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Revenue	\$5.3 billion in 2015
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Leadership

Douglas L. Peterson President and Chief Executive Officer S&P Global

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S&P Global was created in April 2016 after shareholders approved changing the Company's name from McGraw Hill Financial.

Mr. Peterson was elected President and CEO of McGraw Hill Financial, effective November 2013 and he joined the Company in September 2011 as President of Standard & Poor's Ratings Services.

Previously, Mr. Peterson was the Chief Operating Officer of Citibank, N.A., Citigroup's principal banking entity that operates in more than 100 countries. Mr. Peterson was with Citigroup for 26 years, during which time he transformed businesses and drove performance in investment and corporate banking, brokerage, asset management, private equity, and retail banking. His prior roles include CEO of Citigroup Japan, Country Manager for Costa Rica and Uruguay, and Chief Auditor of Citigroup.

Mr. Peterson is a leader of the World Economic Forum's systemic initiative focused on long-term investing and infrastructure, and he co-chairs the Forum's Financial Services Governors Community. He also co-chairs the Bipartisan Policy Center's Executive Council on Infrastructure. He serves on the Boards of Directors of S&P Global, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Systemic Resolution Advisory Committee, the US-China Business Council, the Partnership for New York City and the Kravis Leadership Institute, and the Boards of Trustees of Claremont McKenna College and the Paul Taylor Dance Company.

Mr. Peterson received an MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and an undergraduate degree in mathematics and history at Claremont McKenna College.

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About Credit Ratings

Credit ratings are opinions about credit risk. Our ratings express our opinion about the ability and willingness of an issuer, such as a corporation or state or city government, to meet its financial obligations in full and on time.

Credit ratings can also speak to the credit quality of an individual debt issue, such as a corporate or municipal bond, and the relative likelihood that the issue may default.

As part of its ratings analysis, S&P Global Ratings evaluates available current and historical information and assesses the potential impact of foreseeable future events. For example, in rating a corporation as an issuer of debt, the agency may factor in anticipated ups and downs in the business cycle that may affect the corporation's creditworthiness. While the forward looking opinions of rating agencies can be of use to investors and market participants who are making long- or short-term investment and business decisions, credit ratings are not a guarantee that an investment will pay out or that it will not default.

About The S&P Global Ratings Scale

<i>Investment Grade</i>	AAA	Extremely strong capacity to meet financial commitments. Highest rating
	AA	Very strong capacity to meet financial commitments
A		Strong capacity to meet financial commitments, but somewhat susceptible to adverse economic conditions and changes in circumstances
BBB		Adequate capacity to meet financial commitments, but more subject to adverse economic conditions
BBB-		Considered lowest investment-grade by market participants
<i>Speculative Grade</i>	BB+	Considered highest speculative-grade by market participants
	BB	Less vulnerable in the near-term but faces major ongoing uncertainties to adverse business, financial and economic conditions
B		More vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions but currently has the capacity to meet financial commitments
CCC		Currently vulnerable and dependent on favorable business, financial and economic conditions to meet financial commitments
CC		Highly vulnerable; default has not yet occurred, but is expected to be a virtual certainty
C		Currently highly vulnerable to non-payment, and ultimate recovery is expected to be lower than that of higher rated obligations

D	Payment default on a financial commitment or breach of an imputed promise; also used when a bankruptcy petition has been filed or similar action taken
<i>Ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.</i>	

About Our Clients

Investors

Investors most often use credit ratings to help assess credit risk and to compare different issuers and debt issues when making investment decisions and managing their portfolios. Individual investors, for example, may use credit ratings in evaluating the purchase of a municipal or corporate bond from a risk tolerance perspective.

Institutional investors, including mutual funds, pension funds, banks, and insurance companies, often use credit ratings to supplement their own credit analysis of specific debt issues. In addition, institutional investors may use credit ratings to establish thresholds for credit risk and investment guidelines.

Intermediaries

Investment bankers help to facilitate the flow of capital from investors to issuers. They may use credit ratings to benchmark the relative credit risk of different debt issues, as well as to set the initial pricing for individual debt issues they structure and to help determine the interest rate these issues will pay.

Investment bankers may look to a rating agency's criteria when seeking to understand that rating agency's approach toward rating different debt issues or different tiers of debt. Investment bankers may also serve as arrangers of debt issues. In this capacity, they may establish special purpose entities that package assets, such as retail mortgages and student loans, into securities or structured finance instruments, which they then market to investors.

