# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 5, 2023

# **EQUIFAX INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Georgia (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-06605 (Commission File Number) 58-0401110 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30309 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 885-8000

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))						
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### Item 8.01. Other Events.

Public Offering of Senior Notes Due 2028

On May 5, 2023, Equifax Inc. (the "Company") executed an Underwriting Agreement with BofA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Truist Securities, Inc., and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as the representatives of the underwriters named therein, with regard to the issuance and sale by the Company of \$700,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 (the "Notes"). The Notes are issued pursuant to an Indenture dated as of May 12, 2016 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), as trustee, as supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture relating to the Notes and dated as of May 16, 2023 (the "Eleventh Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture").

Interest on the Notes will accrue from their date of issuance at a rate of 5.100% per year and will be payable in cash semi-annually in arrears on June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on December 1, 2023.

The Notes will mature on June 1, 2028. Prior to May 1, 2028 (one month prior to their maturity date), the Company may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of (1)(a) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the redemption date (assuming the notes matured on May 1, 2028) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate (as defined in the Indenture) plus 30 basis points, less (b) interest accrued to the redemption date, and (2) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.

On or after May 1, 2028, the Company may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.

The net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$692.1 million, after deducting the underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses payable by the Company. The Company intends to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay in full \$400 million in aggregate principal amount of its 3.95% Senior Notes due 2023 at maturity. The remaining net proceeds will be used to partially finance the acquisition of Boa Vista Serviços S.A., a Brazilian consumer credit bureau (the "BVS Acquisition"), and/or for general corporate purposes, which may include the repayment of borrowings under the Company's commercial paper program. The BVS Acquisition is subject to certain shareholder approval and other customary closing conditions and is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2023.

The following documents are being filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated by reference into the Company's effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-266290) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 22, 2022: (i) the Underwriting Agreement, filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto; (ii) the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, including the form of Note as Exhibit A, filed as Exhibit 4.1 hereto; (iii) the opinion of counsel addressing the validity of the Notes, filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto; and (iv) the opinion of John J. Kelley III, Chief Legal Officer of the Company, addressing certain other legal matters, filed as Exhibit 5.2 hereto.

Item 9.01.	Financial Statements and Exhibits.			
(d) Exhibits				
Exhibit No.	Description			
1.1	<u>Underwriting Agreement, dated May 5, 2023, by and among Equifax Inc. and BofA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Truist Securities, Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as the representatives of the underwriters named therein (filed herewith).</u>			
4.1	Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 16, 2023, between Equifax Inc. and the Trustee, including the form of Note as Exhibit A (filed herewith).			
5.1	Opinion of Hogan Lovells US LLP (filed herewith).			
5.2	Opinion of John J. Kelley III, Chief Legal Officer of Equifax Inc. (filed herewith).			
23.1	Consent of Hogan Lovells US LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1 filed herewith).			
23.2	Consent of John J. Kelley III, Chief Legal Officer of Equifax Inc. (contained in Exhibit 5.2 filed herewith).			
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).			

# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ John J. Kelley III

Name: John J. Kelley III

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and

Corporate Secretary

Date: May 16, 2023

BofA Securities, Inc. One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

Truist Securities, Inc. 3333 Peachtree Road NE Atlanta, Georgia 30326

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC 550 South Tryon Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

As Representatives of the several Underwriters

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Introductory. Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to issue and sell to the several underwriters named in Schedule A hereto (the "Underwriters"), acting severally and not jointly, the respective amounts set forth in such Schedule A of \$700,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 (the "Securities"). BofA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Truist Securities, Inc., and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, have agreed to act as representatives of the several Underwriters (in such capacity, the "Representatives") in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities.

The Securities will be issued pursuant to, and will form a separate series of senior debt securities under, the indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), as indenture trustee (the "Trustee"). Certain terms of the Securities will be established pursuant to a supplemental indenture (the "Supplemental Indenture") to the Base Indenture (together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"). The Securities will be issued in book-entry form in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depositary").

The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-266290), which contains a base prospectus (the "Base Prospectus"), to be used in connection with the public offering and sale of senior debt securities, including the Securities, of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Securities Act Regulations"), and the offering thereof from time to time in accordance with Rule 415 under the Securities Act. Such registration statement, including the financial statements, exhibits and schedules thereto, in the form in which it became effective under the Securities Act, including any required information deemed to be a part

thereof at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rule 430B under the Securities Act, is called the "Registration Statement." The term "Prospectus" shall mean the final prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, together with the Base Prospectus, that is first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) after the date and time that this Agreement is executed (the "Execution Time") by the parties hereto. The term "Preliminary Prospectus" shall mean any preliminary prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, together with the Base Prospectus, that is first filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b). Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents that are or are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act prior to 3.00 p.m. on May 5, 2023 (the "Initial Sale Time"). All references in this Agreement to the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements to any of the foregoing, shall include any copy thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System ("EDGAR").

All references in this Agreement to financial statements and schedules and other information which is "contained," "included," "described," or "stated" in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus (or other references of like import) shall be deemed to mean and include all such financial statements and schedules and other information which are or are deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus, as the case may be, prior to the Initial Sale Time; and all references in this Agreement to amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus shall be deemed to mean and include the filing of any document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Exchange Act"), which is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus, as the case may be, after the Initial Sale Time.

The Company hereby confirms its agreements with the Underwriters as follows:

SECTION 1. Representations and Warranties. The Company hereby represents, warrants and covenants to each Underwriter as of the date hereof, as of the Initial Sale Time and as of the Closing Date (in each case, a "Representation Date") and agrees with each of the Underwriters as follows:

(a) <u>Compliance with Registration Requirements</u>. The Company meets the requirements for use of FormS-3 under the Securities Act. The Registration Statement has become effective under the Securities Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued under the Securities Act and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or are pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, are threatened by the Commission, and any request on the part of the Commission for additional information has been complied with. In addition, the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Trust Indenture Act").

At the respective times the Registration Statement and any post-effective amendments thereto became effective and at each Representation Date, the Registration Statement and any amendments thereto (i) complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, and (ii) did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that, with respect to clause (ii) hereof, the Company makes no representations or warranties as to those parts of the Registration Statement which shall constitute Statements of Eligibility and Qualification on Form T-1 (the "Form T-1") under the Trust Indenture Act. At the date of the Prospectus and at the Closing Date, neither the Prospectus nor any amendments or supplements thereto included or will

include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or will omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the representations and warranties in this subsection shall not apply to statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment or the Prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished to the Company in writing by any of the Underwriters through the Representatives expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.

The Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, at the time each was filed with the Commission, complied in all material respects with the Securities Act, and the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus delivered to the Underwriters for use in connection with the offering of the Securities will, at the time of such delivery, be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission through EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.

- (b) <u>Disclosure Package</u>. The term "Disclosure Package" shall mean (i) the Preliminary Prospectus dated May 5, 2023, (ii) the issuer free writing prospectuses as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act (each an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus"), if any, identified in <u>Annex I</u> hereto and (iii) any other free writing prospectus that the parties hereto shall hereafter expressly agree in writing to treat as part of the Disclosure Package and identified in <u>Annex II</u> hereto. As of the Initial Sale Time, the Disclosure Package did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from the Disclosure Package based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.
- (c) Incorporated Documents. The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus (collectively, the "Incorporated Documents") (i) at the time they were or hereafter are filed with the Commission complied and will comply, as the case may be, as of their respective dates of filing, in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (the "Exchange Act Regulations") and (ii) when read together with the other information in the Disclosure Package, at the Initial Sale Time, and when read together with the other information in the Prospectus, at the date of the Prospectus and at the Closing Date, did not or will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (d) Company is a Well-Known Seasoned Issuer. (i) At the time of filing the Registration Statement, (ii) at the time of the most recent amendment thereto for the purposes of complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act (whether such amendment was by post-effective amendment, incorporated report filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or form of prospectus), (iii) at the time the Company or any person acting on its behalf (within the meaning, for this clause only, of Rule 163(c) of the Securities Act) made any offer relating to the Securities in reliance on the exemption of Rule 163 of the Securities Act, and (iv) as of the Execution Time, the Company was and is a "well known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405

of the Securities Act. The Registration Statement is an "automatic shelf registration statement," as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act, that automatically became effective not more than three years prior to the Execution Time; the Company has not received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement form and the Company has not otherwise ceased to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration form.

