

AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC
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**PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT
SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**

Prospectus Supplement

(To Prospectus Dated August 28, 2015)

\$

Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

\$ % Senior Notes due 20

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We are offering \$ of our % Senior Notes due 20 (the 20 Notes) and \$ of our % Senior Notes due 20 (the 20 Notes and, together with the 20 Notes, the Notes.) We will pay interest on the Notes on and of each year, beginning on , 2016. The 20 Notes will mature on , 20 and the 20 Notes will mature on , 20 . At our option, we may redeem the Notes of either or both series offered hereby in whole or in part at any time and from time to time before their respective maturities at the redemption prices described herein under Description of Notes Optional Redemption.

Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event, we will be required to make an offer to repurchase all outstanding Notes of either series at a price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes of such series, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the repurchase date.

The Notes will be our senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness from time to time outstanding.

Investing in the Notes involves risks. See the sections entitled Risk Factors beginning on page S-5 of this prospectus supplement and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2015, which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

	Per 20	Note	Total	Per 20	Note	Total
Public offering price(1)		%	\$		%	\$
Underwriting discount		%	\$		%	\$
Proceeds to the Company (before expenses and commissions)(1)		%	\$		%	\$

(1) Plus accrued interest, if any, from _____, 2015, if settlement occurs after that date.

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 Notes will be ready for delivery in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company for the accounts of its participants, including Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, on or about _____, 2015.

Joint Book-Running Managers

BofA Merrill Lynch

J.P. Morgan

BNP PARIBAS

Citigroup

**Morgan Stanley
, 2015**

Wells Fargo Securities

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We have not authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, 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. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are an offer to sell only the Notes, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or in any free writing prospectus, as well as information previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and incorporated herein by reference, is current only as of the date of such information. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

References in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to the Company, ADP, we, us, and our refer to Automatic Data Processing, Inc. and its subsidiaries, except where the context otherwise requires.

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INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows ADP to incorporate by reference the information it files with the SEC. This permits ADP to disclose important information to you by referencing these filed documents, which are considered part of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Information that ADP files later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information.

We incorporate by reference the documents set forth below that ADP previously filed with the SEC and any future filings made with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until the offering of the Notes has been completed; provided that, unless otherwise stated, we will not incorporate by reference any filing that is furnished or deemed furnished to the SEC.

The following documents filed with the SEC are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement:

Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on October 1, 2014 (but only with respect to Item 5.02), March 2, 2015 and August 5, 2015;

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 filed on August 7, 2015; and

the information specifically incorporated by reference into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 from our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on September 25, 2014.

ADP will provide without charge, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, other than exhibits which are specifically incorporated by reference into those documents. Requests should be directed to Investor Relations, Automatic Data Processing, Inc., One ADP Boulevard, Roseland, New Jersey 07068, telephone number (973) 974-5858. The information found on our website is not a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

maturity and other terms (other than the issue date, the public offering price, the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such additional Notes and the first payment of interest following such issue date) as the Notes of such series offered by this prospectus supplement.

Any such additional Notes will be a part of the applicable series having the same terms as the Notes; provided that, if any additional Notes subsequently issued are not fungible for U.S. federal income tax purposes with any Notes previously issued, such additional Notes shall trade under a separate CUSIP number.

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Sinking Fund

None.

Offer to Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event

Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event, we will be required to make an offer to repurchase all outstanding Notes at a price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes of either series, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the repurchase date. See Description of Notes Change of Control Offer.

Optional Redemption

At our option, we may redeem the Notes of either series in whole or in part at any time and from time to time before their maturity at the redemption prices described herein under Description of Notes Optional Redemption.

Use of Proceeds

We will receive net proceeds from the offering of the Notes of approximately \$ million after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and estimated offering expenses. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering to effect previously announced share repurchases over the next 12 to 24 months, subject to market conditions, and any remainder for general corporate purposes. See Use of Proceeds.

Covenants

We will issue the Notes under an indenture with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as trustee. The indenture includes certain covenants, including limitations on our ability to:

create liens on our assets; and

merge or consolidate with another entity.

These covenants are subject to a number of important exceptions, limitations and qualifications that are described under Description of Notes Limitation on Liens in this prospectus supplement and under Description of Debt Securities Consolidation, Merger or Sale in the accompanying prospectus.

Listing

We do not intend to list the Notes on any national securities exchange. The Notes will be new securities for which there is currently no public market.

Form and Denomination

Each series of the Notes will be represented by one or more global securities registered in the name of the nominee of DTC. Beneficial interests in the global securities will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC and its participants including Clearstream Banking and Euroclear. The Notes will be issued only in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Governing Law

The indenture and the Notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

Trustee

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

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Risk Factors

Investing in the Notes involves risks. See the section entitled "Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2015, which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, for a discussion of factors you should consider carefully before deciding to invest in the Notes.

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SPECIAL NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements that are not historical in nature, and which may be identified by the use of words like expects, assumes, projects, anticipates, estimates, we believe, could and words of similar meaning, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on management's expectations and assumptions and are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed. Forward-looking statements are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements include:

ADP's success in obtaining, and retaining clients, and selling additional services to clients;

the pricing of products and services;

compliance with existing or new legislation or regulations;

changes in, or interpretations of, existing legislation or regulations;

overall market, political and economic conditions, including interest rate and foreign currency trends;

competitive conditions;

our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and profitability;

security or privacy breaches, fraudulent acts, and system interruptions and failures;

employment and wage levels;

changes in technology;

availability of skilled technical associates; and

the impact of new acquisitions and divestitures.

The factors identified above are not exhaustive. ADP disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These risks and uncertainties, along

with the risk factors discussed under Item 1A. Risk Factors in ADP's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K and the risk factors under the caption Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, should be considered in evaluating any forward-looking statements contained herein.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in the Notes involves risks. Before making a decision to invest in the Notes, you should carefully consider the risks described under "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as the risks set forth below. See "Where You Can Find More Information" in the accompanying prospectus.

The indenture governing the Notes does not contain financial covenants or meaningful restrictions on us or our subsidiaries.

Neither we nor any of our subsidiaries are restricted from incurring additional debt or other liabilities under the indenture. We may from time to time incur additional debt and other liabilities. In addition, we are not restricted from paying dividends or making distributions on our capital stock or purchasing or redeeming our capital stock under the indenture.

Active trading markets for the Notes may not develop.

The Notes constitute a new issue of securities, for which there is no existing market. We do not intend to apply for listing of the Notes on any securities exchange. We cannot assure you trading markets for the Notes will develop, or of the ability of holders of the Notes to sell their Notes or of the prices at which holders may be able to sell their Notes. The underwriters have advised us that they currently intend to make a market in each series of the Notes. However, the underwriters are not obligated to do so, and any market-making with respect to the Notes may be discontinued at any time without notice. If no active trading markets develop, you may be unable to resell the Notes at any price or at their fair market value.

If trading markets do develop, changes in our ratings or the financial markets could adversely affect the market prices of the Notes.

The market prices of the Notes will depend on many factors, including, among others, the following:

ratings on our debt securities assigned by rating agencies;

the prevailing interest rates being paid by other companies similar to us;

our results of operations, financial condition and prospects; and

the condition of the financial markets.

The condition of the financial markets and prevailing interest rates have fluctuated in the past and are likely to fluctuate in the future, which could have an adverse effect on the market prices of the Notes. In addition, rating agencies continually review the ratings they have assigned to companies and debt securities, including our company. Negative changes in the ratings assigned to us or our debt securities could have an adverse effect on the market prices of the Notes.

The Notes will be effectively subordinated to the indebtedness and other liabilities of our subsidiaries.

A significant portion of our operations are conducted through our subsidiaries. None of our subsidiaries is a guarantor of the Notes. As a result, our right to receive assets upon the liquidation or recapitalization of any of our subsidiaries, and your consequent right to benefit from our receipt of those assets, will be subject to the claims of such subsidiary's creditors. Accordingly, the Notes are effectively subordinated to all indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables, of our subsidiaries. Even if we were recognized as a creditor of one or more of our subsidiaries, our claims would still be effectively subordinated to any security interests in or other liens on the assets of any such subsidiary and to any indebtedness or other liabilities of any such subsidiary

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senior to our claims. As of June 30, 2015, debt of our subsidiaries, to which the Notes will be structurally subordinated, was approximately \$1.1 million.

In addition, we derive a significant portion of our revenues from our subsidiaries. As a result, our cash flow and our ability to service our debt and other obligations, including the Notes, will depend on the results of operations of our subsidiaries and upon the ability of our subsidiaries to provide us with cash to pay amounts due on our obligations, including the Notes. Our subsidiaries are separate and distinct legal entities and have no obligation to make payments on the Notes or to make funds available to us for that purpose. In addition, dividends, loans or other distributions from our subsidiaries to us are dependent upon results of operations of our subsidiaries, may be subject to contractual and other restrictions, may be subject to tax or other laws limiting our ability to repatriate funds from foreign subsidiaries and may be subject to other business considerations.