Issuers

Issuers, including corporations, financial institutions, national governments, states, cities and municipalities, use credit ratings to provide independent views of their creditworthiness and the credit quality of their debt issues.

Issuers may also use credit ratings to help communicate the relative credit quality of debt issues, thereby expanding the universe of investors. In addition, credit ratings may help them anticipate the interest rate to be offered on their new debt issues.

Businesses and Financial Institutions

Businesses and financial institutions, especially those involved in credit-sensitive transactions,

may use credit ratings to assess counterparty risk, which is the potential risk that a party to an agreement may not fulfill its financial obligations.

For example, in deciding whether to lend money to a particular organization or in selecting a company that will guarantee the repayment of a debt issue in the event of default, a business may wish to consider the counterparty risk.

A credit rating agency's opinion of counterparty risk can therefore help businesses analyze their credit exposure to financial firms that have agreed to assume certain financial obligations and to evaluate the viability of potential partnerships and other business relationships.

<i>Credit Ratings</i>	
Product	Description
Public Rating	Provided at issuer/issue/ recovery level.
Private Rating	Provided at issuer/issue/recovery level. Available for issuers of up to US\$1 billion of rated private debt.
Confidential Rating	Generally provided at issuer level.
<i>Ancillary Products (non-credit ratings)</i>	
Rating Evaluation Service (RES)	Indicative view of creditworthiness based on hypothetical scenario(s) you provide.
Credit Assessment(CA)	View of creditworthiness based on existing structure.
Private Credit Analysis (PCA)	Indication of creditworthiness of an unrated third party. For single counterparty use.

Leadership

John Berisford

President

S&P Global Ratings

Previously, he served as Executive Vice President of Human Resources for the Company. In this role, he was instrumental in creating and executing on the Company's Growth and Value Plan, resulting in the creation of S&P Global Ratings and the sale of McGraw Hill Education. He led the initiative to create the Company's focused Business Unit operating model while strengthening the HR function with new capabilities to support the Company's growth and performance goals. In addition, Mr. Berisford led the succession process that enabled a seamless CEO transition in 2013.

Before joining S&P Global Ratings in January 2011, Mr. Berisford spent 22 successful years at PepsiCo where he led a number of important global initiatives and transformations. Among other strategic projects, he led the integration after PepsiCo acquired the independent Pepsi Bottling Group into its overall corporate structure. He serves on a variety of boards, and is currently chairman of the S&P Global U.S. and NRSRO Boards, executive chairman of the S&P Global Ratings European Board and a director of the CRISIL Board.

Mr. Berisford holds a bachelor's degree in political science from West Liberty College in West Virginia and a master's degree in labor and industrial relations from West Virginia University.

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http://www.spratings.com/en_US/executive-committee

Recent announcements

New Green Bond And ESG Evaluation Tools Proposed By S&P Global Ratings

NEW YORK (S&P Global Ratings) Sept. 7, 2016--S&P Global Ratings is seeking market feedback on two proposed evaluation tools, separate from its credit ratings, that are intended to assess risks to sustainability at both the individual project and corporate entity levels. White papers on both frameworks are available at www.spratings.com/infrastructure and market participants are invited to submit comments through brief feedback surveys that may be accessed through www.spratings.com/greenbonds and www.spratings.com/esg.

The new assessment tools include a new Green Bond Evaluation tool that would analyze and estimate the environmental impact of projects or initiatives financed by bonds, and an Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Evaluation Framework and methodology for corporate issuers.

"In response to growing market interest, we believe that our proposed tools will offer a unique assessment of risks associated with sustainability over the medium- to long term," said Michael Wilkins, Head of Environmental & Climate Risk Research and an infrastructure ratings analyst at S&P Global Ratings. "Investors have told us that they want to develop more meaningful insights into the environmental, social, and governance characteristics of individual debt securities and corporate entities. We believe these two approaches will help to achieve that goal."

GREEN BOND EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

The proposed Green Bond Evaluation methodology would consider projects that aim to mitigate climate change through greenhouse gas reduction, and adaptation projects that mitigate the impact of natural catastrophes. The proposed evaluation would consist of at least three scores-- a Transparency score, a Governance score, and a Mitigation and/or Adaptation score. This approach would assess a bond financing against each category, with the resulting scores weighted and amalgamated into a final Green Bond Evaluation.