- (e) <u>Company is not an Ineligible Issuer</u>. (i) At the time of filing the Registration Statement and (ii) as of the Execution Time (with such date being used as the determination date for purposes of this clause (ii)), the Company was not and is not an Ineligible Issuer (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act), without taking account of any determination by the Commission pursuant to Rule 405 of the Securities Act that it is not necessary that the Company be considered an Ineligible Issuer.
- (f) <u>Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses</u>. Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus and any electronic roadshow, as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the offering of Securities under this Agreement or until any earlier date that the Company notified or notifies the Representatives as described in the next sentence, did not, does not and will not include any information that conflicted, conflicts or will conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus. If at any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or an electronic roadshow there occurred or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or such electronic roadshow conflicted or would conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus the Company has promptly notified or will promptly notify the Representatives and has promptly amended or supplemented or will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or such electronic roadshow to eliminate or correct such conflict. The foregoing two sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any electronic roadshow based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.
- (g) <u>Distribution of Offering Material By the Company</u>. The Company has not distributed and will not distribute, prior to the later of the Closing Date and the completion of the Underwriters' distribution of the Securities, any offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities other than the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus reviewed and consented to by the Representatives and included in <u>Annex I</u> or <u>Annex II</u> hereto or the Registration Statement.
  - (h) The Underwriting Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.
- (i) <u>Authorization of the Securities</u>. The Securities to be purchased by the Underwriters from the Company have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

- (j) <u>Authorization of the Base Indenture</u>. The Base Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Trustee, constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles.
- (k) <u>Authorization of the Supplemental Indenture</u>. The Supplemental Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and, at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed and delivered by the Company, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Trustee will constitute a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles.
- (l) <u>Description of the Securities and the Indenture</u>. The Securities and the Indenture conform in all material respects to the respective descriptions thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.
- (m) No Material Adverse Change. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package, subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Disclosure Package: (i) there has been no material adverse change, or any development that would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse change, in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business, or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity (any such change is called a "Material Adverse Change"); and (ii) none of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has entered into any transaction or agreement, in each case, outside the ordinary course of business, that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or incurred any liability or obligation, indirect, direct or contingent, that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity.
- (n) Independent Accountants for the Company. Ernst & Young LLP, who have expressed their opinion with respect to the audited financial statements of the Company for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2020, 2021 and 2022 and supporting schedules filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, are independent public or certified public accountants with respect to the Company within the meaning of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and are a registered public accounting firm with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.
- (o) <u>Preparation of the Financial Statements</u>. The financial statements, together with the related schedules and notes of the Company, included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries, as of and at the dates indicated and the results of their operations and cash flows for the periods specified. Such financial statements comply as to form with the accounting requirements of the Securities Act and have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied in the United States ("GAAP") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved, except as may be expressly stated in the related notes thereto. The pro forma financial information and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidance with respect to pro forma financial information, and the assumptions underlying such pro

forma financial information are, reasonable and are set forth in each of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

- (p) Incorporation and Good Standing of the Company and its Subsidiaries. The Company has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and to enter into and perform its obligations under each of this Agreement, the Securities, and the Indenture. Each significant subsidiary of the Company has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business in all material respects as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. Each of the Company and each significant subsidiary is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except for such jurisdictions where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition, financial or otherwise, or on the earnings, business, or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the performance by the Company of its obligations under the Securities or the Indenture (a "Material Adverse Effect"). All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each significant subsidiary of the Company have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and are owned by the Company, directly or through subsidiaries, free and clear of any security interest, mortgage, pledge, lien, encumbrance or claim. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "significant subsidiary
- (q) <u>Capitalization and Other Capital Stock Matters</u>. The authorized, issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company is as set forth in the column entitled "Actual" under the caption "Capitalization" in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus as of the date set forth therein (other than for subsequent issuances of capital stock, if any, pursuant to existing reservations, agreements or employee benefit plans or upon exercise of outstanding options). All of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and non-assessable.
- (r) Non-Contravention of Existing Instruments; No Further Authorizations or Approvals Required Neither the Company nor any of its significant subsidiaries is in violation of its charter or by-laws or is in default (or, with the giving of notice or lapse of time, would be in default) ("Default") under any indenture, mortgage, loan or credit agreement, note, contract, franchise, lease or other instrument to which the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of them may be bound (including, without limitation, the Company's Credit Agreement dated as of September 27, 2018, Credit Agreement dated as of August 25, 2021, as amended, Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated as of August 25, 2021, as amended, and the agreements governing the Company's 3.95% Senior Notes due 2023, 2.60% Senior Notes due 2024, 2.60% Senior Notes due 2025, 3.25% Senior Notes due 2026, 5.10% Senior Notes due 2027, 6.90% Debentures due 2028, 3.10% Senior Notes due 2030, 2.35% Senior Notes due 2031 and 7.00% Senior Notes due 2037), or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries is subject (each, an "Existing Instrument"), except for such Defaults as

would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Base Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture, and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, and consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and (i) will not result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws of the Company or any significant subsidiary, (ii) will not conflict with or constitute a breach of, or Default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries pursuant to, or require the consent of any other party to, any Existing Instrument, and (iii) will not result in any violation of any law, administrative regulation or administrative or court decree applicable to the Company or any significant subsidiary, except, in each case, for such violations, conflicts, breaches, Defaults, liens, charges or encumbrances as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, and except for such consents the failure of which to obtain would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. No consent, approval, authorization or other order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental or regulatory authority or agency, is required for the Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Base Indenture or the Supplemental Indenture, and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, except such as may be required under applicable state securities or blue sky laws and from the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Underwriters.

- (s) No Material Actions or Proceedings. Except as described or incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental actions, suits or proceedings pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened (i) against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or (ii) which has as the subject thereof any property owned by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, where in any such case there is a reasonable possibility that such action, suit or proceeding might be determined adversely to the Company or such subsidiary and any such action, suit or proceeding, if so determined adversely, would be reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect. No material labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries exists or, to the Company's knowledge, is threatened or imminent, that, individually or in the aggregate, would have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (t) Intellectual Property Rights. The Company and its subsidiaries own, license, or possess the trademarks, trade names, patent rights, copyrights, licenses, approvals, trade secrets and other similar rights (collectively, "Intellectual Property Rights") reasonably necessary to conduct their businesses as now conducted by them, except such as to which the failure to so own, license, or possess would not have a Material Adverse Effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any written notice of infringement or conflict with asserted Intellectual Property Rights of others, which infringement or conflict, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, finding or ruling, would have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (u) <u>All Necessary Permits, Etc.</u> The Company and each subsidiary possess such valid certificates, authorizations or permits issued by the appropriate state, federal or foreign regulatory agencies or bodies necessary to conduct their respective businesses, except those the failure of which to possess would not have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any subsidiary has received any written notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of, or non-compliance with, any such certificate, authorization or permit which, individually or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (v) Tax Law Compliance. All material federal, state and foreign income and franchise tax returns required to be filed by the Company and any of its subsidiaries have been filed, other than those filings for which an extension has been requested, and all material taxes required to be paid by any of them and, if due and payable, any related or similar assessment, fine or penalty levied against any of them, have been paid, other than those taxes which are being contested in good faith and with respect to which adequate reserves have been established or the nonpayment of which could not have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company has made adequate charges, accruals and reserves in the applicable financial statements referred to in Section 1(o) above in respect of all federal, state and foreign income and franchise taxes for all periods as to which the tax liability of the Company or any of its consolidated subsidiaries has not been finally determined.
- (w) Company Not an "Investment Company". The Company is not, and after receipt of payment for the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus will not be, an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Investment Company Act").
- (x) No Price Stabilization or Manipulation. The Company has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would be reasonably likely to cause or result in stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.
- (y) Company's Accounting System. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain effective internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act.
- (z) Internal Controls and Procedures. The Company maintains a system of accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that:
  (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (v) interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Disclosure Package is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.
- (aa) No Material Weaknesses in Internal Controls Since the end of the Company's most recent audited fiscal year, there has been (i) no material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (whether or not remediated) identified and (ii) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.
- (bb) <u>Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance</u>. There is and has been no failure on the part of the Company and, to the Company's knowledge, any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(cc) No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments. None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has (i) used any funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made or taken an act in furtherance of an offer, promise or authorization of any direct or indirect unlawful payment or benefit to any foreign or domestic government or regulatory official or employee, including of any government-owned or controlled entity or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the foregoing, or any political party or party official or candidate for political office; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, or any applicable law or regulation implementing the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, or committed an offence under the Bribery Act 2010 of the United Kingdom, or any other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption laws; or (iv) made, offered, agreed, requested or taken an act in furtherance of any unlawful bribe or other unlawful benefit, including, without limitation, any rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful or improper payment or benefit. The Company and its subsidiaries have instituted, maintain and enforce, and will continue to maintain and enforce policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws.