The Notes will be unsecured and therefore will be effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness we may incur.

The Notes will not be secured by any of our assets. As a result, the Notes will be effectively subordinated to any secured debt we or our subsidiaries may incur to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt. In any liquidation, dissolution, bankruptcy or other similar proceeding, the holders of any of our secured debt and the secured debt of our subsidiaries may assert rights against the assets pledged to secure that debt in order to receive full payment of their debt before the assets may be used to pay other creditors, including the holders of the Notes. As of June 30, 2015, we had \$6.7 million of secured indebtedness outstanding.

We may not be able to repurchase the Notes upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, we will be required to make an offer to repurchase all outstanding Notes at a price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes of either series, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the repurchase date. We may not be able to repurchase the Notes of either series upon a Change of Control Triggering Event, however, because we may not have sufficient funds to do so. In addition, agreements governing indebtedness we may incur in the future may restrict us from purchasing the Notes of either series in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event. Our failure to repurchase properly tendered Notes of either series would constitute an event of default under the indenture governing the Notes. See Description of Notes Change of Control Offer.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We will receive net proceeds from the offering of the Notes of approximately \$ million after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and estimated offering expenses. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering to effect previously announced share repurchases over the next 12 to 24 months, subject to market conditions, and any remainder for general corporate purposes.

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The following table sets forth a summary of our capitalization on a consolidated basis as of June 30, 2015. We have presented our capitalization on both an actual and an as adjusted basis to reflect the issuance and sale of the Notes offered hereby, but not the application of the net proceeds from the issuance and sale of the Notes. See Use of Proceeds. This table should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

	As of June 30, 2015	
	Actual	As Adjusted for the Offering
	(In millions, except per share amounts)	
Long-term debt:		
Notes offered hereby	\$	\$
Other long-term debt	9.4	9.4
Total long-term debt	9.4	
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value - authorized: 0.3 shares; issued: none		
Common stock, \$0.10 par value - authorized: 1,000 shares; issued: 638.7 shares	63.9	63.9
Capital in excess of par value	663.3	663.3
Retained earnings	13,460.3	13,460.3
Treasury stock at cost (172.3 shares)	(9,118.4)	(9,118.4)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)	(260.6)	(260.6)
Total stockholders' equity	4,808.5	4,808.5
Total capitalization	\$ 4,817.9	\$

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This description of the Notes being offered hereby supplements and, to the extent it is inconsistent, replaces, the description of the general provisions of the debt securities and the indenture in the accompanying prospectus. The Notes will be senior debt issued under an indenture dated as of _____, 2015, between Automatic Data Processing, Inc. and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, as supplemented by the first supplemental indenture to be dated as of _____, 2015 (collectively, the indenture). The 20 _____ Notes and the 20 _____ Notes each are a separate series under the indenture.

The following statements relating to the Notes and the indenture are summaries of certain provisions thereof and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the detailed provisions of the form of each series of Notes, the indenture and any supplemental indenture, officer's certificate or similar document related to such series of Notes. Certain provisions of the indenture are summarized in the accompanying prospectus. We encourage you to read the summaries of the Notes and the indenture in both this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as the form of each series of Notes and the indenture and any supplemental indenture, officer's certificate or similar document related to such series of Notes.

General Terms of Notes

Interest and principal will be payable in U.S. dollars. The Notes will be issued only in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. There will be no sinking fund payments for the Notes. We do not intend to apply for the listing of the Notes on a national securities exchange or for quotation of the Notes on any automated dealer quotation system.

The security registrar and transfer agent for the Notes will be Wells Fargo Bank, National Association until such time as a successor security registrar or transfer agent is appointed.

We may, without the consent of the noteholders of either series of Notes, issue additional Notes of either series having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as such series of Notes offered by this prospectus supplement (except for the issue date, the public offering price, the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such additional Notes and the first payment of interest following such issue date). Any such additional Notes of either series will be a part of the applicable series having the same terms as the Notes, provided that, if any additional Notes subsequently issued are not fungible for U.S. federal income tax purposes with any Notes previously issued, such additional Notes shall trade under a separate CUSIP number.

Interest

The 20 _____ Notes will be initially limited to \$ _____ aggregate principal amount and the 20 _____ Notes will be initially limited to \$ _____ aggregate principal amount. The 20 _____ Notes will bear interest at _____ % per year, and the 20 _____ Notes will bear interest at _____ % per year. Interest will be payable semi-annually in arrears on _____ and of each year, beginning _____, 2016 in the case of each series. Interest on the Notes of each series will accrue from _____, 2015, or from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for. Interest on the Notes will be paid to holders of record on the _____ or _____ immediately preceding the interest payment date in the case of each series. Interest on the Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

If an interest payment date for the Notes of either series falls on a day that is not a business day, the interest payment shall be postponed to the next succeeding business day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after such interest payment date. It will be an event of default under the indenture if we fail to pay interest

when due and such failure continues for 30 days.

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The 20 Notes will mature on , 20 and the 20 Notes will mature on , 20 . If the maturity date for the Notes of either series falls on a day that is not a business day, the principal of and interest on the Notes of such series shall be due on the next succeeding business day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after the maturity date of such series.

Ranking

The Notes will be senior unsecured obligations of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. and will rank equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness from time to time outstanding. However, the Notes will be structurally subordinated to any indebtedness of our subsidiaries and will be effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. As of June 30, 2015, we had \$5.3 million of outstanding senior indebtedness, not including the debt of our subsidiaries, and \$6.7 million of secured indebtedness. As of June 30, 2015, debt of our subsidiaries, to which the Notes will be structurally subordinated, was approximately \$1.1 million.

Optional Redemption

Each series of Notes will be redeemable, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, at our option.

20 Notes

If the 20 Notes are redeemed prior to , 20 (the date that is months prior to the stated maturity date for the 20 Notes), the redemption price for the 20 Notes to be redeemed will equal the greater of the following amounts, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to but excluding the redemption date:

100% of the principal amount of the 20 Notes to be redeemed; or

the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the 20 Notes to be redeemed (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the date of redemption on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the then current Treasury Rate plus basis points.

If the 20 Notes are redeemed on or after , 20 (the date that is months prior to the stated maturity date for the 20 Notes), the redemption price for the 20 Notes to be redeemed will equal 100% of the principal amount of such Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to but excluding the redemption date.

20 Notes

If the 20 Notes are redeemed prior to , 20 (the date that is months prior to the stated maturity date for the 20 Notes), the redemption price for the 20 Notes to be redeemed will equal the greater of the following amounts, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to but excluding the redemption date:

100% of the principal amount of the 20 Notes to be redeemed; or

the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the 20 Notes to be redeemed (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the date of redemption on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the then current Treasury Rate plus basis points.

If the 20 Notes are redeemed on or after , 20 (the date that is months prior to the stated maturity date for the 20 Notes), the redemption price for the 20 Notes to be redeemed will equal 100% of the principal amount of such Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to but excluding the redemption date.

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Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable to the remaining term of the series of Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such Notes.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations.

Independent Investment Banker means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers appointed by the Company.

Reference Treasury Dealer means (i) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and its successors and (ii) Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and its successors, or one or more Reference Treasury Dealers as we may specify from time to time; provided, however, that if any of them ceases to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer for the City of New York (each a **Primary Treasury Dealer**), we will substitute another Primary Treasury Dealer.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per year equal to:

- (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated H.15(519) or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue; provided that, if no maturity is within three months before or after the remaining life of the series of debt securities to be redeemed, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from those yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month; or
- (ii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per year equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

The Treasury Rate will be calculated on the third business day preceding the redemption date. As used in the immediately preceding sentence and in the definition of **Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations** above, the term **business day** means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of record of the Notes to be redeemed at its registered address. The notice of redemption for the Notes will state, among other things, the series and the amount of Notes to be redeemed, the redemption date, the CUSIP and ISIN number(s), the manner in which the applicable redemption price will be calculated and the place

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or places where payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of Notes to be redeemed. If less than all of the Notes of a series are to be redeemed at our option, the trustee will select, in accordance with the procedures of DTC, the Notes of such series, or portions of the Notes of such series, to be redeemed. Unless we default in the payment of the redemption price, interest will cease to accrue on any Notes that have been called for redemption at the redemption date.

ADP will not be required (i) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange any Notes of the applicable series during the period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the mailing of a notice of redemption of Notes of such series selected for redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (ii) to register the transfer of or exchange any Notes so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any such Notes being redeemed in part.