ESG EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

The proposed ESG evaluation framework would gauge a company's impact on the natural and social environments it inhabits, the governance mechanisms it has in place to oversee those effects, and potential losses it may face as a result of its exposure to these risks.

The ESG Assessment will aim to rank issuers on a five-point scale based on the degree of an issuer's exposure to ESG risk factors over a two- to five-year horizon and beyond. As currently envisaged, medium-term (two to five-year) and long-term factors will receive different weightings under the proposed methodology, with medium-term risks receiving a greater weighting due to the more apparent nature of the factors and their likely impact.

While the proposed tools are not credit ratings or an assessment of creditworthiness, they draw on S&P Global Ratings' significant and ongoing engagement with the market on environmental, social, and governance issues and green bond financings.

In May 2016, S&P Global Ratings expressed support for initiatives being promulgated by the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UN-PRI) that recognize the needs of investors for greater clarity on how ESG factors are considered in credit analysis. In January 2016, Michael Wilkins was named a member of the Financial Stability Board (FSB) Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, an industry-led body that is developing voluntary climate-related financial disclosure standards.

S&P Global Calls for Funding U.S. Infrastructure with Repatriated Corporate Profits

\$150 Billion Infrastructure Investment Could Be Raised If Half of the \$2+ Trillion in Offshore Profits is Returned

NEW YORK, October 5, 2016 – S&P Global (NYSE: SPGI) today published research that suggests a private sector solution to help finance America’s bridges, roads, and other public works projects: requiring companies to commit a portion of any overseas profits they bring back for infrastructure improvements.

In the report, co-authored by S&P Global Ratings U.S. Chief Economist Beth Ann Bovino, U.S. multinationals would be incentivized to repatriate offshore profits. The report suggests a zero tax rate on repatriated earnings in exchange for companies committing 15% of the returned money to investments in, for example, in interest-bearing infrastructure bonds issued by state and local governments.

The opportunity to reap a return on investment on infrastructure bonds, rather than lose money to taxation, is a substantial enticement for U.S. companies to participate, the report notes.

“There is bipartisan support, including from the presidential candidates, to address our country’s infrastructure problems, but there is little consensus on how to fill the huge gap between what the government can finance and how much money is needed to pay for these projects,” said Ms. Bovino. “Private capital can be part of the solution. Today’s report suggests a one-time economic growth catalyst that could raise \$150 billion for infrastructure projects if half of the more than \$2 trillion in undistributed U.S. corporate earnings overseas are repatriated.”

Ms. Bovino’s research has demonstrated that infrastructure investment would spur economic expansion and create jobs through the “multiplier effect.” For example:

- Every dollar invested in infrastructure would currently add \$1.30 to the economy in a few years; and
- \$150 billion in spending (spread evenly over eight quarters, starting at the beginning of next year) would create roughly 307,000 infrastructure-related jobs in the first two years. The investment would eventually add \$189.5 billion to GDP.

The report acknowledges the idea that “companies could come to expect periodic tax holidays, and would continue to park overseas earnings outside the U.S. until the next opportunity arises. In this light, S&P stresses that its proposal represents just the first measure in a more wide-ranging overhaul of the current tax code.

S&P Global sees this as a strong first step toward a long-term, sustainable fix to the U.S. corporate-tax regime that would help reduce the cash hoarding outside the U.S.,” the authors write.

The report notes that one way to broader tax reform and to permanently relieve the potential tax burden on overseas cash would be for the U.S. to switch from the worldwide tax system to a territorial system, in which income is taxed by the country in which it is generated – a system used by most countries.

Many companies may currently view their overseas cash as effectively trapped because of the high tax cost of repatriation.

Research by S&P Global Ratings in May 2016 found that the top 15 companies that disclose their cash holdings by region increased their cash balances by 14% -- with cash outside the U.S. accounting for \$87 billion. These 15 companies now hold 83% of their cash overseas—up from 70% in 2011. At the same time, the debt of these 15 borrowers grew even faster last year, by \$99 billion, suggesting that they had exhausted their domestic cash flows and resorted to increased borrowing to finance dividends and share repurchases – so-called “synthetic repatriation.”

“We believe most companies never intended to have such large cash piles parked overseas, and that, if given the choice, many would prefer to repatriate cash, invest in the U.S. and limit their debt,” the authors observe.

Read “Rebuilding Through Repatriation: How Corporate Cash Can Save America’s Infrastructure,” at S&P Global’s website at www.spglobal.com/Market-Insights.

