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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of Each Class of | Amount to be | Proposed Maximum Offering Price | Proposed Maximum Aggregate | A | amount of |
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| Securities to be Registered | Registered | per Security | Offering Price(1) | Regis | tration Fee(2) |
| Depositary Shares, each | | | | | |
| representing a 1/10 th interest in a | | | | | |
| share of 5.25% Series A | | | | | |
| Mandatory Convertible Preferred | | | | | |
| Stock, \$0.01 par value per share | 7,700,000(1) | \$ 100.00 | \$ 770,000,000.00 | \$ | 89,474.00 |
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(1) Assumes the underwriters option to purchase 700,000 additional depositary shares is exercised in full.

(2) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(r) of the Securities Act of 1933.

Filed Pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2) Registration No. 333-206814

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To prospectus dated September 8, 2015)

7,000,000 Depositary Shares

Stericycle, Inc.

Representing a 1/10th Interest in a Share of 5.25%

Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock

We are offering 7,000,000 depositary shares, each of which represents a 1/10th interest in a share of our 5.25% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as our mandatory convertible preferred stock. The shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock will be deposited with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as depositary, pursuant to a deposit agreement. Holders of the depositary shares will be entitled to a proportional fractional interest in the rights and preferences of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, including conversion, dividend, liquidation and voting rights, subject to the provisions of such deposit agreement.

Dividends on our mandatory convertible preferred stock will be payable on a cumulative basis when, as and if declared by our board of directors, or an authorized committee of our board of directors, at an annual rate of 5.25% on the liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share. We may pay declared dividends in cash or, subject to certain limitations, in shares of our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, or in any combination of cash and common stock on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2015 and ending on, and including, September 15, 2018.

Each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock has a liquidation preference of \$1,000 (and, correspondingly, each depositary share represents a liquidation preference of \$100). Unless earlier converted or redeemed, each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock will automatically convert on the third business day immediately following the last trading day of the final averaging period into between 5.8716 and 7.3394 shares of our common stock, subject to anti-dilution adjustments. The number of shares of our common stock issuable on conversion will be determined based on the average VWAP (as defined herein) of our common stock over the 20 trading day period beginning on, and including, the 23rd scheduled trading day prior to September 15, 2018, which we refer to herein as the final averaging period. At any time prior to September 15, 2018, a holder of 10 depositary shares may cause the depositary to convert one share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, on such holder s behalf, into a number of shares of our common stock equal to the minimum conversion rate of 5.8716, subject to anti-dilution adjustments. If a holder of

10 depositary shares causes the depositary to convert one share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock on such holder s behalf during a specified period beginning on the effective date of a fundamental change (as described herein), the conversion rate will be adjusted under certain circumstances, and such holder will also be entitled to a make-whole dividend amount (as described herein).

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to fund a portion of the purchase price to be paid in connection with our acquisition of Shred-it (as defined herein). The closing of this offering is not conditioned on the closing of our acquisition of Shred-it which, if completed, will occur subsequent to the closing of this offering. See Prospectus Supplement Summary Recent Developments The Acquisition and Use of Proceeds. If our acquisition of Shred-it has not closed on or prior to January 15, 2016 or if an Acquisition Termination Event (as defined herein) occurs, we may, at our option, redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock as further described herein.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the depositary shares. We have applied to list the depositary shares on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCLP. Our common stock is listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCL. The last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on September 9, 2015 was \$136.25 per share.

Investing in the depositary shares involves risks. See <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page S-17 of this prospectus supplement and on page 3 of the accompanying prospectus.

| | Per Share | Total |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| Public offering price | \$100.00 | \$700,000,000 |
| Underwriting discount | \$3.00 | \$21,000,000 |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to Stericycle, Inc. | \$97.00 | \$679,000,000 |

We have granted the underwriters an option to purchase, exercisable within 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement, up to an additional 700,000 depositary shares to cover over-allotments, if any, at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The underwriters expect to deliver the depositary shares to investors on or about September 15, 2015.

Joint Book-Running Managers

BofA Merrill Lynch Goldman, Sachs & Co. J.P. Morgan

Co-Managers

HSBC MUFG Santander SMBC Nikko US Bancorp

The date of this prospectus supplement is September 9, 2015.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This document consists of two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of this offering and certain other matters relating to Stericycle (as defined below), Shred-it (as defined below) and the combined company (as defined below). The second part, the accompanying prospectus, gives more general information. Generally, when we refer to the prospectus, we are referring to both parts of this document combined. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on September 8, 2015, which became automatically effective upon filing. If the description in this prospectus supplement differs from the description in the accompanying prospectus, the description in this prospectus supplement supersedes the description in the accompanying prospectus.

We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus or in any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in each of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus is accurate as of the respective dates of those documents. Our and Shred-it s (as defined below) business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since the applicable date. You should read this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus we provide to you prior to making your investment decision.

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

In this prospectus supplement, unless otherwise specified or the context requires otherwise:

Stericycle, the company, we, us or our refer to Stericycle, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of the date hereof

Shred-it refers collectively to Shred-it International ULC, an Alberta unlimited liability corporation, Shred-it JV LP, an Ontario limited partnership, Boost GP Corp., an Ontario corporation and Boost Holdings LP, an Ontario limited partnership, and their respective subsidiaries;

combined company refers to Stericycle and its subsidiaries (including Shred-it) after completion of the Transactions (as defined herein), including the Acquisition;

Acquisition refers to the pending acquisition of Shred-it by us and certain of our subsidiaries;

Acquisition Termination Event means that (1) the Securities Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) is terminated or (2) Stericycle determines, in its reasonable judgment, that the Acquisition will not occur;

Debt Financing means the senior unsecured debt financing consisting of (1) approximately \$1.36 billion expected to be borrowed pursuant to our Term Loan Credit Facility (as defined herein), and (2) approximately \$300 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured debt financing in the form of private placement notes expected to be issued, in each case, after the date of this prospectus supplement to finance a portion of the Acquisition;

Financing Transactions means this offering and the Debt Financing;

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Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Offering or this offering means this offering of 7,000,000 depositary shares, each representing a 1/10th interest in a share of our 5.25% Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, par value \$0.01 per share, plus up to an additional 700,000 depositary shares that the underwriters have the option to purchase from us to cover over-allotments;

Term Loan Credit Facility means the Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated as of August 21, 2015, among Stericycle, as borrower, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and a lender thereunder, and the other lenders party thereto; and

Transactions refers to the Acquisition and the Financing Transactions.

Unless otherwise specified or the context requires otherwise, information in this prospectus supplement assumes that (1) the option we have granted to the underwriters in this offering to purchase additional depository shares to cover over-allotments is not exercised, (2) the depositary shares will not be redeemed if the Acquisition is not completed and (3) we elect to pay any and all dividends with respect to the mandatory convertible preferred stock in cash.

Although the Acquisition has not yet occurred and, if completed, will not occur until after the successful completion of all of the Financing Transactions, the pro forma and as adjusted information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement gives pro forma effect to the Acquisition and the related Financing Transactions, as if we had completed all such transactions as of June 30, 2015, unless otherwise specified. If the Acquisition does not occur, we will have the option to redeem the depositary shares, if issued. In addition, the pro forma adjustments and as adjusted information included in this prospectus supplement do not include any post-signing adjustments that may occur pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement, which may include adjustments of the purchase price. Any such post-signing adjustments may be material.

This offering is not contingent on completion of the Acquisition. If the Acquisition is not completed on or before January 15, 2016, or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, we will have the option to redeem the mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$100 per depositary share) *plus* accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date of redemption or, in certain circumstances, at a redemption price that includes a make-whole adjustment as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. As a result, if the Acquisition is not completed, the Debt Financing will not occur but the depositary shares sold in this offering (if not redeemed) will remain outstanding. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Pending Acquisition of Shred-it included in this prospectus supplement.

All references to currency amounts included in this prospectus supplement are in U.S. dollars unless specifically noted otherwise.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain statements concerning our future results and performance and other matters that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond our control (for example, general economic and market conditions). Our actual results could differ significantly from the results described in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could

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| calise | such | differences | include: |

changes in governmental regulation of the collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of regulated waste;

increases in transportation and other operating costs;

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the level of governmental enforcement of regulations governing regulated waste collection and treatment;

our ability to execute our acquisition strategy and to integrate acquired businesses, including, without limitation, the integration of Shred-it;

competition and demand for services in the regulated waste industry;

political, economic and currency risks related to our foreign operations;

impairments of goodwill or other indefinite-lived intangibles;

exposure to environmental liabilities;

compliance with existing and future legal and regulatory requirements; and

other factors described in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. As a result, past financial performance should not be considered a reliable indicator of future performance, and investors should not use historical trends to anticipate future results or trends. We make no commitment to disclose any subsequent revisions to forward-looking statements.

All statements, other than historical facts, including:

statements regarding the expected timing of the closing of the Acquisition;

the ability of the parties to complete the Acquisition considering the various closing conditions;

the expected benefits and synergies of the Acquisition;

the competitive ability and position of the Company; and

any assumptions underlying any of the foregoing,

are forward-looking statements. Such statements are based upon current plans, estimates and expectations that are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. The inclusion of such statements should not be regarded as a representation that such plans, estimates or expectations will be achieved. You should not place undue reliance on such statements. There can be no assurance that the Acquisition will be completed, or if it is completed, that it will

close within the anticipated time period or that the expected benefits of the Acquisition will be realized.

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

The following information supplements, and should be read together with, the information contained or incorporated by reference in other parts of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. This summary highlights selected information from this prospectus supplement. As a result, it does not contain all of the information you should consider before investing in the depositary shares. You should carefully read the entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein, which are described under Incorporation by Reference included in this prospectus supplement and Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus, before deciding whether to invest in the depositary shares. You should pay special attention to the Risk Factors section of this prospectus supplement to determine whether to invest in the depositary shares.

Stericycle, Inc.

Overview

We are in the business of providing regulated and compliance solutions to healthcare and commercial businesses. This includes the collection and processing of specialized waste for disposal, and a variety of training, consulting, recall/return, communication, and compliance services. We operate integrated regulated waste management networks in the United States, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, Portugal, the Netherlands, Romania, Republic of Korea, Spain, and the United Kingdom. Our worldwide networks include a total of 181 processing facilities, 214 transfer sites, and 97 other service facilities. Our regulated waste processing technology is primarily autoclaving, but we also use incineration and our proprietary electro-thermal-deactivation system.

The regulated solutions we provide include: medical waste disposal, hazardous waste management, our Steri-Safe® medical waste and compliance program, our Clinical Services program, our Sharps Management Service featuring *Bio Systems*® reusable sharps containers, pharmaceutical waste disposal, and medical safety products. Our compliance solutions include: training, consulting, inbound/outbound communications, data reporting, and other regulatory compliance services. In addition to our regulated and compliance solutions, we offer regulated recall and returns management solutions which encompass a number of services for a variety of businesses, but consist primarily of managing the recall, withdrawal, or return of expired or recalled products and pharmaceuticals.

We serve more than 600,000 customers worldwide, including both large-quantity generators, such as hospitals, blood banks and pharmaceutical manufacturers, and small-quantity generators, such as outpatient clinics, medical and dental offices, long-term and sub-acute care facilities, veterinary offices, municipalities, laboratories, and retail pharmacies.

For large-quantity generators of regulated waste such as hospitals and for pharmaceutical companies, laboratories, and distributors, we offer:

our regulated waste management services;

our Bio Systems® reusable sharps disposal management services;

our pharmaceutical waste services;

our Integrated Waste Stream Solutions (IWSS) program;

a variety of products and services for infection control;

our regulated recall and returns management services for expired or recalled products and pharmaceuticals; and

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a variety of communication services.

For small-quantity generators of regulated waste such as doctors offices, dentists, retailers or other commercial businesses, we offer:

our regulated waste management services;

our Bio Systems® reusable sharps disposal management services;

a variety of products and services for infection control;

our regulated recall and returns management services for expired or recalled products and pharmaceuticals; and

a variety of communication services.

We benefit from significant customer diversification. No one customer accounts for more than 1.5% of our total revenues, and our top ten customers account for 7.0% of total revenues.

We believe that we benefit from the following competitive strengths, among others:

Broad Range of Services: We offer our customers a broad range of services. We work with businesses across a number of industries such as healthcare, manufacturing, and retail to safely and efficiently dispose of regulated materials, ensure regulatory compliance, improve employee and customer safety, protect their brands, improve communications with patients, and manage corporate and personal risk.

Strong Service Relationships with Customers: We offer our customers necessary services which require access to our customers facilities and operating information. This relationship, supported by a history of service, provides us with access to decision makers to offer additional opportunities.

Long-term Contracts: The majority of services we provide involve long-term contracts which also act as a barrier to entry.

Established Network of Processing and Transportation Locations in Each Country: We believe that our network of locations results in a very efficient operation. The network also provides redundancy so that we can quickly redirect waste for treatment or disposal should such needs exist due to severe weather, power outages, or other such situations.

Diverse Customer Base and Revenue and Cost Stability: We have a diverse customer base and contractual relationships in all the markets in which we operate. We are also generally protected from the cost of regulatory changes or increases in fuel, insurance or other operating costs because our regulated waste contracts typically allow us to adjust our prices to reflect these cost changes.

Strong Sales Network and Proprietary Database: We use both telemarketing and direct sales efforts to obtain new customers for our regulated waste and other services. In addition, we have a large database of potential new small-quantity customers, which we believe gives us a competitive advantage in identifying and reaching this higher-margin sector.

Experienced Senior Management Team: We have experienced leadership. Our five most senior executives collectively have over 140 years of management experience in the health care and waste management industries.

Ability to Integrate Acquisitions: Since 1993 we have completed 392 acquisitions in the United States and internationally and have demonstrated a consistent ability to integrate our acquisitions into our operations successfully.

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Our goals are to strengthen our position as a leading provider of regulated waste and compliance services and to continue to improve our profitability. Components of our strategy to achieve these goals include:

Expand Range of Services and Products: We believe that we continue to have opportunities to expand our business by increasing the range of products and services we offer our existing customers. For example, to small-quantity customers, we also offer Occupational Safety and Health Administration compliance services through our *Steri-Safe®* and Clinical Services programs as well as communication solutions; to large-quantity customers, we also offer our Sharps Management Services using *Bio Systems®* reusable containers, our pharmaceutical waste disposal services and communication solutions.

Seek Complementary Acquisitions: We intend to continue to seek opportunities to acquire businesses that expand our networks and service capabilities in the United States and internationally that will increase our customer base. We believe that selective acquisitions can enable us to improve our operating efficiencies through increased utilization of our service infrastructure.

Improve Margins: We intend to continue working to improve our margins by increasing our base of small-quantity customers and focusing on service strategies that more efficiently meet the needs of our large-quantity customers.

Recent Developments

The Acquisition

On July 15, 2015, we entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the Securities Purchase Agreement) with the equity holders (the Vendors) of Shred-it providing for the acquisition of Shred-it by us and certain of our subsidiaries (the Acquisition) at an aggregate purchase price of \$2.3 billion, plus the total enterprise value of franchises acquired by Shred-it after July 15, 2015 and prior to closing as permitted by the Securities Purchase Agreement. In connection with the consummation of the Acquisition, we expect to incur fees and expenses of approximately \$60 million.

Shred-it is a Canadian-based company dedicated to providing secure information destruction services to customers around the world, who value the protection of their information, their reputation and the environment. Shred-it provides services to more than 400,000 customers through 200 locations in 15 countries, with 5,400 worldwide team members, a corporate fleet size of over 2,400 trucks and 57 plant-based shredders. The North American secured document shredding market size is approximately \$4 billion, of which Shred-it is estimated to have an approximate 15% market share. Shred-it is the leading global provider in this service area and during the twelve month period ended March 31, 2015 derived approximately 83% of its revenues from secure information destruction services. We believe that the Acquisition will enhance our portfolio of solutions, provide excellent opportunities for continued growth and broaden our and Shred-it s engagement opportunities with customers through cross-selling.

Consummation of the Acquisition is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of customary specified closing conditions, including regulatory approval by governmental entities. The Securities Purchase Agreement also includes customary representations, warranties, covenants and agreements of the parties.

The Securities Purchase Agreement may be terminated by each of the Company and the Vendors for breach of the Securities Purchase Agreement under certain circumstances, and, subject to certain conditions, both parties have the

right to terminate if the Acquisition is not consummated by November 15, 2015, subject to certain rights of extension.

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We cannot assure you that the Acquisition will be completed or, even if completed, that it will be completed at the price, within the time period, on the terms or with the anticipated benefits contemplated by this prospectus supplement. The Securities Purchase Agreement is included as Exhibit 2.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on July 21, 2015, which is incorporated by reference herein. See The Transactions and Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Pending Acquisition of Shred-it in this prospectus supplement.

Financing Transactions

In addition to this offering, we will need to and expect to obtain additional financing for the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses, as described below.

Subsequent to this offering, if completed, we expect to obtain additional financing for the Acquisition in the form of senior unsecured debt financing consisting of (1) approximately \$1.36 billion to be borrowed pursuant to our Term Loan Credit Facility, and (2) the proceeds of the issuance of \$300 million aggregate principal amount of private placement notes to be issued in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Completion of this offering is not contingent upon the completion of the Debt Financing or the Acquisition. Accordingly, even if the Acquisition or the other Financing Transactions do not occur, the depositary shares sold in this offering may remain outstanding if we do not exercise our option to redeem them if the Acquisition does not occur. See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption in this prospectus supplement for more information. Investors in our depositary shares should not place undue reliance on the pro forma and as adjusted information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement because this offering is not contingent upon the occurrence of any of the transactions reflected therein and such information does not include post signing adjustments (which may be material) that may occur pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement and may include adjustments to the purchase price.

After the closing of the Acquisition, we may replenish our available cash or repay any borrowings made in connection with the Acquisition with the proceeds of additional debt or equity financing.

Additional Information

Stericycle, Inc. was incorporated in Delaware in 1989. The mailing address of our principal executive offices is 28161 North Keith Drive, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045, and the telephone number of our principal executive offices is (847) 367-5910.

The Offering

The summary below describes the principal terms of the depositary shares and our mandatory convertible preferred stock. Certain of the terms and conditions described below are subject to important limitations and exceptions. Refer to the section of the accompanying prospectus entitled Description of Capital Stock Preferred Stock, as supplemented by the Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock section of this prospectus supplement, for a more detailed description of the terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock. As used in this section, the terms us, we, or our refer to Stericycle, Inc. and not any of its subsidiaries.

Issuer Stericycle, Inc.

Securities we are offering 7,000,000 depositary shares, each of which represents a 1/10th interest in

a share of our 5.25% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as our mandatory convertible preferred stock. Each depositary share entitles the holder of such depositary share, through the depositary, to a proportional fractional interest in the rights and preferences of such share of mandatory convertible preferred stock, including conversion, dividend, liquidation and voting rights, subject to

the terms of the deposit agreement.

Underwriters option We have granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to

700,000 additional depositary shares to cover over-allotments, if any, at

the public offering price, less the underwriting discount.

Public offering price \$100 per depositary share.

Liquidation preference \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock

(equivalent to \$100 per depositary share).

Dividends 5.25% of the liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock per year. Dividends will accumulate from the

first original issue date and, to the extent that we are legally permitted to pay dividends and our board of directors, or an authorized committee thereof, declares a dividend payable with respect to our mandatory convertible preferred stock, we will pay such dividends in cash or, subject to certain limitations, by delivery of shares of our common stock or through any combination of cash and shares of our common stock, as determined by us in our sole discretion; *provided* that any unpaid dividends will continue to accumulate. Dividends that are declared will

be payable on the dividend payment dates (as described below) to

holders of record on the March 1, June 1, September 1 or December 1, as the case may be, immediately preceding the relevant dividend payment date (each, a record date), whether or not such holders convert their depositary shares, or such depositary shares are automatically converted, after a record date and on or prior to the immediately succeeding dividend payment date. The expected dividend payable on the first dividend payment date is \$13.125 per share of our mandatory convertible

preferred stock (equivalent to \$1.3125 per depositary share). Each subsequent dividend is expected to be \$13.125 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$1.3125 per depositary share). See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Dividends.