Limitation on Liens

Neither we nor any of our domestic wholly owned subsidiaries will create or incur any mortgage, pledge, security interest or lien (each, a *Lien*) on any Principal Property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in order to secure any Indebtedness, without effectively providing that the Notes shall be secured by a lien ranking equal to and ratably with (or, at our option, senior to) such secured Indebtedness until such time as such Indebtedness is no longer secured by such Lien, except:

Liens existing on the closing date of the offering of the Notes;

Liens created or incurred after the closing date of the offering of the Notes created in favor of the holders of the Notes;

Liens in favor of us or one of our subsidiaries;

(a) Liens given to secure (or to secure Indebtedness incurred or guaranteed by us or any of our subsidiaries for the purpose of financing) the payment of all or any portion of the purchase price for the acquisition (including acquisition through merger or consolidation or the acquisition of a Person directly or indirectly owning such property) of any replacement for the Principal Property, including capital lease or purchase money transactions in connection with any such acquisition, or all or any portion of the cost of refurbishment, improvement, expansion, renovation, development or construction of any Principal Property; *provided* that with respect to this clause (a), the Liens shall be given prior to, at the time of or within 12 months after such acquisition, or completion of such refurbishment, improvement, expansion, renovation, development or construction, or the full operation of such Principal Property, whichever is latest, and shall attach solely to such Principal Property (including any refurbishments, improvements, expansions, renovations, development or construction thereof or then or thereafter placed thereon) and any proceeds thereof; and (b) Liens existing on all or any portion of any replacement for the Principal Property at the time of acquisition thereof (including acquisition through merger or consolidation or the acquisition of a Person then directly or indirectly owning such property) whether or not such existing Liens were given to secure (or to secure Indebtedness incurred or guaranteed by us or any of our subsidiaries for the purpose of financing) the payment of the purchase price of such property;

Liens on any Principal Property in favor of the United States of America or any state thereof, or in favor of any other country, or any political subdivision, department, agency or instrumentality thereof to secure progress or other payments pursuant to any contract or statute or to secure Indebtedness incurred or guaranteed for the purpose of financing all or any portion of the cost of acquiring, refurbishing, improving, expanding, renovating, developing or constructing such Principal Property, including Liens incurred in connection with pollution control, industrial revenue or similar financing;

certain statutory or legislative Liens or other similar Liens (including pledges, deposits, carriers , warehousemen s, mechanics , materialmen s, repairmen s and other like Liens imposed by law) arising in the ordinary course of our or any subsidiary s business, or certain Liens arising out of government contracts;

Liens in connection with legal proceedings, including certain Liens arising out of judgments or awards;

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Liens for certain taxes or assessments, landlord's Liens and Liens and charges incidental to the conduct of the business or the ownership of our assets or those of any of our subsidiaries;

Liens incurred in connection with an acquisition of assets or a project financed on a non-recourse basis;

deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature, in each case in the ordinary course of business;

easements, zoning restrictions, rights-of-way and similar encumbrances on real property imposed by law or arising in the ordinary course of business that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or interfere with the ordinary conduct of our business;

Liens existing on any property or asset prior to the acquisition thereof by us or any of our subsidiaries or existing on any property or asset of any Person that becomes a subsidiary after the closing date of the offering of the Notes prior to the time such Person becomes a subsidiary; provided that (i) such Lien is not created in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition or such Person becoming a subsidiary, as the case may be, (ii) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or assets of us or any of our subsidiaries and (iii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date of such acquisition or the date such Person becomes a subsidiary, as the case may be, and extensions, renewals and replacements thereof that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof; and

Liens which are incurred to extend, renew, substitute, refinance, refund or replace (and successive extensions, renewals, substitutions, refinancings, refundings or replacements) any Lien, or any Indebtedness which is secured by any Lien (including any premium required to be paid and costs and expenses incurred in connection with such extensions, renewals, substitutions, refinancings, refundings or replacements), permitted to be created or incurred under the Indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, we or any of our subsidiaries may, without equally and ratably securing the Notes, create or incur Liens which would otherwise be subject to the restrictions set forth in the preceding paragraph, if after giving effect thereto, Aggregate Debt does not exceed 20% of our Consolidated Net Worth on a consolidated basis calculated as of the date of the creation or incurrence of the Lien.

Certain Definitions

As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings set forth below.

Aggregate Debt means, as of the date of determination, the aggregate principal amount of our and our domestic wholly owned subsidiaries' Indebtedness incurred after the closing date of the offering of the Notes and secured by Liens not permitted by the first paragraph under *Limitation on Liens* above.

Consolidated Net Worth means, as of any date of determination, shareholders' equity as reflected on our most recent consolidated balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP.

GAAP means accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which are in effect as of the date of application thereof.

Indebtedness of any specified Person means any indebtedness in respect of borrowed money.

Person means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, limited liability company, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

Principal Property means our (1) principal offices in Roseland, New Jersey, or any replacement thereof and (2) each of our domestic processing/print center buildings, other operational offices and sales offices unless,

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with respect to clause (2), our board of directors (which term, as defined in the indenture, includes committees thereof) has determined in good faith that such center or office is not of material importance to the total business conducted by us and our wholly owned subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

Change of Control Offer

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless we have exercised our option to redeem the Notes of either series by notifying the noteholders to that effect as described above, we will be required to make an offer (a Change of Control Offer) to each holder of Notes of either series to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000) of that holder's Notes of such series. In a Change of Control Offer, we will be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes of such series repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes of such series repurchased to, but excluding the date of repurchase (a Change of Control Payment). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at our option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control, a notice will be mailed to holders of the Notes of either series, describing the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase the Notes of either series on the date specified in the notice, which date will be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date that notice is mailed, other than as may be required by law (a Change of Control Payment Date). The notice will, if mailed prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the Change of Control Offer is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the applicable Change of Control Payment Date.

On each Change of Control Payment Date, we will, to the extent lawful:

accept for payment all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;

deposit with the paying agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered; and

deliver or cause to be delivered to the trustee the Notes properly accepted together with an officer's certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes being repurchased and that all conditions precedent provided for in the indenture to the Change of Control Offer and to the repurchase by us of Notes pursuant to the Change of Control Offer have been complied with.

We will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by us and the third party repurchases all Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer.

To the extent that we are required to offer to repurchase the Notes upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event, we may not have sufficient funds to repurchase the Notes in cash at such time. In addition, our ability to repurchase the Notes for cash may be limited by law or the terms of other agreements relating to our indebtedness outstanding at the time. The failure to make such repurchase would result in a default under the Notes.

We will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes, we will comply with those securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached our obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes by virtue of any such conflict.

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For purposes of the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes, the following terms will be applicable:

Change of Control means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any person, other than our company or one of our subsidiaries; (2) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any person becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of our outstanding Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which our Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (3) we consolidate with, or merge with or into, any person, or any person consolidates with, or merges with or into, us, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of our outstanding Voting Stock or the Voting Stock of such other person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the shares of our Voting Stock outstanding immediately prior to such transaction constitute, or are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the Voting Stock of the surviving person or any direct or indirect parent company of the surviving person immediately after giving effect to such transaction; (4) the first day on which a majority of the members of our board of directors are not Continuing Directors; or (5) the adoption of a plan relating to our liquidation or dissolution. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction will not be deemed to involve a Change of Control under clause (2) above if (i) we become a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company and (ii)(A) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of our Voting Stock immediately prior to that transaction or (B) the shares of our Voting Stock outstanding immediately prior to such transaction are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately after giving effect to such transaction. The term **person**, as used in this definition, has the meaning given thereto in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act.

The definition of **change of control** includes a phrase relating to the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of **all or substantially all** of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries, taken as a whole. Although there is a limited body of case law interpreting the phrase **substantially all**, there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of Notes to require us to repurchase its Notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to another person or group may be uncertain.

Change of Control Triggering Event means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

Continuing Directors means, as of any date of determination, any member of our board of directors who (1) was a member of our board of directors on the date the Notes were originally issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to our board of directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of our board of directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by specific action of the board of directors or by approval by such directors of our proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director).

Investment Grade Rating means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any replacement rating agency or rating agencies selected by us.

Moody's means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

Rating Agencies means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if either of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the applicable Notes or fails to make a rating of the applicable Notes publicly available for reasons beyond our control, a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act selected by us (as certified by a resolution of our Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or both of them, as the case may be.

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Rating Event means the rating on the Notes is lowered by the two Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by the two Rating Agencies, in any case on any day during the period (which period will be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by either of the Rating Agencies) commencing 60 days prior to the earlier of (i) the first public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or (ii) the first public notice of our intention to effect a Change of Control and ending 60 days following consummation of such Change of Control.

S&P means Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and its successors.

Voting Stock means, with respect to any specified person (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of that person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of that person.

Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures

Investors in the global securities representing the Notes (the **Global Notes**) may hold a beneficial interest in such Global Notes through The Depository Trust Company (**DTC**), Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (**Clearstream**) or the Euroclear System (**Euroclear**) or through participants. The Notes may be traded as home market instruments in both the European and U.S. domestic markets. Initial settlement and all secondary trades will settle as set forth below.

Clearstream has advised that it is incorporated under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations (**Clearstream Participants**). Clearstream facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream Participants, eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to Clearstream Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector (CSSF). Clearstream Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Distributions, to the extent received by the U.S. Depository (as defined below) for Clearstream, with respect to the Notes held beneficially through Clearstream will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream Participants in accordance with its rules and procedures.