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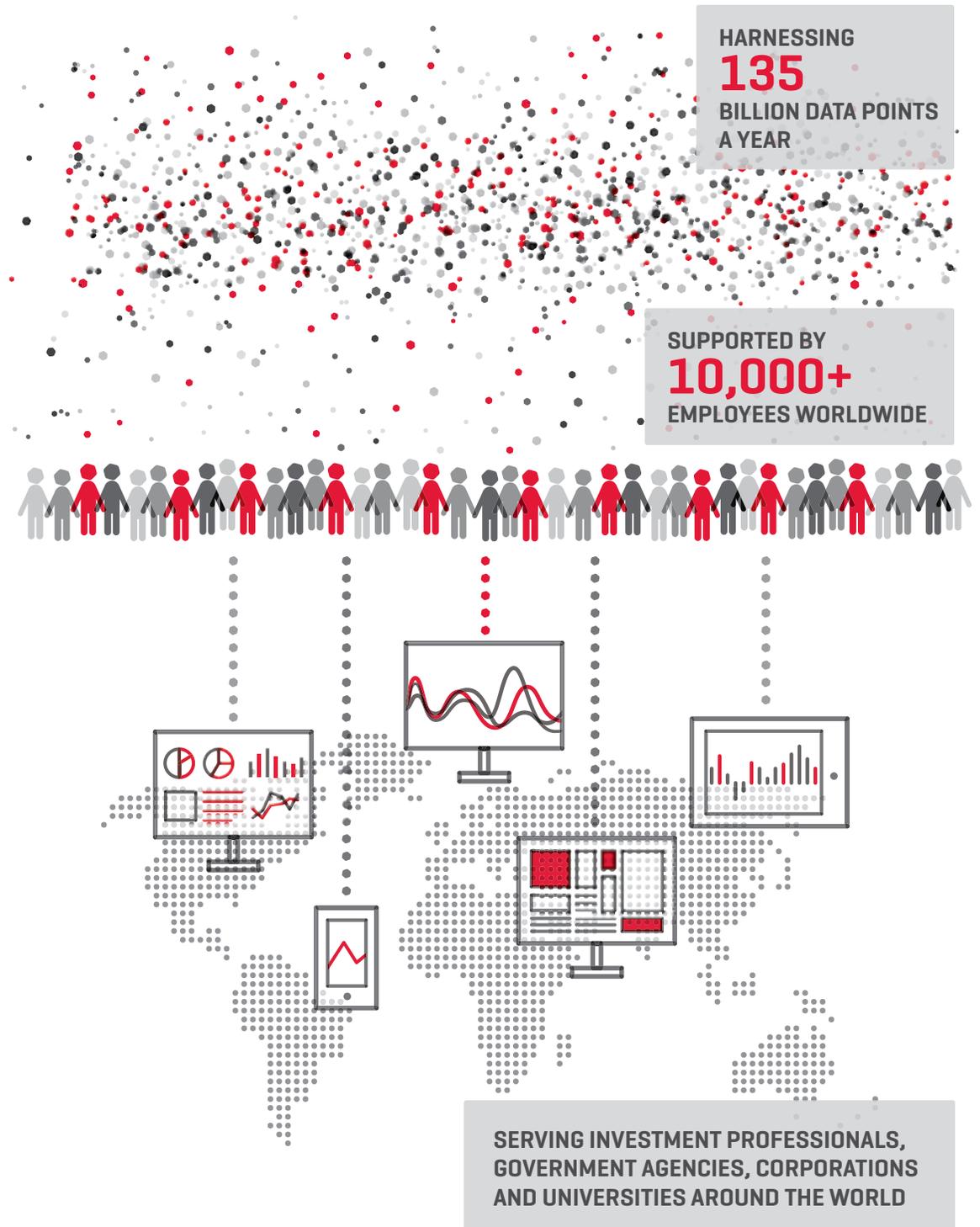
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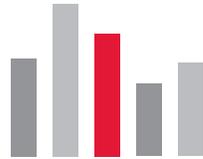
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Leadership

Mike Chinn

President

S&P Global Market Intelligence

Mr. Chinn joined the Company with its acquisition of SNL Financial in September of 2015. Mr. Chinn worked at SNL for more than 21 years, starting as an analyst in the Bank M&A department in 1994. He worked on a variety of product launches before being named president and board member in 2000. In this capacity he acted as SNL's senior managing officer, with responsibility for research, content, IT, product development and client support. Mr. Chinn was named CEO of SNL in 2010.