(dd) Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Laws. The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the applicable money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions where the Company or any of its subsidiaries conducts business, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental or regulatory agency (collectively, the "Anti-Money Laundering Laws"), and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental or regulatory agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(ee) No Conflict with OFAC Laws. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently the subject or the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. government (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of Treasury ("OFAC") or the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a "specially designated national" or "blocked person"), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, His Majesty's Treasury or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "Sanctions"), nor is the Company or any of its subsidiaries located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject or target of Sanctions, including, without limitation, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Syria, the Crimea, Kherson, Zaporizhzhia, the so-called Donetsk People's Republic and the so-called Luhansk People's Republic regions of Ukraine (each, a "Sanctioned Country"); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering of the Securities, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business in any Sanctioned Country or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation by any person (including any person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions. For the past five years, the Company and its subsidiaries have not knowingly engaged in and are not now knowingly engaged in any dealings or transaction in violation of Sanctions with any person that at the time of the dealing or transaction

(ff) Compliance with Environmental Laws. Except as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the Company (i) is in compliance with all laws and permits relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environmental or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"), and (ii) has received all permits required of it under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses, except where such noncompliance or such failure to receive required permits would not have a Material Adverse Effect.

(gg) ERISA Compliance. The Company and its subsidiaries and any "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder (collectively, "ERISA")) established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or their "ERISA Affiliates" (as defined below) are in compliance in all material respects with ERISA. "ERISA Affiliate" means, with respect to the Company or a subsidiary, any member of any group of organizations described in Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder (the "Code") of which the Company or such subsidiary is a member. No "reportable event" (as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA) for which advance notice is required to be made to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation under the regulations under ERISA has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any "employee pension benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates. No "employee pension benefit plan" subject to Title IV of ERISA established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates, if such "employee pension benefit plan" were terminated, would have any "amount of unfunded benefit liabilities" (as defined in Section 4001(a)(18) of ERISA), except for the amount of unfunded benefit liabilities, if any, as would not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company, its subsidiaries nor any of their ERISA Affiliates has incurred or reasonably expects to incur any liability under (i) Title IV of ERISA with respect to termination of, or withdrawal from, any "employee pension benefit plan" or (ii) Sections 412, 4971, 4975 or 4980B of the Code that would, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. Each "employee pension benefit plan" established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates that is intended to be qualified under Section 401 of the Code is so qualified and the Company is not aware of any circumstances likely to cause the loss of such qualification.

(hh) IT Systems and Data Compliance. (i) (x) Except as described or incorporated by reference in each of the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus the Company is not aware of any material security breach or other compromise of or relating to any of the information technology and computer systems, networks, websites, applications, hardware, software, data (including the data of customers, employees, suppliers, vendors and any other third party data), equipment or technology (collectively, "IT Systems and Data") used in the Company's and its subsidiaries' business and (y) the Company and its subsidiaries have not been notified of, and have no knowledge of, any event or condition that would reasonably be expected to result in, any material security breach or other compromise to their IT Systems and Data; (ii) the Company and its subsidiaries are presently in compliance with all applicable laws or statutes and all judgments, orders, rules and regulations of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority relating to the privacy and security of IT Systems and Data and to the protection of such IT Systems and Data from unauthorized use, access, misappropriation or modification; and (iii) the Company and its

subsidiaries believe they have implemented commercially reasonable privacy policies and security, backup and disaster recovery technology for all IT Systems and Data used in its business, including with respect to enabling the Company to fulfill relevant applicable contractual obligations, except as such would not, in the case of clause (ii) above, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

Any certificate signed by an officer of the Company and delivered to the Representatives or to counsel for the Underwriters shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Company to each Underwriter as to the matters set forth therein.

#### SECTION 2. Purchase, Sale and Delivery of the Securities

- (a) The Securities. The Company agrees to issue and sell to the several Underwriters, severally and not jointly, all of the Securities upon the terms but subject to the conditions herein set forth. On the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements herein contained, and upon the terms but subject to the conditions herein set forth, the Underwriters agree, and each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase from the Company the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth in Schedule A opposite the name of such Underwriter, plus any additional principal amount of Securities which such Underwriter may become obligated to purchase pursuant to the provisions of Section 18 hereof, at a purchase price of 99.103% of the principal amount of the Securities, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 16, 2023 to the Closing Date (as defined below), payable on the Closing Date.
- (b) The Closing Date. Delivery of certificates for the Securities in global form to be purchased by the Underwriters and payment of the purchase price therefor shall be made at the offices of Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP, 425 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (or such other place as may be agreed to by the Company and the Representatives) at 9:00 a.m. New York City time, on May 16, 2023 (unless postponed in accordance with the provisions of Section 18), or such other time and date as the Underwriters shall designate by notice to the Company (the time and date of such closing are called the "Closing Date").
- (c) <u>Public Offering of the Securities</u>. The Representatives hereby advise the Company that the Underwriters intend to offer for sale to the public, as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, their respective portions of the Securities as soon after the Execution Time as the Representatives, in their sole judgment, have determined is advisable and practicable.
- (d) Payment for the Securities Payment for the Securities shall be made at the Closing Date by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the order of the Company.

It is understood that the Representatives have been authorized, for their own accounts and for the accounts of the several Underwriters, to accept delivery of and receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Securities that the Underwriters have agreed to purchase. The Representatives may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment for any Securities to be purchased by any Underwriter whose funds shall not have been received by the Representatives by the Closing Date for the account of such Underwriter, but any such payment shall not relieve such Underwriter from any of its obligations under this Agreement.

(e) <u>Delivery of the Securities</u>. The Company shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Representatives for the accounts of the several Underwriters certificates for the Securities at the Closing Date against the irrevocable release of a wire transfer of immediately available funds for the amount of the purchase price therefor. The certificates for the Securities shall be in such denominations specified by the Representatives in writing at least one business day preceding the Closing Date and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of the Depositary, and shall be made available for inspection on the business day preceding the Closing Date. Time shall be of the essence, and delivery at the time and place specified in this Agreement is a further condition to the obligations of the Underwriters.

SECTION 3. Additional Covenants. The Company further covenants and agrees with each Underwriter as follows:

- (a) Compliance with Securities Regulations and Commission Requests. The Company, subject to Section 3(b), will comply with the requirements of Rule 430B of the Securities Act Regulations, and will promptly notify the Representatives, and confirm the notice in writing, of (i) the effectiveness during the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below) of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or the filing of any supplement or amendment to the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, (ii) the receipt of any comments from the Commission during the Prospectus Delivery Period, (iii) any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or for additional information, and (iv) the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Preliminary Prospectus, or of the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, or of the initiation or threatening of any proceedings for any of such purposes. The Company will promptly effect the filings necessary pursuant to Rule 424 and will take such steps as it deems necessary to ascertain promptly whether the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus transmitted for filing under Rule 424 was received for filing by the Commission and, in the event that it was not, it will promptly file such document. The Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any stop order and, if any stop order is issued, to obtain the lifting thereof at the earliest possible moment.
- (b) Filing of Amendments. During such period beginning on the date of this Agreement and ending on the later of the Closing Date or such date as, in the reasonable opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, the Prospectus is no longer required by law to be delivered in connection with sales of the Securities by an Underwriter or dealer, including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172 of the Securities Act Regulations (the "Prospectus Delivery Period"), the Company will give the Representatives notice of its intention to file or prepare any amendment to the Registration Statement (including any filing under Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act Regulations), or any amendment, supplement or revision to the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, whether pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, the Company shall furnish to the Representatives for review a copy of each such document a reasonable amount of time prior to such proposed filing or use, and the Company shall not file or use any such document to which the Representatives or counsel to the Underwriters reasonably object.
- (c) Continued Compliance with Securities Laws. The Company will comply with the Securities Act and the Securities Act Regulations and the Exchange Act and the Exchange Act Regulations so as to permit the completion of the distribution of the Securities as contemplated in this Agreement and in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. If at any time during the Prospectus Delivery Period, any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which it is necessary, in the opinion of counsel to the Underwriters or for the Company, to amend the Registration Statement in order that the Registration Statement will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or to amend or supplement the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus in order that the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, as the case may be, will not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances existing at the Initial Sale Time or at the time it is delivered or conveyed to a purchaser, not misleading, or if it shall be necessary, in the opinion of either such counsel, at any such time to amend the Registration

Statement or amend or supplement the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus in order to comply with the requirements of any law, the Company will (1) promptly notify the Representatives of any such event, development or condition and (2) will promptly prepare and file with the Commission, subject to Section 3(b) hereof, such amendments or supplements as may be necessary to correct such statement or omission or to make the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus comply with such law, and the Company will furnish to the Underwriters, without charge, such number of copies of such amendments or supplements as the Underwriters may reasonably request.

