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This filing relates to the proposed merger between Ensco plc (the *Company*) and Atwood Oceanics, Inc. (*Atwood*) pursuant to the terms of an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 29, 2017 (the *Merger Agreement*), by and among the Company, Atwood and Echo Merger Sub LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The Merger Agreement is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by the Company on May 30, 2017, and is incorporated by reference into this filing.

On August 14, 2017, the Company posted to its website a presentation providing an overview of the rationale for and the benefits of its pending acquisition of Atwood pursuant to the Merger Agreement. The presentation is set forth in the following slides.