He was named as one of Institutional Investor's Tech 50 in 2016– a list of the top financial technology leaders.

Mr. Chinn graduated from the University of Virginia in 1994 with a bachelor's degree in economics and history.

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¹ Data as of Dec. 31, 2015. Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices: Annual Survey of S&P Indexed Assets Dec. 31, 2015.

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Leadership

Alexander J. Maturri, Jr. Chief Executive Officer S&P Dow Jones Indices

Alex Maturri is chief executive officer at S&P Dow Jones Indices, responsible for all aspects of the index business globally. S&P Dow Jones Indices offers investment professionals around the world an array of products from efficiently representative indices to broad comprehensive benchmarks.

Previously, Alex was senior vice president and director of Global Equity Index Management at Northern Trust Global Investments (NTGI). There, he was responsible for all facets of passive equity portfolio management and trading, overseeing a \$185 billion passive investment business for the world's third-largest quantitative manager. In addition to leading investment teams in the U.S., Europe and Asia, Alex was a driver for the global expansion of the passive investment business across all regions.

Alex is a Chartered Financial Analyst and is admitted as an attorney in New York and New Jersey. He is also a member of the CFA Institute and The New York Society of Security Analysts. Alex holds a BS in finance with honors from Lehigh University and a JD from Syracuse University College of Law.

David M. Blitzer Managing Director Chairman of the Index Committee

David M. Blitzer is Managing Director and Chairman of the Index Committee at S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI) with overall responsibility for index security selection, as well as index analysis and management.

Prior to becoming Chairman of the Index Committee, Dr. Blitzer was Standard & Poor's Chief Economist. Before joining Standard & Poor's, he was Corporate Economist at The McGraw-Hill Companies (now S&P Global), S&P DJI's parent corporation.

Dr. Blitzer is the author of *Outpacing the Pros: Using Indices to Beat Wall Street's Savviest Money Managers*, (McGraw-Hill, 2001) and *What's the Economy Trying to Tell You? Everyone's Guide to Understanding and Profiting from the Economy*, (McGraw-Hill, 1997). In the year 2000, Dr. Blitzer was named to SmartMoney magazine's distinguished list of the 30 most influential people in the world of investing, which ranked him seventh, and in the year 1998, Dr. Blitzer was named the nation's top economist, receiving the Blue Chip Economic Forecasting Award for most accurately predicting the country's leading economic indicators for four years in a row.

A graduate of Cornell University with a B.S. in engineering, Dr. Blitzer received his M.A. in economics from the George Washington University and his Ph.D. in economics from Columbia University.

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Market Engagement

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Conferences and Events

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Leadership

Martin Fraenkel President S&P Global Platts

Martin Fraenkel is President of S&P Global Platts, a division of S&P Global and a leading global provider of information and benchmarks for the energy, petrochemicals, metals and agriculture markets.

Previously, Martin was Global Head of Content, a role he held until September 2016, responsible for leading Platts' 450-member global editorial and analytics team, as well as for working with the Executive Committee regarding Platts' strategy and offerings in data, pricing, news and analysis.

Martin, based in London, came to Platts in June 2015 from CME Group, where he was Managing Director and Global Head of Energy. In a diverse 30-year career in the commodities markets, Martin has held roles across physical and financial markets. These have included managing global sales and trading businesses for banks; providing consulting services to leading exchanges, hedge funds, trade houses and proprietary traders; and creating new business lines and joint ventures.

Martin received an MBA from Insead in Fontainebleau, France; a master's degree from the School of Advanced International Studies of The Johns Hopkins University in Washington, DC, USA and Bologna, Italy; and a bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Balliol College, University of Oxford, UK.

Martin is fluent in French, German and Italian. He is a member of the Council of Chatham House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs.

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Recent announcements

S&P Global Platts Acquires PIRA Energy Group

Leading global provider of market analysis extends S&P Global Platts' analytical capabilities

New York - August 04, 2016

NEW YORK (August 4, 2016) – S&P Global Platts, the leading independent provider of information and benchmark prices for the commodities and energy markets, announced today that it has signed an agreement to acquire PIRA Energy Group, a leader in global energy market analysis. The purchase extends S&P Global Platts' energy analytical capabilities by enhancing the Company's oil offering and strengthening its position in the natural gas and power markets. The transaction is subject to regulatory approval and is expected to close in the third quarter of 2016. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Founded in 1976, New York-based PIRA provides over 500 energy and commodity customers in 60 countries with a broad range of energy research and forecasting products and services. Customers spanning oil and gas companies, traders, refiners, pipeline and industrial companies, financial organizations and governments use PIRA's research, forecast data and consulting expertise to undertake fundamental analysis and modelling of the global energy markets.