If we elect to make any such payment of a declared dividend, or any portion thereof, in shares of our common stock, such shares shall be valued for such purpose at the average VWAP per share (as defined under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Definitions) of our common stock over the five consecutive trading day period ending on the second trading day immediately preceding the applicable dividend payment date (the five-day average price), multiplied by 97%. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the number of shares of our common stock delivered in connection with any declared dividend exceed a number equal to the total dividend payment divided by \$47.69, which amount represents approximately 35% of the initial price (as defined below), subject to adjustment in a manner inversely proportional to any adjustment to each fixed conversion rate (such dollar amount, as adjusted, the floor price). To the extent that the amount of the declared dividend as to which we have elected to deliver shares of common stock in lieu of cash exceeds the product of the number of shares of common stock delivered in connection with such declared dividend and 97% of the five-day average price, we will, if we are legally able to do so, notwithstanding any notice by us to the contrary, pay such excess amount in cash.

The initial price equals \$1,000 divided by the maximum conversion rate of 7.3394 shares of common stock, which quotient is equal to approximately \$136.25, the closing price of our common stock on September 9, 2015.

Dividend payment dates

March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2015 and ending on, and including, September 15, 2018.

Acquisition termination redemption

If the Acquisition has not closed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on January 15, 2016 or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, we may, at our option, give notice of an acquisition termination redemption to the holders of the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock. If we provide such notice, then, on the acquisition termination redemption date (as defined under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption), we

will be required to redeem the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole but not in part, at a redemption amount per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock equal to the acquisition termination redemption amount (as defined under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption). We will

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pay the acquisition termination redemption amount in cash unless the acquisition termination share price (as defined under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption) is greater than the initial price. If the acquisition termination share price is greater than the initial price, we will pay the acquisition termination redemption amount in shares of our common stock and cash, unless we elect, subject to certain limitations, to pay cash or shares of our common stock in lieu of such amounts. If we redeem shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock held by the depositary, the depositary will redeem, on the same redemption date, the number of depositary shares representing the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed. See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption and Description of Depositary Shares Redemption.

Other than pursuant to the provisions described in this prospectus supplement, the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares will not be redeemable by us. See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption and Description of Depositary Shares Redemption.

Mandatory conversion date

The third business day immediately following the last trading day of the final averaging period (as defined below). The mandatory conversion date is expected to be September 15, 2018.

Mandatory conversion

On the mandatory conversion date, each outstanding share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, unless previously converted or redeemed, will automatically convert into a number of shares of our common stock equal to the conversion rate as described below, and each depositary share will automatically convert into a number of shares of common stock equal to a proportionate fractional interest in such shares of common stock.

If we declare a dividend for the dividend period ending on September 15, 2018, we will pay such dividend to the holders of record on the applicable record date, as described above. If, on or prior to September 1, 2018, we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends on the mandatory convertible preferred stock, the conversion rate will be adjusted so that holders receive an additional number of shares of common stock equal to the amount of accumulated and unpaid dividends that have not been declared (the additional conversion amount), divided by the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) 97% of the five-day average price. To the extent that the additional conversion amount exceeds the product of such number of additional

shares and 97% of the five-day average price, we will, if we are legally able to do so, declare and pay such excess amount in cash.

Conversion rate

Upon conversion on the mandatory conversion date, the conversion rate for each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock will

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be not more than 7.3394 shares of common stock and not less than 5.8716 shares of common stock (and, correspondingly, the conversion rate per depositary share will not be more than 0.73394 shares of common stock and not less than 0.58716 shares of common stock), depending on the applicable market value of our common stock, as described below.

The applicable market value of our common stock is the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the final averaging period. The final averaging period is the 20 consecutive trading day period beginning on, and including, the 23rd scheduled trading day immediately preceding September 15, 2018. The conversion rate will be calculated as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Mandatory Conversion. The following table illustrates the conversion rate per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, subject to certain anti-dilution adjustments.

Applicable market value of our

| common stock Greater than the threshold | Conversion rate per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock |
|---|--|
| appreciation price | 5.8716 shares of common stock |
| Equal to or less than the threshold appreciation price but greater than or equal to the initial price | |
| Less than the initial price | 7.3394 shares of common stock |

The threshold appreciation price equals \$1,000 *divided by* the minimum conversion rate of 5.8716 shares of common stock, which quotient is equal to approximately \$170.31.

The following table illustrates the conversion rate per depositary share, subject to certain anti-dilution adjustments:

| Applicable market value of our common | Conversion rate per | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|--|
| stock | depositary share | | |
| Greater than the threshold appreciation | 0.58716 shares of commo | | |

price 0.5871

0.58716 shares of common stock

Equal to or less than the threshold appreciation price but greater than or equal 0.73394 shares of common to the initial price

Between 0.58716 and stock, determined by dividing \$100 by the applicable market value

Less than the initial price

0.73394 shares of common

stock

Conversion at the option of the holder

Other than during a fundamental change conversion period (as defined below), and unless we have called the mandatory convertible preferred stock for redemption, a holder may, at any time prior to September 15, 2018, elect to convert such holder s shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole or in part, at the minimum

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conversion rate of 5.8716 shares of common stock per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to 0.58716 shares of common stock per depositary share) as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder. This minimum conversion rate is subject to certain anti-dilution and other adjustments. Because each depositary share represents a 1/10th fractional interest in a share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, a holder of depositary shares may convert its depositary shares only in lots of 10 depositary shares.

If, as of the effective date of any early conversion (the early conversion date), we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends for all full dividend periods ending on the dividend payment date prior to such early conversion date, the conversion rate will be adjusted so that converting holders receive an additional number of shares of common stock equal to such amount of accumulated and unpaid dividends that have not been declared for such full dividend periods (the early conversion additional conversion amount), divided by the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the 20 consecutive trading day period ending on, and including, the third trading day immediately preceding the early conversion date (the early conversion average price). To the extent that the early conversion additional conversion amount exceeds the product of such number of additional shares and the early conversion average price, we will not have any obligation to pay the shortfall in cash.

dividend make-whole amount

Conversion at the option of the holder upon If a fundamental change (as defined under Description of Mandatory a fundamental change; fundamental change Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount) occurs on or prior to September 15, 2018, holders will have the right to convert their shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole or in part, into shares of common stock at the fundamental change conversion rate during the period beginning on, and including, the effective date of such fundamental change and ending on, and including, the date that is 20 calendar days after such effective date (or, if later, the date that is 20 calendar days after holders receive notice of such fundamental change, but in no event later than September 15, 2018). The fundamental change conversion rate will be determined based on the effective date of the fundamental change and the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in such fundamental change. Holders who convert shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock within that timeframe will also receive (1) a fundamental change dividend make-whole amount equal to the present value (calculated using a discount rate of 5.25% per annum) of all dividend payments on such shares for all remaining full dividend periods beginning on the

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dividend payment date immediately following the effective date of the fundamental change and for the partial dividend period from, and including, the effective date to, but excluding, the next dividend payment date, and (2) any accumulated and unpaid dividends for any dividend period ending prior to the effective date of the fundamental change and any accumulated dividends for the partial dividend period, if any, from the dividend payment date immediately preceding the effective date to, but excluding, the effective date (collectively, the accumulated dividend amount and clauses (1) and (2), the make-whole dividend amounts), in the case of clauses (1) and (2), subject to our right to deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of all or part of such make-whole dividend amounts; *provided* that if the effective date or the conversion date falls after the record date for a declared dividend and prior to the next dividend payment date, such dividend will be paid on such dividend payment date to the holders as of such record date, and will not be included in the accumulated dividend amount, and the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount will not include the present value of the payment of such dividend. Because each depositary share represents a 1/10th fractional interest in a share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, a holder of depositary shares may convert its depositary shares upon a fundamental change only in lots of 10 depositary shares.

If we elect to pay the make-whole dividend amounts, or any portion thereof, in shares of our common stock, such shares shall be valued for such purpose at 97% of the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in the fundamental change. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any conversion of mandatory convertible preferred stock, in no event will the number of shares of our common stock that we deliver in lieu of paying all or any portion of the make-whole dividend amounts in cash exceed a number equal to the sum of such make-whole dividend amounts, divided by the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) 97% of the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in the fundamental change. To the extent that the sum of such make-whole dividend amounts exceeds the product of the number of shares of common stock delivered in respect of such make-whole dividend amounts and 97% of the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in the fundamental change, we will, if we are legally able to do so, notwithstanding any notice by us to the contrary, pay such excess amount in cash.

In addition, if we are prohibited from paying or delivering, as the case may be, the make-whole dividend amounts (whether in cash or in shares of our common stock), in whole or in part, due to limitations of applicable Delaware law, the fundamental change conversion rate will instead be increased by a number of shares of common stock equal to the

cash amount of the aggregate unpaid and undelivered make-whole dividend amounts, *divided by* the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) 97% of the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in the fundamental change. To the extent that the cash amount of the aggregate

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unpaid and undelivered make-whole dividend amounts exceeds the product of such number of additional shares and 97% of the price paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in the fundamental change, we will not have any obligation to pay the shortfall in cash.

See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount.

Anti-dilution adjustments

The conversion rate may be adjusted in the event of, among other things: (1) stock dividends or distributions; (2) certain distributions to holders of our common stock of rights, options or warrants to purchase our common stock; (3) subdivisions or combinations of our common stock; (4) certain distributions to holders of our common stock of evidences of our indebtedness, shares of capital stock, securities, rights to acquire our capital stock, cash or other assets; (5) distributions to holders of our common stock of cash; and (6) certain tender or exchange offers by us or one of our subsidiaries for our common stock, in each case subject to certain exceptions. See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Anti-dilution Adjustments.

Voting rights

Except as specifically required by Delaware law or our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, which will include the certificate of designations for the mandatory convertible preferred stock, the holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock will have no voting rights.

Whenever dividends on shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock have not been declared and paid for six or more dividend periods (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the dividend period beginning on, and including, the first original issue date of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and ending on, but excluding, December 15, 2015), whether or not consecutive, the holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock, voting together as a single class with holders of all other preferred stock of equal rank having similar voting rights, will be entitled at our next special or annual meeting of stockholders to vote for the election of a total of two additional members of our board of directors, subject to certain limitations.

We will not, without the affirmative vote or consent of holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock and all other preferred stock of equal rank having similar voting rights, voting together as a single class (1) issue, authorize or create, or increase the issued or authorized amount of, any specific class or series

of stock ranking senior to the mandatory convertible preferred stock; (2) amend or alter the provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation so as to authorize or create, or increase the authorized amount of, any specific class or series of stock ranking senior to the mandatory convertible preferred

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stock; (3) amend, alter or repeal the provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation so as to adversely affect the special rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of the mandatory convertible preferred stock; or (4) consummate a binding share exchange or reclassification involving shares of mandatory preferred stock or a merger or consolidation of us with another entity unless the mandatory convertible preferred stock remains outstanding or is replaced by preference securities with terms not materially less favorable to holders, in each case subject to certain exceptions.

See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Voting Rights and Description of Depositary Shares Voting the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock.

Ranking

With respect to dividend rights and/or rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, as applicable, the mandatory convertible preferred stock will rank:

senior to all of our common stock and to each other class of capital stock issued in the future unless the terms of that stock expressly provide that it ranks senior to, or on a parity with, the mandatory convertible preferred stock;

on a parity with any class of capital stock issued in the future the terms of which expressly provide that it will rank on a parity with the mandatory convertible preferred stock;

junior to each class of capital stock issued in the future the terms of which expressly provide that such capital stock or preferred stock will rank senior to the mandatory convertible preferred stock; and

junior to all of our existing and future indebtedness (including trade payables).

In addition, the mandatory convertible preferred stock, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, will be structurally subordinated to existing and future indebtedness of our subsidiaries as well as the capital stock of our subsidiaries held by third parties.

At June 30, 2015, we had total outstanding consolidated debt of approximately \$1.7 billion and no outstanding shares of preferred stock. At June 30, 2015, on a pro forma as adjusted basis giving effect to the Financing Transactions and the consummation of the Acquisition our total debt was \$3.3 billion.

Use of proceeds

We estimate that the net proceeds received by us from the sale of the depositary shares in this offering will be approximately \$677.8 million (or approximately \$745.7 million if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full), after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We

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intend to use the net proceeds of this offering and, if completed, the other Financing Transactions to finance the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses.

This offering is not contingent on completion of the Acquisition. If the Acquisition does not occur and we do not exercise our option to redeem the mandatory convertible preferred stock and the corresponding depositary shares for cash, we will use the net proceeds of this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include share repurchases and acquisitions. Pending application of the net proceeds of this offering for the foregoing purposes, we expect to invest such net proceeds in high-quality, short-term debt securities. See Recent Developments The Acquisition and Use of Proceeds.

consequences

Material U.S. federal income and estate tax The material U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of purchasing, owning and disposing of the depositary shares and any common stock received upon their conversion are described in Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Consequences.

Listing

We have applied to list the depositary shares on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCLP. Our common stock is listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCL.

Depositary, transfer agent and registrar

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is the depositary for the depositary shares and the transfer agent and registrar for the mandatory convertible preferred stock and our common stock.

Risk factors

See Risk Factors beginning on page S-17 of this prospectus supplement for a discussion of risks you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in the depositary shares.

As of September 1, 2015, 84,960,791 shares of our common stock were outstanding, which excludes any shares of our common stock issuable under our equity compensation plans and up to 5,137,580 shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (or 5,651,338 shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of our mandatory convertible preferred stock if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in respect of this offering in full), in each case, subject to anti-dilution, make-whole and other adjustments and assuming we pay all dividends on our mandatory convertible preferred stock in cash.

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RISK FACTORS

An investment in our depositary shares involves risks. You should carefully consider the risks described below, in addition to the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Specifically, please see Risk Factors included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015 and our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 8, 2015 for a discussion of risk factors that may affect our business and the business of Shred-it. Realization of any of those or the following risks or adverse results from any matter listed under Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information in this prospectus supplement could have a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, financial condition, cash flows and results of operations and could result in a decline in the trading price of our depositary shares. As a result, you could lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Relating to Our Pending Acquisition of Shred-it

This offering is not contingent upon the completion of the Acquisition. If the Acquisition is not completed, we will have broad discretion to use the net proceeds of this offering for general corporate purposes. Even if the Acquisition is completed, we may fail to realize the growth prospects and cost savings anticipated as a result of the Acquisition.

This offering is not contingent upon the completion of the Acquisition. Accordingly, your purchase of the depositary shares in this offering may be an investment in Stericycle on a stand-alone basis without the business of Shred-it or the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition. We will have broad discretion to use the net proceeds of this offering if the Acquisition does not occur. General corporate purposes may include share repurchases and acquisitions.

There are a number of risks and uncertainties relating to the Acquisition. For example, we are engaging in the Financing Transactions in order to finance the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses. We cannot assure you that we will complete any or all of the Financing Transactions. Even if completed, the Acquisition or the other Financing Transactions may be concluded on terms that differ, perhaps substantially, from those described in this prospectus supplement and investors will not be entitled to require us to repurchase, redeem or repay any of the depositary shares sold as a result of any such differences. The Acquisition may not be completed, or may not be completed in the time frame, on the terms or in the manner currently anticipated, as a result of a number of factors, including, among other things, the failure of one or more of the conditions to closing. There can be no assurance that the conditions to closing of the Acquisition will be satisfied or waived or that other events will not intervene to delay or result in the failure to close the Acquisition. Any delay in closing or a failure to close could have a negative impact on our business and the trading prices of our securities, including the depositary shares and our common stock.

The success of the Acquisition will depend, in part, on our ability to realize the anticipated business opportunities and growth prospects from combining our businesses with those of Shred-it. We may never realize these business opportunities and growth prospects. Integrating operations will be complex and will require significant efforts and expenditures on the part of both us and Shred-it. Our management might have its attention diverted while trying to integrate operations and corporate and administrative infrastructures and the cost of integration may exceed our expectations. We may also be required to make unanticipated capital expenditures or investments in order to maintain, improve or sustain Shred-it s operations or assets or take write-offs or impairment charges or recognize amortization expenses resulting from the Acquisition and may be subject to unanticipated or unknown liabilities relating to Shred-it and its business. The combined company might experience increased competition that limits our ability to expand our business, and we might not be able to capitalize on expected business opportunities, including retaining Shred-it s current customers. If any of these factors limit our ability to integrate the businesses successfully or on a timely basis,

the expectations of future results of operations following the Acquisition might not be met.

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In addition, we and Shred-it have operated and, until the completion of the Acquisition, will continue to operate, independently. It is possible that the integration process could result in the loss of key employees, the disruption of each company s ongoing businesses, tax costs or inefficiencies, or inconsistencies in standards, controls, information technology systems, procedures and policies, any of which could adversely affect our ability to maintain relationships with customers, employees or other third parties or our ability to achieve the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition and could harm our financial performance. In that regard, because Shred-it is a private company, we may be required to implement or improve Shred-it s internal controls, procedures and policies to meet standards applicable to public companies, which may be time-consuming and more expensive than anticipated.

In addition, the Securities Purchase Agreement has been incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement to provide investors with information regarding the terms of the Acquisition and is not intended to provide any factual information about us, Shred-it or our or its respective subsidiaries or affiliates. The Securities Purchase Agreement contains representations and warranties that the parties made to each other as of specific dates. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties were made solely for purposes of the contracts between the parties to the Securities Purchase Agreement and may be subject to important qualifications and limitations agreed by the parties in connection with negotiating the terms of the contracts. Moreover, some of those representations and warranties may not be accurate or complete as of any specified date, may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality different from those generally applicable to shareholders, or may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the parties rather than establishing matters as facts. For the foregoing reasons, investors should not rely on the representations and warranties as statements of factual information.

We will incur significant transaction and acquisition-related integration costs in connection with the Acquisition.

We are currently developing a plan to integrate the operations of Shred-it after the completion of the Acquisition. Although we anticipate achieving synergies of between \$20 million to \$30 million in connection with the Acquisition by fiscal year 2018, we also expect to incur costs to implement such cost savings measures. We anticipate that we will incur certain non-recurring charges in connection with this integration, including costs and charges associated with integrating operations, processes and systems. We cannot identify the timing, nature and amount of all such charges as at the date of this prospectus supplement. Further, we currently expect to incur significant transaction costs that will be charged as an expense in the period incurred. The significant transaction costs and acquisition-related integration costs could materially adversely affect our results of operations in the period in which such charges are recorded or our cash flow in the period in which any related costs are actually paid. Although we believe that the elimination of duplicative costs such as selling, general and administrative expenses, as well as the realization of other efficiencies related to the integration of the businesses such as the optimization of logistics, truck and plant utilization, cross-utilization of fleet, improvements in route density and facility optimization, will offset incremental transaction and acquisition-related costs over time, this net benefit may not be achieved in the near term, or at all. We expect it will take approximately two years to implement the cost savings measures to achieve our anticipated annual cost savings from synergies. We have identified some, but not all, of the actions necessary to achieve our anticipated cost and operational savings. Accordingly, the cost and operational savings may not be achievable in our anticipated amount or timeframe or at all. Investors should not place undue reliance on the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition in making their investment decision.

We and Shred-it will be subject to business uncertainties while the Acquisition is pending that could adversely affect our and its businesses.