- (d) <u>Delivery of Registration Statements</u>. If requested by the Representatives, the Company will deliver to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters, without charge, signed copies of the Registration Statement as originally filed and of each amendment thereto (including exhibits filed therewith or incorporated by reference therein and documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein) and signed copies of all consents and certificates of experts. The Registration Statement and each amendment thereto furnished to the Underwriters will be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission through EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.
- (e) <u>Delivery of Prospectuses</u>. The Company will deliver to each Underwriter, without charge, as many copies of the Preliminary Prospectus as such Underwriter may reasonably request, and the Company hereby consents to the use of such copies for purposes permitted by the Securities Act. The Company will furnish to each Underwriter, without charge, during the Prospectus Delivery Period, such number of copies of the Prospectus as such Underwriter may reasonably request. The Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto furnished to the Underwriters will be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission through EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.
- (f) Blue Sky Compliance. The Company shall cooperate with the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters to qualify the Securities for offer and sale under (or obtain exemptions from the application of) the Blue Sky or state securities laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives shall reasonably request, shall comply with such laws and shall maintain such qualifications and exemptions in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities. The Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or a dealer in securities or to take any action that would subject it to general service of process in any such jurisdiction where it is not presently qualified or where it would be subject to taxation in respect of doing business in a jurisdiction in which it is not otherwise so subject. The Company will advise the Representatives promptly of the suspension of the qualification of (or any such exemption relating to) the Securities for offering, sale or trading in any jurisdiction or any initiation or threat of any proceeding for any such purpose, and in the event of the issuance of any order suspending such qualification or exemption, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal thereof as promptly as possible.
- (g) <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The Company shall use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Securities sold by it in the manner described under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.
- (h) <u>The Depositary</u>. The Company will cooperate with the Underwriters and use its reasonable best efforts to permit the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of the Depositary.
- (i) <u>Periodic Reporting Obligations</u>. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company shall file, on a timely basis, with the Commission and the New York Stock Exchange all reports and documents required to be filed under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

- (j) Agreement Not to Offer or Sell Additional Securities During the period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the Closing Date, the Company will not, without the prior written consent of the Representatives (which consent may be withheld at the sole discretion of the Representatives), directly or indirectly, sell, offer, contract or grant any option to sell, pledge, transfer or establish an open "put equivalent position" within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(h) under the Exchange Act, or otherwise dispose of or transfer, or announce the offering of, or file any registration statement under the Securities Act in respect of, any debt securities of the Company similar to the Securities exchangeable for or convertible into debt securities similar to the Securities (other than as contemplated by this Agreement with respect to the Securities).
- (k) Final Term Sheet. The Company will prepare a final term sheet containing only a description of the Securities, and will file such term sheet pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act within the time required by such rule (such term sheet, the "Final Term Sheet"). Any such Final Term Sheet is an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus for purposes of this Agreement. A form of the Final Term Sheet for the Securities is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- (1) Permitted Free Writing Prospectuses. The Company represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representatives, and each Underwriter represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Company and the Representatives, it will not make, any offer relating to the Securities that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or that would otherwise constitute a "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) required to be filed by the Company with the Commission or retained by the Company under Rule 433 of the Securities Act; provided that the prior written consent of the Representatives shall be deemed to have been given in respect of any Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses included in Annex I to this Agreement. Any such free writing prospectus consented to or deemed to be consented to by the Representatives and the Company is hereinafter referred to as a "Permitted Free Writing Prospectus." The Company agrees that (i) it has treated and will treat, as the case may be, each Permitted Free Writing Prospectus as an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and (ii) has complied and will comply, as the case may be, with the requirements of Rules 164 and 433 of the Securities Act applicable to any Permitted Free Writing Prospectus, including in respect of timely filing with the Commission, legending and record keeping. The Company consents to the use by any Underwriter of a free writing prospectus that (a) is not an "issuer free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 433, and (b) contains only (i) information describing the preliminary terms of the Securities or their offering, (ii) information permitted by Rule 134 under the Securities Act or (iii) information that describes the final terms of the Securities or their offering and that is included in the Final Term Sheet of the Company contemplated in Section 3(k).
- (m) Notice of Inability to Use Automatic Shelf Registration Statement Form. If at any time during the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company receives from the Commission a notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) or otherwise ceases to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration statement form, the Company will (i) promptly notify the Representatives, (ii) promptly file a new registration statement or post-effective amendment on the proper form relating to the Securities, in a form satisfactory to the Representatives, (iii) use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement of post-effective amendment to be declared effective and (iv) promptly notify the Representatives of such effectiveness. The Company will take all other action necessary or appropriate to permit the public offering and sale of the Securities to continue as contemplated in the registration statement that was the subject of the Rule 401(g)(2) notice or for which the Company has otherwise become ineligible. References herein to the Registration Statement shall include such new registration statement or post-effective amendment, as the case may be.

- (n) Filing Fees. The Company agrees to pay the required Commission filing fees relating to the Securities within the time required by and in accordance with Rule 456(b)(1) and 457(r) of the Securities Act.
- (o) <u>Compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley Act</u>. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will comply with all applicable securities laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Company's directors and officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with such laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.
- (p) No Manipulation of Price. The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to cause or result in, or that has constituted or might reasonably be expected to constitute, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any securities of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

The Representatives, on behalf of the several Underwriters, may, in their sole discretion, waive in writing the performance by the Company of any one or more of the foregoing covenants or extend the time for their performance.

SECTION 4. Payment of Expenses. The Company agrees to pay all costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder, including, (i) all expenses incident to the issuance and delivery of the Securities (including all printing and engraving costs), (ii) all necessary issue, transfer and other stamp taxes in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities, (iii) all fees and expenses of the Company's counsel, independent public or certified public accountants and other advisors, (iv) all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the preparation, printing, filing, shipping and distribution of the Registration Statement (including financial statements, exhibits, schedules, consents and certificates of experts), each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, and all amendments and supplements thereto, this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities, (v) all filing fees incident to, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Company or the Underwriters in connection with qualifying (or obtaining exemptions from the qualification of) all or any part of the Securities in accordance with the provisions of Section 3(f) hereof, including any filing fees and any reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with a "Blue Sky Survey" or memorandum, and any supplements thereto, and the review by FINRA, if any, of the terms of the sale of the Securities (but in no event shall the Company pay more than \$10,000 for attorneys' fees and expenses pursuant to this Section 4(v)), (vi) the fees and expenses of the Trustee, including the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the Indenture and the Securities, (vii) any fees payable in connection with the rating of the Securities with the ratings agencies, (viii) all fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) of the Company in connection with approval of the Securities by the Depositary for "book-entry" transfer, (ix) all other fees, costs and expenses referred to in Item 14 of Part II of the Registration Statement, and (x) all other costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder for which provision is not otherwise made in this Section 4. Except as provided in this Section 4, Section 6, Section 8 and Section 9 hereof, the Underwriters shall pay their own expenses, including the fees and disbursements of their counsel.

