section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and a "payment or other transfer of property" within the meaning of Sections 362 and 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (B) Dealer is entitled to the protections afforded by, among other sections, Sections 362(b)(6), 362(b)(27), 362(o), 546(e), 546(j), 548(d)(2), 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- (e) Counterparty shall deliver to Dealer an opinion of counsel, dated as of the Effective Date and reasonably acceptable to Dealer in form and substance, with respect to the matters set forth in Section 3(a) of the Agreement, Sections 7(a)(viii) and 7(a)(xiv) hereof and such other matters as Dealer may reasonably request, subject to such qualifications and assumptions that are customary for legal opinions of this type.

# 8. Other Provisions:

- (a) Additional Termination Events. The occurrence of (i) an "Event of Default" with respect to Counterparty under the terms of the Convertible Securities as set forth in Section 6.01(a) of the Indenture or (ii) an Amendment Event shall be an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction is the sole Affected Transaction and Counterparty is the sole Affected Party and Dealer shall be the party entitled to designate an Early Termination Date pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Agreement.
  - "Amendment Event" means that Counterparty amends, modifies, supplements, waives or obtains a waiver in respect of any term of the Indenture or the Convertible Securities governing the principal amount, coupon, maturity, repurchase obligation of Counterparty, redemption right of Counterparty, any term relating to conversion of the Convertible Securities (including changes to the conversion rate, conversion rate adjustment provisions, conversion settlement dates or conversion conditions), or any term that would require consent of the holders of not less than 100% of the principal amount of the Convertible Securities to amend (other than Sections 9.02(b) or 9.02(g) of the Indenture), in each case without the consent of Dealer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.
- (b) Alternative Calculations and Payment on Early Termination and on Certain Extraordinary Events. If Dealer shall owe Counterparty any amount pursuant to "Consequences of Merger Events" above or Sections 12.6, 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or pursuant to Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement (a "Payment Obligation"), Counterparty shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to require Dealer to satisfy any such Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative (as defined below) by giving irrevocable telephonic notice to Dealer, confirmed in writing within one Scheduled Trading Day, no later than 9:30 A.M. New York City time on the relevant merger date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable ("Notice of Share Termination"); provided that if Counterparty does not elect to require Dealer to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, Dealer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to elect to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, notwithstanding Counterparty's failure to elect or election to the contrary; and provided further that Counterparty shall not have the right to so elect (but, for the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall have the right to so elect) in the event (i) of an Insolvency, a Nationalization or a Merger Event, in

each case, in which the consideration or proceeds to be paid to holders of Shares consists solely of cash, (ii) of an Event of Default in which Counterparty is the Defaulting Party or a Termination Event in which Counterparty is the Affected Party or an Extraordinary Event, which Event of Default, Termination Event or Extraordinary Event resulted from an event or events within Counterparty's control or (iii) that Counterparty fails to remake the representation set forth in Section 7(a)(i) as of the date of such election. Upon such Notice of Share Termination, the following provisions shall apply on the Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the relevant merger date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable:

Share Termination Alternative:

If applicable, means that Dealer shall deliver to Counterparty the Share Termination Delivery Property on the date on which the Payment Obligation would otherwise be due pursuant to "Consequences of Merger Events" above, Section 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement, as applicable, or such later date or dates as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine (the "Share Termination Payment Date"), in satisfaction of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Property:

A number of Share Termination Delivery Units, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, equal to the Payment Obligation divided by the Share Termination Unit Price. The Calculation Agent shall adjust the Share Termination Delivery Property by replacing any fractional portion of the aggregate amount of a security therein with an amount of cash equal to the value of such fractional security based on the values used to calculate the Share Termination Unit Price.

Share Termination Unit Price:

The value of property contained in one Share Termination Delivery Unit on the date such Share Termination Delivery Units are to be delivered as Share Termination Delivery Property, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion by commercially reasonable means and notified by the Calculation Agent to Dealer at the time of notification of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Unit:

In the case of a Termination Event, Event of Default, Delisting or Additional Disruption Event, one Share or, in the case of an Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event, one Share or a unit consisting of the number or amount of each type of property received by a holder of one Share (without consideration of any requirement to pay cash or other consideration in lieu of fractional amounts of any securities) in such Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event, as applicable. If such Insolvency, Nationalization or Merger Event involves a choice of consideration to be received by holders, such holder shall be deemed to have elected to receive the maximum possible amount of cash.

Failure to Deliver:

Applicable

Other applicable provisions:

If Share Termination Alternative is applicable, the provisions of Sections 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Counterparty is the issuer of the Shares or any portion of the Share Termination Delivery Units) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction, except that all references to "Shares" shall be read as references to "Share Termination Delivery Units."

(c) *Disposition of Hedge Shares*. Counterparty hereby agrees that if, in the good faith reasonable judgment of Dealer based on advice of counsel, any Shares (the "**Hedge Shares**") acquired by Dealer for the purpose of hedging its obligations pursuant to the Transaction cannot be sold in the public market by Dealer without registration under the Securities Act, Counterparty shall, at its election: (i) in order to allow Dealer to sell the Hedge Shares in a registered offering, make available to Dealer an effective registration statement under the Securities Act to cover the resale of such Hedge Shares and (A) enter into an agreement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Dealer, substantially in the form of an underwriting agreement for a registered offering of similar size, (B) provide accountant's "comfort" letters in customary form for registered offerings of equity securities of similar size, (C) provide disclosure

opinions of nationally recognized outside counsel to Counterparty reasonably acceptable to Dealer, (D) provide other customary opinions, certificates and closing documents customary in form for registered offerings of equity securities and (E) afford Dealer a reasonable opportunity to conduct a "due diligence" investigation with respect to Counterparty customary in scope for underwritten offerings of equity securities of similar size; provided, however, that if Dealer, in its sole reasonable discretion, is not satisfied with access to due diligence materials, the results of its due diligence investigation, or the procedures and documentation for the registered offering referred to above, then clause (ii) or clause (iii) of this Section 8(c) shall apply at the election of Counterparty; (ii) in order to allow Dealer to sell the Hedge Shares in a private placement, enter into a private placement agreement substantially similar to private placement purchase agreements customary for private placements of equity securities of similar size, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Dealer, including customary representations, covenants, blue sky and other governmental filings and/or registrations, indemnities to Dealer, due diligence rights (for Dealer or any designated buyer of the Hedge Shares from Dealer), opinions and certificates and such other documentation as is customary for private placements of similar size, all reasonably acceptable to Dealer (in which case, the Calculation Agent shall make any adjustments to the terms of the Transaction that are necessary, in its reasonable judgment, to compensate Dealer for any discount from the public market price of the Shares incurred on the sale of Hedge Shares in a private placement); or (iii) purchase the Hedge Shares from Dealer at the VWAP Price on such Exchange Business Days, and in the amounts, requested by Dealer. "VWAP Price" means, on any Exchange Business Day, the per Share volume-weighted average price as displayed under the heading "Bloomberg VWAP" on Bloomberg Screen HURN < Equity > VAP (or any successor thereto) in respect of the period from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (New York City time) on such Exchange Business Day (or if such volume-weighted average price is unavailable or is manifestly incorrect, the market value of one Share on such Exchange Business Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent using a volume-weighted method).

(d) Amendment to Equity Definitions. The following amendment shall be made to the Equity Definitions:

Section 12.6(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (1) deleting from the fourth line thereof the word "or" after the word "official" and inserting a comma therefor, and (2) deleting the semi-colon at the end of subsection (B) thereof and inserting the following words therefor "or (C) at Dealer's option, the occurrence of any of the events specified in Section 5(a)(vii) (1) through (9) of the ISDA Master Agreement with respect to that Issuer."

(e) Repurchase and Conversion Rate Adjustment Notices. Counterparty shall, at least 10 Scheduled Trading Days prior to effecting any repurchase of Shares or consummating or otherwise executing or engaging in any transaction or event (a "Conversion Rate Adjustment Event") that would lead to an increase in the Conversion Rate (as such term is defined in the Indenture), give Dealer a written notice of such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event (a "Repurchase Notice") if, following such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event, the Notice Percentage as determined on the date of such Repurchase Notice is (i) greater than 4.5% and (ii) greater by 0.5% than the Notice Percentage included in the immediately preceding Repurchase Notice (or, in the case of the first such Repurchase Notice, greater than the Notice Percentage as of the date hereof), and, if such repurchase or Conversion Rate Adjustment Event, or the intention to effect the same, would constitute material non-public information with respect to Counterparty or the Shares, Counterparty shall make public disclosure thereof at or prior to delivery of such Repurchase Notice. The "Notice Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the Number of Shares plus the number of Shares underlying any other call options sold by Dealer to Counterparty and the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding on such day. In the event that Counterparty fails to provide Dealer with a Repurchase Notice on the day and in the manner specified in this Section 8(e) then Counterparty agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Dealer, its affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and controlling persons (Dealer and each such person being an "Indemnified Party") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), joint or several, to which such Indemnified Party may become subject under applicable securities laws, including without limitation, Section 16 of the Exchange Act, relating to or arising out of such failure. If for any reason the foregoing indemnification is unavailable to any Indemnified Party or insufficient to hold harmless any Indemnified Party, then Counterparty shall contribute, to the maximum extent permitted by law, to the amount paid or payable by the Indemnified Party as a result of such loss, claim, damage or liability. In addition, Counterparty will reimburse any Indemnified Party for all expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) as they are incurred (after notice to Counterparty) in connection with the investigation of, preparation for or defense or settlement of any pending or threatened claim or any action, suit or proceeding arising therefrom, whether or not such Indemnified Party is a party thereto and whether or not such claim, action, suit or proceeding is initiated or brought by or on behalf of Counterparty. This indemnity shall survive the completion of the Transaction contemplated by this Confirmation and any assignment and delegation of the Transaction made pursuant to this Confirmation or the Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any permitted assignee of Dealer.

(f) Transfer and Assignment. Either party may transfer any of its rights or obligations under the Transaction with the prior written consent of the nontransferring party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. For the avoidance of doubt, Dealer may condition its consent on any of the following, without limitation: (i) the receipt by Dealer of opinions and documents reasonably satisfactory to Dealer in connection with such assignment, (ii) such assignment being effected on terms reasonably satisfactory to Dealer with respect to any legal and regulatory requirements relevant to Dealer, (iii) Counterparty continuing to be obligated to provide notices hereunder relating to the Convertible Securities and continuing to be obligated with respect to "Disposition of Hedge Shares" and "Repurchase and Conversion Rate Adjustment Notices" above, (iv) payment by Counterparty of all reasonable costs and expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, incurred by Dealer in connection with such assignment, (v) Dealer not being obliged, as a result of such assignment, to pay the assignee on any payment date, an amount greater than Dealer would have been required to pay in the absence of such assignment, (vi) no Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or Termination Event occurring as a result of such assignment and (vii) Counterparty causing the transferee to make such Payee Tax Representations and to provide such tax documentation as may be reasonably requested by Dealer to permit Dealer to determine that the results described in clauses (v) and (vi) will not occur upon or after such transfer. In addition, Dealer may transfer or assign without any consent of the Counterparty its rights and obligations hereunder and under the Agreement, in whole or in part, to any of its affiliates (i) with a credit quality equivalent to Dealer or Dealer's guarantor or (ii) whose obligations hereunder will be guaranteed, pursuant to the terms of a customary guarantee in a form used by Dealer or its relevant affiliate for similar transactions, by Dealer, an affiliate of Dealer with credit quality equivalent to Dealer or Dealer Parent or Dealer's guarantor, in each case, only if (x) an Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or Termination Event will not occur as a result of such transfer or assignment, (y) as a result of such transfer or assignment, Counterparty will not be required to pay the transferee on any payment date an amount under Section 2(d)(i)(4) of the Agreement, as applicable, greater than the amount that Counterparty would have been required to pay to Dealer in the absence of such transfer or assignment and (z) such transfer or assignment is made to a transferee or assignee that is a "dealer in securities" within the meaning of Section 475(c)(1) of the Code. At any time at which any Excess Ownership Position or a Hedging Disruption exists, if Dealer, in its discretion, is unable to effect a transfer or assignment to a third party in accordance with the requirements set forth above after using its commercially reasonable efforts on pricing terms and within a time period reasonably acceptable to Dealer such that an Excess Ownership Position or a Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists, Dealer may designate any Scheduled Trading Day as an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion (the "Terminated Portion") of the Transaction, such that such Excess Ownership Position or Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists. In the event that Dealer so designates an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction, a payment or delivery shall be made pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement and Section 8(b) of this Confirmation as if (i) an Early Termination Date had been designated in respect of a Transaction having terms identical to the Terminated Portion of the Transaction, (ii) Counterparty shall be the sole Affected Party with respect to such partial termination and (iii) such portion of the Transaction shall be the only Terminated Transaction. "Excess Ownership Position" means any of the following: (i) the Equity Percentage exceeds 7.5%, (ii) the Option Equity Percentage exceeds 14.5%, (iii) Dealer or any "affiliate" or "associate" of Dealer would own in excess of 13% of the outstanding Shares for purposes of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iii) Dealer, Dealer Group (as defined below) or any person whose ownership position would be aggregated with that of Dealer or Dealer Group (Dealer, Dealer Group or any such person, a "Dealer Person") under any federal, state or local laws, regulations, regulatory orders or organizational documents or contracts of Counterparty that are, in each case, applicable to ownership of Shares ("Applicable Restrictions"), owns, beneficially owns, constructively owns, controls, holds the power to vote or otherwise meets a relevant definition of ownership in excess of a number of Shares equal to (x) the number of Shares that would give rise to reporting or registration obligations or other requirements (including obtaining prior approval by a state or federal regulator) of a Dealer Person, or could result in an adverse effect on a Dealer Person, under Applicable Restrictions, as determined by Dealer in its reasonable discretion, and with respect to which such requirements have not been met or the relevant approval has not been received or that would give rise to any consequences under the constitutive documents of Counterparty or any contract or agreement to which Counterparty is a party, in each case minus (y) 1% of the number of Shares outstanding on the date of determination. The "Equity Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the number of Shares that Dealer and any of its affiliates or any other person subject to aggregation with Dealer, for purposes of the "beneficial ownership" test under Section 13 of the Exchange Act, or any "group" (within the meaning of Section 13) of which Dealer is or may be deemed to be a part (Dealer and any such affiliates, persons and groups, collectively, "Dealer Group") beneficially owns (within the meaning of Section 13 of the

Exchange Act), without duplication, on such day (or, to the extent that, as a result of a change in law, regulation or interpretation after the date hereof, the equivalent calculation under Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder results in a higher number, such number) and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding on such day. The "**Option Equity Percentage**" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the sum of (1) the Number of Shares and (2) the aggregate number of Shares underlying any other call option transaction sold by Dealer to Counterparty, and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding.

- (g) *Staggered Settlement*. If upon advice of counsel with regard to applicable legal and regulatory requirements Dealer reasonably determines that it would not be advisable to deliver, or to acquire Shares to deliver, any or all of the shares to be delivered by Dealer on the relevant "Nominal Settlement Date", Dealer may, by notice to Counterparty on or prior to any Settlement Date (a "Nominal Settlement Date"), elect to deliver the Shares on two or more dates (each, a "Staggered Settlement Date") or at two or more times on the Nominal Settlement Date as follows:
  - (i) in such notice, Dealer will specify to Counterparty the related Staggered Settlement Dates (each of which will be on or prior to such Nominal Settlement Date, but not prior to the beginning of the related "Observation Period", as defined in the Indenture (as modified by the provision set forth opposite the caption "Convertible Security Settlement Method")) or delivery times and how it will allocate the Shares it is required to deliver under "Delivery Obligation" (above) among the Staggered Settlement Dates or delivery times; and
  - (ii) the aggregate number of Shares that Dealer will deliver to Counterparty hereunder on all such Staggered Settlement Dates and delivery times will equal the number of Shares that Dealer would otherwise be required to deliver on such Nominal Settlement Date.
- (h) *Right to Extend.* Dealer, acting commercially reasonably, may postpone or add, in whole or in part, any Exercise Date or Settlement Date or any other date of valuation or delivery by Dealer, with respect to some or all of the relevant Options (in which event the Calculation Agent shall make appropriate adjustments to the Delivery Obligation), if Dealer determines, based on advice of counsel in the case of the immediately following clause (ii), that such extension or addition by Dealer is reasonably necessary or appropriate (i) to preserve Dealer's commercially reasonable hedging or hedge unwind activity hereunder in light of existing liquidity conditions in the cash market, the stock loan market or any other relevant market or (ii) to enable Dealer to effect purchases of Shares in connection with its hedging, hedge unwind or settlement activity hereunder in a manner that would, if Dealer were Counterparty or an affiliated purchaser of Counterparty, be in compliance with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements).
- (i) *Adjustments*. For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Calculation Agent is called upon to make an adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation or the Definitions to take into account the effect of an event, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment by reference to the effect of such event on the Hedging Party, assuming that the Hedging Party maintains a commercially reasonable hedge position.
- (j) *Disclosure*. Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning the Transaction, Counterparty and each of its employees, representatives, or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to Counterparty relating to such tax treatment and tax structure.
- (k) *Designation by Dealer*. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Confirmation to the contrary requiring or allowing Dealer to purchase, sell, receive or deliver any Shares or other securities to or from Counterparty, Dealer may designate any of its affiliates to purchase, sell, receive or deliver such shares or other securities and otherwise to perform Dealer obligations in respect of the Transaction and any such designee may assume such obligations. Dealer shall be discharged of its obligations to Counterparty to the extent of any such performance in conformance with this Agreement; *provided* that Dealer shall not be relieved hereby of any liability relating to the manner of such performance or any failure to perform.
- (l) No Netting and Set-off. Each party waives any and all rights it may have to set off obligations arising under the Agreement and the Transaction against other obligations between the parties, whether arising under any other agreement, applicable law or otherwise.