Uncertainty about the effect of the Acquisition on employees and customers may have an adverse effect on us and Shred-it and, consequently, on the combined company. Although we and Shred-it intend to take actions to reduce any adverse effects, these uncertainties may impair our and their ability to attract, retain and motivate key personnel until

the Acquisition is completed and for a period of time thereafter. These uncertainties could cause customers and others that deal with us and Shred-it to seek to change existing business relationships with the two

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companies. Employee retention could be reduced during the pendency of the Acquisition, as employees may experience uncertainty about their future roles with the combined company. If, despite our and Shred-it s retention efforts, key employees depart because of concerns relating to the uncertainty and difficulty of the integration process or a desire not to remain with the combined company, the combined company s business could be harmed.

The Acquisition may be subject to receipt of consent or approval from governmental entities that could delay or prevent the completion of the Acquisition or that could cause the abandonment of the Acquisition.

To complete the Acquisition, we and Shred-it will be required to obtain approvals or consents from, or make filings with, certain applicable governmental authorities.

While we and Shred-it each believe that we will receive all required approvals for the Acquisition, there can be no assurance as to the receipt or timing of receipt of these approvals. In addition, the receipt of such approvals may be conditional upon actions that the parties are not obligated to take under the Securities Purchase Agreement and other related agreements, which could result in the termination of the Securities Purchase Agreement by us or the Vendors, or such approvals may be conditioned upon terms that would have a detrimental impact on the combined company following the completion of the Acquisition. A substantial delay in obtaining any required authorizations, approvals or consents, or the imposition of unfavorable terms, conditions or restrictions contained in such authorizations, approvals or consents, could prevent the completion of the Acquisition, give us the option to redeem the depositary shares or have an adverse effect on the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition, thereby adversely impacting the business, financial condition or results of operations of the combined company. See The Transactions Overview and The Transactions Securities Purchase Agreement included in this prospectus supplement.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information included in this prospectus supplement is presented for illustrative purposes only and does not represent what the financial position or results of operations of the combined company would have been had the Transactions been completed on the dates assumed for purposes of that pro forma information nor does it represent the actual financial position or results of operations of the combined company following the Acquisition.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information contained in this prospectus supplement is presented for illustrative purposes only, contains a variety of adjustments, assumptions and preliminary estimates, is subject to numerous other uncertainties and does not reflect what the combined company s financial position or results of operations would have been had the Transactions been completed as of the dates assumed for purposes of that pro forma financial information nor does it reflect the financial position or results of operations of the combined company following the Acquisition. The pro forma adjustments are based on the preliminary information available at the time of the preparation of this document. For purposes of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information, the estimated Acquisition consideration has been preliminarily allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on limited information presently available to Stericycle to estimate fair values. The Acquisition consideration will be allocated among the relative fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values as of the date of the Acquisition. The final allocation is dependent upon certain valuations and other analyses that cannot be completed prior to the Acquisition and are required to make a definitive allocation. The actual amounts recorded at the completion of the Acquisition may differ materially from the information presented in the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information. Additionally, the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information does not reflect the cost of any integration activities or benefits from synergies that may be derived from any integration activities nor does it include any other items not expected to have a continuing impact on the consolidated results of operations. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has also been prepared on the assumption that the Acquisition and the Financing Transactions will be completed on the terms and in accordance with the assumptions set forth under

Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information included in this prospectus supplement. The purchase

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price and other terms of the Acquisition may change, perhaps substantially, from those reflected in this prospectus supplement. See Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information included in this prospectus supplement and our and Shred-it s consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

Our and Shred-it s actual financial positions and results of operations prior to the Acquisition and that of the combined company following the Acquisition may not be consistent with, or evident from, the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information included in this prospectus supplement. In addition, the assumptions or estimates used in preparing the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information included in this prospectus supplement may not prove to be accurate and may be affected by other factors. Any significant changes in the assumed interest rate associated with the Debt Financing or the cost of the Acquisition (whether as a result of contractual purchase price adjustments or otherwise) from those assumed or used for purposes of preparing the pro forma financial information may cause a significant change in the pro forma financial information. The pro forma adjustments for the Acquisition do not include any adjustments to the purchase price that may occur pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement and any such adjustments may be material.

If we redeem the depositary shares, investors may not obtain their expected return and may not be able to reinvest the proceeds from such redemption in an investment that results in a comparable return.

If the Acquisition is not completed on or before January 15, 2016, or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, we will have the option to redeem the depositary shares offered hereby, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$100 per depositary share) *plus* accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date of redemption or, in certain circumstances, at a redemption price that includes a make-whole adjustment as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. If we redeem the depositary shares, investors may not obtain their expected return and may not be able to reinvest the proceeds from such redemption in an investment that results in a comparable return.

In addition, while we will have the option to redeem the depositary shares if the Acquisition is not completed on or before January 15, 2016 or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, investors will not have any rights to require us to redeem or repurchase the depositary shares, whether or not an Acquisition Termination Event occurs or the Acquisition is completed by January 15, 2016. Further, investors will not have any right to require us to repurchase the depositary shares if, subsequent to the completion of this offering, we or Shred-it experience any changes in our business or financial condition or if the terms of the Acquisition or the financing thereof change.

It is possible that our failure to complete the Acquisition may have an adverse effect on the market price of our depositary shares and common stock.

We may not be able to complete the Acquisition on or prior to January 15, 2016, if at all. Our ability to complete the Acquisition is subject to various closing conditions, some of which are beyond our control. If the Acquisition is not completed or an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, we will have the option but not the obligation to redeem the depositary shares as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. If we redeem shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock held by the depositary, the depositary will redeem, on the same redemption date, the number of depositary shares representing the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed as described under Description of Depositary Shares Redemption. It is possible that our failure to complete the Acquisition may have an adverse effect on the market price of our depositary shares and common stock.

The amount of our indebtedness could adversely affect our business.

As at June 30, 2015, we had a total of approximately \$1.7 billion of outstanding indebtedness, including long-term debt and short-term debt. As at June 30, 2015, on a pro forma basis in accordance with the

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assumptions set forth under Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information included in this prospectus supplement, we would have had a total of approximately \$3.3 billion of outstanding indebtedness, including long-term debt and short-term debt. We also have and, following the Transactions, expect to have the ability to incur a substantial amount of additional indebtedness, including up to an additional \$652.5 million under our Revolving Credit Facility (as defined under The Transactions The Financing Transactions). In addition, after the closing of the Acquisition, we may replenish our available cash or repay any revolving credit borrowings made in connection with the Acquisition with the proceeds of additional permanent debt financing. As a result, Stericycle and its subsidiaries could, in the future, incur indebtedness and enter into transactions that could negatively affect the market value of our depositary shares and our common stock.

The incurrence of borrowings in the Debt Financing and the issuance of the depositary shares pursuant to this offering, in each case if completed, will increase our annual cash obligations by approximately \$78.4 million, calculated on a pro forma basis. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash to repay or to refinance our debt as it comes due or to pay dividends on our depositary shares, this would have a material adverse effect on our business and the market price of our common stock and the depositary shares.

Our leverage could have important consequences to purchasers in this offering, including the following:

we may be required to dedicate a substantial portion of our available cash to payments of principal of and interest on our indebtedness;

our ability to access credit markets on terms we deem acceptable may be impaired; and

our leverage may limit our flexibility to adjust to changing market conditions.

Restrictions in our private placement notes, the Term Loan Credit Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, ability to make distributions and value of our securities.

We expect to obtain additional financing for the Acquisition in the form of senior unsecured debt financing consisting of (1) approximately \$1.36 billion to be borrowed pursuant to our Term Loan Credit Facility, and (2) approximately \$300 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured debt financing in the form of private placement notes expected to be issued. We may also draw upon our Revolving Credit Facility to fund a portion of the Acquisition and related expenses. We depend on the earnings and cash flow generated by our operations to meet our debt service obligations. Payments of principal and interest on our debt reduce cash available for distribution. If completed, the terms of the private placement notes will require that we comply with certain covenants and will include events of default and other terms similar to those in certain of our existing private placement notes. Each of the Term Loan Credit Facility and Revolving Credit Facility also contains customary affirmative covenants, including, among others, covenants pertaining to the delivery of financial statements; notices of default and certain other material events; payment of obligations; preservation of corporate existence, rights, privileges, permits, licenses, franchises and intellectual property; maintenance of property and insurance and compliance with laws, as well as customary negative covenants for facilities of this type, including, among others, limitations on the incurrence of liens, investments and indebtedness; mergers and certain other fundamental changes; dispositions of assets; restricted payments; changes in the Company s line of business; transactions with affiliates and burdensome agreements. Each facility contains a financial covenant requiring maintenance of a minimum consolidated interest coverage ratio of 3.00 to 1.00 as of the

end of any quarter and a financial covenant requiring maintenance of a maximum consolidated leverage ratio of between 3.75 and 4.35 to 1.00, depending on factors determined in accordance with the terms of the applicable facility.

Our ability to comply with the covenants and restrictions contained in the private placement notes, the Term Loan Credit Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility may be affected by events beyond our control, including prevailing economic, financial, and industry conditions. If market or other economic conditions deteriorate, our ability to comply with these covenants may be impaired. A failure to comply with these provisions could result in

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a default or an event of default. Upon an event of default, unless waived, the lenders could elect to terminate its commitments, cease making further loans, require cash collateralization of letters of credit, cause its loans to become due and payable in full and force us and our subsidiaries into bankruptcy or liquidation. If the payment of our debt is accelerated, our assets may be insufficient to repay such debt in full, and the holders of our units could experience a partial or total loss of their investment.

Risks Relating to the Offering and the Depositary Shares, the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock and the Common Stock

You are making an investment decision in the depositary shares as well as in our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

As described in this prospectus supplement, you are investing in depositary shares that represent fractional interests in our mandatory convertible preferred stock. The depositary will rely solely on the dividend payments and other distributions on the mandatory convertible preferred stock it receives from us to fund all dividend payments and other distributions on the depositary shares.

You will bear the risk of a decline in the market price of our common stock between the pricing date for the depositary shares and the mandatory conversion date.

The number of shares of our common stock that you would receive upon mandatory conversion of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (and the related conversion of the depositary shares) is not fixed, but instead will depend on the applicable market value, which is the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the final averaging period, which is the 20 consecutive trading day period beginning on, and including, the 23rd scheduled trading day immediately preceding September 15, 2018. The aggregate market value of the shares of our common stock that you would receive upon mandatory conversion may be less than the aggregate liquidation preference of the mandatory convertible preferred stock represented by your depositary shares. Specifically, if the applicable market value of our common stock is less than the initial price of approximately \$136.25 (which equals the closing price of our common stock on September 9, 2015), subject to certain anti-dilution adjustments, the market value of the shares of our common stock that you would receive upon mandatory conversion of each share of mandatory convertible preferred stock will be less than the \$1,000 liquidation preference per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, accordingly the market value of shares of our common stock that you would receive upon mandatory conversion of each depositary share will be less than the \$100 liquidation preference per depositary share), and an investment in the depositary shares would result in a loss. Accordingly, you will bear the entire risk of a decline in the market price of our common stock. Any such decline could be substantial.

In addition, because the number of shares delivered to you upon mandatory conversion will be based upon the applicable market value, which is the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the final averaging period, the shares of common stock you receive upon mandatory conversion may be worth less than the shares of common stock you would have received had the applicable market value been equal to the VWAP per share of our common stock on the mandatory conversion date or the average VWAP of our common stock over a different period of days.

Purchasers of the depositary shares may not realize any or all of the benefit of an increase in the market price of shares of our common stock.

The aggregate market value of the shares of our common stock that you will receive upon mandatory conversion of each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (and the related conversion of the depositary shares) on the mandatory conversion date will only exceed the liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share of mandatory convertible

preferred stock (and the liquidation preference of \$100 per depositary share) if

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the applicable market value of our common stock exceeds the threshold appreciation price of approximately \$170.31, subject to certain anti-dilution adjustments. The threshold appreciation price represents an appreciation of approximately 25% over the initial price. If the applicable market value of our common stock exceeds the threshold appreciation price, you will receive on the mandatory conversion date approximately 80% (which percentage is equal to the initial price *divided by* the threshold appreciation price) of the value of our common stock that you would have received if you had made a direct investment in our common stock on the date of this prospectus supplement. This means that the opportunity for equity appreciation provided by an investment in the depositary shares (and the underlying mandatory convertible preferred stock) is less than that provided by a direct investment in shares of our common stock.

In addition, if the market value of our common stock appreciates and the applicable market value of our common stock is equal to or greater than the initial price but less than or equal to the threshold appreciation price, the aggregate market value of the shares of our common stock that you would receive upon mandatory conversion will only be equal to the aggregate liquidation preference of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, correspondingly, the aggregate market value of our common stock that you would receive upon the related mandatory conversion of the depositary shares will only be equal to the aggregate liquidation preference of the depositary shares), and you will realize no equity appreciation on our common stock.

The market price of our common stock, which may fluctuate significantly, will directly affect the market price for the depositary shares.

We expect that, generally, the market price of our common stock will affect the market price of the depositary shares more than any other single factor. This may result in greater volatility in the market price of the depositary shares than would be expected for nonconvertible preferred stock or depositary shares representing nonconvertible preferred stock. The market price of our common stock will likely fluctuate in response to a number of factors, including our financial condition, operating results and prospects, as well as economic, financial and other factors, such as prevailing interest rates, interest rate volatility, reports by industry analysts, investor perceptions or negative announcements by our customers, competitors or suppliers regarding their own performance, or changes in our industry and competitors and government regulations, many of which are beyond our control. For more information regarding such factors, see the section of this prospectus supplement below entitled Risks Relating to Ownership of Our Common Stock.

In addition, we expect that the market price of the depositary shares will be influenced by yield and interest rates in the capital markets, the time remaining to the mandatory conversion date, our creditworthiness and the occurrence of certain events affecting us that do not require an adjustment to the fixed conversion rates. Fluctuations in yield rates in particular may give rise to arbitrage opportunities based upon changes in the relative values of the depositary shares and our common stock. Any such arbitrage could, in turn, affect the market prices of our common stock and the depositary shares. The market price of our common stock could also be affected by possible sales of our common stock by investors who view the depositary shares as a more attractive means of equity participation in us and by hedging or arbitrage trading activity that we expect to develop involving our common stock. This trading activity could, in turn, affect the market price of the depositary shares.

You will not have any right to require us to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock in the event that an Acquisition Termination Event occurs or if the Acquisition is not completed on or prior to January 15, 2016.

You will not have any right to require us to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs or if the Acquisition is not completed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on January 15, 2016. Further, you will not have any right to require us to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred

stock if, subsequent to the completion of this offering, we or Shred-it experience any changes in our business or financial condition or if the terms of the Acquisition or the financing thereof change. Even if we redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, accordingly, the depositary redeems the depositary shares), you may not obtain your expected return and may not be able to reinvest the proceeds from such redemption in an investment that results in a comparable return.

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Our mandatory convertible preferred stock is subject to redemption at our option upon the occurrence of an Acquisition Termination Event or if the Acquisition is not completed on or prior to January 15, 2016.

If an Acquisition Termination Event occurs or if the Acquisition is not completed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on January 15, 2016, we will be entitled, but not required, to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$100 per depositary share) *plus* accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date of redemption or, in certain circumstances, at a redemption price that includes a make-whole adjustment as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. If we redeem shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock held by the depositary, the depositary will redeem, on the same redemption date, the number of depositary shares representing the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed as described under Description of Depositary Shares Redemption. Although the redemption price is designed to compensate you for the lost option value of your depositary shares and lost dividends as a result of the acquisition termination redemption, it is only an approximation of such lost value and may not adequately compensate you for your actual loss.

The proceeds of this offering will not be deposited into an escrow account in favor of holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock pending any acquisition termination redemption of our mandatory convertible preferred stock. Our ability to pay the redemption price to holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock in connection with an acquisition termination redemption (and, accordingly, the depositary s ability to pay the redemption price to holders of the depositary shares) may be limited by our then existing financial resources, and sufficient funds may not be available when necessary to make any required purchases of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, accordingly, depositary shares) following our election to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

Recent regulatory actions may adversely affect the trading price and liquidity of the depositary shares.

We expect that many investors in, and potential purchasers of, the depositary shares will employ, or seek to employ, a convertible arbitrage strategy with respect to the depositary shares. Investors would typically implement such a strategy by selling short the common stock underlying the convertible securities and dynamically adjusting their short position while continuing to hold the securities. Investors may also implement this type of strategy by entering into swaps on our common stock in lieu of or in addition to short selling the common stock.

The SEC and other regulatory and self-regulatory authorities have implemented various rules and taken certain actions, and may in the future adopt additional rules and take other actions, that may impact those engaging in short selling activity involving equity securities (including our common stock). Such rules and actions include Rule 201 of SEC Regulation SHO, the adoption by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. and the national securities exchanges of a Limit Up-Limit Down program, the imposition of market-wide circuit breakers that halt trading of securities for certain periods following specific market declines, and the implementation of certain regulatory reforms required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. Any governmental or regulatory action that restricts the ability of investors in, or potential purchasers of, the depositary shares to effect short sales of our common stock, borrow our common stock or enter into swaps on our common stock could adversely affect the trading price and the liquidity of the depositary shares.

The fundamental change conversion rate and the payment of the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount upon the occurrence of certain fundamental changes may not adequately compensate you for the lost option value and lost dividends as a result of early conversion upon a fundamental change.

If a fundamental change (as defined in Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount) occurs on or prior to September 15, 2018, the fundamental change conversion rate will apply to any shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, accordingly, the depositary shares) converted during the

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fundamental change conversion period (as defined in Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount) unless the stock price is less than \$60.00 or above \$400.00 (in each case, subject to adjustment) and, with respect to those shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, accordingly, those depositary shares) converted, you will also receive, among other consideration, a fundamental change dividend make-whole amount, subject to our right to deliver shares of common stock in lieu of all or part of such amount and subject to Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount. The number of shares of common stock to be issued upon conversion in connection with a fundamental change will be determined as described in Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount. Although the fundamental change conversion rate and the payment of the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount are generally designed to compensate you for the lost option value that you would suffer and lost dividends as a result of converting your depositary shares representing our mandatory convertible preferred stock upon a fundamental change, the fundamental change conversion rate is also designed to compensate us for the lost option value that we would suffer as a result of any such conversion. As a result, in many cases the fundamental change conversion rate will be less than the conversion rate that would apply upon mandatory conversion. The fundamental change conversion rate and fundamental change dividend make-whole amount are generally only an approximation of such lost option value and lost dividends and may not adequately compensate you for your actual loss, Furthermore, our obligation to deliver a number of shares of common stock, per share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (and your corresponding right to receive a proportionate number of shares of our common stock per depositary share), equal to the fundamental change conversion rate and pay the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount (whether paid or delivered, as the case may be, in cash or shares of our common stock) upon a conversion during the fundamental change conversion period could be considered a penalty under state law, in which case the enforceability thereof would be subject to general principles of reasonableness of economic remedies.

The fixed conversion rates of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and, in turn, the depositary shares may not be adjusted for all dilutive events that may adversely affect the market price of the depositary shares or the common stock issuable upon conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock.

The fixed conversion rates of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and, in turn, the depositary shares are subject to adjustment only for share subdivisions and combinations, share dividends and specified other transactions. See Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Anti-dilution Adjustments for further discussion of anti-dilution adjustments. However, other events, such as employee stock option grants, offerings of our common stock or securities convertible into common stock (other than those set forth in Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Anti-dilution Adjustments) for cash or in connection with acquisitions, or third-party tender or exchange offers, which may adversely affect the market price of our common stock, may not result in any adjustment. Further, if any of these other events adversely affects the market price of our common stock, it may also adversely affect the market price of the depositary shares. In addition, the terms of our mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares do not restrict our ability to offer common stock or securities convertible into common stock in the future or to engage in other transactions that could dilute our common stock. We have no obligation to consider the specific interests of the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock or the depositary shares in engaging in any such offering or transaction.