- SECTION 5. Conditions of the Obligations of the Underwriters. The obligations of the several Underwriters to purchase and pay for the Securities as provided herein on the Closing Date shall be subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties on the part of the Company set forth in Section 1 hereof as of the date hereof, as of the Initial Sale Time, and as of the Closing Date as though then made and to the timely performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder, and to each of the following additional conditions:
- (a) Effectiveness of Registration Statement. The Registration Statement shall have become effective under the Securities Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued under the Securities Act and no proceedings for that purpose shall have been instituted or be pending or threatened by the Commission, any request on the part of the Commission for additional information shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of counsel to the Underwriters and the Company shall not have received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement form. The Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus shall have been filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 424(b) (or any required post-effective amendment providing such information shall have been filed and declared effective in accordance with the requirements of Rule 430A).
- (b) Accountants' Comfort Letter. On the date hereof, the Representatives shall have received from Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, a letter dated the date hereof addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, containing statements and information of the type ordinarily included in accountant's "comfort letters" to an underwriter, delivered according to Statement of Auditing Standards Nos. 72 and 76 (or any successor bulletins), with respect to the audited and unaudited financial statements and certain other financial information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.
- (c) No Objection. If the Registration Statement and/or the offering of the Securities has been filed with FINRA for review, FINRA shall not have raised any objection with respect to the fairness and reasonableness of the underwriting terms and arrangements.
- (d) No Material Adverse Change or Ratings Agency Change. For the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date:
  - (i) there shall not have occurred any Material Adverse Change that, in the judgment of the Representatives, makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offering or the sale of and payment for the Securities; and
  - (ii) there shall not have occurred any downgrading, nor shall any notice have been given of any intended or potential downgrading or of any review for a possible change that does not indicate the direction of the possible change, in the rating accorded any securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act.
- (e) Opinion of Counsel for the Company. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of Hogan Lovells US LLP, counsel for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as Exhibit A-1. Such opinion shall be rendered to the Underwriters at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.
- (f) Opinion of Chief Legal Officer. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of John J. Kelley III, Esq., Chief Legal Officer for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as Exhibit A-2. Such opinion shall be rendered to the Underwriters at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.
- (g) Opinion of Counsel for the Underwriters. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated as of such Closing Date, with respect to such matters as may be reasonably requested by the Underwriters.

- (h) Officers' Certificate. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received a written certificate executed by the Chief Financial Officer or Chief Accounting Officer of the Company and another executive officer of the Company, on behalf of the Company, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect set forth in subsection (d)(ii) of this Section 5, and further to the effect that:
  - (i) the Company has received no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, and no proceedings for such purpose have been instituted or threatened by the Commission;
  - (ii) the Company has not received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement;
  - (iii) for the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date there has not occurred any Material Adverse Change;
  - (iv) the representations and warranties of the Company set forth in Section 1 of this Agreement are true and correct with the same force and effect as though expressly made on and as of the Closing Date; and
  - (v) the Company has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date.
- (i) <u>Bring-down Comfort Letters</u>. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received from Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, a letter dated such date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, to the effect that it reaffirms the statements made in the letter furnished by it pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section 5, except that the specified date referred to therein for the carrying out of procedures shall be no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date.
- (j) <u>Additional Documents</u>. On or before the Closing Date, the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters shall have received such information, documents and opinions as they may reasonably require for the purposes of enabling them to pass upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as contemplated herein, or in order to evidence the accuracy of any of the representations and warranties, or the satisfaction of any of the conditions or agreements, herein contained.

If any condition specified in this Section 5 is not satisfied when and as required to be satisfied, this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice to the Company at any time on or prior to the Closing Date, which termination shall be without liability on the part of any party to any other party, except that Section 4, Section 6, Section 9 and Section 11 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

SECTION 6. Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses. If this Agreement is terminated by the Representatives pursuant to Section 5, or if the sale to the Underwriters of the Securities on the Closing Date is not consummated because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company to perform any agreement herein or to comply with any provision hereof (other than solely because of the termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 18, or the occurrence of an event specified in clause (ii), (iii), (iv) or (vii) of Section 10), the Company agrees to reimburse the Representatives and the other Underwriters (or such Underwriters as have terminated this Agreement with respect to themselves), severally, upon demand for all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses that shall have been reasonably incurred by the Representatives and the Underwriters in connection with the proposed purchase and the offering and sale of the Securities, including but not limited to fees and disbursements of counsel, printing expenses, travel expenses, postage, facsimile and telephone charges.

SECTION 7. Effectiveness of this Agreement. This Agreement shall not become effective until the execution of this Agreement by the parties thereto.

### SECTION 8. Indemnification.

(a) Indemnification of the Underwriters. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its directors, officers, employees and agents, and each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which such Underwriter or such director, officer, employee, agent or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based (i) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; or (ii) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus or any "road show" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Securities Act) (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and to reimburse each Underwriter and each such director, officer, employee, agent and controlling person for any and all expenses (including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel chosen by the Representatives) as such expenses are reasonably incurred by such Underwriter or such director, officer, employee, agent or controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settling, compromising or paying any such loss, claim, damage, liability, expense or action; provided, however, that the foregoing indemnity agreement shall not apply to any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense to the extent, but only to the extent, arising out of or based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto). The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liabilities that the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Indemnification of the Company, its Directors and Officers. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and each of its directors, each of its officers who signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which the Company or any such director, officer or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of such Underwriter), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based (i) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; or (ii) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or the omission or alleged omission

therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and to reimburse the Company, or any such director, officer or controlling person for any legal and other expenses as such expenses are reasonably incurred by the Company, or any such director, officer or controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settling, compromising or paying any such loss, claim, damage, liability, expense or action. The Company hereby acknowledges that the only information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) are the statements set forth in (i) the last paragraph on the front cover of the Preliminary Prospectus and Prospectus regarding delivery of the Securities, (ii) the fourth full paragraph under the caption "Underwriting" in the Preliminary Prospectus, and the Underwriters confirm that such statements are correct. The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liabilities that each Underwriter may otherwise have.

(c) Notifications and Other Indemnification Procedures. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against an indemnifying party under this Section 8, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof, but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party will not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party for contribution or otherwise than under the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 8 or to the extent it is not prejudiced as a proximate result of such failure. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party and such indemnified party seeks or intends to seek indemnity from an indemnifying party, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate in and, to the extent that it shall elect, jointly with all other indemnifying parties similarly notified, by written notice delivered to the indemnified party promptly after receiving the aforesaid notice from such indemnified party, to assume the defense thereof with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party; provided, however, if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that a conflict may arise between the positions of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party in conducting the defense of any such action or that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, the indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties. Upon receipt of notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of such indemnifying party's election so to assume the defense of such action and approval by the indemnified party of counsel, the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under this Section 8 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof unless (i) the indemnified party shall have employed separate counsel in accordance with the proviso to the immediately preceding sentence (it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be liable for the expenses of more than one separate counsel (together with local counsel), approved by the indemnifying party (the Representatives in the case of Section 8(b) and Section 9), representing the indemnified parties who are parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action, in each of which cases the fees and expenses of counsel shall be at the expense of the indemnifying party.

(d) Settlements. The indemnifying party under this Section 8 shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify the indemnified party against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an indemnified party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by Section 8 hereof, the indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 45 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request and (ii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed the indemnified party in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement, compromise or consent to the entry of judgment in any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity was or could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement, compromise or consent (x) includes an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such action, suit or proceeding and (y) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

SECTION 9. Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in Section 8 is for any reason held to be unavailable to or otherwise insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the aggregate amount paid or payable by such indemnified party, as incurred, as a result of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement (before deducting expenses) received by the Company, and the total underwriting discount received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate initial offering price of the Securities as set forth on such cover. The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any such untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a ma

The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses referred to above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8, any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such party in connection with investigating or defending any action or claim. The provisions set forth in Section 8 with respect to notice of commencement of any action shall apply if a claim for contribution is to be made under this Section 9; provided, however, that no additional notice shall be required with respect to any action for which notice has been given under Section 8 for purposes of indemnification.

The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 9 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 9.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 9, no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the underwriting commissions received by such Underwriter in connection with the Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public.

No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' respective obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 9 are several, not joint, in proportion to their respective underwriting commitments set forth opposite their names in <a href="Schedule A">Schedule A</a>. For purposes of this Section 9, each director, officer, employee or agent of an Underwriter and each person, if any, who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each director of the Company, each officer of the Company who signed the Registration Statement, and each person, if any, who controls the Company with the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company.