Imogen Joss, President at S&P Global Platts, said: "PIRA's globally respected offering, solid customer base and established analytical team offer S&P Global Platts an exciting opportunity to accelerate the development of our global oil and gas analytics capabilities. Together with our recent acquisitions of RigData and Commodity Flow, PIRA will help us provide customers around the world with deeper, more informed insight into energy and commodity markets."

Gemma Postlethwaite, CEO of PIRA, said: "As part of S&P Global Platts, we see significant opportunities to bring our unique insight to even more of S&P Global Platts' international customer base, and complement its essential oil, gas and power offerings. S&P Global Platts is committed to investing in its analytical capabilities, and we are pleased that PIRA is an important component of that strategy."

Dr. Gary Ross, Executive Chairman and Head of Global Oil, PIRA said: "We have made great strides in enhancing our products and services to date. This new partnership will help PIRA to accelerate new innovation with combined assets and experts around the globe, and I look forward to continuing to drive our analytical capabilities forward in this exciting new phase of our journey."

To learn more about the products and services that PIRA provides, please visit: www.pira.com.

S&P Global Platts Acquires RigData

New York - June 02, 2016

S&P Global Platts, the leading independent provider of information and benchmark prices for the commodities and energy markets, announced today that it has acquired RigData, a provider

of daily information on rig activity for the natural gas and oil markets across North America. The purchase extends the S&P Global Platts energy analytical capabilities by strengthening its position in natural gas and enhancing the company's oil offering. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Founded in 1986, RigData provides over 5,500 customers in North America with daily electronic reports on drilling permits, activity and rig locations in the United States, the Gulf of Mexico and Canada. Customers use the information to identify new sales opportunities, assess market share, identify exploration trends, find available rigs, identify new production and monitor market activity.

S&P Global Platts and RigData have been content partners since 2008, with RigData providing essential data to the Platts Bentek product suite.

Imogen Dillon Hatcher, president of S&P Global Platts, said: "RigData's proprietary rig analysis provides essential information to help clients understand near-term activity across the North American energy supply chain. Together with our recent acquisition of Commodity Flow, RigData will help us enhance our analytics offering by providing customers with ever more relevant information about energy and commodity trade flows."

Ed Seifert, president of RigData, said: "We are excited to become part of S&P Global Platts. Together, we see significant opportunities to provide enhanced data and analytical services to our oilfield services customers. S&P Global Platts is committed to investing in its analytical capabilities and we are pleased that RigData is an important component of that strategy."

S&P Global Platts to Launch Fujairah oil products Price Assessments

Independent, outright price assessments to begin on October 3, 2016

Dubai and London - September 20, 2016

Platts, the leading independent provider of information and benchmark prices for the commodities and energy markets, announced that it will publish independent, outright price assessments for a range of oil products for the Middle East market on a Free-On-Board Fujairah basis starting October 3, 2016.

The new assessments are for gasoline, diesel/gasoil, jet fuel and fuel oil. They will be published alongside existing physical netback values for these products which derive their values from the price assessments at the regional trading hub of Singapore after adjusting for shipping costs.

Dave Ernsberger, Global Head of Oil Content, S&P Global Platts said: "As the Middle East continues its diversification into producing and exporting refined oil products, market participants have identified a need for independent oil products price assessments based on the growing regional hub of Fujairah in addition to the existing and widely used Singapore netback prices."

The Middle East has seen substantial growth in refining and storage capacity, growth in physical oil trading and market participation. These factors have contributed to a vibrant and active spot physical market for oil products and a substantial increase in the over the counter trading of oil product derivatives, mainly for hedging purposes.

Platts will publish outright cash assessments, three monthly derivatives and the corresponding strip values for all four oil products. Cargoes loading from the following Gulf ports would be considered for inclusion in the assessments: Jubal, Jebel Ali, Mina Al Ahmadi, Quoin Island, Shuaiba, Ras Tanura, Ruwais, Mina Abdulla, Sohar, Bahrain, Fujairah, Ras Laffan and any safe and sound port within this geographic area. The assessments would be normalized to loadings in Fujairah for all products.

The full proposed methodology is accessible on the Platts website:

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