Purchasers of the depositary shares may be adversely affected upon the issuance of a new series of preferred stock ranking equally with the mandatory convertible preferred stock represented by the depositary shares sold in this offering.

The terms of our mandatory convertible preferred stock will not restrict our ability to offer a new series of preferred stock that ranks equally with our mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividend payments or liquidation preference in the future. We have no obligation to consider the specific interests of the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock or the depositary shares in engaging in any such offering or transaction.

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The possibility of the sale of our common stock in the future could reduce the market price of our common stock and, in turn, the depositary shares.

In the future, we may sell shares of our common stock to raise capital or acquire interests in other companies by using a combination of cash and our common stock or just our common stock. Any of these events may dilute your ownership interest in our company and have an adverse impact on the price of our common stock and, in turn, the depositary shares. In addition, a substantial number of shares of our common stock is reserved for issuance upon the exercise of stock options and upon conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock. Furthermore, sales of a substantial amount of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that these sales may occur, could reduce the market price of our common stock and, in turn, the depositary shares. This could also impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our securities.

You will have no rights with respect to our common stock until you convert your depositary shares, but you may be adversely affected by certain changes made with respect to our common stock.

You will have no rights with respect to our common stock, including voting rights, rights to respond to common stock tender offers, if any, and rights to receive dividends or other distributions on our common stock, if any, prior to the conversion date with respect to a conversion of your depositary shares, but your investment in the depositary shares may be negatively affected by these events. Upon conversion, you will be entitled to exercise the rights of a holder of common stock only as to matters for which the record date occurs on or after the conversion date. For example, in the event that an amendment is proposed to our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or our Amended and Restated Bylaws requiring stockholder approval and the record date for determining the stockholders of record entitled to vote on the amendment occurs prior to the conversion date, you will not be entitled to vote on the amendment, unless it would adversely affect the special rights, preferences, privileges and voting powers of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, although you will nevertheless be subject to any changes in the powers, preferences or special rights of our common stock.

You will have no voting rights except under limited circumstances, and you will need to act through the depositary to exercise voting rights with respect to our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

You do not have voting rights, except with respect to certain amendments to the terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, in the case of certain dividend arrearages, in certain other limited circumstances and except as specifically required by Delaware law. You will have no right to vote for any members of our board of directors except in the case of certain dividend arrearages. If dividends on any shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock have not been declared and paid for the equivalent of six or more dividend periods (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the dividend period beginning on, and including, the first original issue date of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and ending on, but excluding, December 15, 2015), whether or not for consecutive dividend periods, the holders of shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, voting together as a single class with holders of any and all other classes or series of our preferred stock ranking equally with the mandatory convertible preferred stock either as to dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up and having similar voting rights, will be entitled to vote for the election of a total of two additional members of our board of directors, subject to the terms and limitations described in Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Voting Rights. Holders of depositary shares must act through the depositary to exercise any voting rights in respect of our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

Our mandatory convertible preferred stock will rank junior to all of our and our subsidiaries liabilities, as well as the capital stock of our subsidiaries held by third parties, in the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or winding up of our or our subsidiaries assets.

In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or winding up, our assets will be available to make payments to holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock only after all of our liabilities have been paid. In addition, our mandatory convertible preferred stock will rank structurally junior to all existing and future liabilities of our subsidiaries, as well as the capital stock of our subsidiaries held by third parties. Your rights to participate in the

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assets of our subsidiaries upon any liquidation or reorganization of any subsidiary will rank junior to the prior claims of that subsidiary s creditors and third party equity holders. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or winding up, there may not be sufficient assets remaining, after paying our and our subsidiaries liabilities, to pay any amounts to the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock then outstanding. At June 30, 2015, we and our subsidiaries had total outstanding consolidated debt of approximately \$1.7 billion, and we had no outstanding shares of preferred stock. At June 30, 2015, on a pro forma as adjusted basis giving effect to the Financing Transactions and the consummation of the Acquisition our total debt was \$3.3 billion.

Our ability to pay dividends on our mandatory convertible preferred stock may be limited.

Our payment of dividends on our mandatory convertible preferred stock in the future will be determined by our board of directors (or an authorized committee thereof) in its sole discretion and will depend on business conditions, our financial condition, earnings and liquidity, and other factors.

The agreements governing any future indebtedness of ours may limit our ability to pay cash dividends on our capital stock, including the mandatory convertible preferred stock. In the event that the agreements governing any such indebtedness restrict our ability to pay dividends in cash on the mandatory convertible preferred stock, we may be unable to pay dividends in cash on the mandatory convertible preferred stock unless we can refinance the amounts outstanding under such agreements.

In addition, under Delaware law, our board of directors (or an authorized committee thereof) may declare dividends on our capital stock (whether in cash or in shares of our common stock) only to the extent of our statutory—surplus (which is defined as the amount equal to total assets minus total liabilities, in each case at fair market value, minus statutory capital), or if there is no such surplus, out of our net profits for the then current and/or immediately preceding fiscal year. Further, even if we are permitted under our contractual obligations and Delaware law to pay cash dividends on the mandatory convertible preferred stock, we may not have sufficient cash to pay dividends in cash on the mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, in turn, on the depositary shares).

If upon mandatory conversion or an early conversion at the option of a holder (other than during a fundamental

change conversion period, except in limited circumstances) we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends payable on the mandatory convertible preferred stock for specified periods, the applicable conversion rate will be adjusted so that converting holders receive an additional number of shares of common stock having a market value generally equal to the amount of such accumulated and unpaid dividends, subject to the limitations described under Description of the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Mandatory Conversion and Description of the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder. If upon an early conversion during the fundamental change conversion period we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends payable on the mandatory convertible preferred stock for specified periods, we will pay the amount of such accumulated and unpaid dividends in cash, shares of our common stock or any combination thereof, in our sole discretion (or, in certain circumstances, make a corresponding adjustment to the conversion rate), subject in each case to the limitations described under Description of the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount. In the case of mandatory conversion or conversion upon a fundamental change, if these limits to the adjustment of the conversion rate or the amount of such dividends payable in shares, as applicable, are reached, we will pay the shortfall in cash if we are legally permitted to do so. We will not have an obligation to pay the shortfall in cash if these limits to the adjustment of the conversion rate are reached in the case of an early conversion at the option of the holder (or in the case of an early conversion during the fundamental change conversion period, if we are required to make an adjustment to the conversion rate in respect of any accumulated and unpaid dividends).

You may be subject to tax upon an adjustment to the conversion rate of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares even though you do not receive a corresponding cash distribution.

The conversion rate of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares is subject to adjustment in certain circumstances. Refer to Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Anti-

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dilution Adjustments. If, as a result of an adjustment (or failure to make an adjustment), your proportionate interest in our assets or earnings and profits is increased, you may be deemed to have received for U.S. federal income tax purposes a taxable dividend without the receipt of any cash or property. If you are a Non-U.S. Holder (as defined in Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Consequences Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders), such deemed dividend generally will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax (currently at a 30% rate, or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable treaty), which may be withheld from subsequent payments on the depositary shares. Refer to Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Consequences for a further discussion of U.S. federal tax implications for U.S. Holders (as defined therein) and Non-U.S. Holders.

An active trading market for the depositary shares does not exist and may not develop.

The depositary shares are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. We have applied to list the depositary shares on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCLP. Even if the depositary shares are approved for listing on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, such listing does not guarantee that a trading market for the depositary shares will develop or, if a trading market for the depositary shares does develop, the depth or liquidity of that market or the ability of the holders to sell the depositary shares, or to sell the depositary shares at a favorable price.

Risks Relating to Ownership of Our Common Stock

The market price of our common stock may be volatile or may decline and it may be difficult for you to resell shares of our common stock at prices you find attractive.

The market price of our common stock has historically experienced and may continue to experience volatility. For example, during the twelve months ended August 31, 2015, the high sales price per share of our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$148.26 and the low sales price per share was \$115.31. The price of our common stock could be subject to wide fluctuations in the future in response to the following events or factors:

general market, political and economic conditions;

our failure to meet financial analysts performance;

changes in recommendations by financial analysts; and

changes in market valuations of other companies in our industry.

Other risks described elsewhere under Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement also could materially and adversely affect the price of our common stock.

Anti-takeover provisions under Delaware law and in our organizational documents may impede or discourage a takeover, which could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

We are a Delaware corporation, and the anti-takeover provisions of Delaware law impose various impediments to the ability of a third party to acquire control of us, even if a change in control would be beneficial to our existing stockholders, which, under certain circumstances, could reduce the market price of our common stock. In addition, as described in Description of Capital Stock Anti-Takeover Provisions of Our Charter and Bylaws of the accompanying prospectus, protective provisions in our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated Bylaws could prevent a takeover, which could harm our stockholders.

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The mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

The market price of our common stock is likely to be influenced by the mandatory convertible preferred stock and the depositary shares. For example, the market price of our common stock could become more volatile and could be depressed by:

investors anticipation of the potential resale in the market of a substantial number of additional shares of our common stock received upon conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (and, correspondingly, the depositary shares);

possible sales of our common stock by investors who view the depositary shares as a more attractive means of equity participation in us than owning shares of our common stock; and

hedging or arbitrage trading activity that may develop involving the depositary shares and our common stock.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds received by us from the sale of the depositary shares in this offering will be approximately \$677.8 million (or approximately \$745.7 million if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional depositary shares to cover over-allotments in full), after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering and, if completed, the other Financing Transactions, to finance the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses.

This offering is not contingent on completion of the Acquisition. If this offering is completed but the Acquisition is not completed on or prior to January 15, 2016, or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, we have the option to redeem, in whole but not in part, the mandatory convertible preferred stock, at a redemption price equal to \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$100 per depositary share) *plus* accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date of redemption or, in certain circumstances, at a redemption price that includes a make-whole adjustment as described under. Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred. Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. If we redeem shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock held by the depositary, the depositary will redeem, on the same redemption date, the number of depositary shares representing the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed as described under. Description of Depositary Shares Redemption. If the Acquisition does not occur and we do not exercise our option to redeem the mandatory convertible preferred stock and the corresponding depositary shares for cash, we will use the net proceeds of this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include share repurchases and acquisitions. Pending application of the net proceeds of this offering for the foregoing purposes, we expect to invest such net proceeds in high-quality, short-term debt securities.

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CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our consolidated cash and cash equivalents and our consolidated capitalization as at June 30, 2015:

on a historical basis;

on an as adjusted basis, after giving effect to this offering (but not the use of proceeds therefrom);

on an as further adjusted basis to give effect to the Debt Financing and the Acquisition and the application of the net proceeds of the Financing Transactions, including the payment of related fees and expenses.

The as adjusted data in the following table assumes that the applicable transactions had been completed as at June 30, 2015, on the terms and in accordance with the assumptions set forth under Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information included in this prospectus supplement. You should read the following information in conjunction with the sections entitled Risk Factors, and Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information, in this prospectus supplement and the sections entitled Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, and the consolidated financial statements of Stericycle and Shred-it and the related notes incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

| | As of June 30, 2015 (Unaudited) | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | | | As | |
| | | | | As | F | urther |
| (In thousands, except per share data) | Actual | | Adjusted | | Adjusted | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 32,956 | \$ | 711,956 | \$ | 59,325 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total debt (including current portion): | | | | | | |
| Existing notes and debentures | \$1 | ,305,416 | \$ 1 | ,305,416 | \$ 1 | ,305,416 |
| Revolving credit facility | | 362,590 | | 362,590 | | 362,590 |
| Debt Financing (1)(2) | | | | | 1 | ,660,000 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total debt (including current portion) | \$1 | ,668,006 | \$ 1 | ,668,006 | \$3 | ,328,006 |
| | | | | | | |
| Stockholders equity | | | | | | |
| % Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A (par value \$0.01 | | | | | | |
| per share, 1,000,000 shares authorized, 0 shares issued and | | | | | | |
| outstanding actual, 700,000 shares issued and outstanding as adjusted | | | | | | |
| and as further adjusted) | \$ | | \$ | 7 | \$ | 7 |
| Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share, 120,000,000 shares | | | | | | |
| authorized, 84,823,229 shares issued and outstanding) | 848 | | 848 | | 848 | |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 354,639 | 1 | ,033,632 | 1 | ,033,632 |
| | | | | | | |

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| Accumulated other comprehensive loss Retained earnings | (180,907) 1,788,123 | (180,907) 1,788,123 | (180,907) 1,755,443 |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Total stockholder s equity | \$1,962,703 | \$ 2,641,703 | \$ 2,609,023 |
| Total capitalization | \$ 3,630,709 | \$4,309,709 | \$ 5,937,029 |

⁽¹⁾ Assumes completion of the Debt Financing on the terms described under The Transactions, including the borrowings of approximately \$1.36 billion under our Term Loan Credit Facility and the new issuance of \$300 million aggregate principal amount of private placement notes.

Does not reflect the issuance of \$300 million aggregate principal amount of private placement notes in July 2015. The information contained in the above table assumes that (1) the option we have granted to the underwriters in this offering to purchase additional depositary shares to cover over-allotments is not exercised, (2) the depositary shares will not be redeemed if the Acquisition is not completed and (3) we elect to pay any and all dividends with respect to the depositary shares in cash.

PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDEND POLICY

Our common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SRCL. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low last sale prices per share of common stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

| | High | Low |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Year ended December 31, 2013 | Ţ. | |
| First Quarter | \$ 106.18 | \$ 93.91 |
| Second Quarter | 113.01 | 104.13 |
| Third Quarter | 118.72 | 110.87 |
| Fourth Quarter | 120.97 | 113.69 |
| Year ended December 31, 2014 | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 120.09 | \$111.96 |
| Second Quarter | 118.90 | 109.33 |
| Third Quarter | 119.98 | 115.31 |
| Fourth Quarter | 133.43 | 116.15 |
| Year Ended December 31, 2015 | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 140.86 | \$ 130.10 |
| Second Quarter | 141.93 | 132.76 |
| Third Quarter (through August 31, 2015) | 148.26 | 132.33 |

On September 9, 2015, the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$136.25 per share. As at September 1, 2015, there were 84,960,791 million shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

We did not pay any cash dividends during any of the periods presented in the table above and have never paid any dividends on our common stock. We currently expect that we will retain future earnings for use in the operation and expansion of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

THE TRANSACTIONS

The following is a description of some of the terms of the Transactions, the Securities Purchase Agreement and certain related documents. A copy of the Securities Purchase Agreement is included as Exhibit 2.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 21, 2015, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. The following description of some of the terms of the Securities Purchase Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be a complete description and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit. For a description of indebtedness that will remain outstanding whether or not the Acquisition is completed, see Stericycle s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015, incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and the consolidated financial statements of Stericycle and the related notes incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

Overview

On July 15, 2015, we entered into the Securities Purchase Agreement to acquire, with cash, all of the equity interests in Shred-it for an aggregate purchase price of \$2.3 billion, plus the total enterprise value of franchises acquired by Shred-it after July 15, 2015 and prior to the closing of the Acquisition as permitted by the Securities Purchase Agreement. In connection with the consummation of the Acquisition, we expect to incur fees and expenses of approximately \$60 million.

Shred-it is a Canadian-based company dedicated to secure information destruction services to customers around the world, who value the protection of their information, their reputation and the environment. Shred-it provides services to more than 400,000 customers in 15 countries and is the leading global provider in this service area.

This offering is expected to occur in connection with, but prior to, the Acquisition and the Debt Financing is expected to occur concurrently with the closing of the Acquisition. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering and, if completed, the Debt Financing, to finance the Acquisition. See Use of Proceeds included in this prospectus supplement.

This offering is not contingent on completion of the Acquisition. If the Acquisition is not completed on or before January 15, 2016, or if an Acquisition Termination Event occurs, if this offering is completed, we will have the option to redeem the mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to \$1,000 per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$100 per depositary share) *plus* accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date of redemption or, in certain circumstances, at a redemption price that includes a make-whole adjustment as described under Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock Acquisition Termination Redemption. If we redeem shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock held by the depositary, the depositary will redeem, on the same redemption date, the number of depositary shares representing the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed as described under Description of Depositary Shares Redemption. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Pending Acquisition of Shred-it.

Securities Purchase Agreement

On July 15, 2015, we entered into the Securities Purchase Agreement with the Vendors. Pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement, we will acquire, for cash, all of the equity interests in Shred-it for an aggregate purchase price of \$2.3 billion, plus the total enterprise value of franchises acquired by Shred-it after July 15, 2015 and prior to the closing of the Acquisition as permitted by the Securities Purchase Agreement. The closing of the Acquisition is

subject to the receipt of certain third party consents, including regulatory approvals, and the satisfaction or waiver of various customary closing conditions. The Securities Purchase Agreement contains

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customary representations, warranties and covenants of the parties, including, among other things, covenants by the Vendors and Shred-it regarding the conduct of Shred-it s business prior to the closing, mutual covenants regarding the use of each party s commercially reasonable efforts to cause the conditions to closing of the Acquisition to be consummated and mutual covenants regarding the use of all reasonable efforts by the parties to obtain regulatory approvals.

The Securities Purchase Agreement may be terminated by each of the Company and the Vendors for breach of the Securities Purchase Agreement under certain circumstances, and both parties have the right to terminate if the Acquisition is not consummated by November 15, 2015 (provided that no party may terminate if such party s failure to fulfill its obligations under the Securities Purchase Agreement is the primary cause of the failure to close by such date), subject to mutually agreed extensions and certain required extension if the failure by Shred-it to deliver financial statements results in a delay in Stericycle s financing for the Acquisition.

Stericycle s Board of Directors has approved the Acquisition and the Securities Purchase Agreement. Neither the Securities Purchase Agreement nor the Acquisition requires the approval of Stericycle s shareholders.

The foregoing description of the Securities Purchase Agreement is a general description only, does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Securities Purchase Agreement, which we filed with the SEC on July 21, 2015, as Exhibit 2.1 to a Current Report on Form 8-K, and incorporated into such report by reference. The Securities Purchase Agreement has been incorporated by reference into our July 21, 2015 Current Report on Form 8-K and this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to provide investors and security holders with information regarding the terms of the Acquisition and is not intended to provide any factual information about Stericycle, Shred-it or their respective subsidiaries or affiliates. The Securities Purchase Agreement contains representations and warranties that the parties made to each other as of specific dates. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties were made solely for purposes of the contracts between the parties to the Securities Purchase Agreement and may be subject to important qualifications and limitations agreed by the parties in connection with negotiating the terms of the contracts. Moreover, some of those representations and warranties may not be accurate or complete as of any specified date, may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality different from those generally applicable to shareholders, or may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the parties rather than establishing matters as facts. For the foregoing reasons, investors and security holders should not rely on the representations and warranties as statements of factual information. The representations and warranties in the Securities Purchase Agreement and the description of them in this prospectus supplement should not be read alone but instead should be read in conjunction with the other information contained in our reports, statements and filings publicly filed with the SEC. Such information can be found elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in the public filings we make with the SEC, as described in the sections entitled Incorporation by Reference included in this prospectus supplement.

The Financing Transactions

We are engaging in the Financing Transactions in order to finance the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses. This offering is being made pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. The Debt Financing is expected to be made pursuant to separate documentation subsequent to this offering. While this offering is not contingent upon the occurrence of the Debt Financing, the Debt Financing is contingent upon the successful completion of this offering. We cannot assure you that (1) we will complete any or all of the Financing Transactions or (2) the actual terms of any Financing Transaction that we complete will not differ, perhaps substantially, from the terms contemplated by this prospectus supplement. This prospectus supplement is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities being offered or any debt being sold or placed in the other Financing Transactions.