SECTION 10. Termination of this Agreement. Prior to the Closing Date, this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice given to the Company if at any time (i) trading or quotation in any of the Company's securities shall have been suspended or limited by the Commission or by the New York Stock Exchange; (ii) trading in securities generally on either the Nasdaq Stock Market or the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited, or minimum or maximum prices shall have been generally established on any of such stock exchanges by the Commission or FINRA; (iii) a general banking moratorium shall have been declared by any federal, New York or Georgia authorities; (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of national or international hostilities or any crisis or calamity, or any change in the United States or international financial markets, or any substantial change or development involving a prospective substantial change in United States' or international political, financial or economic conditions, as in the judgment of the Representatives is material and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to market the Securities in the manner and on the terms described in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Securities; (v) since the execution of this Agreement or since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Disclosure Package, there shall have occurred any Material Adverse Change the effect of which, in the judgment of the Representatives, makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offer or the sale of and payment for the Securities; (vi) the Company shall have sustained a loss by strike, fire, flood, earthquake, accident or other calamity of such character as in the judgment of the Representatives may interfere materially with the conduct of the business and operations of the Company regardless of whether or not such loss shall have been insured; or (vii) there shall have occurred a material disruption in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States. Any termination pursuant to this Section 10 shall be without liability on the part of the Company to any Underwriter, except that the Company shall be obligated to reimburse the expenses of the Underwriters pursuant to Sections 4 and 6 hereof, any Underwriter to the Company, or of any party hereto to any other party except that the provisions of Section 8 and Section 9 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

SECTION 11. Representations and Indemnities to Survive Delivery. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, of its officers and of the several Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or the Company or any of its or their partners, officers, directors, employees or any controlling person, as the case may be, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Securities sold hereunder and any termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 12. <u>Selling Restrictions</u>. Each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees with the Company that it will comply with the selling restrictions listed in <u>Annex III</u> hereto in respect of the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities.

SECTION 13. Notices. All communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be mailed, hand delivered or telecopied and confirmed to the parties hereto as follows:

# If to the Underwriters:

BofA Securities, Inc. 114 West 47th Street NY8-114-07-01 New York, NY 10036

Attention: High Grade Transaction Management/Legal

Facsimile: (212)-901-7881 Email: dg.hg\_ua\_notices@bofa.com

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179 Facsimile: (212) 834-6081

Attention: High Grade Syndicate Desk - 3rd Floor

Truist Securities, Inc.

3333 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30326

Facsimile: (404) 926-5027

Attention: Investment Grade Debt Capital Markets

And

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC 550 South Tryon Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202 Facsimile: (704)-410-0326 Attention: Transaction Management

Attention, Transaction iv

# with a copy to:

Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP 425 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017 Facsimile: (212) 455-2502 Attention: Mark Brod, Esq.

# If to the Company:

Equifax Inc.

1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309 Facsimile: (404) 885-8988

Attention: John W. Gamble, Jr., Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operations Officer, and John J. Kelley III, Esq., Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

with a copy to:

Hogan Lovells US LLP Columbia Square 555 Thirteenth Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20004 Facsimile: (202) 637-5910 Attention: Eve N. Howard, Esq.

Any party hereto may change the address for receipt of communications by giving written notice to the others.

SECTION 14. <u>Successors</u>. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, including any substitute Underwriters pursuant to Section 18 hereof, and to the benefit of the agents, employees, officers and directors and controlling persons referred to in Section 8 and Section 9, and in each case their respective successors. Nothing expressed or mentioned in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any person, firm or corporation, other than the Underwriters and the Company and their respective successors and the controlling person referred to in Sections 8 and 9 and their heirs and legal representatives, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision herein contained. This Agreement and all conditions and provisions hereof are intended to be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Underwriters and the Company and their respective successors, and the controlling persons and officers and directors and their heirs and legal representatives, and for the benefit of no other person, firm, corporation or employees. The term "successors" shall not include any purchaser of the Securities from any of the Underwriters merely by reason of such purchase.

SECTION 15. <u>Partial Unenforceability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other Section, paragraph or provision hereof. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement is for any reason determined to be invalid or unenforceable, there shall be deemed to be made such minor changes (and only such minor changes) as are necessary to make it valid and enforceable.

SECTION 16. <u>Governing Law Provisions</u>. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED IN SUCH STATE.

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

SECTION 18. <u>Default of One or More of the Several Underwriters</u>. If any one or more of the several Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities that it or they have agreed to purchase hereunder on the Closing Date, and the aggregate number of Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase does not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of the Securities to be purchased on such date, the other non-defaulting Underwriters shall be obligated, severally, in the proportions that the number of Securities set forth opposite their respective names on <u>Schedule A</u> bears to the aggregate number of Securities set forth opposite the names of all suchnon-defaulting Underwriters, or in such other proportions as may be specified by the Underwriters with the consent of the non-defaulting Underwriters, to purchase all of the Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase on such date. If any one or more of the Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities and the aggregate number of Securities with respect to which such default occurs exceeds 10% of the aggregate number of Securities to be purchased on the Closing Date, and arrangements satisfactory to the Representatives and the Company for the purchase of such Securities are not made within 48 hours after such default, this Agreement shall terminate without liability of the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company except that the provisions of Section 4, Section 6, Section 8 and Section 9 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination. In any such case either the Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Date, as the case may be, but in no event for longer than seven days in order that the required changes, if any, to the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or any other documents or arrangements may be effected.

As used in this Agreement, the term "Underwriter" shall be deemed to include any person substituted for a defaulting Underwriter under this Section 18. Any action taken under this Section 18 shall not relieve any defaulting Underwriter from liability in respect of any default of such Underwriter under this Agreement.

SECTION 19. No Fiduciary Duty. The Company acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, including the determination of the public offering price of the Securities and any related discounts and commissions, is an arm's length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other hand, and the Company is capable of evaluating and understanding and understands and accepts the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; (ii) in connection with each transaction contemplated hereby and the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not the financial advisor, agent or fiduciary of the Company or its affiliates, stockholders, creditors or employees or any other party; (iii) no Underwriter has assumed or will assume an advisory, agency or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to any of the transactions contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) and no Underwriter has any obligation to the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement; (iv) the several Underwriters and their respective affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Company and that the several Underwriters have no obligation to disclose any of such interests by virtue of any advisory, agency or fiduciary relationship; and (v) the Underwriters have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory on tax advices with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory on tax advisors to the extent

This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings (whether written or oral) between the Company and the several Underwriters with respect to the subject matter hereof. The Company hereby waives and releases, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claims that the Company may have against the several Underwriters with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty.

SECTION 20. General Provisions. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties to this Agreement and supersedes all prior written or oral and all contemporaneous oral agreements, understandings and negotiations with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each one of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this Agreement or any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, and the parties hereto conduct the transactions contemplated hereunder by electronic means. This Agreement may not be amended or modified unless in writing by all of the parties hereto, and no condition herein (express or implied) may be waived unless waived in writing by each party whom the condition is meant to benefit. The section headings herein are for the convenience of the parties only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

SECTION 21. Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement, and any such interest and obligation, were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

For the purposes of this Section 21:

"BHC Act Affiliate" has the meaning assigned to the term "affiliate" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k).

"Covered Entity" means any of the following:

- i. a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b);
- ii. a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or
- iii. a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

"Default Right" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"U.S. Special Resolution Regime" means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, kindly sign and return the enclosed copies hereof, whereupon this instrument, along with all counterparts hereof, shall become a binding agreement among the Underwriters and the Company in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ John W. Gamble, Jr.

Name: John W. Gamble, Jr.

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operations Officer

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The foregoing Underwriting Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Representatives as of the date first above written.

BOFA SECURITIES, INC. J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC TRUIST SECURITIES, INC. WELLS FARGO SECURITIES, LLC

Acting as Representatives of the several Underwriters named in the attached Schedule A

By: BOFA SECURITIES, INC.

By: /s/ Laurie Campbell

Name: Laurie Campbell Title: Managing Director

By: J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ Robert Bottamedi

Name: Robert Bottamedi Title: Executive Director

By: TRUIST SECURITIES, INC.