- (m) *Equity Rights*. Dealer acknowledges and agrees that this Confirmation is not intended to convey to it rights with respect to the Transaction that are senior to the claims of common stockholders in the event of Counterparty's bankruptcy. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties agree that the preceding sentence shall not apply at any time other than during Counterparty's bankruptcy to any claim arising as a result of a breach by Counterparty of any of its obligations under this Confirmation or the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties acknowledge that this Confirmation is not secured by any collateral that would otherwise secure the obligations of Counterparty herein under or pursuant to any other agreement.
- (n) Early Unwind. In the event the sale by Counterparty of the Initial Securities (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) is not consummated with the initial purchasers pursuant to the Purchase Agreement for any reason by the close of business in New York on September 10, 2014 (or such later date as agreed upon by the parties, which in no event shall be later than September 24, 2014) (September 10, 2014 or such later date being the "Early Unwind Date"), the Transaction shall automatically terminate (the "Early Unwind"), on the Early Unwind Date and (i) the Transaction and all of the respective rights and obligations of Dealer and Counterparty thereunder shall be cancelled and terminated and (ii) only in the case where such Early Unwind occurred as a result of events within Counterparty's control, Counterparty shall (x) pay to Dealer an amount in cash equal to the aggregate amount of costs and expenses relating to the unwinding of Dealer's hedging activities in respect of the Transaction (including market losses incurred in reselling any Shares purchased by Dealer or its affiliates in connection with such hedging activities) or (y) at the election of Counterparty, deliver to Dealer Shares with a value equal to such amount, as commercially reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent, in which event the parties shall enter into customary and commercially reasonable documentation relating to the registered or exempt resale of such Shares; provided that, if Counterparty makes such election to deliver Shares, notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of Shares so delivered will not exceed a number of Shares equal to two *multiplied by* the Number of Shares (with such Number of Shares determined, for the avoidance of doubt, as if the relevant Convertible Securities had been issued). Following such termination, cancellation and payment, each party shall be released and discharged by the other party from and agrees not to make any claim against the other party with respect to any obligations or liabilities of either party arising out of and to be performed in connection with the Transaction either prior to or after the Early Unwind Date. Dealer and Counterparty represent and acknowledge to the other that upon an Early Unwind and following the payment referred to above, all obligations with respect to the Transaction shall be deemed fully and finally discharged.
- (o) Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010. The parties hereby agree that none of (v) Section 739 of the Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 ("WSTAA"), (w) any similar legal certainty provision in any legislation enacted, or rule or regulation promulgated, on or after the Trade Date, (x) the enactment of WSTAA or any regulation under the WSTAA, (y) any requirement under WSTAA nor (z) an amendment made by WSTAA, shall limit or otherwise impair either party's rights to terminate, renegotiate, modify, amend or supplement this Confirmation or the Agreement, as applicable, arising from a termination event, force majeure, illegality, increased costs, regulatory change or similar event under this Confirmation, the Equity Definitions incorporated herein, or the Agreement (including, but not limited to, rights arising from Change in Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, an Excess Ownership Position or Illegality (as defined in the Agreement)).

### (p) Tax Matters

- (i) Withholding Tax imposed on payments to non-US counterparties under the United States Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any U.S. federal withholding tax imposed or collected pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (a "FATCA Withholding Tax"). For the avoidance of doubt, a FATCA Withholding Tax is a Tax the deduction or withholding of which is required by applicable law for the purposes of Section 2(d) of the Agreement.
- (ii) *HIRE Act.* "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any tax imposed on payments treated as dividends from sources within the United States under Section 871(m) of the Code or any regulations issued thereunder.
- (iii) *Tax documentation*. Counterparty shall provide to Dealer a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, or any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Counterparty has become obsolete or

incorrect. Additionally, Counterparty shall, promptly upon request by Dealer, provide such other tax forms and documents requested by Dealer. Dealer shall provide Counterparty, as applicable, (x) a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8ECI or (y) (A) a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY along with a withholding statement and (B) attached a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8ECI, or, in each case, any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Dealer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Dealer shall, promptly upon request by Counterparty, provide such other tax forms and documents as are reasonably requested by Counterparty.

- (iv) *Tax Representations*. Counterparty is a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Counterparty is a "U.S. person" (as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of United States Treasury Regulations) for U.S. federal income tax purposes and an exempt recipient under Treasury Regulation Section 1.6049-4(c)(1)(ii).
- (q) Waiver of Trial by Jury. EACH OF COUNTERPARTY AND DEALER HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES (ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ON BEHALF OF ITS STOCKHOLDERS) ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION OR THE ACTIONS OF DEALER OR ITS AFFILIATES IN THE NEGOTIATION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF.
- (r) Governing Law; Jurisdiction. THIS CONFIRMATION AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS CONFIRMATION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK IN CONNECTION WITH ALL MATTERS RELATING HERETO AND WAIVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE IN, AND ANY CLAIM OF INCONVENIENT FORUM WITH RESPECT TO, THESE COURTS.
- (s) *Role of Agent*. Each party agrees and acknowledges that (a) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("**JPMS**"), an affiliate of Dealer, has acted solely as agent and not as principal with respect to this Confirmation and the Transaction and (b) JPMS has no obligation or liability, by way of guaranty, endorsement or otherwise, in any manner in respect of the Transaction (including, if applicable, in respect of the settlement thereof). Each party agrees it will look solely to the other party (or any guarantor in respect thereof) for performance of such other party's obligations under the Transaction. JPMS is authorized to act as agent for Dealer.

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Counterparty hereby agrees (a) to check this Confirmation carefully and immediately upon receipt so that errors or discrepancies can be promptly identified and rectified and (b) to confirm that the foregoing (in the exact form provided by Dealer) correctly sets forth the terms of the agreement between Dealer and Counterparty with respect to the Transaction, by manually signing this Confirmation or this page hereof as evidence of agreement to such terms and providing the other information requested herein and immediately returning an executed copy to Dealer.

Yours faithfully,

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC, as an agent for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

By: /s/ Sudheer R. Tegulapalle

Name: Sudheer Tegulapalle Title: Executive Director

Agreed and Accepted By:

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

By: /s/ C. Mark Hussey

Name: C. Mark Hussey Title: EVP, COO & CFO Premium: USD 15,165,000.00 (Premium per Option USD67.40).



September 4, 2014

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607 Attn: Mark Hussey Telephone: (312) 583-8740 Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

From: Bank of America, N.A.

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036

Attn: Peter Tucker, Assistant General Counsel

Telephone: 646-855-5821 Facsimile: 646-822-5633

Re: Base Issuer Warrant Transaction

(Transaction Reference Number: 148518080)

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this communication (this "Confirmation") is to set forth the terms and conditions of the above-referenced transaction entered into on the Trade Date specified below (the "Transaction") between Bank of America, N.A. ("Dealer") and Huron Consulting Group Inc. ("Issuer"). This communication constitutes a "Confirmation" as referred to in the ISDA Master Agreement specified below.

1. This Confirmation is subject to, and incorporates, the definitions and provisions of the 2006 ISDA Definitions (including the Annex thereto) (the "2006 Definitions") and the definitions and provisions of the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "Equity Definitions", and together with the 2006 Definitions, the "Definitions"), in each case as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA"). In the event of any inconsistency between the 2006 Definitions and the Equity Definitions, the Equity Definitions will govern. For purposes of the Equity Definitions, each reference herein to a Warrant shall be deemed to be a reference to a Call Option or an Option, as context requires.

This Confirmation evidences a complete and binding agreement between Dealer and Issuer as to the terms of the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates. This Confirmation shall be subject to an agreement (the "Agreement") in the form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement as if Dealer and Issuer had executed an agreement in such form (without any Schedule but with the elections set forth in this Confirmation and the election that the "Cross Default" provisions of Section 5(a)(vi) of the Agreement shall apply to Issuer with a "Threshold Amount" of USD 30.0 million and to Dealer with a "Threshold Amount" of 3% of the stockholders' equity of Dealer's ultimate parent company, in each case, as if (x) the phrase ", or becoming capable at such time of being declared," were deleted from Section 5(a)(vi)(1) of the Agreement, (y) the term "Specified Indebtedness" had the meaning specified in Section 14 of the Agreement, except that such term did not include obligations in respect of deposits received in the ordinary course of a party's banking business and (z) the following language shall be added to the end of such Section 5(a)(vi): "Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default under subsection (2) hereof shall not constitute an Event of Default if (i) the default was caused solely by error or omission of an administrative or operational nature; (ii) funds were available to enable the party to make the payment when due; and (iii) the payment is made within two Local Business Days of such party's receipt of written notice of its failure to pay"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Transaction shall be the only transaction under the Agreement.

All provisions contained in, or incorporated by reference to, the Agreement will govern this Confirmation except as expressly modified herein. In the event of any inconsistency between this Confirmation and either the Definitions or the Agreement, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, except to the extent of an express conflict, the application of any provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions shall not be construed to exclude or limit the application of any other provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions.

2. The Transaction is a Warrant Transaction, which shall be considered a Share Option Transaction for purposes of the Equity Definitions. The terms of the particular Transaction to which this Confirmation relates are as follows:

#### General Terms:

Trade Date: September 4, 2014

Effective Date: September 10, 2014, or such other date as agreed between the parties, subject to Section 8(n) below

Components: The Transaction will be divided into individual Components, each with the terms set forth in this Confirmation,

and, in particular, with the Number of Warrants and Expiration Date set forth in this Confirmation. The payments and deliveries to be made upon settlement of the Transaction will be determined separately for each

Component as if each Component were a separate Transaction under the Agreement.

Warrant Style: European
Warrant Type: Call
Seller: Issuer
Buyer: Dealer

Shares: The common stock of Issuer, par value USD 0.01 per share (Ticker Symbol: "HURN").

Number of Warrants: For each Component, as provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Warrant Entitlement: One Share per Warrant

Strike Price: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, this Confirmation or the Equity Definitions, in no event shall the Strike Price be subject to adjustment to the extent that, after giving effect to such adjustment, the

Strike Price would be less than USD 62.65, except for any adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation and the Equity Definitions in connection with stock splits or similar changes to Issuer's

capitalization.

Premium: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Premium Payment Date: The Effective Date

Exchange: NASDAQ Global Select Market

Related Exchange: All Exchanges

Procedures for Exercise:

In respect of any Component:

**Expiration Time:** 

**Expiration Date:** 

Valuation Time

As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation (or, if such date is not a Scheduled Trading Day, the next following Scheduled Trading Day that is not already an Expiration Date for another Component); provided that if that date is a Disrupted Day, the Expiration Date for such Component shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not or is not deemed to be an Expiration Date in respect of any other Component of the Transaction hereunder; and provided further that if the Expiration Date has not occurred pursuant to the preceding proviso as of the Final Disruption Date, Dealer may elect in its discretion that the Final Disruption Date shall be the Expiration Date (irrespective of whether such date is an Expiration Date in respect of any other Component for the Transaction) and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Confirmation or the Definitions, the Relevant Price for such Expiration Date shall be the prevailing market value per Share determined by the Calculation Agent in a commercially reasonable manner. "Final Disruption Date" means June 11, 2020. Notwithstanding the foregoing and anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, if a Market Disruption Event occurs on any Expiration Date, the Calculation Agent, acting commercially reasonably, may determine that such Expiration Date is a Disrupted Day only in part, in which case (i) the Calculation Agent shall make commercially reasonable adjustments to the Number of Warrants for the relevant Component for which such day shall be the Expiration Date and shall designate the Scheduled Trading Day determined in the manner described in the second preceding sentence as the Expiration Date for the remaining Warrants for such Component, and (ii) the VWAP Price for such Disrupted Day shall be determined by the Calculation Agent based on transactions in the Shares on such Disrupted Day taking into account the nature and duration of such Market Disruption Event on such day. Any Scheduled Trading Day on which, as of the date hereof, the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its normal close of trading shall be deemed not to be a Scheduled Trading Day; if a closure of the Exchange prior to its normal close of trading on any Scheduled Trading Day is scheduled following the date hereof, but prior to the open of the regular trading session of the Exchange on such day, then such Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be a Disrupted Day in full. Section 6.6 of the Equity Definitions shall not apply to any Valuation Date occurring in respect of an Expiration Date.

Market Disruption Event:

Section 6.3(a) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended (A) by deleting the words "during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time, Latest Exercise Time, Knock-in Valuation Time or Knock-out Valuation Time, as the case may be," in clause (ii) thereof and (B) by replacing the words "or (iii) an Early Closure." therein with "(iii) an Early Closure, or (iv) a Regulatory Disruption." Section 6.3(d) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the remainder of the provision following the term "Scheduled Closing Time" in the fourth line thereof.

Regulatory Disruption:

Any event that Dealer, in its reasonable discretion, based on advice of counsel, determines makes it appropriate with regard to any legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements or related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer and the Transaction (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements), for Dealer to refrain from or decrease any market activity in connection with the Transaction. Dealer shall notify Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable that a Regulatory Disruption has occurred and the Expiration Dates affected by it.

Automatic Exercise:

Applicable; and means that the Number of Warrants for each Component will be deemed to be automatically exercised at the Expiration Time on the Expiration Date for such Component unless Dealer notifies Seller (by telephone or in writing) prior to the Expiration Time on the Expiration Date that it does not wish Automatic Exercise to occur, in which case Automatic Exercise will not apply.

Issuer's Telephone Number and Telex and/or Facsimile Number and Contact Details for purpose of Giving Notice:

To be provided by Issuer.

# Settlement Terms:

In respect of any Component:

Settlement Currency: USD

Net Share Settlement: On each Settlement Date, Issuer shall deliver to Dealer a number of Shares equal to the Number of Shares to be

Delivered for such Settlement Date to the account specified by Dealer and cash in lieu of any fractional shares

valued at the Relevant Price on the Valuation Date corresponding to such Settlement Date.

Number of Shares to be

Delivered:

In respect of any Exercise Date, the product of (i) the number of Warrants exercised or deemed exercised on such Exercise Date, (ii) the Warrant Entitlement and (iii) (A) the excess, if any, of the VWAP Price on the Valuation Date occurring in respect of such Exercise Date over the Strike Price *divided by* (B) such VWAP

C.

The Number of Shares to be Delivered shall be delivered by Issuer to Dealer no later than noon (local time in

New York City) on the relevant Settlement Date.

VWAP Price: For any Valuation Date, the dollar volume weighted average price per Share for such Valuation Date based on transactions executed during such Valuation Date, as reported on Bloomberg Page "HURN <Equity> AQR" (or

any successor thereto) or, in the event such price is not so reported on such Valuation Date for any reason or is manifestly incorrect, as reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent using a volume weighted method.

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Other Applicable Provisions:

The provisions of Sections 1.27, 9.1(c), 9.8, 9.9, 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Seller is the Issuer of the Shares) and 9.12 and 10.5 of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction.

### Adjustments:

In respect of any Component:

Method of Adjustment: Calculation Agent Adjustment

Extraordinary Dividend: Any Dividend that has an ex-dividend date occurring on or after the Trade Date and on or prior to the date on

which Issuer satisfies all of its delivery obligations hereunder.

Dividend: Any dividend or distribution on the Shares (other than any dividend or distribution of the type described in

Sections 11.2(e)(i), 11.2(e)(ii)(A) or 11.2(e)(ii)(B) of the Equity Definitions).

# **Extraordinary Events:**

Consequences of Merger Events:

Merger Event: Applicable; *provided* that if an event occurs that constitutes both a Merger Event under Section 12.1(b) of the

Equity Definitions and an Additional Termination Event under Section 8(l) of this Confirmation, Dealer may elect whether the provisions of Section 12.2 of the Equity Definitions or Section 8(l) of this Confirmation will

apply.

(a) Share-for-Share: Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment.

(b) Share-for-Other: Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; provided that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment

(Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

(c) Share-for-Combined: Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; *provided* that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment

(Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

Tender Offer: Applicable; *provided* that Section 12.1(d) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by replacing "10%" with "25.0%"; and *provided further* that if an event occurs that constitutes both a Tender Offer under Section 12.1(d) of the Equity Definitions and an Additional Termination Event under Section 8(l) of this Confirmation, Dealer

may elect whether the provisions of Section 12.3 of the Equity Definitions or Section 8(l) of this Confirmation

will apply.