Debt Financing. Subsequent to this offering, if completed, we expect to obtain approximately \$1.66 billion of senior unsecured debt financing pursuant to the Debt Financing. The Debt Financing is currently expected to

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consist of (1) approximately \$1.36 billion to be borrowed pursuant to our Term Loan Credit Facility, and (2) approximately \$300 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured debt financing in the form of private placement notes to be issued, in each case, after the date of this prospectus supplement to finance a portion of the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses.

In connection with entering into the Securities Purchase Agreement, we entered into the Term Loan Credit Facility which provides for senior unsecured borrowing in an amount of up to \$1.5 billion to provide financing for the Acquisition. We expect to draw \$1.36 billion under the Term Loan Credit Facility in connection with the closing of the Acquisition. Borrowings under the Term Loan Credit Facility will bear interest, at Stericycle s option, at a rate equal to the sum of (a) either (i) the base rate, which is the highest of (A) the federal funds rate plus one-half of one percent, (B) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America, N.A. as its prime rate, and (C) one-month LIBOR plus 1.00%, or (ii) the eurodollar rate, which is one-week, or one-, two-, three- or six-month LIBOR (which shall in no case be less than 0.00%), at our option, and (b) the applicable rate. The applicable rate for purposes of the foregoing will range from 0.00% to 1.00% per annum for loans at the base rate, and 1.00% to 2.00% per annum for loans at the eurodollar rate, and will be designated depending upon our consolidated leverage ratio, as measured under the terms of the Term Loan Credit Facility. Commencing with the date of our entry into the Term Loan Credit Facility, we will be required to pay a commitment fee at a rate equal to 0.15% per annum of the unused commitment amounts under the Term Loan Credit Facility until the date that the commitments of the lenders under the Term Loan Credit Facility are terminated, either because the term loan is drawn in connection with the closing of the Acquisition or the term loan is not drawn because the Acquisition is not consummated or the Acquisition is consummated without a borrowing under the Term Loan Credit Facility. The Term Loan Credit Facility will terminate on August 21, 2020.

In addition, subsequent to this offering, we expect to obtain approximately \$300 million of senior unsecured debt financing in the form of private placement notes. The private placement notes will be the obligations of Stericycle, Inc. and will be guaranteed by certain of its subsidiaries. If completed, the terms of the private placement notes will require that we comply with certain covenants and will include events of default and other terms similar to those in certain of our existing private placement notes.

Our Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 3, 2014, as amended, among Stericycle and certain of its subsidiaries as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and a lender thereunder, and the other lenders party thereto (the Revolving Credit Facility) provides for senior unsecured borrowings in an amount of up to \$1.2 billion. If the issuance of the private placement notes is, for any reason, not completed in the amounts expected, if at all, and additional borrowings under our Term Loan Credit Facility are not available in amounts sufficient to fund the Acquisition and related expenses, we expect to be able to draw, under the Revolving Credit Facility, the amounts necessary to fund a portion of the Acquisition. U.S. dollar borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility will bear interest, at our option, at a rate equal to the sum of (a) either (i) the base rate (as defined above) or (ii) the eurodollar rate (as defined above), and (b) the applicable rate. The applicable rate for purposes of the foregoing will range from 0.00% to 0.40% per annum for loans at the base rate, and 0.90% to 1.50% per annum for loans at the eurodollar rate, and will be designated depending upon our consolidated leverage ratio, as measured under the terms of the Revolving Credit Facility. We are required to pay a facility fee at a rate equal to the applicable rate corresponding to our consolidated leverage ratio, which will range from 0.10% to 0.25% per annum multiplied by the aggregate commitments under the Revolving Credit Facility, regardless of usage under the Revolving Credit Facility. The Revolving Credit Facility will terminate on June 3, 2019.

Each of the Term Loan Credit Facility and Revolving Credit Facility contains customary affirmative covenants, including, among others, covenants pertaining to the delivery of financial statements; notices of default and certain other material events; payment of obligations; preservation of corporate existence, rights, privileges, permits, licenses,

franchises and intellectual property; maintenance of property and insurance and compliance with laws, as well as customary negative covenants for facilities of this type, including, among others, limitations on the incurrence of liens, investments and indebtedness; mergers and certain other

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fundamental changes; dispositions of assets; restricted payments; changes in the Company s line of business; transactions with affiliates and burdensome agreements. Each facility also contains a financial covenant requiring maintenance of a minimum consolidated interest coverage ratio of 3.00 to 1.00 as of the end of any quarter and a financial covenant requiring maintenance of a maximum consolidated leverage ratio of between 3.75 and 4.35 to 1.00, depending on factors determined in accordance with the terms of the applicable facility.

After the closing of the Acquisition, we may replenish our available cash or repay any borrowings made in connection with the Acquisition with the proceeds of additional debt or equity financing.

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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information is based upon the historical consolidated financial information of Stericycle and Shred-it incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and has been prepared to reflect the following:

the sale of the depositary shares offered by us in this offering, after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us;

the debt borrowed by us in the Debt Financing, in each case, after deducting estimated expenses payable by us;

the Acquisition, including the payment of related fees and expenses; and

in the case of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations data for the year ended December 31, 2014 presented below, the merger of the document destruction business of Cintas Corporation (the Cintas Merger) with Shred-it as if the Cintas Merger had occurred on January 1, 2014.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as at June 30, 2015, is presented as if this offering, the Financing Transactions and the Acquisition were completed on that date. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations data for the six months ended June 30, 2015, and the year ended December 31, 2014, assume that this offering, the Debt Financing and the Acquisition were each completed on January 1, 2014 and, in the case of the year ended December 31, 2014, provide further data that assumes that the Cintas Merger had occurred on January 1, 2014. The historical consolidated financial information has been adjusted to give effect to estimated pro forma events that are (1) directly attributable to this offering, the Debt Financing, the Acquisition and the Cintas Merger, (2) factually supportable and (3) with respect to the statement of operations, expected to have a continuing impact on the combined results of operations.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes of Stericycle and of Shred-it, each of which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information contained in this prospectus supplement is presented for illustrative purposes only, contains a variety of adjustments, assumptions and preliminary estimates, is subject to numerous other uncertainties, and does not necessarily reflect what the combined financial position or results of operations will be going forward following the Acquisition. The pro forma adjustments are based on the preliminary information available at the time of the preparation of this document. For purposes of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information, the estimated Acquisition consideration has been preliminarily allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on limited information presently available to Stericycle to estimate fair values. The Acquisition consideration will be allocated among the relative fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values as of the date of the Acquisition. The final allocation is dependent upon certain valuations and other analyses that cannot be completed prior to the Acquisition and are required to make a definitive allocation. The actual amounts recorded at the completion of the Acquisition may differ materially from the information presented in the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined

financial information. Additionally, the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information does not reflect the cost of any integration activities or benefits from synergies that may be derived from any integration activities nor does it include any other items not expected to have a continuing impact on the consolidated results of operations. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has also been prepared on the assumption that the Acquisition and the Financing Transactions will be completed on the terms and in accordance with the assumptions set forth below. Any significant changes in the assumed interest rates associated with the Debt Financing or the cost of the Acquisition (whether as a result of contractual purchase price adjustments or otherwise) from those assumed for purposes of preparing the estimated pro forma financial information may cause a significant change in the

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estimated pro forma financial information. In addition, the pro forma adjustments for the Acquisition do not include any post-closing adjustments that may occur pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement, which may include adjustments of the purchase price, and any such post-closing adjustments may be material.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information contained in this prospectus supplement assumes that (1) the option we have granted to the underwriters in this offering to purchase additional depositary shares is not exercised, (2) the depositary shares will not be redeemed if the Acquisition is not completed and (3) we elect to pay any and all dividends with respect to the mandatory convertible preferred stock in cash.

Certain amounts in the historical consolidated financial statements of Shred-it will be reclassified to conform to Stericycle s financial statement presentation. Management will also continue to assess Shred-it s accounting policies for adjustments in addition to those reflected in the proforma condensed combined information that may be required to conform Shred-it s accounting policies to those of Stericycle.

This offering is not contingent upon completion of the Acquisition and we will have the option but not the obligation to redeem the depositary shares sold in this offering if the Acquisition does not occur. If the Acquisition is not completed and we do not elect to redeem the depositary shares, we will use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include share repurchases and acquisitions. You should not place undue reliance on the pro forma and as adjusted information in deciding whether or not to purchase our depositary shares. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to our Pending Acquisition of Shred-it and Risk Factors Risks Relating to the Offering and the Depositary Shares, the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock and the Common Stock included in this prospectus supplement.

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Stericycle, Inc.

Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2015

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

| | Historical Stericycle, Inc. | Historical Shred-it (Note 3) | Pro Forma Adjustments (Note 5) | Note Reference | Pro Forma Combined |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current Assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 32,956 | \$ 26,369 | \$ | 5(a) | \$ 59,325 |
| Short-term investments | 103 | | | | 103 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for | | | | | |
| doubtful accounts of \$19,890 | 524,134 | 124,027 | | | 648,161 |
| Deferred income taxes | 28,327 | | | | 28,327 |
| Prepaid expenses | 33,202 | 21,833 | (15,300) | 5(b) | 39,735 |
| Other current assets | 41,471 | 5,273 | (921) | 5(c) | 45,823 |
| Total Current Assets | 660,193 | 177,502 | (16,221) | | 821,474 |
| Property, plant and equipment, less | ŕ | , | , , , | | · |
| accumulated depreciation of \$394,955 | 468,960 | 213,759 | 9,047 | 5(d) | 691,766 |
| Goodwill | 2,454,092 | 415,008 | 897,220 | 5(e) | 3,766,320 |
| Intangible assets, less accumulated | , , | , | ŕ | , | , , |
| amortization of \$129,881 | 908,176 | 357,107 | 561,893 | 5(f) | 1,827,176 |
| Other assets | 35,523 | 9,927 | 1,755 | 5(g) | 47,205 |
| Total Assets | \$4,526,944 | \$1,173,303 | \$ 1,453,694 | | \$7,153,941 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | | | |
| Current Liabilities: | | | | | |
| Current portion of long-term debt | \$ 129,270 | \$ | \$ 12,710 | 5(h) | \$ 141,980 |
| Accounts payable | 143,833 | 32,211 | | | 176,044 |
| Accrued liabilities | 151,310 | 42,755 | | | 194,065 |
| Deferred revenues | 18,560 | 127 | | | 18,687 |
| Other current liabilities | 66,762 | 31,682 | (8,085) | 5(i) | 90,359 |
| | | | | | |
| Total Current Liabilities | 509,735 | 106,775 | 4,625 | | 621,135 |
| Long-term debt, net of current portion | 1,538,736 | 747,408 | 899,882 | 5(h) | 3,186,026 |
| Deferred income taxes | 428,392 | 69,353 | 136,951 | 5(j) | 634,696 |
| Other liabilities | 68,060 | 15,683 | | | 83,743 |
| Equity: | | | | | |
| Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A (par value \$0.01 per share, | | | 7 | 5(k) | 7 |

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| 1,000,000 shares authorized, 0 shares issued and outstanding historical, 700,000 shares issued and outstanding pro forma) | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|------|-------------|
| Common stock (par value \$.01 per share, | | | | | |
| 120,000,000 shares authorized, | | | | | |
| 84,823,229 issued and outstanding) | 848 | 296,415 | (296,415) | 5(k) | 848 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 354,639 | 2,729 | 676,264 | 5(k) | 1,033,632 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (180,907) | (6,419) | 6,419 | 5(k) | (180,907) |
| Retained earnings | 1,788,123 | (278,787) | 246,107 | 5(k) | 1,755,443 |
| | | | | | |
| Total Stericycle, Inc. s Equity | 1,962,703 | 13,938 | 632,382 | | 2,609,023 |
| Noncontrolling interest | 19,318 | 220,146 | (220,146) | 5(1) | 19,318 |
| Total Equity | 1,982,021 | 234,084 | 412,236 | | 2,628,341 |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | \$4,526,944 | \$1,173,303 | \$ 1,453,694 | | \$7,153,941 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

Stericycle, Inc.

Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations

For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2015

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

| | | torical ricycle, | | istorical hred-it | | Pro Forma ustments | Note | D ₁ | o Forma |
|---|----|---------------------|----|----------------------|----|--------------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | | nc. | | Note 3) | • | Note 6) | Reference | | ombined |
| Revenues | | 379,008 | _ | 356,271 | \$ | ,,,,,, | | | 1,735,279 |
| Costs and Expenses: | | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of revenues (exclusive of | | | | | | | | | |
| depreciation shown below) | , | 764,133 | | 136,285 | | | | | 900,418 |
| Depreciation cost of revenues | | 28,720 | | 23,085 | | (2,920) | 6(a) | | 48,885 |
| Selling, general and administrative | | | | | | | | | |
| expenses (exclusive of depreciation | | | | | | | | | |
| and amortization shown below) | | 323,115 | | 156,377 | | | | | 479,492 |
| Depreciation selling, general and | | | | | | | | | |
| administrative expenses | | 8,505 | | 5,557 | | (96) | 6(a) | | 13,966 |
| Amortization | | 17,718 | | 18,856 | | (3,956) | 6(b) | | 32,618 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Costs and Expenses | 1, | 142,191 | | 340,160 | | (6,972) | | | 1,475,379 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Income from Operations | , | 236,817 | | 16,111 | | 6,972 | | | 259,900 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Income (Expense): | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest income | | 74 | | 55 | | | | | 129 |
| Interest expense | | (35,062) | | (8,730) | | (7,287) | 6(c) | | (51,079) |
| Other expense, net | | (2,202) | | (4,448) | | | | | (6,650) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Other Expense | | (37,190) | | (13,123) | | (7,287) | | | (57,600) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Income Before Income Taxes | | 199,627 | | 2,988 | | (315) | | | 202,300 |
| Income Tax Expense | | 62,921 | | 9,194 | | 1,712 | 6(d) | | 73,827 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net Income (Loss) | \$ | 136,706 | \$ | (6,206) | \$ | (2,027) | | \$ | 128,473 |
| Less: Net Income Attributable to | | | | | | | | | |
| Noncontrolling Interests | | 799 | | 1,636 | | (1,636) | 6(e) | | 799 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Net Income Attributable to | | | | | | | | | |
| Stericycle, Inc. | \$ | 135,907 | \$ | (7,842) | \$ | (391) | | \$ | 127,674 |

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Earnings Per Common Share Attributable to Stericycle, Inc.

| Common | Chara | haldarce |
|--------|-------|----------|
| Common | Share | noiders: |

| Basic | \$ | 1.60 | 7 | \$ | 1.30 |
|----------------------------|------|---------|---|----|-----------|
| Diluted | \$ | 1.57 | 7 | \$ | 1.28 |
| Weighted Average Number of | | | | | |
| Common Shares Outstanding: | | | | | |
| Basic | 85,0 | 000,723 | 7 | 8 | 5,000,723 |
| Diluted | 86,2 | 292,816 | 7 | 8 | 6,292,816 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

Stericycle, Inc.

Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

| | Historical | Historical Shred-it | Historical Cintas | Pro Forma | Note | Pro Forma |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| | Stericycle, Inc. | (Note 3) | Shredding (Note 8) | Adjustments (Note 6) | Note Reference | Pro Forma Combined |
| Revenues | \$ 2,555,601 | \$ 575,083 | \$ 104,411 | \$ | | \$ 3,235,095 |
| Costs and Expenses: | | | | | | |
| Cost of revenues (exclusive | | | | | | |
| of depreciation shown below) | 1,404,712 | 218,518 | 48,728 | | | 1,671,958 |
| Depreciation cost of | | | | | | |
| revenues | 56,478 | 38,263 | 9,797 | (5,840) | 6(a) | 98,698 |
| Selling, general and | | | | | | |
| administrative expenses | | | | | | |
| (exclusive of depreciation | | | | | | |
| and amortization shown | | | | | | |
| below) | 489,937 | 265,640 | 40,267 | | | 795,844 |
| Depreciation selling, general | | | | | | |
| and administrative expenses | 15,446 | 10,249 | 363 | (191) | 6(a) | 25,867 |
| Amortization | 32,692 | 30,244 | 1,311 | (1,755) | 6(b) | 62,492 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total Costs and Expenses | 1,999,265 | 562,914 | 100,466 | (7,786) | | 2,654,859 |
| | | | | | | |
| Income from Operations | 556,336 | 12,169 | 3,945 | 7,786 | | 580,236 |
| | | | | | | |
| Other Income (Expense): | | | | | | |
| Interest income | 120 | 147 | | | | 267 |
| Interest expense | (66,142) | (16,325) | (173) | (15,484) | 6(c) | (98,124) |
| Other expense, net | (2,746) | (10,300) | | | | (13,046) |
| | | | | | | |
| Total Other Expense | (68,768) | (26,478) | (173) | (15,484) | | (110,903) |
| | | | | | | |
| Income Before Income | | | | | | |
| Taxes | 487,568 | (14,309) | 3,772 | (7,698) | | 469,333 |
| Income Tax Expense | 159,422 | 4,584 | 1,571 | 1,485 | 6(d) | 167,062 |
| | | . | | | | |
| Net Income (Loss) | \$ 328,146 | \$ (18,893) | \$ 2,201 | \$ (9,183) | | \$ 302,271 |
| Less: Net Income | | | | | | |
| Attributable to | | | | , | | |
| Noncontrolling Interests | 1,690 | 1,885 | | (1,885) | 6(e) | 1,690 |
| | | | | | | |

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| Net Income Attributable to Stericycle, Inc. | \$ | 326,456 | \$ (20,778) | \$ 2,201 | \$ (7,298) | | \$ | 300,581 |
|--|----|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---|----|-----------|
| Earnings Per Common Share Attributable to Stericycle, Inc. Common Shareholders: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ | 3.84 | | | | 7 | \$ | 3.13 |
| Diluted | \$ | 3.79 | | | | 7 | \$ | 3.08 |
| Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic | 8 | 4,932,792 | | | | 7 | 8 | 4,932,792 |
| Diluted | 8 | 6.233.612 | | | | 7 | 8 | 6.233.612 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

NOTES TO UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Description of Transaction

On July 15, 2015, we entered into the Securities Purchase Agreement to acquire, with cash, all of the equity interests in Shred-it for an aggregate purchase price of \$2.3 billion, plus the total enterprise value of franchises acquired by Shred-it after July 15, 2015 and prior to the closing of the Acquisition as permitted by the Securities Purchase Agreement.

Shred-it is a Canadian-based company dedicated to secure information destruction services to customers around the world, who value the protection of their information, their reputation and the environment. Shred-it provides services to more than 400,000 customers in 15 countries and is the leading global provider in this service area.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements were prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X and present the pro forma combined financial position and results of operations of Stericycle, Inc. based upon the historical financial statements of each of Stericycle and Shred-it, after giving effect to the Financing Transactions and the pending Acquisition, and are intended to reflect the impact of the Financing Transactions and the pending Acquisition, on Stericycle s consolidated financial statements. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations have been prepared assuming the Financing Transactions and the Acquisition occurred on January 1, 2014. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of June 30, 2015 reflects the Financing Transactions and the Acquisition as if they had occurred on that date. Assumptions and estimates underlying the pro forma adjustments are described in these notes. Since the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements have been prepared based upon preliminary estimates and assumptions, the final amounts recorded at the date of consummation of the Financing Transactions and the Acquisition may be different from that presented, and this difference may be material.

Shred-it s consolidated financial statements as of and for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and the year ended December 31, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the IASB, and use the U.S. Dollar as the reporting currency. For purposes of preparing the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information herein, Shred-it s consolidated financial statement information has been converted from IFRS to U.S. GAAP.