Euroclear has advised that it was created in 1968 to hold securities for its participants (**Euroclear Participants**) and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and eliminating any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear provides various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the **Euroclear Operator**), under contract with Euroclear Clearance Systems S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the **Cooperative**). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a

custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

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The Euroclear Operator has advised us that it is licensed by the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission to carry out banking activities on a global basis. As a Belgian bank, it is regulated and examined by the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System, and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the Terms and Conditions). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawals of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions only on behalf of Euroclear Participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

Distributions, to the extent received by the U.S. Depository for Euroclear, with respect to Notes held beneficially through Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Euroclear Participants in accordance with the Terms and Conditions.

Individual certificates in respect of Notes will not be issued in exchange for the Global Notes, except in very limited circumstances, including under the following circumstances. If DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as a clearing system in connection with a Global Note or DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and in each case we do not appoint a successor clearing system within 90 days after receiving such notice from Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC or on becoming aware that DTC is no longer so registered, we will issue or cause to be issued individual certificates in registered form on registration of transfer of or in exchange for book-entry interests in the Notes represented by such Global Note upon delivery of such Global Note for cancellation.

Title to book-entry interests in the Notes will pass by book-entry registration of the transfer within the records of Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC, as the case may be, in accordance with their respective procedures. Book-entry interests in the Notes may be transferred within Euroclear and within Clearstream and between Euroclear and Clearstream in accordance with procedures established for these purposes by Euroclear and Clearstream. Book-entry interests in the Notes may be transferred within DTC in accordance with procedures established for this purpose by DTC. Transfers of book-entry interests in the Notes between Euroclear and Clearstream and DTC may be effected in accordance with procedures established for this purpose by Euroclear, Clearstream and DTC.

Initial Settlement

All Global Notes will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of DTC. Investors' interests in the Global Notes will be represented through financial institutions acting on their behalf as direct and indirect participants in DTC. As a result, Clearstream and Euroclear will hold positions on behalf of their participants through their respective U.S. depositories (each, a U.S. Depository), which in turn will hold such positions in accounts as participants of DTC.

Notes held through DTC will be settled in immediately available funds. Investor securities custody accounts will be credited with their holdings against payment on the settlement date. Notes held through Clearstream or Euroclear accounts will follow the settlement procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds, except that there will be no temporary global security and no lock-up or restricted period. Notes will be credited to the securities custody accounts on the settlement date against payment.

Secondary Market Trading

Since the purchaser determines the place of delivery, it is important to establish at the time of the trade where both the purchaser's and seller's accounts are located to ensure that settlement can be made on the desired value date.

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Trading between DTC Participants. Secondary market trading between DTC participants will be settled in immediately available funds.

Trading between Clearstream and/or Euroclear Participants. Secondary market trading between Clearstream participants and/or Euroclear participants will be settled using the procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds.

Trading between DTC Seller and Clearstream or Euroclear Purchaser. When beneficial interests in the Global Notes are to be transferred from the account of a DTC participant to the account of a Clearstream participant or a Euroclear participant, the purchaser will send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one business day prior to settlement. Clearstream or Euroclear will instruct the U.S. Depository to receive a beneficial interest in the Global Notes against payment. Unless otherwise set forth in this prospectus supplement, payment will include interest accrued on the beneficial interest in the Global Notes of a series so transferred from and including the last interest payment date to and excluding the settlement date, on the basis on which interest is calculated on the Notes of such series. For transactions settling on the 31st of the month, payment will include interest accrued to and excluding the first day of the following month. Payment will then be made by the U.S. Depository to the DTC participant's account against delivery of the beneficial interest in the Global Notes. After settlement has been completed, the beneficial interest in the Global Notes will be credited to the respective clearing system and by the clearing system, in accordance with its usual procedures, to the Clearstream or Euroclear participant's account. The securities credit will appear the next day (European time) and the cash debit will be back-valued to, and interest on the beneficial interest in the Global Notes will accrue from, the value date (which would be the preceding day when settlement occurred in New York). If settlement is not completed on the intended value date (that is, the trade fails), the Clearstream or Euroclear cash debit will be valued instead as of the actual settlement date.

Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants will need to make available to the respective clearing systems the funds necessary to process same-day funds settlement. The most direct means of doing so is to preposition funds for settlement, either from cash on hand or existing lines of credit, as they would for any settlement occurring within Clearstream or Euroclear. Under this approach, they may take on credit exposure to Clearstream or Euroclear until the beneficial interests in the Global Notes are credited to their accounts one day later.

As an alternative, if Clearstream or Euroclear has extended a line of credit to them, participants can elect not to preposition funds and allow that credit line to be drawn upon to finance settlement. Under this procedure, Clearstream participants or Euroclear participants purchasing a beneficial interest in the Global Notes would incur overdraft charges for one day, assuming they cleared the overdraft when the beneficial interests in the Global Notes were credited to their accounts. However, interest on the beneficial interests in the Global Notes would accrue from the value date. Therefore, in many cases the investment income on the Global Notes earned during that one-day period may substantially reduce or offset the amount of such overdraft charges, although this result will depend on each participant's particular cost of funds.

Since the settlement is taking place during New York business hours, DTC participants can employ their usual procedures for sending a beneficial interest in the Global Notes to the U.S. Depository for the benefit of Clearstream participants or Euroclear participants. The sale proceeds will be available to the DTC seller on the settlement date. Thus, to the DTC participant a cross-market transaction will settle no differently than a trade between two DTC participants.

Trading between Clearstream or Euroclear Seller and DTC Purchaser. Due to time zone differences in their favor, Clearstream and Euroclear participants may employ their customary procedures in transactions in which a beneficial interest in the Global Notes is to be transferred by the respective clearing system, through the U.S. Depository, to a DTC participant. The seller will send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one

business day prior to settlement. In these cases, Clearstream or Euroclear will instruct the

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U.S. Depository to deliver the beneficial interest in the Global Notes to the DTC participant's account against payment. Payment will include interest accrued on the beneficial interest in the Global Notes from and including the last coupon payment date to and excluding the settlement date on the basis on which interest is calculated on the Global Notes. For transactions settling on the 31st of the month, payment will include interest accrued to and excluding the first day of the following month. The payment will then be reflected in the account of the Clearstream or Euroclear participant the following day, and receipt of the cash proceeds in the Clearstream or Euroclear participant's account would be back-valued to the value date (which would be the preceding day, when settlement occurred in New York). Should the Clearstream or Euroclear participant have a line of credit with its respective clearing system and elect to be in debit in anticipation of receipt of the sale proceeds in its account, the back-valuation will extinguish any overdraft charges incurred over that one-day period. If settlement is not completed on the intended value date (that is, the trade fails), receipt of the cash proceeds in the Clearstream or Euroclear participant's account would instead be valued as of the actual settlement date.

Finally, day traders that use Clearstream or Euroclear and that purchase beneficial interests in the Global Notes from DTC participants for credit to Clearstream participants or Euroclear participants should note that these trades would automatically fail on the sale side unless affirmative action is taken. At least three techniques should be readily available to eliminate this potential problem:

1. borrowing through Clearstream or Euroclear for one day (until the purchase side of the day trade is reflected in their Clearstream or Euroclear accounts) in accordance with the clearing system's customary procedures;
2. borrowing beneficial interests in the Global Notes in the United States from a DTC participant no later than one day prior to settlement, which would give beneficial interests in the Global Notes sufficient time to be reflected in the appropriate Clearstream or Euroclear account in order to settle the sale side of the trade; or
3. staggering the value dates for the buy and sell sides of the trade so that the value date for the purchase from the DTC participant is at least one day prior to the value date for the sale to the Clearstream participant or Euroclear participant.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes among participants of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures and such procedures may be discontinued at any time.

Applicable Law

The Notes and the indenture will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Additional Terms

For additional important information about the Notes, see "Description of Debt Securities" in the accompanying prospectus. That information includes:

additional information on the terms of the Notes;

general information on the indenture and the trustee; and

a description of events of default under the indenture.

To the extent any information about the Notes varies between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information contained in this prospectus supplement.

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MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following are the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning and disposing of Notes purchased in this offering at the issue price, which we assume will be the price indicated on the cover of this prospectus supplement, and held as capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

This discussion does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to you in light of your particular circumstances, including alternative minimum tax and Medicare contribution tax consequences, as well as differing tax consequences that may apply if you are, for instance:

a financial institution;

an insurance company;

a real estate investment trust;

a regulated investment company;

a dealer or trader in securities that uses a mark-to-market method of accounting;

holding Notes as part of a straddle or integrated transaction;

a U.S. Holder (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;

a tax-exempt entity; or

a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If you are a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of your partners will generally depend on the status of the partners and your activities.

This summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof, administrative pronouncements, judicial decisions and final, temporary and proposed Treasury Regulations, changes to any of which subsequent to the date of this prospectus supplement may affect the tax consequences described herein, possibly on a retroactive basis. This summary does not address any aspect of state, local or non-U.S. taxation, or any taxes other than income taxes. You should consult your tax adviser with regard to the application of the U.S. federal tax laws to your particular situation, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdiction.

Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders

This section applies to you if you are a U.S. Holder. You are a U.S. Holder for U.S. federal income tax purposes if you are a beneficial owner of a Note and are:

a citizen or individual resident of the United States;

a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state therein or the District of Columbia; or

an estate or trust the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source.

Certain Additional Payments

There are circumstances in which we might be required to make payments on a Note that would increase the yield of the Note, as described under *Description of Notes* *Change of Control Offer*. We intend to take the position that the possibility that any such payments will be made does not cause the Notes to be treated as contingent payment debt instruments under the applicable Treasury Regulations. Our position is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). If the IRS takes a contrary position, you may be required to accrue interest

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income based upon a comparable yield (as defined in the Treasury Regulations) determined at the time of issuance of the Notes (which is not expected to differ significantly from the actual yield on the Notes), with adjustments to such accruals when any contingent payments are made that differ from the payments based on the comparable yield. In addition, any income on the sale, exchange, retirement or other taxable disposition of the Notes would be treated as interest income rather than as capital gain. You should consult your tax adviser regarding the tax consequences if the Notes were treated as contingent payment debt instruments. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the Notes are not treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

Payments of Interest

Stated interest on a Note will be taxable to you as ordinary interest income at the time it accrues or is received, in accordance with your method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. It is expected, and this discussion assumes, that the Notes will be issued without original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If, however, a Note's principal amount exceeds its issue price by an amount that does not satisfy a *de minimis* test, you will be required to include the excess in income as original issue discount, as it accrues, in accordance with a constant-yield method based on a compounding of interest before the receipt of cash payments attributable to this income.

Sale or Other Taxable Disposition of the Notes

Upon the sale or other taxable disposition of a Note, you will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale or other taxable disposition and your adjusted tax basis in the Note. Your adjusted tax basis in a Note will equal the cost of your Note. For these purposes, the amount realized does not include any amount attributable to accrued interest, which is treated as described under *Payments of Interest* above.

Gain or loss realized on the sale or other taxable disposition of a Note will generally be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if at the time of the sale or other taxable disposition the Note has been held for more than one year. Long-term capital gains recognized by non-corporate taxpayers are subject to reduced tax rates. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

This section applies to you if you are a Non-U.S. Holder. You are a Non-U.S. Holder for U.S. federal income tax purposes if you are a beneficial owner of a Note that is:

a nonresident alien individual;

a foreign corporation; or

a foreign estate or trust.

You are not a Non-U.S. Holder if you are a nonresident alien individual present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of disposition of a Note, or if you are a former citizen or former resident of the United States, in either of which cases you should consult your tax adviser regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning or disposing of a Note.

Payments on the Notes

Subject to the discussion below under Backup Withholding and Information Reporting and FATCA Legislation, payments of principal and interest on the Notes by the Company or any paying agent to you will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax, provided that, in the case of interest,

you do not own, actually or constructively, ten percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company entitled to vote;

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you are not a controlled foreign corporation related, directly or indirectly, to the Company through stock ownership;

you certify on a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, under penalties of perjury, that you are not a United States person; and

the interest is not effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business in the United States as described below.

If you cannot satisfy one of the first three requirements described above and interest on the Notes is not exempt from withholding because it is effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business in the United States as described below, payments of interest on the Notes will be subject to withholding tax at a rate of 30%, or the rate specified by an applicable treaty.

Sale or Other Taxable Disposition of the Notes

Subject to the discussion below under Backup Withholding and Information Reporting and FATCA Legislation, you generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax on gain realized on a sale or other taxable disposition of Notes, unless the gain is effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business in the United States as described below, although any amounts attributable to accrued interest will be treated as described above under Payments on the Notes.

Effectively Connected Income

If interest or gain on a Note is effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business in the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment or fixed base maintained by you), you will generally be taxed on such interest or gain in the same manner as a U.S. Holder (see Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders above). In this case, you will be exempt from the withholding tax on interest discussed above, although you will be required to provide a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI in order to claim an exemption from withholding. You should consult your tax adviser with respect to other U.S. tax consequences of the ownership and taxable disposition of Notes, including the possible imposition of a branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (or a lower treaty rate) if you are a corporation.

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

If you are a U.S. Holder, information returns are required to be filed with the IRS in connection with payments on the Notes and proceeds received from a sale or other taxable disposition of the Notes unless you are an exempt recipient. You may also be subject to backup withholding on these payments in respect of your Notes unless you provide your taxpayer identification number and otherwise comply with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules or you provide proof of an applicable exemption.

If you are a Non-U.S. Holder, information returns are required to be filed with the IRS in connection with payments of interest on the Notes. Unless you comply with certification procedures to establish that you are not a United States person, information returns may also be filed with the IRS in connection with the proceeds from a sale or other taxable disposition of a Note. You may be subject to backup withholding on payments on the Notes or on the proceeds from a sale or other taxable disposition of the Notes unless you comply with certification procedures to establish that you are not a United States person or otherwise establish an exemption. The certification procedures required to claim the

exemption from withholding tax on interest described above will satisfy the certification requirements necessary to avoid backup withholding as well.

Amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules are not additional taxes and may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

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FATCA Legislation

Legislation commonly referred to as FATCA imposes a withholding tax of 30% on payments of interest on the Notes and (for dispositions after December 31, 2016) on proceeds of sales or other taxable dispositions of the Notes paid to foreign financial institutions (which is broadly defined for this purpose and in general includes investment vehicles) and certain other non-U.S. entities unless various U.S. information reporting and due diligence requirements (generally relating to ownership by U.S. persons of interests in or accounts with those entities) have been satisfied, or an exemption applies. Foreign financial institutions located in jurisdictions that have an intergovernmental agreement with the United States with respect to FATCA may be subject to different rules. If FATCA withholding is imposed, a beneficial owner that is not a foreign financial institution generally will be entitled to a refund of any amounts withheld by filing a U.S. federal income tax return (which may entail significant administrative burden). Prospective investors should consult their tax advisers regarding the effects of FATCA on their investment in the Notes.

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J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated are acting as representatives of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus supplement, each underwriter named below has severally agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to that underwriter, the principal amount of the Notes set forth opposite the underwriter's name.

<u>Underwriter</u>	Principal Amount of 20 Notes	Principal Amount of 20 Notes
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$	\$
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated		
BNP Paribas Securities Corp.		
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.		
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC		
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC		
Total	\$	\$

The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the Notes included in this offering are subject to approval of legal matters by counsel and to other conditions.

Notes sold by the underwriters to the public will initially be offered at the initial public offering price set forth on the cover of this prospectus supplement. Any Notes sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at a discount from the initial public offering price not to exceed \$ per 20 Note and not to exceed \$ per 20 Note. Any such securities dealers may resell any Notes purchased from the underwriters to certain other brokers or dealers at a discount from the initial public offering price not to exceed \$ per 20 Note and not to exceed \$ per 20 Note. If all the Notes are not sold at the initial offering price, the underwriters may change the offering price and the other selling terms.

The following table shows the underwriting discounts that we are to pay to the underwriters in connection with this offering (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the Notes).

	Paid by the Company
Per 20 Note	%
Per 20 Note	%

We estimate that our total expenses for this offering will be approximately \$.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell the Notes in the open market. Purchases and sales in the open market may include short sales, purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases.

Short sales involve secondary market sales by the underwriters of a greater number of the Notes than they are required to purchase in this offering.

Covering transactions involve purchases of the Notes in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover short positions.

Stabilizing transactions involve bids to purchase the Notes so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum.

Purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases, as well as other purchases by the underwriters for their own accounts, may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Notes.

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They may also cause the price of the Notes to be higher than the price that would otherwise exist in the open market in the absence of these transactions. The underwriters may conduct these transactions in the over-the-counter market or otherwise. If the underwriters commence any of these transactions, they may discontinue them at any time.

We expect to deliver the Notes against payment for the Notes on or about the date specified in the last paragraph of the cover page of this prospectus supplement, which will be the fifth business day following the date of the pricing of the Notes. Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to a trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade Notes on the date of pricing or the next succeeding business day will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Notes initially will settle in T+5, to specify alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.

Conflicts of Interest

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have in the past performed commercial banking, investment banking and advisory services for us from time to time for which they have received customary fees and reimbursement of expenses and may, from time to time, engage in transactions with and perform services for us in the ordinary course of their business for which they may receive customary fees and reimbursement of expenses. In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (which may include bank loans and/or credit default swaps) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve our securities and instruments. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or financial instruments and may hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in such securities and instruments. In addition, affiliates of some of the underwriters are lenders, and in some cases agents or managers for the lenders, under ADP's credit facilities. In connection with the issuance of the Notes, we may enter into interest rate swap agreements with financial institutions, which may include one or more of the underwriters or their affiliates. In addition, certain of the underwriters and their affiliates are customers of ADP.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

Notice to Prospective Investors in Canada

The Notes may be sold only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are accredited investors, as defined in National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions* or subsection 73.3(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario), and are permitted clients, as defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations*. Any resale of the Notes must be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this prospectus (including any amendment thereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit

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prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory for particulars of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 *Underwriting Conflicts* (NI 33-105), the underwriters are not required to comply with the disclosure requirements of NI 33-105 regarding underwriter conflicts of interest in connection with this offering.