Consequences of Tender Offers:

Share-for-Share:

Share-for-Other:

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; provided that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

Share-for-Combined:

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; provided that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment:

If, in respect of any Merger Event to which Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment applies, the adjustments to be made in accordance with Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions would result in Issuer being different from the issuer of the Shares, then with respect to such Merger Event, as a condition precedent to the adjustments contemplated in Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions, Dealer, the Issuer of the Affected Shares and the entity that will be the Issuer of the New Shares shall, prior to the Merger Date, have entered into such documentation containing representations, warranties and agreements relating to securities law and other issues as requested by Dealer that Dealer has determined, in its reasonable discretion, to be reasonably necessary or appropriate to allow Dealer to continue as a party to the Transaction, as adjusted under Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions, and to preserve its hedging or hedge unwind activities in connection with the Transaction in a manner compliant with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements), and if such conditions are not met or if the Calculation Agent determines that no adjustment that it could make under Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions will produce a commercially reasonable result, then the consequences set forth in Section 12.2(e)(ii) of the Equity Definitions shall apply.

Consequences of Announcement Events:

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment as set forth in Section 12.3(d) of the Equity Definitions; provided that references to "Tender Offer" shall be replaced by references to "Announcement Event" and references to "Tender Offer Date" shall be replaced by references to "date of such Announcement Event". An Announcement Event shall be an "Extraordinary Event" for purposes of the Equity Definitions, to which Article 12 of the Equity Definitions is applicable.

Announcement Event:

(i) The public announcement by any entity of (x) any transaction or event that, if completed, would constitute a Merger Event or Tender Offer, (y) any acquisition by Issuer or any of its subsidiaries where the aggregate consideration exceeds 30.0% of the market capitalization of Issuer as of the

date of such announcement (an "Acquisition Transaction") or (z) the intention to enter into a Merger Event or Tender Offer or an Acquisition Transaction, (ii) the public announcement by Issuer of an intention to solicit or enter into, or to explore strategic alternatives or other similar undertaking that may include, a Merger Event or Tender Offer or an Acquisition Transaction or (iii) any subsequent public announcement by any entity of a withdrawal, discontinuation, termination or other change to a transaction or intention that is the subject of an announcement of the type described in clause (i) or (ii) of this sentence, as determined, in each case, by the Calculation Agent. For purposes of this definition of "Announcement Event," the remainder of the definition of "Merger Event" in Section 12.1(b) of the Equity Definitions following the definition of "Reverse Merger" therein shall be disregarded.

In the definition of New Shares in Section 12.1(i) of the Equity Definitions, (a) the text in clause (i) thereof shall be deleted in its entirety (including the word "and" following such clause (i)) and replaced with "publicly quoted, traded or listed on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors)," and (b) the phrase "and (iii) issued by a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia" shall be inserted immediately prior to the period.

Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination); provided that, in addition to the provisions of Section 12.6(a)(iii) of the Equity Definitions, it shall also constitute a Delisting if the Exchange is located in the United States and the Shares are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors); if the Shares are immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any such exchange or quotation system, such exchange or quotation system shall thereafter be deemed to be the Exchange.

Additional Disruption Events:

Nationalization, Insolvency or

New Shares:

Delisting:

(a) Change in Law:

words "(including, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, any tax law or the adoption or promulgation of new regulations authorized or mandated by existing statute)" after the word "regulation" in the second line thereof, (ii) replacing the phrase "the interpretation" in the third line thereof with the phrase ", or public announcement of, the formal or informal interpretation", (iii) adding the words "or any Hedge Positions" after the word "Shares" in the clause (X) thereof, (iv) by immediately following the word "Transaction" in clause (X) thereof, adding the phrase "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (v) adding the words ", or holding, acquiring or disposing of Shares or any Hedge Positions relating to," after the words "obligations under" in clause (Y) thereof.

Applicable; provided that Section 12.9(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (i) adding the

(b) Failure to Deliver: Not Applicable Insolvency Filing: Applicable

**Hedging Disruption:** Applicable; provided that:

> (i) Section 12.9(a)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (a) inserting the following words at the end of clause (A) thereof: "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (b) inserting the following two phrases at the end of such Section:

"For the avoidance of doubt, the term "equity price risk" shall be deemed to include, but shall not be limited to, stock price and volatility risk. And, for the further avoidance of doubt, any such transactions or assets referred to in phrases (A) or (B) above must be available on commercially reasonable pricing terms."; and

(ii) Section 12.9(b)(iii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, after the words "to terminate the Transaction", the words "or a portion of the Transaction affected by such Hedging Disruption".

Increased Cost of Hedging:

Applicable; provided that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Hedging on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

"Avoidance Criteria" means, with respect to an action, as determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith, that (i) such action is legal and complies with all applicable regulations, rules (including by self-regulatory organizations) and policies, (ii) if such party is to establish one or more alternative Hedge Positions, there is sufficient liquidity in those alternative Hedge Positions available for that Hedging Party to hedge, (iii) by taking such action, there would not be a material risk that such Hedging Party would incur, any one or more of an increased performance cost, increased hedging cost or increased capital charges, (iv) such action is known to such Hedging Party or market participants generally and (v) such action would not require such Hedging Party to incur a material administrative or operational burden.

Loss of Stock Borrow:

Maximum Stock Loan

Rate:

Increased Cost of Stock

Borrow:

As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Applicable; provided that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Stock Borrow on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party

need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

Initial Stock Loan Rate:

As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Hedging Party:

Dealer for all applicable Potential Adjustment Events and Extraordinary Events

Determining Party: Dealer for all applicable Extraordinary Events; provided that all calculations and adjustments by the

Determining Party shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

Non-Reliance:

Applicable

Agreements and Acknowledgments Regarding Hedging Activities: Applicable

Additional Acknowledgments:

Applicable

# 3. Calculation Agent:

Dealer, subject to the following:

The Calculation Agent is Dealer, whose judgments, determinations and calculations as Calculation Agent shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. Following any determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent hereunder, upon a written request by Issuer, the Calculation Agent shall promptly (but in any event within five Scheduled Trading Days) provide to Issuer by email to the email address provided by Issuer in such request a report (in a commonly used file format for the storage and manipulation of financial data) displaying in reasonable detail the basis for such determination or calculation (including any assumptions used in making such determination or calculation), it being understood that the Calculation Agent shall not be obligated to disclose any proprietary or confidential data or information or any proprietary or confidential models used by it for such determination or calculation.

# 4. Account Details:

Dealer Payment Instructions: Bank of America, N.A.

New York, NY SWIFT: BOFAUS3N Bank Routing: 026-009-593 Account Name: Bank of America Account No.: 0012334-61892

Issuer Payment Instructions: Bank Name: Bank of America

135 S. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL. 60603

Account Name: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

Account #: 5800-987447

Routing #: 026009593 (for Wires) Routing #: 071000039 (for ACHs)

# 5. Offices:

The Office of Dealer for the Transaction is: New York

The Office of Issuer for the Transaction is: Not applicable

6. Notices: For purposes of this Confirmation:

(a) Address for notices or communications to Issuer:

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607

Attn: Mark Hussey
Telephone: (312) 583-8740
Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

(b) Address for notices or communications to Dealer:

To: Bank of America, N.A.

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036

Attn: Peter Tucker, Assistant General Counsel

Telephone: 646-855-5821 Facsimile: 646-822-5633

### 7. Representations, Warranties and Agreements:

(a) In addition to the representations and warranties in the Agreement and those contained elsewhere herein, Issuer represents and warrants to and for the benefit of, and agrees with, Dealer as follows:

- (i) On the Trade Date, (A) Issuer is not aware of any material nonpublic information regarding Issuer or the Shares and (B) all reports and other documents filed by Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), when considered as a whole (with the more recent such reports and documents deemed to amend inconsistent statements contained in any earlier such reports and documents), do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.
- (ii) Without limiting the generality of Section 13.1 of the Equity Definitions, Issuer acknowledges that Dealer is not making any representations or warranties or taking any position or expressing any view with respect to the treatment of the Transaction under any accounting standards including ASC Topic 260, *Earnings Per Share*, ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, or ASC Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* and ASC 815-40, *Derivatives and Hedging Contracts in Entity's Own Equity* (or any successor issue statements) or under FASB's Liabilities & Equity Project.
- (iii) On or prior to the Trade Date, Issuer shall deliver to Dealer a resolution of Issuer's board of directors or any duly authorized committee thereof authorizing the Transaction and such other certificate or certificates as Dealer shall reasonably request.
- (iv) Issuer is not entering into this Confirmation to create actual or apparent trading activity in the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or to raise or depress or otherwise manipulate the price of the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or otherwise in violation of the Exchange Act.
- (v) Issuer is not, and after giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby will not be, required to register as an "investment company" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (vi) On the Trade Date, (A) the assets of Issuer at their fair valuation exceed the liabilities of Issuer, including contingent liabilities, (B) the capital of Issuer is adequate to conduct the business of Issuer and (C) Issuer has the ability to pay its debts and obligations as such debts mature and does not intend to, or does not believe that it will, incur debt beyond its ability to pay as such debts mature.
  - (vii) Issuer shall not take any action to decrease the number of Available Shares below the Capped Number (each as defined below).
- (viii) The representations and warranties of Issuer set forth in Section 3 of the Agreement and Section 1 of the Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") dated as of the Trade Date among Issuer and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC as representatives of the Initial Purchasers party thereto are true and correct and are hereby deemed to be repeated to Dealer as if set forth herein.

- (ix) Issuer understands no obligations of Dealer to it hereunder will be entitled to the benefit of deposit insurance and that such obligations will not be guaranteed by any Affiliate of Dealer or any governmental agency.
- (x) (A) During the period starting on the first Expiration Date and ending on the last Expiration Date (the "**Settlement Period**"), the Shares or securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for, Shares will not be subject to a "restricted period," as such term is defined in Regulation M under the Exchange Act ("**Regulation M**") and (B) Issuer shall not engage in any "distribution," as such term is defined in Regulation M, other than a distribution meeting the requirements of the exceptions set forth in sections 101(b)(10) and 102(b)(7) of Regulation M, until the second Exchange Business Day immediately following the Settlement Period, as applicable.
- (xi) On each day during the Settlement Period, neither Issuer nor any "affiliate" or "affiliated purchaser" (each as defined in Rule 10b-18 under the Exchange Act ("Rule 10b-18")) shall directly or indirectly (including, without limitation, by means of any cash-settled or other derivative instrument) purchase, offer to purchase, place any bid or limit order that would effect a purchase of, or commence any tender offer relating to, any Shares (or an equivalent interest, including a unit of beneficial interest in a trust or limited partnership or a depository share) or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for Shares, except through Dealer; provided that such restrictions will not apply to the following: (A) purchases of Shares pursuant to exercises of stock options granted to former or current employees, officers, directors, independent contractors or other affiliates of Issuer, including the withholding and/or purchase of Shares from holders of such options to satisfy payment of the option exercise price and/or to satisfy tax withholding requirements in connection with the exercise of such options; (B) purchases of Shares from holders of performance shares or units or restricted shares or units to satisfy tax withholding requirements in connection with vesting; or (C) purchases of Shares effected by or for a plan by an agent that satisfy the requirements of Rule 10b-18(a)(13)(ii).
- (xii) On the Trade Date and at all times until termination or earlier expiration of the Transaction, (A) a number of Shares equal to the Capped Number have been reserved for issuance by all required corporate action of Issuer, (B) the Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants (the "Warrant Shares") have been duly authorized and, when delivered against payment therefor (which may include Net Share Settlement in lieu of cash) and otherwise as contemplated by the terms of the Warrant following the exercise of the Warrant in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Warrant, will be validly issued, fully-paid and non-assessable and (C) the issuance of the Warrant Shares will not be subject to any preemptive or similar rights.
- (xiii) To Issuer's knowledge, based on due inquiry, no state or local (including non-U.S. jurisdictions) law, rule, regulation or regulatory order applicable to the Shares would give rise to any reporting, consent, registration or other requirement (including without limitation a requirement to obtain prior approval from any person or entity) as a result of Dealer or its affiliates owning or holding (however defined) Shares.
- (xiv) Issuer (A) is capable of evaluating investment risks independently, both in general and with regard to all transactions and investment strategies involving a security or securities; (B) will exercise independent judgment in evaluating the recommendations of any broker-dealer or its associated persons, unless it has otherwise notified the broker-dealer in writing; and (C) has total assets of at least \$50 million.
- (xv) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a) of the Agreement, neither the execution and delivery of this Confirmation nor the incurrence or performance of obligations of Issuer hereunder will conflict with or result in a breach of the certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or any equivalent documents) of Issuer, or any applicable law or regulation, or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority or agency, or the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 14, 2011, among, *inter alia*, Issuer as borrower and Bank of America, N.A. as administrative agent and collateral agent (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified) or any other agreement or instrument filed as an exhibit to Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, as updated by any subsequent filings, to which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is subject, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien under, any such agreement or instrument.

- (xvi) Issuer understands, acknowledges and agrees that: (A) at any time during the term of the Transaction, Dealer and its affiliates may buy or sell Shares or other securities or buy or sell options or futures contracts or enter into swaps or other derivative securities in order to adjust its hedge position with respect to the Transaction; (B) Dealer and its affiliates also may be active in the market for Shares other than in connection with hedging activities in relation to the Transaction; (C) Dealer shall make its own determination as to whether, when or in what manner any hedging or market activities in securities of Issuer shall be conducted and shall do so in a manner that it deems appropriate to hedge its price and market risk with respect to the relevant prices with respect to the Shares referred to herein; and (D) any market activities of Dealer and its affiliates with respect to Shares may affect the market price and volatility of Shares, as well as the relevant prices with respect to the shares referred to herein, each in a manner that may be adverse to Issuer.
- (b) Each of Dealer and Issuer agrees and represents that it is an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1a(18) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.
- (c) Each of Dealer and Issuer acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transaction to it is intended to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) thereof. Accordingly, Dealer represents and warrants to Issuer that (i) it has the financial ability to bear the economic risk of its investment in the Transaction and is able to bear a total loss of its investment, (ii) it is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Regulation D as promulgated under the Securities Act, (iii) it is entering into the Transaction for its own account without a view to the distribution or resale thereof and (iv) the assignment, transfer or other disposition of the Transaction has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and is restricted under this Confirmation, the Securities Act and state securities laws.
- (d) Issuer agrees and acknowledges that Dealer is a "financial institution" and "financial participant" within the meaning of Sections 101(22) and 101(22A) of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The parties hereto further agree and acknowledge that it is the intent of the parties that (A) this Confirmation is (i) a "securities contract," as such term is defined in Section 741(7) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and (ii) a "swap agreement," as such term is defined in Section 101(53B) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "transfer," as such term is defined in Section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and a "payment or other transfer of property" within the meaning of Sections 362 and 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (B) Dealer is entitled to the protections afforded by, among other sections, Sections 362(b)(6), 362(b)(27), 362(o), 546(e), 546(j), 548(d)(2), 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- (e) Issuer shall deliver to Dealer an opinion of counsel, dated as of the Effective Date and reasonably acceptable to Dealer in form and substance, with respect to the matters set forth in Section 3(a) of the Agreement and Sections 7(a)(v), 7(a)(xii) (replacing, solely for these purposes, the words "On the Trade Date and at all times until termination or earlier expiration of the Transaction" with the words "On the Effective Date") and 7(a)(xv) of this Confirmation and such other matters as Dealer may reasonably request, subject to such qualifications and assumptions that are customary for legal opinions of this type.

#### 8. Other Provisions:

(a) Alternative Calculations and Payment on Early Termination and on Certain Extraordinary Events. If Issuer shall owe Dealer any amount pursuant to Sections 12.2, 12.3, 12.6, 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or pursuant to Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement (a "Payment Obligation"), Issuer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to satisfy any such Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative (as defined below) by giving irrevocable telephonic notice to Dealer, confirmed in writing within one Scheduled Trading Day, no later than 9:30 A.M. New York City time on the Merger Date, Tender Offer Date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable, ("Notice of Share Termination"); provided that if Issuer does not elect to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, Dealer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to elect to require Issuer to satisfy its

Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, notwithstanding Issuer's failure to elect or election to the contrary; and *provided further* that Issuer shall not have the right to so elect (but, for the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall have the right to so elect) in the event (i) of an Insolvency, a Nationalization, a Tender Offer or a Merger Event, in each case, in which the consideration or proceeds to be paid to holders of Shares consists solely of cash, (ii) of an Event of Default in which Issuer is the Defaulting Party or a Termination Event in which Issuer is the Affected Party or an Extraordinary Event, which Event of Default, Termination Event or Extraordinary Event resulted from an event or events within Issuer's control or (iii) that Issuer fails to remake the representation set forth in Section 7(a)(i) as of the date of such election. Upon such Notice of Share Termination, the following provisions shall apply on the Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the Merger Date, the Tender Offer Date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable:

Share Termination Alternative:

If applicable, means that Issuer shall deliver to Dealer the Share Termination Delivery Property on the date on which the Payment Obligation would otherwise be due pursuant to Section 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement, as applicable, or such later date or dates as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine (the "Share Termination Payment Date"), in satisfaction of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Property:

A number of Share Termination Delivery Units, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, equal to the Payment Obligation divided by the Share Termination Unit Price. The Calculation Agent shall adjust the Share Termination Delivery Property by replacing any fractional portion of the aggregate amount of a security therein with an amount of cash equal to the value of such fractional security based on the values used to calculate the Share Termination Unit Price.