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Acquisition is being accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. As a result, the unaudited pro forma combined balance sheet has been adjusted to reflect the preliminary allocation of the purchase price to the estimated fair value of net assets acquired based on information currently available, with the excess purchase price preliminarily assigned to goodwill. The Shred-it purchase price allocation in these unaudited pro forma combined financial statements is based upon a cash purchase price of \$2.3 billion.

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3. Adjustments to Shred-it historical financial statements to conform to Stericycle

(a) To reclassify amounts presented in the balance sheet of Shred-it to conform to Stericycle s balance sheet presentation.

| (In thousands) | Shred-it Presentation June 30, 2015 | | Stericycle Presentation June 30, 2015 |
|--|--|---------------------------|--|
| Due from Cintas Corporation | 2,151 | | |
| Inventories | 3,122 | | |
| | 5,273 | Other current assets | 5,273 |
| | | | |
| Investment in joint venture | 1,245 | | |
| Long-term prepaid expenses | 5,347 | | |
| Deferred financing fees | 710 | | |
| Shareholder loan receivable | 2,625 | | |
| | 9,927 | Other assets | 9,927 |
| Bank indebtedness | 10,911 | | |
| Due to Cintas Corporation | 543 | | |
| Income tax payable | 3,048 | | |
| Current portion of provision | 8,243 | | |
| | 22,745 | Other current liabilities | 22,745 |
| | | | |
| | | Accounts payable | 32,211 |
| | | Accrued liabilities | 42,755 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 74,966 | | 74,966 |
| Provisions | 14,099 | | |
| Other liabilities | 1,584 | | |
| | 15,683 | Other liabilities | 15,683 |
| | | Other current liabilities | 8,937 |
| | | Deferred income taxes | 69,353 |
| Deferred tax liability | 78,290 | | 78,290 |
| Revolving credit facility | 152,398 | | |
| Long-term debt | 595,010 | | |

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| | 747,408 | Long-term debt, net of current portion | 747,408 |
|---------------|---------|--|-----------|
| | | | 206.44.7 |
| | | Common stock | 296,415 |
| | | Additional paid-in capital | 2,729 |
| | | Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (6,419) |
| | | Retained earnings | (278,787) |
| | | | |
| Parent equity | 13,938 | Total Shred-it s Equity | 13,938 |

(b) To reclassify amounts presented in the income statement of Shred-it to conform to Stericycle s income statement presentation.

| | Shred-it Six | Presentation | | Stericycle Six | Presentation |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| (In thousands) | Months Ended June 30, 2015 | Year Ended December 31, 2014 | | Months Ended June 30, 2015 | Year Ended December 31, 2014 |
| Operating expenses | 269,369 | 445,609 | | | |
| Stock-based compensation | 477 | 914 | Cost of revenues (exclusive of depreciation shown below) | 136,285 | 218,518 |
| Acquisition, transaction and | | | Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown | | |
| integration costs | 22,816 | 37,635 | below) | 156,377 | 265,640 |
| | 292,662 | 484,158 | | 292,662 | 484,158 |
| | | | Depreciation cost of revenues | 23,085 | 38,263 |
| | | | Depreciation selling, general and administrative | | |
| | | | expenses | 5,557 | 10,249 |
| | | | Amortization | 18,856 | 30,244 |
| | | | Other expense, net | 583 | 1,073 |
| Depreciation and | | | | | |
| amortization | 48,081 | 79,829 | | 48,081 | 79,829 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant & equipment | 328 | 222 | | | |
| Loss (gain) on foreign exchange | 3,826 | 9,516 | | | |
| Share of income of a joint venture | (289) | (511) | | | |
| | 3,865 | 9,227 | Other expense, net | 3,865 | 9,227 |
| | | | Interest income | 55 | 147 |
| | | | Interest expense | (8,730) | (16,325) |
| Interest expense, net | (8,675) | (16,178) | | (8,675) | (16,178) |

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| Provision for (recovery of) income taxes | | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Current | 8,318 | 6,723 | | | |
| Deferred | 876 | (2,139) | | | |
| | 9,194 | 4,584 | Income Tax Expense | 9,194 | 4,584 |
| Loss from continuing operations Attributable to: | | | | | |
| Parent equity | (7,842) | (20,778) | Net Income | (6,206) | (18,893) |
| | | | Less: Net Income Attributable to | | |
| Non-controlling interest | 1,636 | 1,885 | Noncontrolling Interests | 1,636 | 1,885 |
| | (6,206) | (18,893) | Net Income Attributable to Shred-it | (7,842) | (20,778) |

4. Purchase Accounting Preliminary Purchase Price

The preliminary purchase price for the Acquisition is \$2.3 billion cash consideration.

Preliminary Purchase Price Allocation

Purchase accounting requires us to recognize assets and liabilities at their fair values. The process of determining fair value requires time to complete therefore we have made certain estimates in preparing the preliminary purchase price allocation. These estimates are primarily for fixed assets, amortizable intangibles and, if appropriate, an associated deferred tax liability. These estimates are based on historical experience and allow us to estimate depreciation and amortization expense until the final valuation is completed. Purchase price in excess of amounts preliminarily assigned to identified tangible and intangible assets has been preliminarily assigned to goodwill.

The following table summarizes the preliminary purchase price allocation:

| (In thousands) | Amount |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Accounts receivable | \$ 124,027 |
| Net other assets/ (liabilities) | 26,933 |
| Fixed assets | 222,806 |
| Intangible assets | 919,000 |
| Goodwill | 1,312,228 |
| Current liabilities | (98,690) |
| Net deferred tax liabilities | (206,304) |

Total purchase price allocation \$2,300,000

This purchase price allocation is preliminary, pending finalization of the closing balance sheet, completion of various asset valuations, and working capital adjustments that may affect the final purchase price. The final valuation of acquired assets and liabilities assumed will be determined at a later date and is dependent on a number of factors, including the determination of the fair values of Shred-it s tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The final purchase price allocation may be different than that reflected in the pro forma condensed combined financial statements presented herein, and this difference may be material.

5. Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet Adjustments

The following are brief descriptions of each of the pro forma adjustments included in the unaudited pro forma combined balance sheet to reflect adjustments attributed to the Financing Transactions and the Acquisition:

(a) To record the cash received from new indebtedness and the issuance of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, less the acquisition purchase price, associated debt issuance costs and estimated acquisition-related transaction costs.

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| (In thousands) | Amount |
|--|--------------|
| New Term Loan Credit Facility (1) | \$ 1,360,000 |
| Private Placement borrowings (2) | 300,000 |
| Stericycle issuance of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock (3) | 679,000 |
| Cash payment to sellers | (2,300,000) |
| Debt issuance costs | (6,320) |
| Estimated acquisition-related transaction costs (4) | (32,680) |
| | |
| Total pro forma adjustment to cash and cash equivalents | \$ |

⁽¹⁾ In connection with entering into the Securities Purchase Agreement, we entered into the Term Loan Credit Facility which provides for senior unsecured borrowing in an amount of up to \$1.5 billion to provide financing for the Acquisition. We expect to draw \$1.36 billion under the Term Loan Credit Facility in connection with the closing of the Acquisition. Borrowings under the Term Loan Credit Facility will bear interest, at Stericycle s

option, at a rate equal to the sum of (a) either (i) the base rate, which is the highest of (A) the federal funds rate plus one-half of one percent, (B) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America, N.A. as its prime rate, and (C) one-month LIBOR plus 1.00%, or (ii) the eurodollar rate, which is one-week, or one-, two-, three- or six-month LIBOR (which shall in no case be less than 0.00%), at our option, and (b) the applicable rate. The applicable rate for purposes of the foregoing will range from 0.00% to 1.00% per annum for loans at the base rate, and 1.00% to 2.00% per annum for loans at the eurodollar rate, and will be designated depending upon our consolidated leverage ratio, as measured under the terms of the Term Loan Credit Facility. Commencing with the date of our entry into the Term Loan Credit Facility, we will be required to pay a commitment fee at a rate equal to 0.15% per annum of the unused commitment amounts under the Term Loan Credit Facility until the date that the commitments of the lenders under the Term Loan Credit Facility are terminated, either because the term loan is drawn in connection with the closing of the Acquisition or the term loan is not drawn because the Acquisition is not consummated or the Acquisition is consummated without a borrowing under the Term Loan Credit Facility. The Term Loan Credit Facility will terminate on August 21, 2020.

- We expect to obtain approximately \$300 million of senior unsecured debt financing in the form of private placement notes. The private placement notes will be the obligations of Stericycle, Inc. and will be guaranteed by certain of its subsidiaries.
- (3) We expect to obtain approximately \$679 million of proceeds from the sale of the depositary receipts representing fractional interests in our Mandatory Preferred Stock offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, in order to finance a portion of the purchase price for the Acquisition.
- (4) Reflects Stericycle s future estimated acquisition-related transaction costs. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet reflects \$32.7 million of costs as a reduction of cash with a corresponding decrease in retained earnings.
 - (b) To eliminate pre-existing \$15.3 million deferred financing costs of Shred-it for which there is no purchase price allocation by Stericycle.
 - (c) To reflect the current portion of debt issuance costs of an estimated \$1.2 million of debt issuance costs, offset by the elimination of \$2.2 million pre-existing Shred-it current assets that will not be included in the Acquisition.
 - (d) To record the estimated change in fair value of fixed assets for financial reporting. Approximately 65% of the net book value of fixed assets were acquired in 2014 through either capital expenditure or business acquisition for which fair values were assigned. The \$9.0 million fair value adjustment reflects the add back of over depreciation related to the use of the declining balance method by Shred-it, as compared to the straight-line method used by Stericycle.
 - (e) To record an estimated increase in goodwill due to the Acquisition.

| (In thousands) | Amount |
|---|-------------|
| Goodwill attributed to the Acquisition | \$1,312,228 |
| Less: Elimination of pre-existing Shred-it goodwill | (415,008) |

| Total pro forma adjustment to increase goodwill | \$ 897,220 |
|---|------------|
|---|------------|

(f) To record an estimated increase in intangible assets.

| | Estimated | |
|--|------------|------------|
| | Useful | |
| (In thousands, except estimated useful lives) | Life | Amount |
| Customer relationships | 15 years | \$ 447,000 |
| Trade name attributed to the Acquisition | Indefinite | 472,000 |
| Less: Elimination of pre-existing Shred-it intangible assets | | (357,107) |
| | | |
| Total pro forma adjustments to increase intangible assets | | \$ 561 893 |

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In determining the preliminary fair value of the contractual customer relationships, we will use the Multi-Period Excess Earnings Method (MPEEM), a form of income approach which incorporates estimates of expected future cash flows attributable to the asset being valued that are then discounted to a present value. The valuation model will incorporate significant estimates and assumptions related to future periods including; anticipated revenue growth rates, operating profit margin (EBIT), and an appropriate discount rate. These assumptions need to be determined based upon the historical results and forecast expectations of Shred-it, along with external market and industry indicators. In order to determine the useful life of customer relationships, we will perform an attrition calculation based on available historical billing data to determine a revenue loss rate.

The Trade name will be valued using the Relief from Royalty Method, a form of income approach. The Relief from Royalty Method under the Income Approach estimates the cost savings that accrue to a company for which it would otherwise have to pay royalties or license fees on revenues earned through the use of the asset. The discount rate used is determined at the time of measurement based on an analysis of the implied internal rate of return of the transaction, weighted average cost of capital, and weighted average return on assets. The valuation model will incorporate significant estimates and assumptions related to future periods including; anticipated revenue growth, hypothetical rent from use of the Trade name, and an appropriate discount rate.

- (g) To reflect \$5.1 million of estimated debt issuance costs offset by the elimination of \$0.7 million in pre-existing debt issuance costs of Shred-it and \$2.6 million of pre-existing Shred-it assets that will not be included in the Acquisition.
- (h) To record an estimated increase in total debt.

| (In thousands) | Amount |
|---|------------|
| Current portion of new Term Loan Credit Facility | \$ 12,710 |
| Long-term portion of new Term Loan Credit Facility | 1,347,290 |
| Private Placement borrowings | 300,000 |
| Less: Elimination of pre-existing Shred-it debt | (747,408) |
| Total pro forma adjustment to cash and cash equivalents | \$ 912,592 |

- (i) To remove pre-existing \$7.6 million deferred tax liability related to Shred-it acquired intangibles, and to remove pre-existing \$0.5 million of Shred-it liabilities that will not be included in the Acquisition.
- (j) To remove pre-existing \$69.3 million deferred tax liability related to Shred-it acquired intangibles, and to record deferred tax liabilities of \$206.3 million associated with the fair value adjustment for intangible assets, for the temporary differences arising from applying the purchase method of accounting.
- (k) To reflect an estimated increase in total Stericycle Inc. s equity.

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| (In thousands) | Pro Shre | nination of e-Merger d-it Equity salances | Issuance of Acqui Mandatory Rel Convertible Trans | | stimated quisition- Related ansaction Costs | Adj Steri | Pro Forma justments to icycle Inc. s Equity | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|---|---------|---|--------------|---|-----------|
| Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock | \$ | | \$ | 7 | \$ | | \$ | 7 |
| Common Stock | | (296,415) | | | | | | (296,415) |
| Additional Paid-in Capital | | (2,729) | | 678,993 | | | | 676,264 |
| Accumulated Other Comprehensive | | | | | | | | |
| Income | | 6,419 | | | | | | 6,419 |
| Retained Earnings | | 278,787 | | | | (32,680) | | 246,107 |
| Total Stericycle, Inc. s Equity | \$ | (13,938) | \$ | 679,000 | \$ | (32,680) | \$ | 632,382 |

⁽l) To eliminate pre-existing \$220.1 million noncontrolling interest of Shred-it, in connection with the Acquisition.

6. Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statements of Operations

- (a) To reflect an estimated pro forma depreciation expense reduction of \$3.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and \$6.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 related to the fair value adjustment of fixed assets and conforming accounting policies as discussed in Note 5(d) above.
- (b) To reflect an estimated pro forma amortization expense reduction of \$4.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and \$1.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 related to the fair value of identified finite-lived intangible assets discussed in Note 5(f) above.

| | Estimated Fair | Estimated Useful | | Months Ended | Year Ended ember 31, |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| (In thousands, except estimated useful lives) | Value | Life | June | e 30, 2015 | 2014 |
| Customer relationships | \$ 447,000 | 15 years | \$ | 14,900 | \$ 29,800 |
| Trade name | 472,000 | indefinite | | | |
| Less: Elimination of historical Shred-it amortization | | | | (18,856) | (31,555) |
| | | | | | |
| Total pro forma adjustments to amortization expense | | | \$ | (3,956) | \$ (1,755) |

- (c) To reflect an increase in estimated interest expense on the \$1.36 billion of borrowings under the term loan and the \$300 million of private placement notes expected to be incurred in connection with the Financing Transactions. Estimated interest expense on the term loan has been calculated based on an assumed interest rate of 1.53%. Estimated interest expense on the private placement offering has been calculated based on an assumed interest rate of 3.30%. An immediate change of 125 basis points in the interest rates assumed would cause a change in pro forma interest expense of approximately \$2.0 million on an annual basis.
- (d) To reflect the tax effect on pro forma adjustments resulting in a total tax rate of 36.5% and 35.6% for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and for the year ended December 2014, respectively.
- (e) To eliminate pre-existing net income attributable to noncontrolling interests of Shred-it, in connection with the Acquisition.

7. Pro Forma Earnings per Common Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted pro forma earnings per share for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and for the year ended December 31, 2014. The calculation does not use the if-converted method to calculate the dilutive EPS as the impact of the conversion of the preferred shares would be anti-dilutive.

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

| | E Ju | Months Ended one 30, 2015 | Year Ended December 31, 2014 | | |
|---|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|--|
| Numerator: | | | | | |
| Net Income Attributable to Stericycle, Inc. | \$ | 127,674 | \$ | 300,581 | |
| Less: Preferred Dividends | | 17,500 | | 35,000 | |
| Numerator for basic pro forma earnings per share net income attributable to Stericycle, Inc. | \$ | 110,174 | \$ | 265,581 | |
| Denominator: | | | | | |
| Denominator for basic earnings per share-weighted average shares | 85 | ,000,723 | 8 | 34,932,792 | |
| Effect of diluted securities: | | | | | |
| Employee stock options | 1 | ,292,093 | 1,300,820 | | |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share-adjusted weighted average shares and after assumed exercises | 86,292,816 | | 86,233,612 | | |
| Earnings per share Basic | \$ | 1.30 | \$ | 3.13 | |
| Earnings per share Diluted | \$ | 1.28 | \$ | 3.08 | |

8. Cintas Shredding Business

The pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2014, includes four months of historical results of the Cintas Shredding business, which was acquired by Shred-it on April 30, 2014. The inclusion of the historical operating results of the Cintas Shredding business for the four months ending April 30, 2014 provides a full year of results of operations on a pro forma basis reflecting the Acquisition as if the Cintas Shredding business had been acquired as of January 1, 2014.

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RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table presents the ratios of earnings to fixed charges for Stericycle and its consolidated subsidiaries for the periods indicated.

| | Six | Six Months | | | Years Ended | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------------|------|------|-------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| | Months | | | | | | | | | |
| | Ended | | | | | | | | | |
| | June 30, | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | | | | |
| Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (1) | 5.6x | 6.9x | 7.8x | 7.5x | 7.2x | 8.1x | | | | |

(1) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. Earnings consist of income from continuing operations before income taxes and fixed charges, less capitalized interest and interest on liabilities associated with uncertain tax positions. Fixed charges consist of interest on indebtedness, amortization of debt issuance costs, interest on liabilities associated with uncertain tax positions, and our estimate of an appropriate portion of rent expense representative of an interest factor. The estimated interest portion of rent expense was calculated based on a net present value approach assuming a 7% weighted average cost of capital. We did not have any preferred stock outstanding on which dividends were paid or payable during any of the periods presented. Therefore, the ratios of earnings to fixed charges and preferred stock dividends for the periods indicated equal the ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the same periods.

On a pro forma basis in accordance with the assumptions set forth under Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information included in this prospectus supplement, the combined company s ratios of earnings to fixed charges and preferred stock dividends would have been 3.6x and 4.1x for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and the year ended December 31, 2014, respectively.

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DESCRIPTION OF MANDATORY CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

The following description is a summary of certain terms of our 5.25% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as our mandatory convertible preferred stock. The following summary supplements and, to the extent that it is inconsistent, replaces the description of our preferred stock in the accompanying prospectus.

A copy of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, including the certificate of designations for the mandatory convertible preferred stock, and the form of mandatory convertible preferred stock share certificate are available upon request from us at the address set forth in Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus. The following summary of the terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of such documents.

The depositary will initially be the sole holder of our mandatory convertible preferred stock. However, the holders of depositary shares will be entitled, through the depositary, to exercise the rights and preferences of the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, subject to the terms of the deposit agreement and as described under Description of Depositary Shares below. Each depositary share represents a 1/10th interest in a share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

As used in this section, the terms Stericycle, us, we or our refer to Stericycle, Inc. and not any of its subsidiaries.

General

Under our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, our board of directors is authorized, without further stockholder action, to issue up to 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, in one or more series, with such powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other rights and such qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof as shall be set forth in the resolutions providing therefor. The 100,000 shares of our preferred stock that we previously designated as Series A convertible preferred stock, which have been retired or cancelled, are no longer so designated. At the consummation of this offering, we will issue 700,000 shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock in the form of 7,000,000 depositary shares. In addition, we have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to 70,000 additional shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock in the form of 700,000 depositary shares to cover over-allotments, if any, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Underwriting.