By: /s/ Robert Nordlinger

Name: Robert Nordlinger

Title: Director

By: WELLS FARGO SECURITIES, LLC

By: /s/ Carolyn Hurley

Name: Carolyn Hurley Title: Managing Director

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Underwriters		Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes to be Purchased	
BofA Securities, Inc.	\$	98,000,000	
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC		98,000,000	
Truist Securities, Inc.		98,000,000	
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC		98,000,000	
Mizuho Securities USA, LLC		70,875,000	
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.		42,000,000	
PNC Capital Markets LLC		42,000,000	
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.		28,000,000	
Citizens Capital Markets, Inc.		28,000,000	
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.		28,000,000	
Regions Securities LLC		28,000,000	
U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.		28,000,000	
Bancroft Capital, LLC		4,375,000	
Independence Point Securities LLC		4,375,000	
Westpac Capital Markets LLC		4,375,000	
Total	\$	700,000,000	

# **Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses**

Final Term Sheet dated May 5, 2023

ANNEX II

# Other Free Writing Prospectuses Forming Part of the Disclosure Package

None.

## **Selling Restrictions**

#### European Economic Area

The notes are not intended to be offered, sold or otherwise made available to and should not be offered, sold or otherwise made available to any retail investor in the European Economic Area ("EEA"). For these purposes, a retail investor means a person who is one (or more) of: (i) a retail client as defined in point (11) of Article 4(1) of Directive 2014/65/EU (as amended, "MiFID II"); or (ii) a customer within the meaning of Directive 2016/97 (as amended, the "Insurance Distribution Directive"), where that customer would not qualify as a professional client as defined in point (10) of Article 4(1) of MiFID II; or (iii) not a qualified investor as defined in Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 (as amended, the "Prospectus Regulation"). Consequently no key information document required by Regulation (EU) No 1286/2014 (as amended, the "PRIIPs Regulation") for offering or selling the notes or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the EEA has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the notes or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the EEA may be unlawful under the PRIIPs Regulation. The prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus have been prepared on the basis that any offer of notes in any Member State of the EEA will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Regulation from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of notes. The prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are not a prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Regulation.

### **United Kingdom**

The notes are not intended to be offered, sold or otherwise made available to and should not be offered, sold or otherwise made available to any retail investor in the United Kingdom ("UK"). For these purposes, a retail investor means a person who is one (or more) of: (i) a retail client, as defined in point (8) of Article 2 of Regulation (EU) No 2017/565 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("EUWA"); (ii) a customer within the meaning of the provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (as amended, "FSMA") and any rules or regulations made under the FSMA to implement Directive (EU) 2016/97, where that customer would not qualify as a professional client, as defined in point (8) of Article 2(1) of Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWA; or (iii) not a qualified investor as defined in Article 2 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWA (the "UK Prospectus Regulation"). Consequently no key information document required by Regulation (EU) No 1286/2014 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWA (the "UK PRIIPs Regulation") for offering or selling the notes or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the UK has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the notes or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the UK may be unlawful under the UK PRIIPs Regulation. The prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus have been prepared on the basis that any offer of notes in the UK will be made pursuant to an exemption under the UK Prospectus Regulation from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of notes. The prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus of the UK Prospectus Regulation.

#### Canada

The notes may be sold only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principals 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 supplement or the accompanying 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 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.

#### Hong Kong

Each underwriter represents, warrants and agrees that:

- it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell in Hong Kong, by means of any document, any notes other than (a) to "professional investors" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "SFO") and any rules made under the SFO; or (b) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a "prospectus" as defined in the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Cap. 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "C(WUMP)O") or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the C(WUMP)O; and
- (ii) it has not issued or had in its possession for the purposes of issue, and will not issue or have in its possession for the purposes of issue, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the notes, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to the notes which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" as defined in the SFO and any rules made under the SFO.

#### Japan

The notes have not been and will not be registered pursuant to Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. Accordingly, none of the notes nor any interest therein may be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any "resident" of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organized under the laws of Japan), or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to or for the benefit of a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan in effect at the relevant time.

# Singapore

Each underwriter acknowledges that this prospectus supplement has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, each underwriter represents, warrants and agrees that it has not offered or sold any notes or caused such notes to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase and will not offer or sell such notes or cause such notes to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, and has not circulated or distributed, nor will it circulate or distribute, this prospectus supplement or any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of such notes, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than:

(a) to an institutional investor (as defined in Section 4A of the Securities and Futures Act (Chapter 289) of Singapore, as modified or amended from time to time (the "SFA")) pursuant to Section 274 of the SFA;

- (b) to a relevant person (as defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA) pursuant to Section 275(1) of the SFA, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or
- (c) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

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

- (a) 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
- (b) 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,

securities or securities based derivatives contracts (each term as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) 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:

- (i) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A), or Section 276(4)(i) (B) of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (iii) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (iv) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA; or
- (v) as specified in Regulation 37A of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Securities and Securities-Based Derivatives Contracts)
   Regulations 2018.

Singapore Securities and Futures Act Product Classification – Solely for the purposes of its obligations pursuant to sections 309B(1)(a) and 309B(1)(c) of the SFA and the Securities and Futures (Capital Markets Products) Regulations 2018, the Company has determined, and hereby notifies all relevant persons (as defined in Section 309A of the SFA) that the notes are "prescribed capital markets products" (as defined in the Securities and Futures (Capital Markets Products) Regulations 2018) and Excluded Investment Products (as defined in MAS Notice SFA 04-N12: Notice on the Sale of Investment Products and MAS Notice FAA-N16: Notice on Recommendations on Investment Products).

## Switzerland

The prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is not intended to constitute an offer or solicitation to purchase or invest in the notes. The notes may not be publicly offered, directly or indirectly, in Switzerland within the meaning of the Swiss Financial Services Act ("FinSA") and no application has or will be made to admit the notes to trading on any trading venue (exchange or multilateral trading facility) in Switzerland. Neither this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the notes constitutes a prospectus pursuant to the FinSA, and neither this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the notes may be publicly distributed or otherwise made publicly available in Switzerland.

# EQUIFAX INC.

#### **Final Term Sheet**

## **Summary of Terms**

Issuer: Equifax Inc. (the "Company")

Trade Date: May 5, 2023

Settlement Date (T+7)\*\*: May 16, 2023

Security: 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 (the "Notes")

Aggregate Principal Amount: \$700,000,000

Maturity Date: June 1, 2028

Benchmark Treasury: UST 3.500% due April 30, 2028

Benchmark Treasury Price / Yield: 100-12 / 3.417%

Spread to Benchmark Treasury: T+ 175 bps
Yield to Maturity: 5.167%

Price to Public: 99.703% of the aggregate principal amount, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 16, 2023

Coupon (Interest Rate): 5.100%

Interest Payment Dates: June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on December 1, 2023

Optional Redemption: Prior to May 1, 2028 (one month prior to their maturity date), the Company may redeem the notes

at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of: (1) (a) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the redemption date (assuming the notes matured on May 1, 2028) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate (as defined below) plus 30 basis points, less (b) interest accrued to the redemption date, and (2) 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but

excluding, the redemption date.

On or after May 1, 2028 (one month prior to their maturity date), the Company may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the

redemption date.

Expected Ratings (Moody's/S&P)\*: [Intentionally omitted]

CUSIP/ISIN Numbers: 294429 AW5 / US294429 AW53

Denominations: \$2,000 x \$1,000

Joint Book-Running Managers: BofA Securities, Inc.

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC Wells Fargo Securities, LLC Truist Securities, Inc. Mizuho Securities USA, LLC

Co-Managers: Bancroft Capital

Citigroup Global Markets Inc.
Citizens Capital Markets, Inc.
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.
Independence Point Securities LLC
PNC Capital Markets LLC
Regions Securities LLC
U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.

Westpac Capital Markets LLC

\* Note: A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

The issuer has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. Alternatively, the Joint Book-Running Managers in this offering can arrange to send you a copy of the preliminary prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus if you request it by calling BofA Securities, Inc. at 1-800-294-1322, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC at 1-212-834-4533, Truist Securities, Inc. at 1-800-685-4786 or Wells Fargo Securities, LLC at 1-800-645-3751.

<sup>\*\*</sup> It is expected that delivery of the notes will be made against payment therefor on or about May 16, 2023, which will be the seventh business day following the date of pricing of the notes (such settlement cycle being herein referred to as T+7). Under Rule 15c6-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in two business days unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the notes prior to the second business day before settlement will be required to specify an alternative settlement cycle at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement. Purchasers of notes who wish to trade the notes prior to the second business day before settlement should consult their own advisors.