**Share Termination Unit Price:** 

The value of property contained in one Share Termination Delivery Unit on the date such Share Termination Delivery Units are to be delivered as Share Termination Delivery Property, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion by commercially reasonable means and notified by the Calculation Agent to Issuer at the time of notification of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Unit:

In the case of a Termination Event, Event of Default, Delisting or Additional Disruption Event, one Share or, in the case of an Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer, one Share or a unit consisting of the number or amount of each type of property received by a holder of one Share (without consideration of any requirement to pay cash or other consideration in lieu of fractional amounts of any securities) in such Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer, as applicable. If such Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer involves a choice of consideration to be received by holders, such holder shall be deemed to have elected to receive the maximum possible amount of cash.

Failure to Deliver:

Applicable

Other applicable provisions:

If Share Termination Alternative is applicable, the provisions of Sections 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Seller is the issuer of the Shares or any portion of the Share Termination Delivery Units) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction, except that all references to "Shares" shall be read as references to "Share Termination Delivery Units".

(b) *Private Placement Procedures*. (i) If, in the reasonable judgment of Dealer, based on advice of counsel, for any reason, any Shares or any securities of Issuer or its affiliates comprising any Share Termination Delivery Units deliverable to Dealer hereunder (any such Shares or securities, "**Delivered Securities**") would not be

immediately freely transferable by Dealer under Rule 144 under the Securities Act, then the provisions set forth in this Section 8(b) shall apply. In such event, Issuer shall deliver additional Delivered Securities so that the value of such Delivered Securities, as determined by the Calculation Agent to reflect a commercially reasonable liquidity discount, equals the value of the number of Delivered Securities that would otherwise be deliverable if such Delivered Securities were freely tradeable (without prospectus delivery) upon receipt by Dealer (such value, the "Freely Tradeable Value").

- (ii) (A) Dealer (or an Affiliate of Dealer designated by Dealer) and any potential institutional purchaser of any such Delivered Securities from Dealer or such Affiliate identified by Dealer shall be afforded a commercially reasonable opportunity to conduct a due diligence investigation in compliance with applicable law with respect to Issuer customary in scope for private placements of equity securities of similar size (including, without limitation, the right to have made available to them for inspection all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and other information reasonably requested by them);
- (B) Dealer (or an Affiliate of Dealer designated by Dealer) and Issuer shall enter into an agreement (a "Private Placement Agreement") on commercially reasonable terms in connection with the private placement of such Delivered Securities by Issuer to Dealer or such Affiliate and the private resale of such shares by Dealer or such Affiliate, substantially similar to private placement purchase agreements customary for private placements of equity securities of similar size, in form and substance commercially reasonably satisfactory to Dealer and Issuer, which Private Placement Agreement shall include, without limitation, provisions substantially similar to those contained in such private placement purchase agreements relating to the indemnification of, and contribution in connection with the liability of, Dealer and its Affiliates and Issuer, shall provide for the payment by Issuer of all expenses in connection with such resale, including all fees and expenses of counsel for Dealer, shall contain representations, warranties and agreements of Issuer reasonably necessary or advisable to establish and maintain the availability of an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act for such resale, and shall use best efforts to provide for the delivery of accountants' "comfort letters" to Dealer or such Affiliate with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in or incorporated by reference into the offering memorandum prepared for the resale of such Shares; and
- (C) Issuer agrees that (i) any Delivered Securities so delivered to Dealer may be transferred by and among Dealer and its Affiliates, and Issuer shall effect such transfer without any further action by Dealer and (ii) after the minimum "holding period" within the meaning of Rule 144(d) under the Securities Act has elapsed with respect to such Delivered Securities, Issuer shall promptly remove, or cause the transfer agent for such Shares or securities to remove, any legends referring to any such restrictions or requirements from any Delivered Securities, without any further requirement for the delivery of any certificate, consent, agreement, opinion of counsel, notice or any other document, any transfer tax stamps or payment of any other amount or any other action by Dealer (or such affiliate of Dealer).
- (D) Issuer shall not take, or cause to be taken, any action that would make unavailable either the exemption pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act for the sale by Issuer to Dealer (or any affiliate designated by Dealer) of the Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, or the exemption pursuant to Section 4(a)(1) or Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act for resale of the Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, by Dealer (or any such affiliate of Dealer).
- (iii) Dealer or its affiliate may sell such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, during a period (the "Resale Period") commencing on the Exchange Business Day following delivery of such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, and ending on the Exchange Business Day on which Dealer completes the sale of all such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, or a sufficient number of Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, so that the realized net proceeds of such sales exceed the Freely Tradeable Value (such amount of the Freely Tradeable Value, the "Required Proceeds"). If any of such delivered Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units remain after such realized net proceeds exceed the Required Proceeds, Dealer shall return such remaining Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units to Issuer. If the Required Proceeds exceed the realized net proceeds from such resale, Issuer shall transfer to Dealer by the open of the regular trading session on the Exchange on the Exchange Trading Day immediately following the last day of the Resale Period the amount of such excess (the "Additional Amount") in cash or in a number of additional Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, ("Make-whole")

**Shares**") in an amount that, based on the Relevant Price on the last day of the Resale Period (as if such day was the "Valuation Date" for purposes of computing such Relevant Price), has a dollar value equal to the Additional Amount. The Resale Period shall continue to enable the sale of the Make-whole Shares in the manner contemplated by this Section 8(b)(iii). This provision shall be applied successively until the Additional Amount is equal to zero, subject to Section 8(d).

(c) Beneficial Ownership. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or this Confirmation, in no event shall Dealer be entitled to receive, or shall be deemed to receive, any Shares in connection with this Transaction if, immediately upon giving effect to such receipt of such Shares, (i) Dealer's Beneficial Ownership would be equal to or greater than 7.5% of the outstanding Shares, (ii) the Warrant Equity Percentage exceeds 14.5%, (iii) Dealer, or any "affiliate" or "associate" of Dealer, would be an "interested stockholder" of Issuer, as all such terms are defined in Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iii) Dealer, Dealer Group (as defined below) or any person whose ownership position would be aggregated with that of Dealer or Dealer Group (Dealer, Dealer Group or any such person, a "Dealer Person") under any federal, state or local laws, regulations, regulatory orders or organizational documents or contracts of Issuer that are, in each case, applicable to ownership of Shares ("Applicable Restrictions"), owns, beneficially owns, constructively owns, controls, holds the power to vote or otherwise meets a relevant definition of ownership in excess of a number of Shares equal to (x) the number of Shares that would give rise to reporting or registration obligations or other requirements (including obtaining prior approval by a state or federal regulator) of a Dealer Person, or could result in an adverse effect on a Dealer Person, under Applicable Restrictions, as determined by Dealer in its reasonable discretion, and with respect to which such requirements have not been met or the relevant approval has not been received or that would give rise to any consequences under the constitutive documents of Issuer or any contract or agreement to which Issuer is a party, in each case minus (y) 1% of the number of Shares outstanding on the date of determination (each of clause (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above, an "Ownership Limitation"). If any delivery owed to Dealer hereunder is not made, in whole or in part, as a result of an Ownership Limitation, Dealer's right to receive such delivery shall not be extinguished and Issuer shall make such delivery as promptly as practicable after, but in no event later than one Exchange Business Day after, Dealer gives notice to Issuer that such delivery would not result in any of such Ownership Limitations being breached. "Dealer's Beneficial Ownership" means the "beneficial ownership" (within the meaning of Section 13 of the Exchange Act and the rules promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 13")) of Shares, without duplication, by Dealer, together with any of its affiliates or other person subject to aggregation with Dealer under Section 13 for purposes of "beneficial ownership", or by any "group" (within the meaning of Section 13) of which Dealer is or may be deemed to be a part (Dealer and any such affiliates, persons and groups, collectively, "Dealer Group") (or, to the extent that, as a result of a change in law, regulation or interpretation after the date hereof, the equivalent calculation under Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder results in a higher number, such number). Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement or this Confirmation to the contrary, Dealer (or the affiliate designated by Dealer pursuant to Section 8(k) below) shall not become the record or beneficial owner, or otherwise have any rights as a holder, of any Shares that Dealer (or such affiliate) is not entitled to receive at any time pursuant to this Section 8(c), until such time as such Shares are delivered pursuant to this Section 8(c). The "Warrant Equity Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the sum of (1) the product of the Number of Warrants and the Warrant Entitlement and (2) the aggregate number of Shares underlying any other warrants purchased by Dealer from Issuer, and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding.

(d) *Limitations on Settlement by Issuer*. Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Agreement to the contrary, in no event shall Issuer be required to deliver Shares in connection with the Transaction in excess of the Capped Number of Shares (as provided in Annex A to this Confirmation), subject to adjustment from time to time in accordance with the provisions of this Confirmation or the Definitions; *provided* that no such adjustment shall cause the Capped Number to exceed the Available Shares, other than an adjustment resulting from actions of Issuer or events within Issuer's control (the "Capped Number"). Issuer represents and warrants to Dealer (which representation and warranty shall be deemed to be repeated on each day that the Transaction is outstanding) that the Capped Number is equal to or less than the number of authorized but unissued Shares of the Issuer that are not reserved for future issuance in connection with transactions in the Shares (other than the Transaction) on the date of the determination of the Capped Number (such Shares, the "Available Shares"). In the event Issuer shall not have delivered the full number of Shares otherwise deliverable as a result of this Section 8(d) (the resulting deficit, the "Deficit Shares"), Issuer shall be continually obligated to deliver, from time to time until the full number of Deficit Shares have been delivered pursuant to this paragraph, Shares when, and to the extent, that (i) Shares are repurchased, acquired or otherwise received by Issuer or any of its subsidiaries after the Trade Date (whether or not

in exchange for cash, fair value or any other consideration), (ii) authorized and unissued Shares previously reserved for issuance in respect of other transactions become no longer so reserved or (iii) Issuer additionally authorizes any unissued Shares that are not reserved for other transactions. Issuer shall immediately notify Dealer of the occurrence of any of the foregoing events (including the number of Shares subject to clause (i), (ii) or (iii) and the corresponding number of Shares to be delivered) and promptly deliver such Shares thereafter.

- (e) Right to Extend. Dealer, acting commercially reasonably, may postpone, without duplication of any postponements made pursuant to the provisions applicable to Regulatory Disruptions hereunder, any Exercise Date or Settlement Date or any other date of valuation or delivery with respect to some or all of the relevant Warrants (in which event the Calculation Agent shall make appropriate adjustments to the Number of Shares to be Delivered with respect to one or more Components), if Dealer determines, in its reasonable discretion, based on advice of counsel in the case of the immediately following clause (ii), that such extension is reasonably necessary or appropriate (i) to preserve Dealer's commercially reasonable hedging or hedge unwind activity hereunder in light of existing liquidity conditions in the cash market, the stock loan market or any other relevant market or (ii) to enable Dealer to effect purchases of Shares in connection with its hedging, hedge unwind or settlement activity hereunder in a manner that would, if Dealer were Issuer or an affiliated purchaser of Issuer, be in compliance with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements).
- (f) *Equity Rights*. Dealer acknowledges and agrees that this Confirmation is not intended to convey to it rights with respect to the Transaction that are senior to the claims of common stockholders in the event of Issuer's bankruptcy. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties agree that the preceding sentence shall not apply at any time other than during Issuer's bankruptcy to any claim arising as a result of a breach by Issuer of any of its obligations under this Confirmation or the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties acknowledge that this Confirmation is not secured by any collateral that would otherwise secure the obligations of Issuer herein under or pursuant to any other agreement.
  - (g) Amendments to Equity Definitions. The following amendments shall be made to the Equity Definitions:
  - (i) Section 11.2(a) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the words "a diluting or concentrative" and replacing them with the words "an"; and adding the phrase "or Warrants" at the end of the sentence.
  - (ii) The first sentence of Section 11.2(c) of the Equity Definitions, prior to clause (A) thereof, is hereby amended to read as follows: '(c) If "Calculation Agent Adjustment" is specified as the Method of Adjustment in the related Confirmation of a Share Option Transaction, then following the announcement or occurrence of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has an effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares or options on the Shares and, if so, will (i) make appropriate adjustment(s), if any, to any one or more of:' and, the portion of such sentence immediately preceding clause (ii) thereof is hereby amended by deleting the words "diluting or concentrative" and the words "(provided that no adjustments will be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Shares)" and replacing such latter phrase with the words "(and, for the avoidance of doubt, adjustments may be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Shares)";
  - (iii) Section 11.2(e)(vii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the words "diluting or concentrative" and replacing them with "material" and adding the phrase "or Warrants" at the end of the sentence;
  - (iv) Section 12.6(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (1) deleting from the fourth line thereof the word "or" after the word "official" and inserting a comma therefor, and (2) deleting the semi-colon at the end of subsection (B) thereof and inserting the following words therefor "or (C) at Dealer's option, the occurrence of any of the events specified in Section 5(a)(vii) (1) through (9) of the ISDA Master Agreement with respect to that Issuer.";

- (v) Section 12.9(b)(iv) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (A) deleting (1) subsection (A) in its entirety, (2) the phrase "or (B)" following subsection (A) and (3) the phrase "in each case" in subsection (B); and (B) deleting the phrase "neither the Non-Hedging Party nor the Lending Party lends Shares in the amount of the Hedging Shares or" in the penultimate sentence; and
- (vi) Section 12.9(b)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (A) adding the word "or" immediately before subsection "(B)" and deleting the comma at the end of subsection (A); and (B)(1) deleting subsection (C) in its entirety, (2) deleting the word "or" immediately preceding subsection (C) and (3) replacing in the penultimate sentence the words "either party" with "the Hedging Party" and (4) deleting clause (X) in the final sentence.
- (h) *Transfer and Assignment*. Dealer may transfer or assign its rights and obligations hereunder and under the Agreement, in whole or in part without the consent of Issuer; *provided* that, (i) as a result of such transfer or assignment, Issuer will not be required to pay to the transferee on any payment date an amount under Section 2(d)(i)(4) of the Agreement, if applicable, greater than the amount that Issuer would have been required to pay to Dealer in the absence of such transfer or assignment and (ii) the transferee or assignee shall provide Issuer with a complete and accurate U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8 (as applicable) prior to becoming a party to the Transaction. At any time at which any Ownership Limitation or a Hedging Disruption exists, if Dealer, in its discretion, is unable to effect a transfer or assignment to a third party after using its commercially reasonable efforts on pricing terms and within a time period reasonably acceptable to Dealer such that an Ownership Limitation or a Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists, Dealer may designate any Scheduled Trading Day as an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion (the "**Terminated Portion**") of the Transaction, such that such Ownership Limitation or Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists. In the event that Dealer so designates an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction, a payment or delivery shall be made pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement and Section 8(b) of this Confirmation as if (i) an Early Termination Date had been designated in respect of a Transaction having terms identical to the Terminated Portion of the Transaction, (ii) Issuer shall be the sole Affected Party with respect to such partial termination and (iii) such portion of the Transaction shall be the only Terminated Transaction.
- (i) *Adjustments*. For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Calculation Agent is called upon to make an adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation or the Definitions to take into account the effect of an event, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment by reference to the effect of such event on the Hedging Party, assuming that the Hedging Party maintains a commercially reasonable hedge position.
- (j) *Disclosure*. Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning the Transaction, Issuer and each of its employees, representatives, or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to Issuer relating to such tax treatment and tax structure.
- (k) *Designation by Dealer*. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Confirmation to the contrary requiring or allowing Dealer to purchase, sell, receive or deliver any Shares or other securities to or from Issuer, Dealer may designate any of its affiliates to purchase, sell, receive or deliver such shares or other securities and otherwise to perform Dealer obligations in respect of the Transaction and any such designee may assume such obligations. Dealer shall be discharged of its obligations to Issuer to the extent of any such performance in conformance with this Agreement; provided that Dealer shall not be relieved hereby of any liability relating to the manner of such performance or any failure to perform.
- (l) Additional Termination Events. The occurrence of any of the following shall constitute an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction shall be the sole Affected Transaction and Issuer shall be the sole Affected Party; provided that with respect to any Additional Termination Event, Dealer may choose to treat part of the Transaction as the sole Affected Transaction, and, upon the termination of the Affected Transaction, a Transaction with terms identical to those set forth herein except with a Number of Warrants equal to the unaffected number of Warrants shall be treated for all purposes as the Transaction, which shall remain in full force and effect:
  - (i) Dealer reasonably determines that it is advisable to terminate a portion of the Transaction so that Dealer's related hedging activities will comply with applicable securities laws, rules or regulations or related policies and procedures of Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer);

- (ii) any "person" or "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, becomes the direct or indirect "beneficial owner," as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, of the common equity of Issuer representing more than 50.0% of the voting power of all classes of such common equity entitled to vote generally in the election of Issuer's directors;
- (iii) the consummation of (A) any recapitalization, reclassification or change of Issuer's common stock (other than a change only in par value, from par value to no par value or from no par value to par value, or changes resulting from a subdivision or combination of our common stock) pursuant to which Issuer's common stock would be converted into, or exchanged for, or represent solely the right to receive, cash, securities or other property, (B) any share exchange, consolidation, merger or similar event involving Issuer pursuant to which the Shares will be converted into, or exchanged for, or represent solely the right to receive, cash, securities or other property or (C) any sale, lease or other transfer in one transaction or a series of transactions of all or substantially all of the consolidated assets of the Issuer and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any person other than one or more of Issuer's wholly owned subsidiaries;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction or series of transactions set forth in clause (ii) or (iii) above will not constitute an Additional Termination Event if at least 90% of the consideration paid for the Shares (excluding cash payments for fractional shares or pursuant to dissenters' rights) in connection with such transaction or series of transactions consists of shares of common stock traded on any of The New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or any of their respective successors). In addition, a transaction or event that constitutes an Additional Termination Event under both clauses (ii) and (iii) above will be deemed to constitute an Additional Termination Event solely under clause (iii) above.