When issued, the mandatory convertible preferred stock and any common stock issued upon the conversion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be fully paid and nonassessable. The holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will have no preemptive or preferential rights to purchase or subscribe to the stock, obligations, warrants or other securities of Stericycle of any class. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is the transfer agent and registrar of our common stock and will serve as transfer agent, registrar, conversion agent and dividend disbursing agent for the mandatory convertible preferred stock.

We do not intend to list our mandatory convertible preferred stock on any securities exchange or any automated dealer quotation system, but we have applied to list the depositary shares on The NASDAQ Global Select Market as described under Description of Depositary Shares Listing.

Ranking

The mandatory convertible preferred stock, with respect to dividend rights and/or rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, as applicable, ranks:

senior to (i) our common stock and (ii) each other class of capital stock established after the original issue date of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (which we refer to as the $\,$ initial issue date $\,$) the terms of which do not expressly provide that such class or series ranks either (x) senior to the

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mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividend rights or rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution or (y) on a parity with the mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution (which we refer to collectively as junior stock);

on a parity with any class of capital stock established after the initial issue date the terms of which expressly provide that such class or series will rank on a parity with the mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution (which we refer to collectively as parity stock);

junior to each class of capital stock established after the initial issue date the terms of which expressly provide that such class or series will rank senior to the mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividend rights or rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution (which we refer to collectively as senior stock); and

junior to our existing and future indebtedness (including trade payables).

In addition, the mandatory convertible preferred stock, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, will be structurally subordinated to existing and future indebtedness of our subsidiaries as well as the capital stock of our subsidiaries held by third parties.

At June 30, 2015, we had total outstanding consolidated debt of approximately \$1.7 billion and no outstanding shares of preferred stock. At June 30, 2015, on a pro forma as adjusted basis giving effect to the Financing Transactions and the consummation of the Acquisition our total debt was \$3.3 billion.

Dividends

Subject to the rights of holders of any class of capital stock ranking senior to the mandatory convertible preferred stock with respect to dividends, holders of shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock will be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by our board of directors, or an authorized committee thereof, out of funds legally available for payment, cumulative dividends at the rate per annum of 5.25% on the liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock (equivalent to \$52.50 per annum per share), payable in cash, by delivery of shares of our common stock or through any combination of cash and shares of our common stock, as determined by us in our sole discretion (subject to the limitations described below). See Method of Payment of Dividends. Declared dividends on the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be payable quarterly on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year to, and including, September 15, 2018, commencing December 15, 2015 (each, a dividend payment date), at such annual rate, and dividends shall accumulate from the most recent date as to which dividends shall have been paid or, if no dividends have been paid, from the initial issue date of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, whether or not in any dividend period or periods there have been funds legally available for the payment of such dividends. Declared dividends will be payable on the relevant dividend payment date to holders of record as they appear on our stock register at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the March 1, June 1, September 1 or December 1, as the case may be, immediately preceding the relevant dividend payment date (each, a record date), whether or not such holders convert their shares, or such shares are automatically converted, after a record date and on or prior to the immediately succeeding dividend payment date. These record dates will apply regardless of whether a particular record date is a business day. A business day means any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law or executive order to close. If a dividend payment date is not a business day, payment will be made on the next

succeeding business day, without any interest or other payment in lieu of interest accruing with respect to this delay.

A full dividend period is the period from, and including, a dividend payment date to, but excluding, the next dividend payment date, except that the initial dividend period will commence on, and include, the initial issue date of our mandatory convertible preferred stock and will end on, and exclude, the December 15, 2015 dividend payment date. The amount of dividends payable on each share of mandatory convertible preferred stock for each

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full dividend period (after the initial dividend period) will be computed by *dividing* the annual dividend rate by four. Dividends payable on the mandatory convertible preferred stock for the initial dividend period and any partial dividend period will be computed based upon the actual number of days elapsed during the period over a 360-day year (consisting of twelve 30-day months). Accordingly, the dividend on the mandatory convertible preferred stock for the first dividend period, assuming the initial issue date is September 15, 2015, will be \$13.125 per share (based on the annual dividend rate of 5.25% and a liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share) and will be payable, when, as and if declared, on December 15, 2015. The dividend on the mandatory convertible preferred stock for each subsequent full dividend period, when, as and if declared, will be \$13.125 per share (based on the annual dividend rate of 5.25% and a liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share). Accumulated dividends will not bear interest if they are paid subsequent to the applicable dividend payment date.

No dividend will be declared or paid upon, or any sum or number of shares of common stock set apart for the payment of dividends upon, any outstanding share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock with respect to any dividend period unless all dividends for all preceding dividend periods have been declared and paid upon, or a sufficient sum or number of shares of common stock have been set apart for the payment of such dividends upon, all outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock.

Our ability to declare and pay cash dividends and make other distributions with respect to our capital stock, including the mandatory convertible preferred stock, may be limited by the terms of any future indebtedness. In addition, our ability to declare and pay dividends may be limited by applicable Delaware law. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to the Offering and the Depositary Shares, the Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock and the Common Stock Our ability to pay dividends on our mandatory convertible preferred stock may be limited.

So long as any share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock remains outstanding, no dividend or distribution shall be declared or paid on the common stock or any other shares of junior stock, and no common stock or other junior stock or parity stock shall be, directly or indirectly, purchased, redeemed or otherwise acquired for consideration by us or any of our subsidiaries unless all accumulated and unpaid dividends for all preceding dividend periods have been declared and paid upon, or a sufficient sum or number of shares of common stock have been set apart for the payment of such dividends upon, all outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock. The foregoing limitation shall not apply to: (i) a dividend payable on any common stock or other junior stock in shares of any common stock or other junior stock; (ii) the acquisition of shares of any common stock or other junior stock in exchange for shares of any common stock or other junior stock and the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares; (iii) purchases of fractional interests in shares of any common stock or other junior stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such shares of other junior stock or any securities exchangeable for or convertible into such shares of common stock or other junior stock; (iv) redemptions, purchases or other acquisitions of shares of common stock or other junior stock in connection with the administration of any employee benefit plan in the ordinary course of business, including, without limitation, the forfeiture of unvested shares of restricted stock or share withholdings upon exercise, delivery or vesting of equity awards granted to officers, directors and employees and the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares; (v) any dividends or distributions of rights or common stock or other junior stock in connection with a stockholders rights plan or any redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant to any stockholders rights plan; (vi) the acquisition by us or any of our subsidiaries of record ownership in common stock or other junior stock or parity stock for the beneficial ownership of any other persons (other than us or any of our subsidiaries), including as trustees or custodians, and the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares; and (vii) the exchange or conversion of junior stock for or into other junior stock or of parity stock for or into other parity stock (with the same or lesser aggregate liquidation amount) or junior stock and the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares.

When dividends on shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock have not been paid in full on any dividend payment date or declared and a sum or number of shares of common stock sufficient for payment thereof set aside for

the benefit of the holders thereof on the applicable record date, no dividends may be declared

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or paid on any parity stock unless dividends are declared on the mandatory convertible preferred stock such that the respective amounts of such dividends declared on the mandatory convertible preferred stock and each such other class or series of parity stock shall bear the same ratio to each other as all accumulated and unpaid dividends per share on the shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and such class or series of parity stock (subject to their having been declared by the board of directors, or an authorized committee thereof, out of legally available funds) bear to each other, in proportion to their respective liquidation preferences; *provided* that any unpaid dividends will continue to accumulate.

Subject to the foregoing, and not otherwise, such dividends (payable in cash, securities or other property) as may be determined by the board of directors, or an authorized committee thereof, may be declared and paid on any securities, including common stock and other junior stock, from time to time out of any funds legally available for such payment, and holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock shall not be entitled to participate in any such dividends.

If we are required to withhold on distributions of common stock to a beneficial owner of depositary shares (see Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Consequences) and pay the applicable withholding taxes, we may, at our option, withhold such taxes from payments of cash or shares of common stock payable to such beneficial owner.

Method of Payment of Dividends

Subject to the limitations described below, we may pay any declared dividend (or any portion of any declared dividend) on the mandatory convertible preferred stock (whether or not for a current dividend period or any prior dividend period), determined in our sole discretion:

in cash;

by delivery of shares of our common stock (or, as described below, units of exchange property); or

through any combination of cash and shares of our common stock.

We will make each payment of a declared dividend on the mandatory convertible preferred stock in cash, except to the extent we elect to make all or any portion of such payment in shares of our common stock. We will give the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock notice of any such election, and the portion of such payment that will be made in cash and the portion that will be made in common stock, on the date we declare such dividend and in any event no later than 10 scheduled trading days (as defined below) prior to the dividend payment date for such dividend.

If we elect to make any such payment of a declared dividend, or any portion thereof, in shares of our common stock, such shares shall be valued for such purpose at the average VWAP per share (as defined below) of our common stock over the five consecutive trading day period ending on the second trading day immediately preceding the applicable dividend payment date (the five-day average price), *multiplied by* 97%.

No fractional shares of common stock will be delivered to the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock in respect of dividends. We will instead pay a cash adjustment to each holder that would otherwise be entitled to a fraction of a share of common stock based on the five-day average price.

To the extent a shelf registration statement is required in our reasonable judgment in connection with the issuance of or for resales of common stock issued as payment of a dividend, including dividends paid in connection with a conversion, we will, to the extent such a registration statement is not currently filed and effective, use our best efforts to file and maintain the effectiveness of such a shelf registration statement until the earlier of such time as all such shares of common stock have been resold thereunder and such time as all such shares are freely tradable without registration by holders thereof that are not affiliates of ours for purposes of the Securities Act. To the extent applicable, we will also use our best efforts to have the shares of common stock

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qualified or registered under applicable state securities laws, if required, and approved for listing on The NASDAQ Global Select Market (or if our common stock is not listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, on the principal other U.S. national or regional securities exchange on which our common stock is then listed).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event will the number of shares of our common stock delivered in connection with any declared dividend exceed a number equal to the total dividend payment *divided by* \$47.69, which amount represents approximately 35% of the initial price (as defined below), subject to adjustment in a manner inversely proportional to any anti-dilution adjustment to each fixed conversion rate as set forth below in Anti-dilution Adjustments (such dollar amount, as adjusted, the floor price). To the extent that the amount of the declared dividend as to which we have elected to deliver shares of common stock in lieu of cash exceeds the product of the number of shares of common stock delivered in connection with such declared dividend and 97% of the five-day average price, we will, if we are legally able to do so, notwithstanding any notice by us to the contrary, pay such excess amount in cash.

Liquidation Preference

In the event of our voluntary or involuntary liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, each holder of mandatory convertible preferred stock will be entitled to receive a liquidation preference in the amount of \$1,000 per share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (the liquidation preference), plus an amount equal to accumulated and unpaid dividends on the shares to, but excluding, the date fixed for liquidation, winding-up or dissolution to be paid out of our assets available for distribution to our stockholders, after satisfaction of liabilities to our creditors and holders of any senior stock and before any payment or distribution is made to holders of junior stock (including our common stock). If, upon our voluntary or involuntary liquidation, winding-up or dissolution, the amounts payable with respect to the liquidation preference, plus an amount equal to accumulated and unpaid dividends of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and all parity stock are not paid in full, the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and any parity stock will share equally and ratably in any distribution of our assets in proportion to the respective liquidation preferences and amounts equal to accumulated and unpaid dividends to which they are entitled. After payment of the full amount of the liquidation preference and an amount equal to accumulated and unpaid dividends to which they are entitled, the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will have no right or claim to any of our remaining assets.

Neither the sale of all or substantially all of our assets or business (other than in connection with our liquidation, winding-up or dissolution), nor our merger or consolidation into or with any other person, will be deemed to be our voluntary or involuntary liquidation, winding-up or dissolution.

The certificate of designations for our mandatory convertible preferred stock does not contain any provision requiring funds to be set aside to protect the liquidation preference of the mandatory convertible preferred stock even though it is substantially in excess of the par value thereof.

Voting Rights

The holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock do not have voting rights other than those described below, except as specifically required by Delaware law.

Whenever dividends on any shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock have not been declared and paid for the equivalent of six or more dividend periods (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the dividend period beginning on, and including, the initial issue date and ending on, but excluding, December 15, 2015), whether or not for consecutive dividend periods (a nonpayment), the holders of such shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, voting together

as a single class with holders of any and all other series of voting preferred stock (as defined below) then outstanding, will be entitled at our next special or annual meeting of stockholders to vote for the election of a total of two additional members of our board of directors (the preferred stock directors); provided that the election of any such directors will not cause us to violate the corporate governance requirements of The NASDAQ Global Select Market (or any other exchange or automated quotation

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system on which our securities may be listed or quoted) that requires listed or quoted companies to have a majority of independent directors; and *provided further* that our board of directors shall at no time include more than two preferred stock directors. In the event of a nonpayment, we will increase the number of directors on our board of directors by two, and the new directors will be elected at a special meeting of stockholders called by our board of directors at the request of the holders of at least 20% of the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock or of any other series of voting preferred stock (*provided* that such request is received at least 90 calendar days before the date fixed for the next annual or special meeting of the stockholders, failing which election shall be held at such next annual or special meeting of stockholders), and at each subsequent annual meeting, so long as the holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock continue to have such voting rights.

As used in this prospectus supplement, voting preferred stock means any other class or series of our preferred stock ranking equally with the mandatory convertible preferred stock as to dividends and the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up and upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable. Whether a plurality, majority or other portion of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and any other voting preferred stock have been voted in favor of any matter shall be determined by reference to the respective liquidation preference amounts of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and such other voting preferred stock voted.

If and when all accumulated and unpaid dividends have been paid in full, or declared and a sum sufficient for such payment shall have been set aside (a nonpayment remedy), the holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock shall immediately and, without any further action by us, be divested of the foregoing voting rights, subject to the revesting of such rights in the event of each subsequent nonpayment. If such voting rights for the holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock and all other holders of voting preferred stock have terminated, the term of office of each preferred stock director so elected will terminate at such time and the number of directors on our board of directors shall automatically decrease by two.

Any preferred stock director may be removed at any time without cause by the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock and any other shares of voting preferred stock then outstanding (voting together as a class) when they have the voting rights described above. In the event that a nonpayment shall have occurred and there shall not have been a nonpayment remedy, any vacancy in the office of a preferred stock director (other than prior to the initial election after a nonpayment) may be filled by the written consent of the preferred stock director remaining in office or, if none remains in office, by a vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock and any other shares of voting preferred stock then outstanding (voting together as a class) when they have the voting rights described above; provided that the filling of each vacancy will not cause us to violate the corporate governance requirements of The NASDAQ Global Select Market (or any other exchange or automated quotation system on which our securities may be listed or quoted) that requires listed or quoted companies to have a majority of independent directors.

So long as any shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock remain outstanding, we will not, without the affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock given in person or by proxy, either in writing or at a meeting:

issue, authorize or create, or increase the issued or authorized amount of, any specific class or series of senior stock; or

amend or alter the provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or the certificate of designations for the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock so as to authorize or create, or increase the authorized amount of, any specific class or series of senior stock; or

amend, alter or repeal the provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or the certificate of designations for the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock so as to adversely affect the special rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock; or

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consummate a binding share exchange or reclassification involving the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock or a merger or consolidation of us with another entity, unless in each case: (i) shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock remain outstanding and are not amended in any respect or, in the case of any such merger or consolidation with respect to which we are not the surviving or resulting entity, are converted into or exchanged for preference securities of the surviving or resulting entity or its ultimate parent; and (ii) such shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock remaining outstanding or such preference securities, as the case may be, have such rights, preferences, privileges and voting powers, taken as a whole, as are not materially less favorable to the holders thereof than the rights, preferences, privileges and voting powers of the mandatory convertible preferred stock immediately prior to such consummation, taken as a whole;

provided, however, that (1) any increase in the amount of our authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock, (2) any increase in the authorized or issued shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock and (3) the creation and issuance, or an increase in the authorized or issued amount, of any other series of parity stock or junior stock will be deemed not to adversely affect the special rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of the mandatory convertible preferred stock and shall not require the affirmative vote or consent of holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock.

Without the consent of the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, we may amend, alter, supplement, or repeal any terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock by amending or supplementing our certificate of incorporation, the certificate of designations or any certificate representing the mandatory convertible preferred stock for the following purposes:

to cure any ambiguity, omission, inconsistency or mistake in any such document or instrument;

to make any provision with respect to matters or questions relating to the mandatory convertible preferred stock that is not inconsistent with the provisions of the certificate of designations for the mandatory convertible preferred stock and that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the mandatory convertible preferred stock; or

to make any other change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the mandatory convertible preferred stock (other than any holder that consents to such change).

In addition, without the consent of the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, we may amend, alter, supplement or repeal any terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock to conform the terms of the mandatory convertible preferred stock to the description thereof in the accompanying prospectus as supplemented and/or amended by this Description of Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock section of the preliminary prospectus supplement for the mandatory convertible preferred stock, as further supplemented and/or amended by the related pricing term sheet.

Acquisition Termination Redemption

We expect to use the net proceeds from this offering in connection with the Acquisition (as defined under Basis of Presentation), as described under Use of Proceeds. Within ten business days following the earlier of (i) the date on which an Acquisition Termination Event (as defined under Basis of Presentation) occurs and (ii) 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on January 15, 2016 if the Acquisition has not closed at or prior to such time on such date, we will be

entitled, but not required, in our sole discretion, to mail a notice of an acquisition termination redemption to the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (*provided* that, if the shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock are held in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company (DTC), we may give such notice in any manner permitted by DTC). If we provide notice of an acquisition termination redemption to the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock as set forth above, then, on the acquisition termination redemption date (as defined below), we will be required to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole but not in part, at a redemption amount per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock equal to the acquisition termination redemption amount (as defined below).

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Acquisition termination redemption amount means, for each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, either (i) an amount in cash equal to \$1,000 plus accumulated and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) to, but excluding, the acquisition termination redemption date if the acquisition termination share price (as defined below) is equal to or less than the initial price; provided that if the acquisition termination redemption date is after a record date for the payment of a declared dividend and prior to the related dividend payment date, the acquisition termination redemption amount will not include such declared dividend and we will instead pay such declared dividend on such dividend payment date to holders of record as of such record date as described under Dividends above; or (ii) the reference amount (as defined below) of cash, shares of common stock, or cash and shares of common stock, determined as described below, if the acquisition termination share price exceeds the initial price.

Acquisition termination share price means the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the ten consecutive trading day period ending on, and including, the trading day preceding the date on which we provide notice of an acquisition termination redemption.

Reference amount means the sum of the following amounts:

- (i) a number of shares of our common stock equal to the acquisition termination conversion rate (as defined below), *plus*
- (ii) cash in an amount equal to the acquisition termination dividend amount (as defined below); *provided* that we may deliver cash in lieu of all or any portion of the shares of our common stock set forth in clause (i) above, and we may deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of all or any portion of the cash amount set forth in clause (ii) above, in each case, as described below.

Acquisition termination conversion rate means a rate equal to the fundamental change conversion rate (as defined below) assuming for such purpose that the effective date is the acquisition termination redemption date and that the stock price is the acquisition termination share price.

Acquisition termination dividend amount means an amount of cash equal to the sum of (i) the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount (as defined below) and (ii) the accumulated dividend amount (as defined below), in each case, assuming for such purpose that the effective date is the acquisition termination redemption date. For the avoidance of doubt, if the acquisition termination redemption date is after a record date for the payment of a declared dividend and prior to the related dividend payment date, (a) we will pay such dividend on such dividend payment date to the holders of record as of such record date, as described under Dividends above, (b) the accumulated dividend amount will not include such dividend and (c) the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount will not include the present value of the payment of such dividend.