Notice to Prospective Investors in the European Economic Area

In relation to each member state of the European Economic Area, no offer of notes which are the subject of the offering has been, or will be made to the public in that Member State, other than under the following exemptions under the Prospectus Directive:

to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;

to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offer; or

in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of Notes referred to in the three bullets above shall result in a requirement for us or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

This prospectus has been prepared on the basis that any offer of Notes in any Member State will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of notes. Accordingly any person making or intending to make an offer in that Relevant Member State of Notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated in this prospectus may only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for us or any of the underwriters to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive in relation to such offer. Neither we nor the underwriters have authorized, nor do we or they authorize, the making of any offer of Notes in circumstances in which an obligation arises for us or the underwriters to publish a prospectus for such offer.

For the purpose of this provision, the expression an offer of notes to the public in relation to any Notes in any Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State and the expression Prospectus Directive means Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended) and includes any relevant implementing measure in each Member State.

The above selling restriction is in addition to any other selling restriction set out below.

Notice to Prospective Investors in the United Kingdom

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are only being distributed to, and is only directed at, persons in the United Kingdom that are qualified investors within the meaning of Article 2(1)(e) of the Prospectus Directive that are also (i) investment professionals falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (the Order) or (ii) high net worth entities, and other persons to whom it may lawfully be communicated, falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order (each such person being referred to as a relevant person). This prospectus supplement and its contents are confidential and should not be distributed, published or reproduced (in whole or in part) or disclosed by

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recipients to any other persons in the United Kingdom. Any person in the United Kingdom that is not a relevant person should not act or rely on this document or any of its contents.

Notice to Prospective Investors in France

Neither this prospectus supplement nor any other offering material relating to the Notes described in this prospectus supplement has been submitted to the clearance procedures of the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers* or of the competent authority of another member state of the European Economic Area and notified to the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers*. The Notes have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, to the public in France. Neither this prospectus supplement nor any other offering material relating to the Notes has been or will be:

released, issued, distributed or caused to be released, issued or distributed to the public in France; or

used in connection with any offer for subscription or sale of the Notes to the public in France.

Such offers, sales and distributions will be made in France only:

to qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) and/or to a restricted circle of investors (*cercle restreint d'investisseurs*), in each case investing for their own account, all as defined in, and in accordance with, articles L.411-2, D.411-1, D.411-2, D.734-1, D.744-1, D.754-1 and D.764-1 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*;

to investment services providers authorized to engage in portfolio management on behalf of third parties; or

in a transaction that, in accordance with article L.411-2-II-1^o-or-2^o-or 3^o of the French *Code monétaire et financier* and article 211-2 of the General Regulations (*Règlement Général*) of the *Autorité des Marchés Financiers*, does not constitute a public offer (*appel public à l'épargne*).

The Notes may be resold directly or indirectly, only in compliance with articles L.411-1, L.411-2, L.412-1 and L.621-8 through L.621-8-3 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*.

Notice to Prospective Investors in Hong Kong

The Notes may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong by means of any document other than (i) in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32, Laws of Hong Kong), or (ii) to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder, or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a prospectus within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32, Laws of Hong Kong) and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Notes may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to Notes which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong)

and any rules made thereunder.

Notice to Prospective Investors in Japan

The Notes offered in this prospectus supplement have not been registered under the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan. The Notes have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to or for the account of any resident of Japan, except (i) pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities and Exchange Law and (ii) in compliance with any other applicable requirements of Japanese law.

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Notice to Prospective Investors in Singapore

This prospectus supplement has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus supplement and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Notes may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Notes be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the SFA), (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 275(1), or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA, in each case subject to compliance with conditions set forth in the SFA.

Where the Notes are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or

a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor, shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Notes pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except

to an institutional investor (for corporations, under Section 274 of the SFA) or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA, or to any person pursuant to an offer that is made on terms that such shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or such rights and interest in that trust are acquired at a consideration of not less than S\$200,000 (or its equivalent in a foreign currency) for each transaction, whether such amount is to be paid for in cash or by exchange of securities or other assets, and further for corporations, in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA;

where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer; or

where the transfer is by operation of law.

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LEGAL MATTERS

Certain matters pertaining to the notes will be passed upon for ADP by Michael A. Bonarti, Esq., Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of ADP. The validity of the Notes and certain matters pertaining to the Notes will be passed upon for ADP by Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York, New York, and for the underwriters by Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, New York, New York.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) and the related consolidated financial statement schedule, incorporated in this prospectus supplement by reference from the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2015 have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statement schedule have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

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PROSPECTUS

Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

Debt Securities

We may offer debt securities from time to time. Specific terms of these securities will be provided in supplements to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any supplement carefully before you invest.

Investing in these securities involves certain risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 4 of our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2015, which is incorporated by reference herein, as well as in any other recently filed quarterly or current reports. The prospectus supplement applicable to each series of securities we offer may contain a discussion of additional risks applicable to an investment in us and the securities we are offering under that prospectus supplement.

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

This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

The date of this prospectus is August 28, 2015

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We have not authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement 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 making an offer of these securities in any state or other jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or in any free writing prospectus is accurate as of any date other than their respective dates. The terms ADP, we, us, and our refer to Automatic Data Processing Inc. and its subsidiaries.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the SEC utilizing a shelf registration process. Under this shelf process, we may sell the debt securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities pursuant to the registration statement, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading **Where You Can Find More Information**.

We have filed or incorporated by reference exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. You should read the exhibits carefully for provisions that may be important to you.

AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING, INC.

Automatic Data Processing, Inc. is a pioneer in business process outsourcing. We are one of the world's leading providers of human capital management solutions to employers, offering solutions to businesses of all sizes, whether they have simple or complex needs. We serve more than 630,000 clients in more than 100 countries. ADP employed approximately 55,000 persons as of June 30, 2015.

Our principal executive offices are located at One ADP Boulevard, Roseland, New Jersey 07068, and our telephone number is (973) 974-5000. We maintain a website at www.adp.com where general information about us is available. We are not incorporating the contents of the website into this prospectus.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document that we file at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the SEC maintains an Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>, from which interested persons can electronically access our SEC filings, including the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part and the exhibits and schedules thereto.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference into this prospectus the documents listed below, which are all filings we have made pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), as of the date of the filing of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part:

Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on October 1, 2014 (but only with respect to Item 5.02), March 2, 2015 and August 5, 2015;

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 filed on August 7, 2015; and

the information specifically incorporated by reference into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 from our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on September 25, 2014.

With respect to each offering of securities under this prospectus, we also incorporate by reference all documents subsequently filed with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act prior to the termination of that offering under this prospectus.

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ADP will provide without charge, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus, other than exhibits which are specifically incorporated by reference into those documents. Requests should be directed to Investor Relations, Automatic Data Processing, Inc., One ADP Boulevard, Roseland, New Jersey 07068, telephone number (973) 974-5858.

SPECIAL NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements that are not historical in nature, and which may be identified by the use of words like expects, assumes, projects, anticipates, estimates, believe, could and other words of similar meaning, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on management's expectations and assumptions and are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements include:

ADP's success in obtaining, and retaining clients, and selling additional services to clients;

the pricing of products and services;

compliance with existing or new legislation or regulations;

changes in, or interpretations of, existing legislation or regulations;

overall market, political and economic conditions, including interest rate and foreign currency trends;

competitive conditions;

our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and profitability;

security or privacy breaches, fraudulent acts, and system interruptions and failures;

employment and wage levels;

changes in technology;

availability of skilled technical associates; and

the impact of new acquisitions and divestitures.

The factors identified above are not exhaustive. ADP disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These risks and uncertainties, along with the risk factors discussed under Item 1A. Risk Factors in ADP's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K should be considered in evaluating any forward-looking statements contained herein.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated.

Year Ended June 30,				
2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
66.3	53.8	44.9	44.8	43.4

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is computed by dividing (i) earnings from continuing operations before income taxes plus fixed charges by (ii) fixed charges. Fixed charges include the portion of rental expense that management believes is representative of the interest component. Interest expense related to uncertain tax positions is not included in the computation of fixed charges.

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RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves risks. You should carefully consider each of the risks described in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, filed with the SEC on August 7, 2015, as such factors may be updated from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC, which are accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, and all of the other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus before deciding to invest in any of our securities.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as otherwise disclosed in a prospectus supplement, the net proceeds from the sale of the securities by us will be used for general corporate purposes.

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

The debt securities will be our direct senior unsecured general obligations. The debt securities will be issued in one or more series under an indenture between us and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee.