- (m) *No Netting and Set-off.* Each party waives any and all rights it may have to set off obligations arising under the Agreement and the Transaction against other obligations between the parties, whether arising under any other agreement, applicable law or otherwise.
- (n) Early Unwind. In the event the sale by Issuer of the Initial Securities (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) is not consummated with the initial purchasers pursuant to the Purchase Agreement for any reason by the close of business in New York on September 10, 2014 (or such later date as agreed upon by the parties, which in no event shall be later than September 24, 2014) (September 10, 2014 or such later date being the "Early Unwind Date"), the Transaction shall automatically terminate (the "Early Unwind"), on the Early Unwind Date and (i) the Transaction and all of the respective rights and obligations of Dealer and Issuer thereunder shall be cancelled and terminated and (ii) only in the case where such Early Unwind occurred as a result of events within Issuer's control, Issuer shall (x) pay to Dealer an amount in cash equal to the aggregate amount of costs and expenses relating to the unwinding of Dealer's hedging activities in respect of the Transaction (including market losses incurred in reselling any Shares purchased by Dealer or its affiliates in connection with such hedging activities) or (y) at the election of Issuer, deliver to Dealer Shares with a value equal to such amount, as commercially reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent, in which event the parties shall enter into customary and commercially reasonable documentation relating to the registered or exempt resale of such Shares; provided that, if Issuer makes such election to deliver Shares, notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of Shares so delivered will not exceed a number of Shares equal to the Capped Number. Following such termination, cancellation and payment, each party shall be released and discharged by the other party from and agrees not to make any claim against the other party with respect to any obligations or liabilities of either party arising out of and to be performed in connection with the Transaction either prior to or after the Early Unwind Date. Dealer and Issuer represent and acknowledge to the other that u
- (o) *Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010.* The parties hereby agree that none of (v) Section 739 of the Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 ("WSTAA"), (w) any similar legal certainty provision in any legislation enacted, or rule or regulation promulgated, on or after the Trade Date, (x) the enactment of WSTAA or any regulation under the WSTAA, (y) any requirement under WSTAA nor (z) an amendment made by WSTAA, shall limit or otherwise impair either party's rights to terminate, renegotiate, modify, amend or supplement this Confirmation or the Agreement, as applicable, arising from a termination event, force majeure, illegality, increased costs, regulatory change or similar event under this Confirmation, the Equity

Definitions incorporated herein, or the Agreement (including, but not limited to, rights arising from Change in Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, Loss of Stock Borrow, Increased Cost of Stock Borrow, an Excess Ownership Position or Illegality (as defined in the Agreement)).

#### (p) Tax Matters

- (i) Withholding Tax imposed on payments to non-US counterparties under the United States Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any U.S. federal withholding tax imposed or collected pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (a "FATCA Withholding Tax"). For the avoidance of doubt, a FATCA Withholding Tax is a Tax the deduction or withholding of which is required by applicable law for the purposes of Section 2(d) of the Agreement.
- (ii) *HIRE Act.* "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any tax imposed on payments treated as dividends from sources within the United States under Section 871(m) of the Code or any regulations issued thereunder.
- (iii) *Tax documentation*. Issuer shall provide to Dealer a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, or any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Issuer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Issuer shall, promptly upon request by Dealer, provide such other tax forms and documents requested by Dealer. Dealer shall provide Issuer, as applicable, (x) a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8ECI or (y) (A) a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY along with a withholding statement and (B) attached a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8ECI, or, in each case, any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Dealer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Dealer shall, promptly upon request by Issuer, provide such other tax forms and documents as are reasonably requested by Issuer.
- (iv) *Tax Representations*. Issuer is a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Issuer is a "U.S. person" (as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of United States Treasury Regulations) for U.S. federal income tax purposes and an exempt recipient under Treasury Regulation Section 1.6049-4(c)(1)(ii).
- (q) Waiver of Trial by Jury. EACH OF ISSUER AND BUYER HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES (ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ON BEHALF OF ITS STOCKHOLDERS) ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION OR THE ACTIONS OF BUYER OR ITS AFFILIATES IN THE NEGOTIATION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF.
- (r) Governing Law; Jurisdiction. THIS CONFIRMATION AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS CONFIRMATION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK IN CONNECTION WITH ALL MATTERS RELATING HERETO AND WAIVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE IN, AND ANY CLAIM OF INCONVENIENT FORUM WITH RESPECT TO, THESE COURTS.

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Issuer hereby agrees (a) to check this Confirmation carefully and immediately upon receipt so that errors or discrepancies can be promptly identified and rectified and (b) to confirm that the foregoing (in the exact form provided by Dealer) correctly sets forth the terms of the agreement between Dealer and Issuer with respect to the Transaction, by manually signing this Confirmation or this page hereof as evidence of agreement to such terms and providing the other information requested herein and immediately returning an executed copy to Peter Tucker via email: peter.tucker@bankofamerica.com.

Yours faithfully,

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

By: /s/ Christopher A. Hutmaker

Name: Christopher A. Hutmaker Title: Managing Director

Agreed and Accepted By:

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

By: /s/ C. Mark Hussey

Name: C. Mark Hussey Title: EVP, COO & CFO For each Component of the Transaction, the Number of Warrants and Expiration Date is set forth below.

Component Number	Number of Warrants	Expiration Date
1	16,897	Monday, January 06, 2020
2	16,897	Tuesday, January 07, 2020
3	16,897	Wednesday, January 08, 2020
4	16,897	Thursday, January 09, 2020
5	16,897	Friday, January 10, 2020
6	16,898	Monday, January 13, 2020
7	16,898	Tuesday, January 14, 2020
8	16,898	Wednesday, January 15, 2020
9	16,898	Thursday, January 16, 2020
10	16,898	Friday, January 17, 2020
11	16,898	Tuesday, January 21, 2020
12	16,898	Wednesday, January 22, 2020
13	16,898	Thursday, January 23, 2020
14	16,898	Friday, January 24, 2020
15	16,898	Monday, January 27, 2020
16	16,898	Tuesday, January 28, 2020
17	16,898	Wednesday, January 29, 2020
18	16,898	Thursday, January 30, 2020
19	16,898	Friday, January 31, 2020
20	16,898	Monday, February 03, 2020
21	16,898	Tuesday, February 04, 2020
22	16,898	Wednesday, February 05, 2020
23	16,898	Thursday, February 06, 2020
24	16,898	Friday, February 07, 2020
25	16,898	Monday, February 10, 2020
26	16,898	Tuesday, February 11, 2020
27	16,898	Wednesday, February 12, 2020
28	16,898	Thursday, February 13, 2020
29	16,898	Friday, February 14, 2020
30	16,898	Tuesday, February 18, 2020
31	16,898	Wednesday, February 19, 2020
32	16,898	Thursday, February 20, 2020
33	16,898	Friday, February 21, 2020
34	16,898	Monday, February 24, 2020
35	16,898	Tuesday, February 25, 2020
36	16,898	Wednesday, February 26, 2020
37	16,898	Thursday, February 27, 2020
38	16,898	Friday, February 28, 2020
39	16,898	Monday, March 02, 2020
40	16,898	Tuesday, March 03, 2020
41	16,898	Wednesday, March 04, 2020
42	16,898	Thursday, March 05, 2020
43	16,898	Friday, March 06, 2020
44	16,898	Monday, March 09, 2020
45	16,898	Tuesday, March 10, 2020
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82	16,898	Friday, May 01, 2020
83	16,898	Monday, May 04, 2020
84	16,898	Tuesday, May 05, 2020
85	16,898	Wednesday, May 06, 2020
86	16,898	Thursday, May 07, 2020
87	16,898	Friday, May 08, 2020
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99	16,898	Wednesday, May 27, 2020
100	16,898	Thursday, May 28, 2020

Strike Price: USD97.1230

Premium: USD12,757,500.00 Maximum Stock Loan Rate: 200 basis points

Initial Stock Loan Rate: Prior to October 2, 2019, zero basis points, and thereafter, 25 basis points

Capped Number of Shares: 3,379,590



September 4, 2014

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607 Attn: Mark Hussey

Telephone: (312) 583-8740 Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

From: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

London Branch 25 Bank Street Canary Wharf London E14 5JP England

Re: Base Issuer Warrant Transaction

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this communication (this "Confirmation") is to set forth the terms and conditions of the above-referenced transaction entered into on the Trade Date specified below (the "Transaction") between JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, London Branch ("Dealer") and Huron Consulting Group Inc. ("Issuer"). This communication constitutes a "Confirmation" as referred to in the ISDA Master Agreement specified below.

1. This Confirmation is subject to, and incorporates, the definitions and provisions of the 2006 ISDA Definitions (including the Annex thereto) (the "2006 Definitions") and the definitions and provisions of the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "Equity Definitions", and together with the 2006 Definitions, the "Definitions"), in each case as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. ("ISDA"). In the event of any inconsistency between the 2006 Definitions and the Equity Definitions, the Equity Definitions will govern. For purposes of the Equity Definitions, each reference herein to a Warrant shall be deemed to be a reference to a Call Option or an Option, as context requires.

This Confirmation evidences a complete and binding agreement between Dealer and Issuer as to the terms of the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates. This Confirmation shall be subject to an agreement (the "**Agreement**") in the form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement as if Dealer and Issuer had executed an agreement in such form (without any Schedule but with the elections set forth in this Confirmation and the election that the "Cross Default" provisions of Section 5(a)(vi) of the Agreement shall apply to Issuer with a "Threshold Amount" of USD 30.0 million and to Dealer with a "Threshold Amount" of 3% of the stockholders' equity of Dealer's ultimate parent company, in each case, as if (x) the phrase ", or becoming capable at such time of being declared," were deleted from Section 5(a)(vi)(1) of the Agreement, (y) the term "Specified Indebtedness" had the meaning specified in Section 14 of the Agreement, except that such term did not include obligations in respect of deposits received in the ordinary course of a party's banking business and (z) the following language shall be added to the end of such Section 5(a)(vi): "Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default under subsection (2) hereof shall not constitute an Event of Default if (i) the default was caused solely by error or omission of an administrative or operational nature; (ii) funds were available to enable the party to make the payment when due; and (iii) the payment is made within two Local Business Days of such party's receipt of written notice of its failure to pay"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Transaction shall be the only transaction under the Agreement.

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All provisions contained in, or incorporated by reference to, the Agreement will govern this Confirmation except as expressly modified herein. In the event of any inconsistency between this Confirmation and either the Definitions or the Agreement, this Confirmation shall govern. For the avoidance of doubt, except to the extent of an express conflict, the application of any provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions shall not be construed to exclude or limit the application of any other provision of this Confirmation, the Agreement or the Equity Definitions.

2. The Transaction is a Warrant Transaction, which shall be considered a Share Option Transaction for purposes of the Equity Definitions. The terms of the particular Transaction to which this Confirmation relates are as follows:

#### General Terms:

Trade Date: September 4, 2014

Effective Date: September 10, 2014, or such other date as agreed between the parties, subject to Section 8(n)

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Components: The Transaction will be divided into individual Components, each with the terms set forth in

this Confirmation, and, in particular, with the Number of Warrants and Expiration Date set forth

in this Confirmation. The payments and deliveries to be made upon settlement of the

Transaction will be determined separately for each Component as if each Component were a

separate Transaction under the Agreement.

Warrant Style: European

Warrant Type: Call
Seller: Issuer
Buyer: Dealer

Shares: The common stock of Issuer, par value USD 0.01 per share (Ticker Symbol: "HURN").

Number of Warrants: For each Component, as provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Warrant Entitlement: One Share per Warrant

Strike Price: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, this Confirmation or the Equity Definitions, in no event shall the Strike Price be subject to adjustment to the extent that, after giving effect to such adjustment, the Strike Price would be less than USD 62.65, except for any adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation and the Equity Definitions in connection

with stock splits or similar changes to Issuer's capitalization.

Premium: As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Premium Payment Date: The Effective Date

Exchange: NASDAQ Global Select Market

Related Exchange: All Exchanges

Procedures for Exercise:

*In respect of any Component:* 

**Expiration Time:** 

**Expiration Date:** 

Market Disruption Event:

#### Valuation Time

As provided in <u>Annex A</u> to this Confirmation (or, if such date is not a Scheduled Trading Day, the next following Scheduled Trading Day that is not already an Expiration Date for another Component); provided that if that date is a Disrupted Day, the Expiration Date for such Component shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not or is not deemed to be an Expiration Date in respect of any other Component of the Transaction hereunder; and *provided further* that if the Expiration Date has not occurred pursuant to the preceding proviso as of the Final Disruption Date, Dealer may elect in its discretion that the Final Disruption Date shall be the Expiration Date (irrespective of whether such date is an Expiration Date in respect of any other Component for the Transaction) and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Confirmation or the Definitions, the Relevant Price for such Expiration Date shall be the prevailing market value per Share determined by the Calculation Agent in a commercially reasonable manner. "Final Disruption Date" means June 11, 2020 Notwithstanding the foregoing and anything to the contrary in the Equity Definitions, if a Market Disruption Event occurs on any Expiration Date, the Calculation Agent, acting commercially reasonably, may determine that such Expiration Date is a Disrupted Day only in part, in which case (i) the Calculation Agent shall make commercially reasonable adjustments to the Number of Warrants for the relevant Component for which such day shall be the Expiration Date and shall designate the Scheduled Trading Day determined in the manner described in the second preceding sentence as the Expiration Date for the remaining Warrants for such Component, and (ii) the VWAP Price for such Disrupted Day shall be determined by the Calculation Agent based on transactions in the Shares on such Disrupted Day taking into account the nature and duration of such Market Disruption Event on such day. Any Scheduled Trading Day on which, as of the date hereof, the Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its normal close of trading shall be deemed not to be a Scheduled Trading Day; if a closure of the Exchange prior to its normal close of trading on any Scheduled Trading Day is scheduled following the date hereof, but prior to the open of the regular trading session of the Exchange on such day, then such Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be a Disrupted Day in full. Section 6.6 of the Equity Definitions shall not apply to any Valuation Date occurring in respect of an Expiration Date.

Section 6.3(a) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended (A) by deleting the words "during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time, Latest Exercise Time, Knock-in Valuation Time or Knock-out Valuation Time, as the case may be," in clause (ii) thereof and (B) by replacing the words "or (iii) an Early Closure." therein with "(iii) an Early Closure, or (iv) a Regulatory Disruption."

Regulatory Disruption:

Section 6.3(d) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the remainder of the provision following the term "Scheduled Closing Time" in the fourth line thereof.

Any event that Dealer, in its reasonable discretion, based on advice of counsel, determines makes it appropriate with regard to any legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements or related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer and the Transaction (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements), for Dealer to refrain from or decrease any market activity in connection with the Transaction. Dealer shall notify Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable that a Regulatory Disruption has occurred and the Expiration Dates affected by it.

Automatic Exercise:

Applicable; and means that the Number of Warrants for each Component will be deemed to be automatically exercised at the Expiration Time on the Expiration Date for such Component unless Dealer notifies Seller (by telephone or in writing) prior to the Expiration Time on the Expiration Date that it does not wish Automatic Exercise to occur, in which case Automatic Exercise will not apply.

Issuer's Telephone Number and Telex and/or Facsimile Number and Contact Details for purpose of Giving Notice:

To be provided by Issuer.

# Settlement Terms:

*In respect of any Component:* 

Settlement Currency:

Net Share Settlement: On each

On each Settlement Date, Issuer shall deliver to Dealer a number of Shares equal to the Number of Shares to be Delivered for such Settlement Date to the account specified by Dealer and cash in lieu of any fractional shares valued at the Relevant Price on the Valuation Date corresponding

to such Settlement Date.

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Number of Shares to be Delivered: In respect of any Exercise Date, the product of (i) the number of Warrants exercised or deemed

exercised on such Exercise Date, (ii) the Warrant Entitlement and (iii) (A) the excess, if any, of the VWAP Price on the Valuation Date occurring in respect of such Exercise Date over the

Strike Price divided by (B) such VWAP Price.

The Number of Shares to be Delivered shall be delivered by Issuer to Dealer no later than noon

(local time in New York City) on the relevant Settlement Date.

VWAP Price: For any Valuation Date, the dollar volume weighted average price per Share for such Valuation Date based on transactions executed during such Valuation Date, as reported on Bloomberg

Page "HURN <Equity> AQR" (or any successor thereto) or, in the event such price is not so reported on such Valuation Date for any reason or is manifestly incorrect, as reasonably

determined by the Calculation Agent using a volume weighted method.