If the acquisition termination share price exceeds the initial price, we may pay cash (computed to the nearest cent) in lieu of delivering all or any portion of the number of shares of our common stock equal to the acquisition termination conversion rate. If we make such an election, we will pay cash (computed to the nearest cent) in an amount equal to such number of shares of our common stock in respect of which we have made this election *multiplied by* the acquisition termination market value (as defined below).

In addition, if the acquisition termination share price exceeds the initial price, we may deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of paying cash for some or all of the acquisition termination dividend amount. If we make such an

election, we will deliver a number of shares of our common stock equal to such portion of the acquisition termination dividend amount to be paid in shares of our common stock *divided by* the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) 97% of the acquisition termination market value; *provided* that, if the acquisition termination dividend amount or portion thereof in respect of which shares of our common stock are delivered exceeds the product of such number of shares of our common stock *multiplied by* 97% of the acquisition termination market value, we will, if we are legally able to do so, declare and pay such excess amount in cash (computed to the nearest cent).

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Acquisition termination market value means the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the ten consecutive trading day period commencing on, and including, the third trading day following the date on which we provide notice of acquisition termination redemption.

Scheduled acquisition termination redemption date means the date specified by us in our notice of an acquisition termination redemption that is not less than 30 scheduled trading days nor more than 60 calendar days following the date on which we provide such notice of an acquisition termination redemption.

Acquisition termination redemption date means the scheduled acquisition termination redemption date; *provided* that, if (a) the acquisition termination share price is greater than the initial price and (b)(i) we elect to pay cash in lieu of delivering all or any portion of the shares of our common stock equal to the acquisition termination conversion rate or (ii) we elect to deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of paying all or any portion of the acquisition termination dividend amount in cash, then the acquisition termination redemption date will be also not earlier than the third business day following the last trading day of the ten consecutive trading day period used to determine the acquisition termination market value.

The notice of an acquisition termination redemption will specify, among other things:

the acquisition termination redemption amount (assuming for such purpose that the acquisition termination redemption date is the scheduled acquisition termination redemption date);

if the acquisition termination share price exceeds the initial price, the number of shares of our common stock and the amount of cash comprising the reference amount per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock (before giving effect to any election to pay or deliver, with respect to each share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock, cash in lieu of a number of shares of our common stock equal to the acquisition termination conversion rate or shares of our common stock in lieu of cash in respect of the acquisition termination dividend amount);

if applicable, whether we will pay cash in lieu of delivering all or any portion of the number of shares of our common stock equal to the acquisition termination conversion rate comprising a portion of the reference amount (specifying, if applicable, the number of such shares of our common stock in respect of which cash will be paid);

if applicable, whether we will deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of paying cash in respect of all or any portion of the acquisition termination dividend amount comprising a portion of the reference amount (specifying, if applicable, the percentage of the acquisition termination dividend amount in respect of which shares of our common stock will be delivered); and

the scheduled acquisition termination redemption date.

If any portion of the acquisition termination redemption amount is to be paid in shares of our common stock, no fractional shares of our common stock will be delivered to the holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock. We will instead, to the extent we are legally permitted to do so, pay a cash amount (computed to the nearest cent) to

each holder that would otherwise be entitled to a fraction of a share of our common stock based on the acquisition termination share price. If more than one share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock is to be redeemed from a holder, the number of our shares of common stock issuable in connection with the payment of the reference amount shall be computed on the basis of the aggregate number of shares of our mandatory convertible preferred stock so redeemed.

All cash payments to which a holder of our mandatory convertible preferred stock is entitled in connection with an acquisition termination redemption will be rounded to the nearest cent.

While we expect to use the net proceeds from this offering in connection with the Acquisition, there is no guarantee that the Acquisition will be consummated and if it is not consummated, we may use the proceeds from this offering for other purposes. We may, in our sole discretion, determine to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock as described hereunder. The proceeds from this offering will not be deposited into an escrow

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account pending any acquisition termination redemption of our mandatory convertible preferred stock. Our ability to pay the acquisition termination redemption amount to holders of our mandatory convertible preferred stock in connection with an acquisition termination redemption may be limited by our then-existing financial resources, and sufficient funds may not be available when necessary to make any required purchases of our mandatory convertible preferred stock following our election to redeem our mandatory convertible preferred stock.

To the extent a shelf registration statement is required in our reasonable judgment in connection with the issuance of or for resales of shares of our common stock issued as payment of any portion of the acquisition termination redemption amount, we will, to the extent such a shelf registration statement is not currently filed and effective, use our best efforts to file and maintain the effectiveness of such a shelf registration statement until the earlier of such time as all such shares of our common stock have been resold thereunder and such time as all such shares would be freely tradable without registration by holders thereof that are not affiliates of ours for purposes of the Securities Act. To the extent applicable, we will also use our best efforts to have such shares of our common stock qualified or registered under applicable U.S. state securities laws, if required, and approved for listing on The NASDAQ Global Select Market (or if our shares of common stock are not listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, on the principal other U.S. national or regional securities exchange on which our shares of common stock are then listed).

Other than pursuant to the acquisition termination redemption provisions described above, our mandatory convertible preferred stock will not be redeemable. However, at our option, we may purchase the mandatory convertible preferred stock or depositary shares from time to time in the open market, by tender offer or otherwise.

Mandatory Conversion

Each outstanding share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, unless previously converted or redeemed, will automatically convert on the mandatory conversion date, into a number of shares of common stock equal to the conversion rate described below. If we declare a dividend for the dividend period ending on September 15, 2018, we will pay such dividend to the holders of record as of the applicable record date, as described above under Dividends. If on or prior to September 1, 2018 we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends on the mandatory convertible preferred stock, the conversion rate will be adjusted so that holders receive an additional number of shares of common stock equal to the amount of accumulated and unpaid dividends that have not been declared (the additional conversion amount), *divided by* the greater of (i) the floor price and (ii) 97% of the five-day average price. To the extent that the additional conversion amount exceeds the product of such number of additional shares and 97% of the five-day average price, we will, if we are legally able to do so, declare and pay such excess amount in cash pro rata to the holders of the mandatory convertible preferred stock.

The conversion rate, which is the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of each share of mandatory convertible preferred stock on the mandatory conversion date (excluding shares of common stock issued in respect of accrued and unpaid dividends, if any), will be as follows:

if the applicable market value of our common stock is greater than the threshold appreciation price, which equals \$1,000 *divided by* the minimum conversion rate (as defined below), which quotient is equal to approximately \$170.31 and which represents an approximately 35% appreciation over the initial price, then the conversion rate will be 5.8716 shares of common stock per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock (the minimum conversion rate);

if the applicable market value of our common stock is less than or equal to the threshold appreciation price but equal to or greater than the initial price, which equals \$1,000 *divided by* the maximum conversion rate (as defined below), which quotient is equal to approximately \$136.25 (the closing price of our common stock on September 9, 2015), then the conversion rate will be equal to \$1,000 divided by the applicable market value of our common stock, rounded to the nearest ten thousandth of a share; or

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if the applicable market value of our common stock is less than the initial price, then the conversion rate will be 7.3394 shares of common stock per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock (the maximum conversion rate).

We refer to the minimum conversion rate and the maximum conversion rate collectively as the fixed conversion rates. The fixed conversion rates, the initial price, the threshold appreciation price and the applicable market value are each subject to adjustment as described in Anti-dilution Adjustments below.

Hypothetical conversion values upon mandatory conversion

For illustrative purposes only, the following table shows the number of shares of our common stock that a holder of our mandatory convertible preferred stock would receive upon mandatory conversion of one share of mandatory convertible preferred stock at various applicable market values for our common stock. The table assumes that there will be no conversion adjustments as described below in Anti-dilution Adjustments and that dividends on the shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock will be declared and paid in cash. The actual applicable market value of shares of our common stock may differ from those set forth in the table below. Given an initial price of \$136.25 and a threshold appreciation price of \$170.31, a holder of our mandatory convertible preferred stock would receive on the mandatory conversion date the number of shares of our common stock per share of our mandatory convertible preferred stock set forth below:

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| \$80.00 | 7.3394 | \$ | 587.2 | | | | | |
| \$100.00 | 7.3394 | \$ | 733.9 | | | | | |
| \$120.00 | 7.3394 | \$ | 880.7 | | | | | |
| \$136.25 | 7.3394 | \$ | 1,000.0 | | | | | |
| \$150.00 | 6.6667 | \$ | 1,000.0 | | | | | |
| \$170.31 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,000.0 | | | | | |
| \$180.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,056.9 | | | | | |
| \$200.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,174.3 | | | | | |
| \$220.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,291.8 | | | | | |
| \$250.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,467.9 | | | | | |
| \$300.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 1,761.5 | | | | | |
| \$400.00 | 5.8716 | \$ | 2,348.6 | | | | | |

Accordingly, if the applicable market value of our common stock is greater than the threshold appreciation price, the aggregate market value of our common stock delivered upon conversion of each share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be greater than the \$1,000 liquidation preference of the share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, assuming that the market price of our common stock on the mandatory conversion date is the same as the applicable market value of our common stock. If the applicable market value for our common stock is equal to or greater than the initial price and equal to or less than the threshold appreciation price, the aggregate market value of our common stock delivered upon conversion of each share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be equal

to the \$1,000 liquidation preference of the share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, assuming that the market price of our common stock on the mandatory conversion date is the same as the applicable market value of our common stock. If the applicable market value of our common stock is less than the initial price, the aggregate market value of our common stock delivered upon conversion of each share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be less than the \$1,000 liquidation preference of the share of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, assuming that the market price of our common stock on the mandatory conversion date is the same as the applicable market value of our common stock.

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Definitions

Applicable market value means the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the final averaging period.

Final averaging period means the 20 consecutive trading day period beginning on, and including, the 23rd scheduled trading day immediately preceding September 15, 2018.

Mandatory conversion date means the third business day immediately following the last trading day of the final averaging period. The mandatory conversion date is expected to be September 15, 2018.

Trading day means a day on which (i) there is no market disruption event (as defined below) and (ii) trading in our common stock generally occurs on The NASDAQ Global Select Market or, if our common stock is not then listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, on the principal other U.S. national or regional securities exchange on which our common stock is then listed or, if our common stock is not then listed on a U.S. national or regional securities exchange, on the principal other market on which our common stock is then listed or admitted for trading. If our common stock is not so listed or admitted for trading, trading day means a business day.

Market disruption event means (i) a failure by the primary U.S. national or regional securities exchange or market on which our common stock is listed or admitted for trading to open for trading during its regular trading session or (ii) the occurrence or existence prior to 1:00 p.m., New York City time, on any scheduled trading day for our common stock for more than one half-hour period in the aggregate during regular trading hours of any suspension or limitation imposed on trading (by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant stock exchange or otherwise) in our common stock or in any options contracts or futures contracts relating to our common stock.

A scheduled trading day is any day that is scheduled to be a trading day.

VWAP per share of our common stock on any trading day means the per share volume-weighted average price as displayed on Bloomberg page SRCL <Equity> AQR (or its equivalent successor if such page is not available) in respect of the period from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on such trading day; or, if such price is not available, VWAP means the market value per share of our common stock on such trading day as determined, using a volume-weighted average method, by a nationally recognized independent investment banking firm retained by us for this purpose. The average VWAP per share over a certain period means the arithmetic average of the VWAP per share for each trading day in such period.

Conversion at the Option of the Holder

Other than during a fundamental change conversion period (as defined below in Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount), and unless we have called the mandatory convertible preferred stock for redemption, holders have the right to convert their shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole or in part (but in no event less than one share of mandatory convertible preferred stock), at any time prior to September 15, 2018, into shares of our common stock at the minimum conversion rate, subject to adjustment as described in Anti-dilution Adjustments below.

If as of the effective date of any early conversion (the early conversion date), we have not declared all or any portion of all accumulated and unpaid dividends for all full dividend periods ending on the dividend payment date prior to such early conversion date, the conversion rate will be adjusted so that converting holders receive an additional number of shares of common stock equal to such amount of accumulated and unpaid dividends that have not been declared for such full dividend periods (the early conversion additional conversion amount), *divided by* the greater of

(i) the floor price and (ii) the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the 20 consecutive trading day period ending on, and including, the third trading day immediately preceding such early

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conversion date (the early conversion average price). To the extent that the early conversion additional conversion amount exceeds the product of such number of additional shares and the early conversion average price, we will not have any obligation to pay the shortfall in cash.

Except as described in the immediately preceding paragraph, upon any optional conversion of any shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock pursuant to this Conversion at the Option of the Holder section, we will make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends on such shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, unless such early conversion date occurs after the record date for a declared dividend and on or prior to the immediately succeeding dividend payment date, in which case such dividend will be paid on such dividend payment date to the holder of record of the converted shares as of such record date, as described in Dividends.

Conversion at the Option of the Holder upon Fundamental Change; Fundamental Change Dividend Make-whole Amount

General

If a fundamental change (as defined below) occurs on or prior to September 15, 2018, holders will have the right (the fundamental change early conversion right) to: (i) convert their shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, in whole or in part (but in no event less than one share of mandatory convertible preferred stock), into shares of common stock (or units of exchange property as described below) at the fundamental change conversion rate described below; (ii) with respect to such converted shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, receive an amount equal to the present value, calculated using a discount rate of 5.25% per annum, of all dividend payments on such shares for all remaining full dividend periods beginning on the dividend payment date immediately following the effective date of the fundamental change and for the partial dividend period from, and including, the effective date to, but excluding, the next dividend payment date (the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount); and (iii) with respect to such converted shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock, receive an amount equal to, as of the effective date of the fundamental change, the sum of any accumulated and unpaid dividends for any dividend period ending prior to the effective date of the fundamental change and any accumulated dividends for the partial dividend period, if any, from, and including, the dividend payment date immediately preceding the effective date to, but excluding, the effective date (such sum, the accumulated dividend amount and clauses (ii) and (iii), the make-whole dividend amounts), in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), subject to our right to deliver shares of our common stock in lieu of all or part of such amounts as described under Make-whole dividend amounts below; provided that, if the effective date or the conversion date falls after the record date for a declared dividend and prior to the next dividend payment date, such dividend will be paid on such dividend payment date to the holders as of such record date, as described in Dividends, and will not be included in the accumulated dividend amount, and the fundamental change dividend make-whole amount will not include the present value of the payment of such dividend.

To exercise the fundamental change early conversion right, holders must submit their shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock for conversion at any time during the period (the fundamental change conversion period) beginning on, and including, the effective date of such fundamental change (the effective date) and ending at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the date that is 20 calendar days after the effective date (or, if later, the date that is 20 calendar days after holders receive notice of such fundamental change, but in no event later than September 15, 2018). Holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock who submit their shares for conversion during the fundamental change conversion period will have such shares converted at the conversion rate specified in the table below (the fundamental change conversion rate) and will be entitled to receive the make-whole dividend amounts, if any. Holders of mandatory convertible preferred stock who do not submit their shares for conversion during the fundamental change conversion period will not be entitled to convert their shares of mandatory convertible preferred stock at the fundamental change conversion rate or to receive the make-whole dividend amounts.

We will notify holders of the effective date of a fundamental change no later than the second business day following our becoming aware of such effective date.

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A fundamental change will be deemed to have occurred, at any time after the initial issue date of the mandatory convertible preferred stock, if any of the following occurs:

- (1) a person or group within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, other than us, our wholly owned subsidiaries and our or their employee benefit plans, files a Schedule TO or any schedule, form or report under the Exchange Act disclosing that such person or group has become the direct or indirect beneficial owner, as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, of our common equity representing more than 50% of the voting power of our common equity or we otherwise become aware of such beneficial ownership;
- (2) the consummation of (A) any recapitalization, reclassification or change of our 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) as a result of which our common stock would be converted into, would be exchanged for, or would represent solely the right to receive, stock, other securities, other property or assets; (B) any share exchange, consolidation or merger of us pursuant to which our common stock will be converted into, will be exchanged for, or will represent solely the right to receive, stock, other securities, other property or assets; 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 us and our subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any person other than one of our wholly-owned subsidiaries; or
- (3) our common stock (or other exchange property) ceases to be listed or quoted on any of The New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or any of their respective successors).

However, a transaction or transactions described above will not constitute a fundamental change if at least 90% of the consideration received or to be received by all of our common shareholders (excluding cash payments for fractional shares or pursuant to dissenters—appraisal rights) in connection with such transaction or transactions consists of shares of common stock that are listed or quoted on any of The New York Stock Exchange, The NASDAQ Global Select Market or The NASDAQ Global Market (or any of their respective successors), or will be so listed or quoted when issued or exchanged in connection with such transaction or transactions, and as a result of such transaction or transactions the mandatory convertible preferred stock becomes convertible into or exchangeable for such consideration (and cash in lieu of fractional shares).

If any transaction in which our common stock is replaced by the securities of another entity occurs, following completion of any related fundamental change period (or, if none, on the effective date of such transaction), references to us in the definition of fundamental change above shall instead be references to such other entity.

Fundamental change conversion rate

The fundamental change conversion rate will be determined by reference to the table below and is based on the effective date of the transaction and the price (the stock price) paid (or deemed paid) per share of our common stock in such transaction. If all holders of our common stock receive only cash in exchange for their common stock in the fundamental change, the stock price shall be the cash amount paid per share. Otherwise the stock price shall be the average VWAP per share of our common stock over the five consecutive trading day period ending on, and including, the trading day immediately preceding the relevant effective date.

The stock prices set forth in the first row of the table (i.e., the column headers) will be adjusted as of any date on which the fixed conversion rates of our mandatory convertible preferred stock are adjusted. The adjusted stock prices will equal the stock prices applicable immediately prior to such adjustment, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the minimum conversion rate immediately prior to the adjustment giving rise to the stock price adjustment and the denominator of which is the minimum conversion rate as so adjusted. Each of the fundamental change conversion rates in the table will be subject to adjustment in the same manner and at the same time as each fixed conversion rate as set forth in Anti-dilution Adjustments.

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The following table sets forth the fundamental change conversion rate per share of mandatory convertible preferred stock for each stock price and effective date set forth below.

| | Stock Price on Effective Date | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----|
| e Date | \$60.00 | \$80.00 | \$100.00 | \$120.00 | \$136.25 | \$150.00 | \$170.31 | \$180.00 | \$200.00 | \$220.00 | \$250.00 | \$300.00 | \$ |
| er 15, 2015 | 7.3394 | 7.2502 | 7.0033 | 6.6219 | 6.2763 | 6.0283 | 5.8180 | 5.7803 | 5.7733 | 5.7977 | 5.8260 | 5.8409 | |
| er 15, 2016 | 7.3394 | 7.3038 | 7.1512 | 6.8300 | 6.4744 | 6.1772 | 5.8927 | 5.8367 | 5.8153 | 5.8308 | 5.8461 | 5.8508 | |
| er 15, 2017 | 7.3394 | 7.3296 | 7.2834 | 7.0746 | 6.7349 | 6.3753 | 5.9651 | 5.8848 | 5.8535 | 5.8579 | 5.8600 | 5.8598 | |
| er 15 2018 | 7 3394 | 7 3394 | 7 3394 | 7 3394 | 7 3394 | 6 6667 | 5 8716 | 5 8716 | 5 8716 | 5 8716 | 5 8716 | 5 8716 | |

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

if the stock price is between two stock prices on the table or the effective date is between two effective dates on the table, the fundamental change conversion rate will be determined by straight-line interpolation between the fundamental change conversion rates set forth for the higher and lower stock prices and the earlier and later effective dates, as applicable, based on a 365- or 366-day year, as applicable;

if the stock price is in excess of \$400.00 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the column headings of the table above), then the fundamental change conversion rate will be the minimum conversion rate, subject to adjustment; and

if the stock price is less than \$60.00 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the column headings of the table above), then the fundamental change conversion rate will be the maximum conversion rate, subject to adjustment.

Make-whole dividend amounts