We have summarized all of the material provisions of the indenture below. The following description of the provisions of the indenture does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, reference to the indenture, a form of which has been filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and you should read the indenture for provisions that may be important to you. In the summary below, we have included references to section numbers of the indenture so that you can easily locate these provisions.

General

The debt securities will be our direct senior unsecured general obligations. The debt securities will rank equally with all of our other senior and unsubordinated debt.

The provisions of the indenture allow us to reopen a previous issue of a series of debt securities and issue additional debt securities of that series.

A prospectus supplement relating to any series of debt securities being offered will include specific terms relating to the offering. The terms will be established in an officers' certificate or a supplemental indenture. The officers' certificate or supplemental indenture will be signed at the time of issuance and will contain important information. The officers' certificate or supplemental indenture will be filed as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K of ADP, which will be publicly available. The officers' certificate or supplemental indenture will include some or all of the following terms for a particular series of debt securities:

the title of the securities;

any limit on the amount that may be issued;

whether or not the debt securities will be issued in global form and who the depository will be;

the maturity date(s);

the interest rate or the method of computing the interest rate;

the date or dates from which interest will accrue, if any, or how such date or dates will be determined, and the interest payment date or dates and any related record dates;

the place(s) where and the manner in which payments will be made;

ADP's right, if any, to defer payment of interest and the maximum length of any deferral period;

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the terms and conditions on which the debt securities may be redeemed at the option of ADP;

the date(s), if any, on which, and the price(s) at which ADP is obligated to redeem, or at the holder's option to purchase, such series of debt securities and other related terms and provisions;

any provisions granting special rights to holders when a specified event occurs;

any changes to or additional events of default or covenants;

any special tax implications of the debt securities;

the denominations in which the debt securities will be issued, if other than denominations of \$2,000 and whole multiples of \$1,000; and

any other specific terms of the securities that are not inconsistent with the indenture. (section 2.01)

Fixed Rate Debt Securities

Each fixed rate debt security will mature on the date specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Each fixed rate debt security will bear interest from the date of issuance at the annual rate stated on its face until the principal is paid or made available for payment. Interest on fixed rate debt securities will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. Interest on fixed rate debt securities will accrue from and including the most recent interest payment date in respect of which interest has been paid or duly provided for, or, if no interest has been paid or duly provided for, from and including the issue date or any other date specified in a prospectus supplement on which interest begins to accrue. Interest will accrue to but excluding the next interest payment date, or, if earlier, the date of maturity or earlier redemption or repayment, as the case may be.

Payments of interest on fixed rate debt securities will be made on the interest payment dates specified in the applicable prospectus supplement. However, if the first interest payment date is less than 15 days after the date of issuance, interest will not be paid on the first interest payment date, but will be paid on the second interest payment date.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, if any scheduled interest payment date, maturity date or date of redemption or repayment is not a business day, then we may pay the applicable interest, principal and premium, if any, on the next succeeding business day, and no additional interest will accrue during the period from and after the scheduled interest payment date, maturity date or date of redemption or repayment. (section 13.07)

A fixed rate debt security may pay a level amount in respect of both interest and principal amortized over the life of the debt security. Payments of principal and interest on amortizing debt securities will be made on the interest payment dates specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, and at maturity or upon any earlier redemption or repayment. Payments on amortizing debt securities will be applied first to interest due and payable and then to the reduction of the unpaid principal amount. We will provide to the original purchaser, and will furnish to subsequent holders upon request to us, a table setting forth repayment information for each amortizing debt security.

Optional Redemption

Unless the prospectus supplement relating to any series of debt securities provides otherwise with respect to such series, each series of debt securities will be redeemable in whole at any time or in part from time to time, at our option, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount of the series of debt securities to be redeemed; or

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the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the series of debt securities to be redeemed (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the date of redemption on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the then current Treasury Rate plus a spread as specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

In each case we will pay accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount to be redeemed to the date of redemption.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable to the remaining term (**Remaining Life**) of the series of debt securities to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such series of debt securities.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations.

Independent Investment Banker means the investment banking institution or institutions specified in the applicable prospectus supplement and their respective successors, or, if such firms or the successors, if any, to such firm or firms, as the case may be, are unwilling or unable to select the Comparable Treasury Issue, an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer means the investment banking institutions specified as such in the applicable prospectus supplement; provided, however, that if any of them ceases to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealers (each a **Primary Treasury Dealer**), we will substitute another Primary Treasury Dealer.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per year equal to:

- (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated **H.15(519)** or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption **Treasury Constant Maturities**, for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue; provided that, if no maturity is within three months before or after the remaining life of the series of debt securities to be redeemed, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from those yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month; or

- (ii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per year equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

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The Treasury Rate will be calculated on the third business day preceding the redemption date. As used in the immediately preceding sentence and in the definition of *Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations* above, the term *business day* means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of record of the series of debt securities to be redeemed at its registered address. The notice of redemption will state, among other things, the amount of the series of debt securities to be redeemed, the redemption date, the CUSIP(s) and ISIN number(s), the manner in which the redemption price will be calculated and the place or places that payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of the series of debt securities to be redeemed. If less than all of a series of debt securities are to be redeemed at our option, the trustee will select, in a manner it deems fair and appropriate, the debt securities of that series, or portions of the debt securities of that series, to be redeemed (in accordance with the procedures of the depository). Unless we default in the payment of the redemption price with respect to any debt securities called for redemption, interest will cease to accrue on such debt securities at the redemption date. (sections 3.02 and 3.03)

ADP will not be required (i) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange any series of debt securities during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (ii) to register the transfer of or exchange any debt securities of any series so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any such series of debt securities being redeemed in part. (section 2.05)

Covenants

Under the indenture, ADP agrees, among other things, to pay the interest, principal and any premium on the debt securities when due (section 4.01), and to maintain a place of payment (section 4.02). However, the covenants under the indenture do not, among other things:

limit the amount of indebtedness or lease obligations that may be incurred by us and our subsidiaries;
or

restrict us from paying dividends or making distributions on our capital stock or purchasing or redeeming our capital stock.

The applicable prospectus supplement may contain additional covenants that impose various restrictions on ADP and, as a result, afford the holders of its securities certain protections. You should review the full text of the covenants in the applicable prospectus supplement and supplemental indenture to evaluate the covenants.

Consolidation, Merger or Sale

We may not consolidate with or merge into, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all of our properties and assets to, any person unless:

(a) we will be the continuing corporation or (b) the successor corporation or person formed by such consolidation or into which we are merged or to which all or substantially all of our property and assets are conveyed, transferred or leased is a corporation, partnership or trust organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia and shall expressly assume and such successor corporation or person expressly assumes our obligations on the debt securities and under the indenture; and

immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no event of default or event, which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an event of default, shall have occurred and be continuing.

Any such successor, acquiror or lessor of such assets will succeed to every right and power of ADP under the indenture. Thereafter, except in the case of a lease, the predecessor or transferor of such assets will be relieved of all obligations and covenants under the indenture and the debt securities. (sections 10.01 and 10.02)

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This covenant would not apply to any recapitalization transaction, a change of control of ADP or a highly leveraged transaction, unless the transaction or change of control were structured to include a merger or consolidation or conveyance, transfer or lease of all or substantially all of our properties and assets as set forth in the indenture.

Events of Default Under the Indenture

The following are events of default under the indenture with respect to any series of debt securities issued:

we fail to pay interest when due and such failure continues for 30 days, unless the time for payment has been properly extended or deferred in accordance with the terms of the particular series;

we fail to pay the principal or any premium when due, unless the maturity has been properly extended in accordance with the terms of the particular series;

we fail to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the debt securities or the indenture, other than a covenant or agreement specifically relating to another series of debt securities, and such failure continues for 90 days after we receive a notice of default from the trustee or from the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all of the affected series;

certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency, whether voluntary or not; and

any additional events of default that may be established with respect to a particular series of debt securities under the indenture, as may be specified in the applicable prospectus supplement. (section 6.01)

If, with regard to any series, an event of default resulting from a failure to pay principal, any premium or interest occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series may declare the principal of all debt securities of that series immediately due and payable. (section 6.01)

If an event of default other than a failure to pay principal, any premium or interest occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all affected series (all such series voting together as a single class) may declare the principal of all debt securities of such affected series immediately due and payable. (section 6.01)

If an event of default relating to events in bankruptcy or insolvency of ADP occurs and is continuing, then the entire principal amount of all of the debt securities outstanding, and the interest accrued thereon, if any, will automatically become due and payable immediately, without any declaration or other act by the trustee or any holder.