Other Applicable Provisions:

The provisions of Sections 1.27, 9.1(c), 9.8, 9.9, 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Seller is the Issuer of the Shares) and 9.12 and 10.5 of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction.

Adjustments:

*In respect of any Component:* 

Method of Adjustment:

Extraordinary Dividend:

Dividend:

Extraordinary Events:

Consequences of Merger Events:

Merger Event:

(a) Share-for-Share:

(b) Share-for-Other:

(c) Share-for-Combined:

Tender Offer:

Calculation Agent Adjustment

Any Dividend that has an ex-dividend date occurring on or after the Trade Date and on or prior

to the date on which Issuer satisfies all of its delivery obligations hereunder.

Any dividend or distribution on the Shares (other than any dividend or distribution of the type described in Sections 11.2(e)(i), 11.2(e)(ii)(A) or 11.2(e)(ii)(B) of the Equity Definitions).

Applicable; provided that if an event occurs that constitutes both a Merger Event under Section 12.1(b) of the Equity Definitions and an Additional Termination Event under Section 8(l) of this Confirmation, Dealer may elect whether the provisions of Section 12.2 of the Equity Definitions or Section 8(l) of this Confirmation will apply.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; *provided* that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

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Applicable; *provided* that Section 12.1(d) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by replacing "10%" with "25.0%"; and *provided further* that if an event occurs that constitutes both a Tender Offer under Section 12.1(d) of the Equity Definitions and an Additional Termination Event under Section 8(l) of this Confirmation, Dealer may elect whether the provisions of Section 12.3 of the Equity Definitions or Section 8(l) of this Confirmation will apply.

Consequences of Tender Offers:

- (a) Share-for-Share:
- (b) Share-for-Other:
- (c) Share-for-Combined:

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment:

Consequences of Announcement Events:

Announcement Event:

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment; *provided* that Dealer may elect Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination) for any portion of the Transaction in its commercially reasonable discretion.

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If, in respect of any Merger Event to which Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment applies, the adjustments to be made in accordance with Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions would result in Issuer being different from the issuer of the Shares, then with respect to such Merger Event, as a condition precedent to the adjustments contemplated in Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions, Dealer, the Issuer of the Affected Shares and the entity that will be the Issuer of the New Shares shall, prior to the Merger Date, have entered into such documentation containing representations, warranties and agreements relating to securities law and other issues as requested by Dealer that Dealer has determined, in its reasonable discretion, to be reasonably necessary or appropriate to allow Dealer to continue as a party to the Transaction, as adjusted under Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions, and to preserve its hedging or hedge unwind activities in connection with the Transaction in a manner compliant with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements), and if such conditions are not met or if the Calculation Agent determines that no adjustment that it could make under Section 12.2(e)(i) of the Equity Definitions will produce a commercially reasonable result, then the consequences set forth in Section 12.2(e)(ii) of the Equity Definitions shall apply.

Modified Calculation Agent Adjustment as set forth in Section 12.3(d) of the Equity Definitions; *provided* that references to "Tender Offer" shall be replaced by references to "Announcement Event" and references to "Tender Offer Date" shall be replaced by references to "date of such Announcement Event". An Announcement Event shall be an "Extraordinary Event" for purposes of the Equity Definitions, to which Article 12 of the Equity Definitions is applicable.

(i) The public announcement by any entity of (x) any transaction or event that, if completed, would constitute a Merger Event or Tender Offer, (y) any acquisition by Issuer or any of its subsidiaries where the aggregate consideration exceeds 30.0% of the market capitalization of Issuer as of the

New Shares:

Nationalization, Insolvency or Delisting:

Additional Disruption Events:

(a) Change in Law:

date of such announcement (an "Acquisition Transaction") or (z) the intention to enter into a Merger Event or Tender Offer or an Acquisition Transaction, (ii) the public announcement by Issuer of an intention to solicit or enter into, or to explore strategic alternatives or other similar undertaking that may include, a Merger Event or Tender Offer or an Acquisition Transaction or (iii) any subsequent public announcement by any entity of a withdrawal, discontinuation, termination or other change to a transaction or intention that is the subject of an announcement of the type described in clause (i) or (ii) of this sentence, as determined, in each case, by the Calculation Agent. For purposes of this definition of "Announcement Event," the remainder of the definition of "Merger Event" in Section 12.1(b) of the Equity Definitions following the definition of "Reverse Merger" therein shall be disregarded.

In the definition of New Shares in Section 12.1(i) of the Equity Definitions, (a) the text in clause (i) thereof shall be deleted in its entirety (including the word "and" following such clause (i)) and replaced with "publicly quoted, traded or listed on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors)," and (b) the phrase "and (iii) issued by a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any State thereof or the District of Columbia" shall be inserted immediately prior to the period.

Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination); provided that, in addition to the provisions of Section 12.6(a)(iii) of the Equity Definitions, it shall also constitute a Delisting if the Exchange is located in the United States and the Shares are not immediately re-listed, retraded or re-quoted on any of the New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or their respective successors); if the Shares are immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any such exchange or quotation system, such exchange or quotation system shall thereafter be deemed to be the Exchange.

Applicable; *provided* that Section 12.9(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (i) adding the words "(including, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, any tax law or the adoption or promulgation of new regulations authorized or mandated by existing statute)" after the word "regulation" in the second line thereof, (ii) replacing the phrase "the interpretation" in the third line thereof with the phrase ", or public announcement of, the formal or informal interpretation", (iii) adding the words "or any Hedge Positions" after the word "Shares" in the clause (X) thereof, (iv) by immediately following the word "Transaction" in clause (X) thereof, adding the phrase "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (v) adding the words ", or holding, acquiring or disposing of Shares or any Hedge Positions relating to," after the words "obligations under" in clause (Y) thereof.

(b) Failure to Deliver: Not Applicable (c) Insolvency Filing: **Applicable** 

(d) Hedging Disruption: Applicable; *provided* that:

> (i) Section 12.9(a)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (a) inserting the following words at the end of clause (A) thereof: "in the manner contemplated by the Hedging Party on the Trade Date" and (b) inserting the following two phrases at the end of such Section:

"For the avoidance of doubt, the term "equity price risk" shall be deemed to include, but shall not be limited to, stock price and volatility risk. And, for the further avoidance of doubt, any such transactions or assets referred to in phrases (A) or (B) above must be available on commercially reasonable pricing terms."; and

(ii) Section 12.9(b)(iii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by inserting in the third line thereof, after the words "to terminate the Transaction", the words "or a portion of the Transaction affected by such Hedging Disruption".

Applicable; provided that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Hedging on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

"Avoidance Criteria" means, with respect to an action, as determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith, that (i) such action is legal and complies with all applicable regulations, rules (including by self-regulatory organizations) and policies, (ii) if such party is to establish one or more alternative Hedge Positions, there is sufficient liquidity in those alternative Hedge Positions available for that Hedging Party to hedge, (iii) by taking such action, there would not be a material risk that such Hedging Party would incur, any one or more of an increased performance cost, increased hedging cost or increased capital charges, (iv) such action is known to such Hedging Party or market participants generally and (v) such action would not require such Hedging Party to incur a material administrative or operational burden.

Applicable

As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Applicable; provided that the Hedging Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid an Increased Cost of Stock Borrow on terms reasonably acceptable to the Hedging Party (it being understood that such party need not take any action that does not meet the Avoidance Criteria).

As provided in Annex A to this Confirmation.

Dealer for all applicable Potential Adjustment Events and Extraordinary Events

(e) Increased Cost of Hedging:

(f) Loss of Stock Borrow:

Maximum Stock Loan Rate:

(g) Increased Cost of Stock Borrow:

Initial Stock Loan Rate:

**Hedging Party:** 

Determining Party: Dealer for all applicable Extraordinary Events; provided that all calculations and adjustments by

the Determining Party shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

Non-Reliance: Applicable

Agreements and Acknowledgments

Regarding Hedging Activities: Applicable
Additional Acknowledgments: Applicable

3. <u>Calculation Agent</u>: Dealer, subject to the following:

The Calculation Agent is Dealer, whose judgments, determinations and calculations as Calculation Agent shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. Following any determination or calculation by the Calculation Agent hereunder, upon a written request by Issuer, the Calculation Agent shall promptly (but in any event within five Scheduled Trading Days) provide to Issuer by email to the email address provided by Issuer in such request a report (in a commonly used file format for the storage and manipulation of financial data) displaying in reasonable detail the basis for such determination or calculation (including any assumptions used in making such determination or calculation), it being understood that the Calculation Agent shall not be obligated to disclose any proprietary or confidential data or information or any proprietary or confidential models used by it for such determination or calculation.

# 4. Account Details:

Dealer Payment Instructions: To be provided under separate cover

Issuer Payment Instructions: Bank Name: Bank of America

135 S. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL. 60603

Account Name: Huron Consulting Group Inc.

Account #: 5800-987447 Routing #: 026009593 (for Wires) Routing #: 071000039 (for ACHs)

# 5. Offices:

The Office of Dealer for the Transaction is: London

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association London Branch 25 Bank Street Canary Wharf London E14 5JP England

The Office of Issuer for the Transaction is: Not applicable

- 6. Notices: For purposes of this Confirmation:
- (a) Address for notices or communications to Issuer:

To: Huron Consulting Group Inc. 550 West Van Buren Street

Chicago, IL 60607

Attn: Mark Hussey
Telephone: (312) 583-8740
Facsimile: (312) 583-8752

(b) Address for notices or communications to Dealer:

To: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

EDG Marketing Support

Email: edg\_notices@jpmorgan.com

edg\_ny\_corporate\_sales\_support@jpmorgan.com

Facsimile No: 1-866-886-4506

With a copy to:

Attention: Sudheer Tegulapalle

Title: Head of West Coast Equity-Linked Capital Markets

Telephone No: 1-415-315-6775 Facsimile No: 1-212-622-6037

#### 7. Representations, Warranties and Agreements:

(a) In addition to the representations and warranties in the Agreement and those contained elsewhere herein, Issuer represents and warrants to and for the benefit of, and agrees with, Dealer as follows:

- (i) On the Trade Date, (A) Issuer is not aware of any material nonpublic information regarding Issuer or the Shares and (B) all reports and other documents filed by Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), when considered as a whole (with the more recent such reports and documents deemed to amend inconsistent statements contained in any earlier such reports and documents), do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.
- (ii) Without limiting the generality of Section 13.1 of the Equity Definitions, Issuer acknowledges that Dealer is not making any representations or warranties or taking any position or expressing any view with respect to the treatment of the Transaction under any accounting standards including ASC Topic 260, *Earnings Per Share*, ASC Topic 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, or ASC Topic 480, *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* and ASC 815-40, *Derivatives and Hedging Contracts in Entity's Own Equity* (or any successor issue statements) or under FASB's Liabilities & Equity Project.
- (iii) On or prior to the Trade Date, Issuer shall deliver to Dealer a resolution of Issuer's board of directors or any duly authorized committee thereof authorizing the Transaction and such other certificate or certificates as Dealer shall reasonably request.
- (iv) Issuer is not entering into this Confirmation to create actual or apparent trading activity in the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or to raise or depress or otherwise manipulate the price of the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares) or otherwise in violation of the Exchange Act.
- (v) Issuer is not, and after giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby will not be, required to register as an "investment company" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (vi) On the Trade Date, (A) the assets of Issuer at their fair valuation exceed the liabilities of Issuer, including contingent liabilities, (B) the capital of Issuer is adequate to conduct the business of Issuer and (C) Issuer has the ability to pay its debts and obligations as such debts mature and does not intend to, or does not believe that it will, incur debt beyond its ability to pay as such debts mature.
  - (vii) Issuer shall not take any action to decrease the number of Available Shares below the Capped Number (each as defined below).

- (viii) The representations and warranties of Issuer set forth in Section 3 of the Agreement and Section 1 of the Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") dated as of the Trade Date among Issuer and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC as representatives of the Initial Purchasers party thereto are true and correct and are hereby deemed to be repeated to Dealer as if set forth herein.
- (ix) Issuer understands no obligations of Dealer to it hereunder will be entitled to the benefit of deposit insurance and that such obligations will not be guaranteed by any Affiliate of Dealer or any governmental agency.
- (x) (A) During the period starting on the first Expiration Date and ending on the last Expiration Date (the "**Settlement Period**"), the Shares or securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for, Shares will not be subject to a "restricted period," as such term is defined in Regulation M under the Exchange Act ("**Regulation M**") and (B) Issuer shall not engage in any "distribution," as such term is defined in Regulation M, other than a distribution meeting the requirements of the exceptions set forth in sections 101(b)(10) and 102(b)(7) of Regulation M, until the second Exchange Business Day immediately following the Settlement Period, as applicable.
- (xi) On each day during the Settlement Period, neither Issuer nor any "affiliate" or "affiliated purchaser" (each as defined in Rule 10b-18 under the Exchange Act ("Rule 10b-18")) shall directly or indirectly (including, without limitation, by means of any cash-settled or other derivative instrument) purchase, offer to purchase, place any bid or limit order that would effect a purchase of, or commence any tender offer relating to, any Shares (or an equivalent interest, including a unit of beneficial interest in a trust or limited partnership or a depository share) or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercises for Shares, except through Dealer; provided that such restrictions will not apply to the following: (A) purchases of Shares pursuant to exercises of stock options granted to former or current employees, officers, directors, independent contractors or other affiliates of Issuer, including the withholding and/or purchase of Shares from holders of such options to satisfy payment of the option exercise price and/or to satisfy tax withholding requirements in connection with the exercise of such options; (B) purchases of Shares from holders of performance shares or units or restricted shares or units to satisfy tax withholding requirements in connection with vesting; or (C) purchases of Shares effected by or for a plan by an agent that satisfy the requirements of Rule 10b-18(a)(13)(ii).
- (xii) On the Trade Date and at all times until termination or earlier expiration of the Transaction, (A) a number of Shares equal to the Capped Number have been reserved for issuance by all required corporate action of Issuer, (B) the Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants (the "Warrant Shares") have been duly authorized and, when delivered against payment therefor (which may include Net Share Settlement in lieu of cash) and otherwise as contemplated by the terms of the Warrant following the exercise of the Warrant in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Warrant, will be validly issued, fully-paid and non-assessable and (C) the issuance of the Warrant Shares will not be subject to any preemptive or similar rights.
- (xiii) To Issuer's knowledge, based on due inquiry, no state or local (including non-U.S. jurisdictions) law, rule, regulation or regulatory order applicable to the Shares would give rise to any reporting, consent, registration or other requirement (including without limitation a requirement to obtain prior approval from any person or entity) as a result of Dealer or its affiliates owning or holding (however defined) Shares.
- (xiv) Issuer (A) is capable of evaluating investment risks independently, both in general and with regard to all transactions and investment strategies involving a security or securities; (B) will exercise independent judgment in evaluating the recommendations of any broker-dealer or its associated persons, unless it has otherwise notified the broker-dealer in writing; and (C) has total assets of at least \$50 million.
- (xv) Without limiting the generality of Section 3(a) of the Agreement, neither the execution and delivery of this Confirmation nor the incurrence or performance of obligations of Issuer hereunder will conflict with or result in a breach of the certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or any equivalent documents) of Issuer, or any applicable law or regulation, or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority or agency, or the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 14, 2011, among, *inter alia*, Issuer as borrower and Bank of America, N.A. as administrative agent

and collateral agent (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified) or any other agreement or instrument filed as an exhibit to Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, as updated by any subsequent filings, to which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which Issuer or any of its subsidiaries is subject, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any lien under, any such agreement or instrument.

- (xvi) Issuer understands, acknowledges and agrees that: (A) at any time during the term of the Transaction, Dealer and its affiliates may buy or sell Shares or other securities or buy or sell options or futures contracts or enter into swaps or other derivative securities in order to adjust its hedge position with respect to the Transaction; (B) Dealer and its affiliates also may be active in the market for Shares other than in connection with hedging activities in relation to the Transaction; (C) Dealer shall make its own determination as to whether, when or in what manner any hedging or market activities in securities of Issuer shall be conducted and shall do so in a manner that it deems appropriate to hedge its price and market risk with respect to the relevant prices with respect to the Shares referred to herein; and (D) any market activities of Dealer and its affiliates with respect to Shares may affect the market price and volatility of Shares, as well as the relevant prices with respect to the shares referred to herein, each in a manner that may be adverse to Issuer.
- (b) Each of Dealer and Issuer agrees and represents that it is an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1a(18) of the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.
- (c) Each of Dealer and Issuer acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transaction to it is intended to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) thereof. Accordingly, Dealer represents and warrants to Issuer that (i) it has the financial ability to bear the economic risk of its investment in the Transaction and is able to bear a total loss of its investment, (ii) it is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Regulation D as promulgated under the Securities Act, (iii) it is entering into the Transaction for its own account without a view to the distribution or resale thereof and (iv) the assignment, transfer or other disposition of the Transaction has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and is restricted under this Confirmation, the Securities Act and state securities laws.
- (d) Issuer agrees and acknowledges that Dealer is a "financial institution" and "financial participant" within the meaning of Sections 101(22) and 101(22A) of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The parties hereto further agree and acknowledge that it is the intent of the parties that (A) this Confirmation is (i) a "securities contract," as such term is defined in Section 741(7) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and (ii) a "swap agreement," as such term is defined in Section 101(53B) of the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "transfer," as such term is defined in Section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and a "payment or other transfer of property" within the meaning of Sections 362 and 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (B) Dealer is entitled to the protections afforded by, among other sections, Sections 362(b)(6), 362(b)(27), 362(o), 546(e), 546(j), 548(d)(2), 555 and 561 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- (e) Issuer shall deliver to Dealer an opinion of counsel, dated as of the Effective Date and reasonably acceptable to Dealer in form and substance, with respect to the matters set forth in Section 3(a) of the Agreement and Sections 7(a)(v), 7(a)(xii) (replacing, solely for these purposes, the words "On the Trade Date and at all times until termination or earlier expiration of the Transaction" with the words "On the Effective Date") and 7(a)(xv) of this Confirmation and such other matters as Dealer may reasonably request, subject to such qualifications and assumptions that are customary for legal opinions of this type.

#### 8. Other Provisions:

(a) Alternative Calculations and Payment on Early Termination and on Certain Extraordinary Events. If Issuer shall owe Dealer any amount pursuant to Sections 12.2, 12.3, 12.6, 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or pursuant to Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement (a "Payment Obligation"), Issuer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to satisfy any such Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative (as defined below) by giving irrevocable telephonic notice to Dealer, confirmed in writing within one Scheduled Trading Day, no later than 9:30 A.M. New York City time on the Merger Date, Tender Offer Date, Announcement Date, Early

Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable, ("Notice of Share Termination"); provided that if Issuer does not elect to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, Dealer shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to elect to require Issuer to satisfy its Payment Obligation by the Share Termination Alternative, notwithstanding Issuer's failure to elect or election to the contrary; and provided further that Issuer shall not have the right to so elect (but, for the avoidance of doubt, Dealer shall have the right to so elect) in the event (i) of an Insolvency, a Nationalization, a Tender Offer or a Merger Event, in each case, in which the consideration or proceeds to be paid to holders of Shares consists solely of cash, (ii) of an Event of Default in which Issuer is the Defaulting Party or a Termination Event in which Issuer is the Affected Party or an Extraordinary Event, which Event of Default, Termination Event or Extraordinary Event resulted from an event or events within Issuer's control or (iii) that Issuer fails to remake the representation set forth in Section 7(a)(i) as of the date of such election. Upon such Notice of Share Termination, the following provisions shall apply on the Scheduled Trading Day immediately following the Merger Date, the Tender Offer Date, Announcement Date, Early Termination Date or date of cancellation or termination in respect of an Extraordinary Event, as applicable:

Share Termination Alternative:

If applicable, means that Issuer shall deliver to Dealer the Share Termination Delivery Property on the date on which the Payment Obligation would otherwise be due pursuant to Section 12.7 or 12.9 of the Equity Definitions or Section 6(d)(ii) of the Agreement, as applicable, or such later date or dates as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine (the "Share Termination Payment Date"), in satisfaction of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Property:

A number of Share Termination Delivery Units, as calculated by the Calculation Agent, equal to the Payment Obligation divided by the Share Termination Unit Price. The Calculation Agent shall adjust the Share Termination Delivery Property by replacing any fractional portion of the aggregate amount of a security therein with an amount of cash equal to the value of such fractional security based on the values used to calculate the Share Termination Unit Price.

**Share Termination Unit Price:** 

The value of property contained in one Share Termination Delivery Unit on the date such Share Termination Delivery Units are to be delivered as Share Termination Delivery Property, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion by commercially reasonable means and notified by the Calculation Agent to Issuer at the time of notification of the Payment Obligation.

Share Termination Delivery Unit:

In the case of a Termination Event, Event of Default, Delisting or Additional Disruption Event, one Share or, in the case of an Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer, one Share or a unit consisting of the number or amount of each type of property received by a holder of one Share (without consideration of any requirement to pay cash or other consideration in lieu of fractional amounts of any securities) in such Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer, as applicable. If such Insolvency, Nationalization, Merger Event or Tender Offer involves a choice of consideration to be received by holders, such holder shall be deemed to have elected to receive the maximum possible amount of cash.

Failure to Deliver:

Applicable

Other applicable provisions:

If Share Termination Alternative is applicable, the provisions of Sections 9.8, 9.9 and 9.11 (except that the Representation and Agreement contained in Section 9.11 of the Equity Definitions shall be modified by excluding any representations therein relating to restrictions, obligations, limitations or requirements under applicable securities laws arising as a result of the fact that Seller is the issuer of the Shares or any portion of the Share Termination Delivery Units) of the Equity Definitions will be applicable as if "Physical Settlement" applied to the Transaction, except that all references to "Shares" shall be read as references to "Share Termination Delivery Units".

- (b) *Private Placement Procedures*. (i) If, in the reasonable judgment of Dealer, based on advice of counsel, for any reason, any Shares or any securities of Issuer or its affiliates comprising any Share Termination Delivery Units deliverable to Dealer hereunder (any such Shares or securities, "**Delivered Securities**") would not be immediately freely transferable by Dealer under Rule 144 under the Securities Act, then the provisions set forth in this Section 8(b) shall apply. In such event, Issuer shall deliver additional Delivered Securities so that the value of such Delivered Securities, as determined by the Calculation Agent to reflect a commercially reasonable liquidity discount, equals the value of the number of Delivered Securities that would otherwise be deliverable if such Delivered Securities were freely tradeable (without prospectus delivery) upon receipt by Dealer (such value, the "**Freely Tradeable Value**").
  - (ii) (A) Dealer (or an Affiliate of Dealer designated by Dealer) and any potential institutional purchaser of any such Delivered Securities from Dealer or such Affiliate identified by Dealer shall be afforded a commercially reasonable opportunity to conduct a due diligence investigation in compliance with applicable law with respect to Issuer customary in scope for private placements of equity securities of similar size (including, without limitation, the right to have made available to them for inspection all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and other information reasonably requested by them);
  - (B) Dealer (or an Affiliate of Dealer designated by Dealer) and Issuer shall enter into an agreement (a "Private Placement Agreement") on commercially reasonable terms in connection with the private placement of such Delivered Securities by Issuer to Dealer or such Affiliate and the private resale of such shares by Dealer or such Affiliate, substantially similar to private placement purchase agreements customary for private placements of equity securities of similar size, in form and substance commercially reasonably satisfactory to Dealer and Issuer, which Private Placement Agreement shall include, without limitation, provisions substantially similar to those contained in such private placement purchase agreements relating to the indemnification of, and contribution in connection with the liability of, Dealer and its Affiliates and Issuer, shall provide for the payment by Issuer of all expenses in connection with such resale, including all fees and expenses of counsel for Dealer, shall contain representations, warranties and agreements of Issuer reasonably necessary or advisable to establish and maintain the availability of an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act for such resale, and shall use best efforts to provide for the delivery of accountants' "comfort letters" to Dealer or such Affiliate with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in or incorporated by reference into the offering memorandum prepared for the resale of such Shares; and
  - (C) Issuer agrees that (i) any Delivered Securities so delivered to Dealer may be transferred by and among Dealer and its Affiliates, and Issuer shall effect such transfer without any further action by Dealer and (ii) after the minimum "holding period" within the meaning of Rule 144(d) under the Securities Act has elapsed with respect to such Delivered Securities, Issuer shall promptly remove, or cause the transfer agent for such Shares or securities to remove, any legends referring to any such restrictions or requirements from any Delivered Securities, without any further requirement for the delivery of any certificate, consent, agreement, opinion of counsel, notice or any other document, any transfer tax stamps or payment of any other amount or any other action by Dealer (or such affiliate of Dealer).
  - (D) Issuer shall not take, or cause to be taken, any action that would make unavailable either the exemption pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act for the sale by Issuer to Dealer (or any affiliate designated by Dealer) of the Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, or the exemption pursuant to Section 4(a)(1) or Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act for resale of the Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, by Dealer (or any such affiliate of Dealer).
- (iii) Dealer or its affiliate may sell such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, during a period (the "Resale Period") commencing on the Exchange Business Day following delivery of such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, and ending on the Exchange Business Day on which Dealer completes the sale of all such Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, or a sufficient number of Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, so that the realized net proceeds of such sales exceed the Freely Tradeable Value (such amount of the Freely Tradeable Value, the "Required Proceeds"). If any of such delivered Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units remain after such realized net proceeds exceed the Required Proceeds, Dealer shall return such remaining Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units to Issuer. If the Required Proceeds exceed the realized net proceeds from such resale, Issuer shall

transfer to Dealer by the open of the regular trading session on the Exchange on the Exchange Trading Day immediately following the last day of the Resale Period the amount of such excess (the "Additional Amount") in cash or in a number of additional Shares or Share Termination Delivery Units, as the case may be, ("Make-whole Shares") in an amount that, based on the Relevant Price on the last day of the Resale Period (as if such day was the "Valuation Date" for purposes of computing such Relevant Price), has a dollar value equal to the Additional Amount. The Resale Period shall continue to enable the sale of the Make-whole Shares in the manner contemplated by this Section 8(b)(iii). This provision shall be applied successively until the Additional Amount is equal to zero, subject to Section 8(d).

(c) Beneficial Ownership. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or this Confirmation, in no event shall Dealer be entitled to receive, or shall be deemed to receive, any Shares in connection with this Transaction if, immediately upon giving effect to such receipt of such Shares, (i) Dealer's Beneficial Ownership would be equal to or greater than 7.5% of the outstanding Shares, (ii) the Warrant Equity Percentage exceeds 14.5%, (iii) Dealer, or any "affiliate" or "associate" of Dealer, would be an "interested stockholder" of Issuer, as all such terms are defined in Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iii) Dealer, Dealer Group (as defined below) or any person whose ownership position would be aggregated with that of Dealer or Dealer Group (Dealer, Dealer Group or any such person, a "Dealer Person") under any federal, state or local laws, regulations, regulatory orders or organizational documents or contracts of Issuer that are, in each case, applicable to ownership of Shares ("Applicable Restrictions"), owns, beneficially owns, constructively owns, controls, holds the power to vote or otherwise meets a relevant definition of ownership in excess of a number of Shares equal to (x) the number of Shares that would give rise to reporting or registration obligations or other requirements (including obtaining prior approval by a state or federal regulator) of a Dealer Person, or could result in an adverse effect on a Dealer Person, under Applicable Restrictions, as determined by Dealer in its reasonable discretion, and with respect to which such requirements have not been met or the relevant approval has not been received or that would give rise to any consequences under the constitutive documents of Issuer or any contract or agreement to which Issuer is a party, in each case minus (y) 1% of the number of Shares outstanding on the date of determination (each of clause (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above, an "Ownership Limitation"). If any delivery owed to Dealer hereunder is not made, in whole or in part, as a result of an Ownership Limitation, Dealer's right to receive such delivery shall not be extinguished and Issuer shall make such delivery as promptly as practicable after, but in no event later than one Exchange Business Day after, Dealer gives notice to Issuer that such delivery would not result in any of such Ownership Limitations being breached. "Dealer's Beneficial Ownership" means the "beneficial ownership" (within the meaning of Section 13 of the Exchange Act and the rules promulgated thereunder (collectively, "Section 13")) of Shares, without duplication, by Dealer, together with any of its affiliates or other person subject to aggregation with Dealer under Section 13 for purposes of "beneficial ownership", or by any "group" (within the meaning of Section 13) of which Dealer is or may be deemed to be a part (Dealer and any such affiliates, persons and groups, collectively, "Dealer Group") (or, to the extent that, as a result of a change in law, regulation or interpretation after the date hereof, the equivalent calculation under Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder results in a higher number, such number). Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement or this Confirmation to the contrary, Dealer (or the affiliate designated by Dealer pursuant to Section 8(k) below) shall not become the record or beneficial owner, or otherwise have any rights as a holder, of any Shares that Dealer (or such affiliate) is not entitled to receive at any time pursuant to this Section 8(c), until such time as such Shares are delivered pursuant to this Section 8(c). The "Warrant Equity Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, (A) the numerator of which is the sum of (1) the product of the Number of Warrants and the Warrant Entitlement and (2) the aggregate number of Shares underlying any other warrants purchased by Dealer from Issuer, and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares

(d) *Limitations on Settlement by Issuer*. Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Agreement to the contrary, in no event shall Issuer be required to deliver Shares in connection with the Transaction in excess of the Capped Number of Shares (as provided in Annex A to this Confirmation), subject to adjustment from time to time in accordance with the provisions of this Confirmation or the Definitions; *provided* that no such adjustment shall cause the Capped Number to exceed the Available Shares, other than an adjustment resulting from actions of Issuer or events within Issuer's control (the "Capped Number"). Issuer represents and warrants to Dealer (which representation and warranty shall be deemed to be repeated on each day that the Transaction is outstanding) that the Capped Number is equal to or less than the number of authorized but unissued Shares of the Issuer that are not reserved for future issuance in connection with transactions in the Shares (other than the Transaction) on the date of the determination of the Capped Number (such Shares, the "Available Shares"). In the event Issuer shall not have delivered the full number of Shares otherwise deliverable as a result of this Section 8(d) (the resulting deficit, the

- "Deficit Shares"), Issuer shall be continually obligated to deliver, from time to time until the full number of Deficit Shares have been delivered pursuant to this paragraph, Shares when, and to the extent, that (i) Shares are repurchased, acquired or otherwise received by Issuer or any of its subsidiaries after the Trade Date (whether or not in exchange for cash, fair value or any other consideration), (ii) authorized and unissued Shares previously reserved for issuance in respect of other transactions become no longer so reserved or (iii) Issuer additionally authorizes any unissued Shares that are not reserved for other transactions. Issuer shall immediately notify Dealer of the occurrence of any of the foregoing events (including the number of Shares subject to clause (i), (ii) or (iii) and the corresponding number of Shares to be delivered) and promptly deliver such Shares thereafter.
- (e) Right to Extend. Dealer, acting commercially reasonably, may postpone, without duplication of any postponements made pursuant to the provisions applicable to Regulatory Disruptions hereunder, any Exercise Date or Settlement Date or any other date of valuation or delivery with respect to some or all of the relevant Warrants (in which event the Calculation Agent shall make appropriate adjustments to the Number of Shares to be Delivered with respect to one or more Components), if Dealer determines, in its reasonable discretion, based on advice of counsel in the case of the immediately following clause (ii), that such extension is reasonably necessary or appropriate (i) to preserve Dealer's commercially reasonable hedging or hedge unwind activity hereunder in light of existing liquidity conditions in the cash market, the stock loan market or any other relevant market or (ii) to enable Dealer to effect purchases of Shares in connection with its hedging, hedge unwind or settlement activity hereunder in a manner that would, if Dealer were Issuer or an affiliated purchaser of Issuer, be in compliance with applicable legal, regulatory or self-regulatory requirements, or with related policies and procedures applicable to Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer in good faith in relation to such requirements).
- (f) *Equity Rights*. Dealer acknowledges and agrees that this Confirmation is not intended to convey to it rights with respect to the Transaction that are senior to the claims of common stockholders in the event of Issuer's bankruptcy. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties agree that the preceding sentence shall not apply at any time other than during Issuer's bankruptcy to any claim arising as a result of a breach by Issuer of any of its obligations under this Confirmation or the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties acknowledge that this Confirmation is not secured by any collateral that would otherwise secure the obligations of Issuer herein under or pursuant to any other agreement.
  - (g) Amendments to Equity Definitions. The following amendments shall be made to the Equity Definitions:
  - (i) Section 11.2(a) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the words "a diluting or concentrative" and replacing them with the words "an"; and adding the phrase "or Warrants" at the end of the sentence.
  - (ii) The first sentence of Section 11.2(c) of the Equity Definitions, prior to clause (A) thereof, is hereby amended to read as follows: '(c) If "Calculation Agent Adjustment" is specified as the Method of Adjustment in the related Confirmation of a Share Option Transaction, then following the announcement or occurrence of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has an effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares or options on the Shares and, if so, will (i) make appropriate adjustment(s), if any, to any one or more of:' and, the portion of such sentence immediately preceding clause (ii) thereof is hereby amended by deleting the words "diluting or concentrative" and the words "(provided that no adjustments will be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Shares)" and replacing such latter phrase with the words "(and, for the avoidance of doubt, adjustments may be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relative to the relevant Shares)";
  - (iii) Section 11.2(e)(vii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by deleting the words "diluting or concentrative" and replacing them with "material" and adding the phrase "or Warrants" at the end of the sentence;
  - (iv) Section 12.6(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (1) deleting from the fourth line thereof the word "or" after the word "official" and inserting a comma therefor, and (2) deleting the semi-colon at the end of subsection (B) thereof and inserting the following words therefor "or (C) at Dealer's option, the occurrence of any of the events specified in Section 5(a)(vii) (1) through (9) of the ISDA Master Agreement with respect to that Issuer.";