The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all affected series (voting together as a single class) may waive any past default with respect to such series and its consequences, except a default or events of default regarding payment of principal, any premium or interest, in which case the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of each affected series shall vote to waive such default or event of default as a separate class. Such a waiver will eliminate the default. (section 6.06)

Unless otherwise specified in the indenture, if an event of default occurs and is continuing, the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture unless the holders of the debt securities have offered the trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities that it might incur. The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all series affected by an event of default, voting together as a single class, or, in the event of a default in the payment of principal, any premium or interest, the holders of a majority of the aggregate principal

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amount outstanding of each affected series voting as a separate class, will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee with respect to the debt securities of such series, provided that:

such direction is not in conflict with any law or the indenture or unduly prejudicial to the rights of holders of any other series of debt securities outstanding under the indenture; and

unless otherwise provided under the Trust Indenture Act, the trustee need not take any action that might involve it in personal liability. (section 6.06)

A holder of the debt securities of a particular series will only have the right to institute a proceeding under the indenture or to appoint a receiver or trustee, or to seek other remedies, in each case with respect to such series of debt securities, if:

the holder has given written notice to the trustee of a continuing event of default;

in the case of an event of default relating to the payment of principal, any premium or interest, the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of the particular series have made written request to the trustee to institute proceedings as trustee;

in the case of an event of default not relating to payment of principal, any premium or interest, the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all series affected by such event of default (voting together as a single class) have made written request to the trustee to institute proceedings as trustee;

such holders have offered the trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it to cover the cost of the proceedings; and

the trustee does not institute a proceeding, and does not receive conflicting directions from a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of (i) the particular series, in the case of an event of default relating to the payment of principal, any premium or interest, or (ii) all affected series, in the case of an event of default not relating to the payment of principal, any premium or interest, in each case, within 60 days of receiving the written notice of an event of default. (section 6.04)

Discharge, Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

We can discharge or defease our obligations under the indenture as set forth below.

We may discharge our obligations to the beneficial owners of any series of debt securities that have not already been delivered to the trustee for cancellation and that have either become due and payable or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year (or to be called for redemption within one year). We may effect a discharge by

irrevocably depositing with the trustee money or government obligations or a combination thereof, as trust funds, in an amount sufficient to pay when due, whether at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise, the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on, the debt securities.

Unless otherwise provided in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may also discharge any and all of our obligations to the beneficial owners of any series of debt securities at any time (legal defeasance). We also may be released from the obligations imposed by any covenants of any outstanding series of debt securities and provisions of the indenture, and we may omit to comply with those covenants without creating an event of default (covenant defeasance). We may effect legal defeasance and covenant defeasance only if, among other things:

we irrevocably deposit with the trustee money or government obligations, as trust funds, in an amount sufficient to pay when due (whether at maturity, upon redemption, or otherwise) the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on all outstanding debt securities of the series; and

we deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm to the effect that the beneficial owners of the series of debt securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S.

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federal income tax purposes as a result of the legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, as applicable, and that legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, as applicable, will not otherwise alter the beneficial owners U.S. federal income tax treatment of principal, premium, if any, and interest payments on the series of debt securities, which opinion, in the case of legal defeasance, must be based on a ruling of the Internal Revenue Service, or a change in U.S. federal income tax law.

Although we may discharge or defease our obligations under the indenture as described in the two preceding paragraphs, we may not avoid, among other things, our duty to register the transfer or exchange of any series of debt securities, to replace any temporary, mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen series of debt securities or to maintain an office or agency in respect of any series of debt securities.

We may exercise our legal defeasance option notwithstanding our prior exercise of our covenant defeasance option.

Modification of Indenture; Waiver

Without the consent of any holders of debt securities, ADP and the trustee may change the indenture:

to fix any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency in the indenture;

to effect the assumption of a successor corporation of our obligations under the indenture and the outstanding debt securities;

to add to our covenants for the benefit of the holders of all or any series of debt securities under the indenture or surrender any right or power we have under the indenture;

to change anything that does not materially adversely affect the interests of any holder of debt securities of any series; and

to effect certain other limited purposes described in the indenture. (section 9.01)

The rights of holders of a series of debt securities may be changed by ADP and the trustee with the written consent of the holders of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of all series then outstanding under the indenture (all such series voting together as a single class). However, the following changes may only be made with the consent of each holder of debt securities of each series affected by the change:

extending the fixed maturity;

reducing the principal amount;

reducing the rate of or extending the time of payment of interest;

reducing any premium payable upon redemption; or

reducing the percentage of debt securities referred to above, the holders of which are required to consent to any amendment. (section 9.02)

Form, Exchange, and Transfer

The debt securities of each series will be issued only in fully registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and whole multiples of \$1,000. The indenture provides that debt securities of a series may be issued in temporary or permanent global form and may be issued as book-entry securities that will be deposited with The Depository Trust Company or another depository named by ADP and identified in a prospectus supplement with respect to such series. (sections 2.03, 2.06 and 2.11)

A holder of debt securities of any series can exchange such debt securities for other debt securities of the same series, in any authorized denomination and with the same terms and aggregate principal amount. A holder

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may present debt securities for exchange or for registration of transfer at the office of the security registrar or at the office of any transfer agent designated by ADP for such purpose. Unless otherwise provided in the debt securities to be transferred or exchanged, no service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange, but ADP may require payment of any related taxes or other governmental charges. The prospectus supplement will name the security registrar and any transfer agent initially designated for any series of debt securities. ADP may at any time change the transfer agent by written notice delivered to the trustee. (section 2.05)

If the debt securities of any series are to be redeemed, ADP will not be required to:

issue, register the transfer of, or exchange any debt securities of that series during a period beginning 15 days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of mailing;
or

register the transfer of or exchange any debt securities of a series, or a portion of a series, that has been called for redemption. (section 2.05 and 4.02)

Rights and Duties of the Trustee

The trustee, except when there is an event of default, will perform only those duties as are specifically stated in the indenture. If an event of default has occurred with respect to any series of debt securities, the trustee must exercise with respect to such debt securities the rights and powers it has under the indenture and use the same degree of care and skill as a prudent person would exercise or use in the conduct of his or her own affairs. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, the trustee is not required to exercise any of the powers given it by the indenture at the request of any holder of debt securities unless it is offered security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities that it might incur. The trustee is not required to spend or risk its own money or otherwise become financially liable while performing its duties or exercising its rights or powers unless it reasonably believes that it will be repaid or receive adequate indemnity. The trustee will not be deemed to have any notice of any default or event of default unless a responsible officer of the trustee has actual knowledge of or receives written notice of the default which specifies the affected securities and the indenture. Furthermore, the rights and protections of the trustee, including its right of indemnification under the indenture, extend to the trustee's officers, directors, agents and employees, and will survive the trustee's resignation and removal. (sections 7.01 and 7.02)

Payment and Paying Agents

We will pay interest on any debt securities to the person in whose name the debt securities are registered on the regular record date for the applicable interest payment date. (sections 2.03 and 3.03)

We will pay principal, any premium and interest on the debt securities of a particular series at the office of one or more paying agents that we designate for that series. Unless otherwise stated in the applicable officers' certificate, supplemental indenture and prospectus supplement, we will initially designate the corporate trust office of the trustee in the City of New York as our sole paying agent. We will be required to maintain a paying agent in each place of payment for the debt securities. (sections 4.01, 4.02 and 4.03)

All money we pay to a paying agent or the trustee for the payment of principal, any premium or interest on any debt security which remains unclaimed for a period of two years after the principal, premium or interest has become due and payable will, upon our request, be repaid to us, and the holder of the debt security may then look only to us for

payment of those amounts. (section 11.05)

Governing Law

The indenture and the debt securities will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. (section 13.05)

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

ADP may sell the securities in one or more of the following ways (or in any combination) from time to time:

to or through underwriters, brokers or dealers;

directly to a limited number of purchasers or to a single purchaser;

through agents;

through a combination of any such methods; or

through any other methods described in a prospectus supplement.

The applicable prospectus supplement will state the terms of the offering of the securities, including:

the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or agents;

the purchase price of such securities and the proceeds to be received by ADP, if any;

any initial public offering price;

any delayed delivery arrangements;

any underwriting discounts or agency fees and other items constituting underwriters or agents compensation;

any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers; and

any securities exchanges on which the securities may be listed.

Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

If we use underwriters in the sale, the securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including:

negotiated transactions;

at a fixed public offering price or prices, which may be changed;

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

at prices related to prevailing market prices; or

at negotiated prices.

Unless otherwise stated in a prospectus supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase any securities will be conditioned on customary closing conditions and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all securities of a series, if any are purchased.

We may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The prospectus supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

We may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase the securities from ADP at the public offering price set forth in the prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the prospectus supplement, and the prospectus supplement will set forth any commissions paid for solicitation of these contracts.

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Underwriters and agents may be entitled under agreements entered into with ADP to indemnification by ADP against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution with respect to payments which the underwriters or agents may be required to make. Underwriters and agents may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for ADP and its affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

Each series of securities will be a new issue of securities and will have no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom securities are sold for public offering and sale may make a market in the securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. The securities may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange.

VALIDITY OF SECURITIES

The validity of the securities in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered will be passed on for us by Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) and the related consolidated financial statement schedule, incorporated in this prospectus by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statement schedule have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

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