- (v) Section 12.9(b)(iv) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (A) deleting (1) subsection (A) in its entirety, (2) the phrase "or (B)" following subsection (A) and (3) the phrase "in each case" in subsection (B); and (B) deleting the phrase "neither the Non-Hedging Party nor the Lending Party lends Shares in the amount of the Hedging Shares or" in the penultimate sentence; and
- (vi) Section 12.9(b)(v) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (A) adding the word "or" immediately before subsection "(B)" and deleting the comma at the end of subsection (A); and (B)(1) deleting subsection (C) in its entirety, (2) deleting the word "or" immediately preceding subsection (C) and (3) replacing in the penultimate sentence the words "either party" with "the Hedging Party" and (4) deleting clause (X) in the final sentence.
- (h) *Transfer and Assignment*. Dealer may transfer or assign its rights and obligations hereunder and under the Agreement, in whole or in part without the consent of Issuer; *provided* that, (i) as a result of such transfer or assignment, Issuer will not be required to pay to the transferee on any payment date an amount under Section 2(d)(i)(4) of the Agreement, if applicable, greater than the amount that Issuer would have been required to pay to Dealer in the absence of such transfer or assignment and (ii) the transferee or assignee shall provide Issuer with a complete and accurate U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8 (as applicable) prior to becoming a party to the Transaction. At any time at which any Ownership Limitation or a Hedging Disruption exists, if Dealer, in its discretion, is unable to effect a transfer or assignment to a third party after using its commercially reasonable efforts on pricing terms and within a time period reasonably acceptable to Dealer such that an Ownership Limitation or a Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists, Dealer may designate any Scheduled Trading Day as an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion (the "**Terminated Portion**") of the Transaction, such that such Ownership Limitation or Hedging Disruption, as the case may be, no longer exists. In the event that Dealer so designates an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction, a payment or delivery shall be made pursuant to Section 6 of the Agreement and Section 8(b) of this Confirmation as if (i) an Early Termination Date had been designated in respect of a Transaction having terms identical to the Terminated Portion of the Transaction, (ii) Issuer shall be the sole Affected Party with respect to such partial termination and (iii) such portion of the Transaction shall be the only Terminated Transaction.
- (i) *Adjustments*. For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Calculation Agent is called upon to make an adjustment pursuant to the terms of this Confirmation or the Definitions to take into account the effect of an event, the Calculation Agent shall make such adjustment by reference to the effect of such event on the Hedging Party, assuming that the Hedging Party maintains a commercially reasonable hedge position.
- (j) *Disclosure*. Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning the Transaction, Issuer and each of its employees, representatives, or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to Issuer relating to such tax treatment and tax structure.
- (k) *Designation by Dealer*. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Confirmation to the contrary requiring or allowing Dealer to purchase, sell, receive or deliver any Shares or other securities to or from Issuer, Dealer may designate any of its affiliates to purchase, sell, receive or deliver such shares or other securities and otherwise to perform Dealer obligations in respect of the Transaction and any such designee may assume such obligations. Dealer shall be discharged of its obligations to Issuer to the extent of any such performance in conformance with this Agreement; provided that Dealer shall not be relieved hereby of any liability relating to the manner of such performance or any failure to perform.
- (l) Additional Termination Events. The occurrence of any of the following shall constitute an Additional Termination Event with respect to which the Transaction shall be the sole Affected Transaction and Issuer shall be the sole Affected Party; provided that with respect to any Additional Termination Event, Dealer may choose to treat part of the Transaction as the sole Affected Transaction, and, upon the termination of the Affected Transaction, a Transaction with terms identical to those set forth herein except with a Number of Warrants equal to the unaffected number of Warrants shall be treated for all purposes as the Transaction, which shall remain in full force and effect:

- (i) Dealer reasonably determines that it is advisable to terminate a portion of the Transaction so that Dealer's related hedging activities will comply with applicable securities laws, rules or regulations or related policies and procedures of Dealer (whether or not such requirements, policies or procedures are imposed by law or have been voluntarily adopted by Dealer);
- (ii) any "person" or "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, becomes the direct or indirect "beneficial owner," as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, of the common equity of Issuer representing more than 50.0% of the voting power of all classes of such common equity entitled to vote generally in the election of Issuer's directors;
- (iii) the consummation of (A) any recapitalization, reclassification or change of Issuer's common stock (other than a change only in par value, from par value to no par value or from no par value, or changes resulting from a subdivision or combination of our common stock) pursuant to which Issuer's common stock would be converted into, or exchanged for, or represent solely the right to receive, cash, securities or other property, (B) any share exchange, consolidation, merger or similar event involving Issuer pursuant to which the Shares will be converted into, or exchanged for, or represent solely the right to receive, cash, securities or other property or (C) any sale, lease or other transfer in one transaction or a series of transactions of all or substantially all of the consolidated assets of the Issuer and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any person other than one or more of Issuer's wholly owned subsidiaries;

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction or series of transactions set forth in clause (ii) or (iii) above will not constitute an Additional Termination Event if at least 90% of the consideration paid for the Shares (excluding cash payments for fractional shares or pursuant to dissenters' rights) in connection with such transaction or series of transactions consists of shares of common stock traded on any of The New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or any of their respective successors). In addition, a transaction or event that constitutes an Additional Termination Event under both clauses (ii) and (iii) above will be deemed to constitute an Additional Termination Event solely under clause (iii) above.

- (m) *No Netting and Set-off.* Each party waives any and all rights it may have to set off obligations arising under the Agreement and the Transaction against other obligations between the parties, whether arising under any other agreement, applicable law or otherwise.
- (n) Early Unwind. In the event the sale by Issuer of the Initial Securities (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) is not consummated with the initial purchasers pursuant to the Purchase Agreement for any reason by the close of business in New York on September 10, 2014 (or such later date as agreed upon by the parties, which in no event shall be later than September 24, 2014) (September 10, 2014 or such later date being the "Early Unwind Date"), the Transaction shall automatically terminate (the "Early Unwind"), on the Early Unwind Date and (i) the Transaction and all of the respective rights and obligations of Dealer and Issuer thereunder shall be cancelled and terminated and (ii) only in the case where such Early Unwind occurred as a result of events within Issuer's control, Issuer shall (x) pay to Dealer an amount in cash equal to the aggregate amount of costs and expenses relating to the unwinding of Dealer's hedging activities in respect of the Transaction (including market losses incurred in reselling any Shares purchased by Dealer or its affiliates in connection with such hedging activities) or (y) at the election of Issuer, deliver to Dealer Shares with a value equal to such amount, as commercially reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent, in which event the parties shall enter into customary and commercially reasonable documentation relating to the registered or exempt resale of such Shares; provided that, if Issuer makes such election to deliver Shares, notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of Shares so delivered will not exceed a number of Shares equal to the Capped Number. Following such termination, cancellation and payment, each party shall be released and discharged by the other party from and agrees not to make any claim against the other party with respect to any obligations or liabilities of either party arising out of and to be performed in connection with the Transaction either prior to or after the Early Unwind Date. Dealer and Issuer represent and acknowledge to the other that u

(o) Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010. The parties hereby agree that none of (v) Section 739 of the Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 ("WSTAA"), (w) any similar legal certainty provision in any legislation enacted, or rule or regulation promulgated, on or after the Trade Date, (x) the enactment of WSTAA or any regulation under the WSTAA, (y) any requirement under WSTAA nor (z) an amendment made by WSTAA, shall limit or otherwise impair either party's rights to terminate, renegotiate, modify, amend or supplement this Confirmation or the Agreement, as applicable, arising from a termination event, force majeure, illegality, increased costs, regulatory change or similar event under this Confirmation, the Equity Definitions incorporated herein, or the Agreement (including, but not limited to, rights arising from Change in Law, Hedging Disruption, Increased Cost of Hedging, Loss of Stock Borrow, Increased Cost of Stock Borrow, an Excess Ownership Position or Illegality (as defined in the Agreement)).

#### (p) Tax Matters

- (i) Withholding Tax imposed on payments to non-US counterparties under the United States Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any U.S. federal withholding tax imposed or collected pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (a "FATCA Withholding Tax"). For the avoidance of doubt, a FATCA Withholding Tax is a Tax the deduction or withholding of which is required by applicable law for the purposes of Section 2(d) of the Agreement.
- (ii) *HIRE Act.* "Tax" and "Indemnifiable Tax", each as defined in Section 14 of the Agreement, shall not include any tax imposed on payments treated as dividends from sources within the United States under Section 871(m) of the Code or any regulations issued thereunder.
- (iii) *Tax documentation*. Issuer shall provide to Dealer a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, or any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Issuer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Issuer shall, promptly upon request by Dealer, provide such other tax forms and documents requested by Dealer. Dealer shall provide Issuer, as applicable, (x) a valid U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or W-8ECI or (y) (A) a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY along with a withholding statement and (B) attached a valid Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8ECI, or, in each case, any successor thereto, (i) on or before the date of execution of this Confirmation and (ii) promptly upon learning that any such tax form previously provided by Dealer has become obsolete or incorrect. Additionally, Dealer shall, promptly upon request by Issuer, provide such other tax forms and documents as are reasonably requested by Issuer.
- (iv) *Tax Representations*. Issuer is a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Issuer is a "U.S. person" (as that term is used in section 1.1441-4(a)(3)(ii) of United States Treasury Regulations) for U.S. federal income tax purposes and an exempt recipient under Treasury Regulation Section 1.6049-4(c)(1)(ii).
- (q) Waiver of Trial by Jury. EACH OF ISSUER AND BUYER HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES (ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ON BEHALF OF ITS STOCKHOLDERS) ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION OR THE ACTIONS OF BUYER OR ITS AFFILIATES IN THE NEGOTIATION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT HEREOF.
- (r) Governing Law; Jurisdiction. THIS CONFIRMATION AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS CONFIRMATION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK IN CONNECTION WITH ALL MATTERS RELATING HERETO AND WAIVE ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE IN, AND ANY CLAIM OF INCONVENIENT FORUM WITH RESPECT TO, THESE COURTS.

(s) *Role of Agent*. Each party agrees and acknowledges that (a) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC ("**JPMS**"), an affiliate of Dealer, has acted solely as agent and not as principal with respect to this Confirmation and the Transaction and (b) JPMS has no obligation or liability, by way of guaranty, endorsement or otherwise, in any manner in respect of the Transaction (including, if applicable, in respect of the settlement thereof). Each party agrees it will look solely to the other party (or any guarantor in respect thereof) for performance of such other party's obligations under the Transaction. JPMS is authorized to act as agent for Dealer.

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Issuer hereby agrees (a) to check this Confirmation carefully and immediately upon receipt so that errors or discrepancies can be promptly identified and rectified and (b) to confirm that the foregoing (in the exact form provided by Dealer) correctly sets forth the terms of the agreement between Dealer and Issuer with respect to the Transaction, by manually signing this Confirmation or this page hereof as evidence of agreement to such terms and providing the other information requested herein and immediately returning an executed copy to Dealer.

Yours faithfully,

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC, as an agent for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

By: /s/ Sudheer R. Tegulapalle

Name: Sudheer Tegulapalle Title: Executive Director

Agreed and Accepted By:

HURON CONSULTING GROUP INC.

By: /s/ C. Mark Hussey

Name: C. Mark Hussey Title: EVP, COO & CFO For each Component of the Transaction, the Number of Warrants and Expiration Date is set forth below.

Component Number	Number of Warrants	Expiration Date
1	11,265	Monday, January 06, 2020
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Strike Price: USD97.1230
Premium: USD8,505,000.00

Maximum Stock Loan Rate: 200 basis points

Initial Stock Loan Rate: Prior to October 2, 2019, zero basis points, and thereafter, 25 basis points

Capped Number of Shares: 2,253,060

# News



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE September 5, 2014

# Huron Consulting Group Prices Private Offering of \$225 Million of Convertible Senior Notes Due 2019

CHICAGO – September 5, 2014 – Huron Consulting Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HURN), a leading provider of business consulting services, today announced the pricing of \$225 million aggregate principal amount of convertible senior notes due 2019 (the "Convertible Notes"). The Convertible Notes were offered in a private offering to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Company granted an option to the initial purchasers to purchase, within a period of 13 days beginning on, and including, the date the Convertible Notes are first issued, up to an additional \$25 million aggregate principal amount of Convertible Notes.

The Convertible Notes will pay interest semiannually at an annual rate of 1.25% and will be convertible into cash, shares of the Company's common stock or a combination thereof, at the Company's election, based on the applicable conversion rate. The Convertible Notes have an initial conversion rate of 12.5170 shares of the Company's common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the Convertible Notes (which is equal to an initial conversion price of approximately \$79.89 per share of the Company's common stock), representing an initial conversion premium of approximately 27.5% above the closing price of \$62.66 per share of the Company's common stock on September 4, 2014. The Convertible Notes will mature on October 1, 2019, unless earlier repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms prior to such date. Prior to July 1, 2019, the Convertible Notes will be convertible only upon the occurrence of certain events and during certain periods, and thereafter, at any time prior to the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date. The Company expects to close the offering on or about September 10, 2014, subject to the satisfaction of various customary closing conditions.

In connection with the pricing of the Convertible Notes, the Company entered into privately negotiated convertible note hedge transactions with one or more of the initial purchasers or their respective affiliates (in this capacity, the "hedge counterparties"). The convertible note hedge transactions cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, the number of shares of common stock initially underlying the Convertible Notes sold in the offering. The Company also entered into separate, privately negotiated warrant transactions with the hedge counterparties relating to the same number of shares of the Company's common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, with an initial strike price of approximately \$97.12 per share, subject to certain adjustments, which is approximately 55.0% higher than the closing price of the Company's common stock on September 4, 2014. The warrants evidenced by the warrant transactions will be settled on a net-share basis. If the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes, the Company intends to enter into additional convertible note hedge transactions and additional warrant transactions with the hedge counterparties, which will initially cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, the number of shares of the Company's common stock that will initially underlie the additional notes sold to the initial purchasers.

The convertible note hedge transactions are intended to generally reduce the potential dilution with respect to the Company's common stock and/or offset any potential cash payments the Company is required to make in excess of the principal amount of converted notes, as the case may be, upon any conversion of the Convertible Notes in the event that the price per share of the Company's common stock is greater than the strike price of the convertible note hedge transactions. The Company expects that to the extent the price per share of the Company's common stock exceeds the strike price of the warrants, the warrant transactions could separately have a dilutive effect with respect to the Company's common stock.

The Company estimates that it will receive net proceeds from the offering of approximately \$218.3 million (or approximately \$242.6 million if the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes in full), after deducting the initial purchasers' discounts and commissions and the Company's estimated offering expenses.

The Company intends to use:

- approximately \$16.65 million of the net proceeds of the offering to fund the cost of entering into the convertible note hedge transactions (after such cost is partially offset by the proceeds that it receives from entering into the warrant transactions);
- approximately \$25 million of the net proceeds of the offering to repurchase shares of the Company's common stock concurrently with the
  offering from purchasers of the Convertible Notes; and
- · the remainder of the net proceeds of the offering for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The Company may also use a portion of the net proceeds to acquire businesses through one or more acquisitions or other strategic transactions. However, the Company has no current commitments or obligations with respect to any acquisitions or other strategic transactions.

If the initial purchasers exercise their option to purchase additional notes, the Company intends to use a portion of the additional net proceeds to fund the cost of entering into additional convertible note hedge transactions (which cost will be partially offset by the proceeds that it expects to receive from entering into additional warrant transactions). The Company intends to use the remainder of such net proceeds for working capital, acquisitions, and general corporate purposes.

The Company has been advised by the hedge counterparties that in connection with establishing their initial hedge position with respect to the convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions, the hedge counterparties and/or their respective affiliates expect to enter into various derivative transactions with respect to the Company's common stock and/or purchase shares of the Company's common stock in privately negotiated transactions and/or open market transactions concurrently with, or shortly after, the pricing of the Convertible Notes. This activity could increase (or reduce the size of any decrease in) the market price of the Company's common stock or the Convertible Notes at that time.

The Company has also been advised by the hedge counterparties that the hedge counterparties or their respective affiliates are likely to modify their hedge positions by entering into or unwinding various derivative transactions with respect to the Company's common stock and/or purchasing or selling the Company's common stock or other of the Company's securities or instruments, including the Convertible Notes in secondary market transactions following the pricing of the Convertible Notes and prior to the maturity of the Convertible Notes.

This press release is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy the Convertible Notes or any shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Convertible Notes, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

The offer and sale of the Convertible Notes and any common stock issuable upon conversion of the Convertible Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act, or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction, and the Convertible Notes and any such shares may not be offered or sold in the United States, or to U.S. persons, absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements. The offering is being made to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

The convertible note hedge transactions and warrant transactions have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and may not be offered or sold in the United States without registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements.

#### **About Huron Consulting Group**

Huron Consulting Group helps clients in diverse industries improve performance, transform the enterprise, reduce costs, leverage technology, process and review large amounts of complex data, address regulatory changes, recover from distress and stimulate growth. Our professionals employ their expertise in finance, operations, strategy and technology to provide our clients with specialized analyses and customized advice and solutions that are tailored to address each client's particular challenges and opportunities to deliver sustainable and measurable results. The Company provides consulting services to a wide variety of both financially sound and distressed organizations, including healthcare organizations, leading academic institutions, Fortune 500 companies, governmental entities and law firms. Huron has worked with more than 425 health systems, hospitals, and academic medical centers; more than 400 corporate general counsel; and more than 350 universities and research institutions.

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