## EQUIFAX INC., AS ISSUER

AND

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION), AS TRUSTEE

ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

**DATED AS OF MAY 16, 2023** 

ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENT TO INDENTURE,
DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016, BETWEEN
EQUIFAX INC. AND
U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION), AS TRUSTEE

#### ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of May 16, 2023, between EQUIFAX INC., a Georgia corporation (the "Issuer"), having its principal office at 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, and U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION), as trustee (the "Trustee"), having its Corporate Trust Office at 1349 W. Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1050, Atlanta, Georgia 30309, under the Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the "Original Indenture").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer executed and delivered its Original Indenture to the Trustee to issue from time to time for its lawful purposes debt securities evidencing its indebtedness;

WHEREAS, the Original Indenture provides that by means of a supplemental indenture, the Issuer may create one or more series of its debt securities and establish the form and terms and conditions thereof;

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to issue a series of senior debt securities under the Original Indenture, and has duly authorized the creation and issuance of such series of debt securities and the execution and delivery of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture to modify the Original Indenture and provide certain additional provisions as hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Issuer and the Trustee deem it advisable to enter into this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture for the purposes of establishing the terms of such series of debt securities and providing for the rights, obligations and duties of the Trustee with respect to such debt securities;

WHEREAS, all conditions and requirements of the Original Indenture necessary to make this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture a valid, binding and legal instrument in accordance with its terms have been performed and fulfilled by the parties hereto and the execution and delivery hereof have been in all respects duly authorized by the parties hereto;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Issuer, acting through authority delegated to certain of its executive officers, has approved the creation of the Notes (as hereinafter defined) and the form, terms and conditions thereof;

WHEREAS, concurrently with the execution hereof, the Issuer has delivered an Officers' Certificate and has caused its counsel to deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the consent of Holders to the execution and delivery of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture is not required, and all other actions required to be taken under the Original Indenture with respect to this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture have been taken.

#### NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED:

## ARTICLE ONE

#### Creation of The Notes

- Section 1.1. <u>Designation of Series</u>. Pursuant to the terms hereof and <u>Section 301</u> of the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby creates a series of its debt securities which shall be known as the "5.100% Senior Notes due 2028" (the "<u>Notes</u>"), which Notes shall be deemed "Securities" for all purposes under the Original Indenture.
- Section 1.2. Form and Denomination of Notes. The definitive form of the Notes shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein and made part hereof. The Notes shall bear interest, be payable and have such other terms as are stated in the form of Note and in the Original Indenture, as supplemented by this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture. The Notes shall be issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.
- Section 1.3. <u>Amount of Series</u>. Subject to <u>Section 1.10</u> hereof, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes that may be issued under this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture is initially limited to \$700,000,000. The Notes may, upon the execution and delivery of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture or from time to time thereafter, be executed by the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver said Notes upon the delivery of a Company Order.
- Section 1.4. <u>Rank</u>. The Notes are unsecured and unsubordinated and shall rank equally in right of payment among themselves and with all of the Issuer's other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness.
  - Section 1.5. No Sinking Fund. No sinking fund shall be provided with respect to the Notes.
  - Section 1.6. Optional Redemption.
- (a) Except as otherwise may be specified in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture and in the Notes, Article Eleven of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes.
- (b) Prior to May 1, 2028 (one month prior to their maturity date) (the 'Par Call Date'), the Issuer may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (the "Optional Redemption Price") (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of:
  - (i) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the Redemption Date (assuming the Notes matured on the Par Call Date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 30 basis points, less (b) interest accrued to the Redemption Date; and
    - (ii) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed;

plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

On or after the Par Call Date, the Issuer may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

- (c) Notice of any redemption will be mailed or electronically delivered (or otherwise transmitted in accordance with the Depository's procedures) at least 10 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed.
- (d) Unless the Issuer defaults in payment of the Optional Redemption Price, on and after the Redemption Date, interest shall cease to accrue on the Notes or portions thereof called for redemption.
- (e) The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered Holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 10 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to this Section 1.6, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; provided that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to 12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); provided that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

Section 1.7. <u>Definitions</u>. For all purposes of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture:

- (a) Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Indenture;
- (b) a term defined anywhere in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture (including the exhibits hereto) has the same meaning throughout;
- (c) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- (d) headings are for convenience of reference only and do not affect interpretation; and
- (e) the following terms have the meanings given to them in this Section 1.7(e):

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 hereof, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, the yield determined by the Issuer in accordance with the following two paragraphs

- (i) The Treasury Rate shall be determined by the Issuer after 4:15 p.m., New York City time (or after such time as yields on U.S. government securities are posted daily by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System), on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date based upon the yield or yields for the most recent day that appear after such time on such day in the most recent statistical release published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System designated as "Selected Interest Rates (Daily)—H.15" (or any successor designation or publication) ("H.15") under the caption "U.S. government securities—Treasury constant maturities—Nominal" (or any successor caption or heading) ("H.15 TCM"). In determining the Treasury Rate, the Issuer shall select, as applicable: (1) the yield for the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the period from the Redemption Date to the Par Call Date (the "Remaining Life"); or (2) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the Remaining Life, the two yields one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately shorter than and one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately longer than the Remaining Life and shall interpolate to the Par Call Date on a straight-line basis (using the actual number of days) using such yields and rounding the result to three decimal places; or (3) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 shorter than or longer than the Remaining Life, the yield for the single Treasury constant maturity on H.15 closest to the Remaining Life. For purposes of this paragraph, the applicable Treasury constant maturities on H.15 shall be deemed to have a maturity date equal to the relevant number of months or years, as applicable, of such Treasury constant maturity from the Redemption Date.
- (ii) If on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date H.15 TCM is no longer published, the Issuer shall calculate the Treasury Rate based on the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the second Business Day preceding such Redemption Date of the United States Treasury security maturing on, or with a maturity that is closest to, the Par Call Date, as applicable. If there is no United States Treasury security maturing on the Par Call Date but there are two or more United States Treasury securities with a maturity date equally distant from the Par Call Date, one with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date and one with a maturity date following the Par Call Date, the Issuer shall select the United States Treasury security with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date. If there are two or more United States Treasury securities maturing on the Par Call Date or two or more United States Treasury securities meeting the criteria of the preceding sentence, the Issuer shall select from among these two or more United States Treasury securities the United States Treasury security that is trading closest to par based upon the average of the bid and asked prices for such United States Treasury securities at 11:00 a.m., New York City time. In determining the Treasury Rate in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, the semi-annual yield to maturity of the applicable United States Treasury security shall be based upon the average of the bid and asked prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, of such United States Treasury security, and rounded to three decimal places.

Section 1.8. Notes Not Convertible or Exchangeable. The Notes shall not be convertible or exchangeable for other securities or property.

Section 1.9. <u>Issuance of Notes</u>; <u>Selection of Depository</u>. The Notes shall be issued as Registered Securities in permanent global form, without coupons. The initial Depository for the Notes shall be DTC.

Section 1.10. <u>Issuance of Additional Notes</u>. From time to time subsequent to the date hereof, without the consent of the Holders of the Notes, the Issuer may create and issue additional Notes (the "<u>Additional Notes</u>") under the terms of the Original Indenture and this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture (and without need to execute any additional supplemental indenture). The Additional Notes shall be issued as part of the existing series of Notes issued pursuant to this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture and shall have terms identical in all material respects (except for the public offering price and the issue date and, if applicable, the initial interest accrual date and the initial Interest Payment Date) to any Outstanding Notes and shall be treated together with any Outstanding Notes as a single issue of Notes under the Original Indenture and this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture. Any Additional Notes issued hereunder shall rank equally and ratably with the Notes originally issued pursuant to this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, shall have the same CUSIP number and shall trade interchangeably with such Notes (except for such Additional Notes that are not fungible with the Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which shall have a separate CUSIP number) and shall otherwise constitute Notes for all other purposes hereof. Any Additional Notes may be issued pursuant to authorization provided by one or more Board Resolutions. No Additional Notes shall be issued at any time that there is an Event of Default under the Original Indenture with respect to the Notes that has occurred and is continuing.

Section 1.11. <u>Issuance of Additional Debt Securities</u>. In addition to the Notes, the Issuer may, from time to time, issue other series of debt securities under the Original Indenture consisting of debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, but such other series will be separate from and independent of the Notes. The Original Indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities or any other debt (whether secured or unsecured or whether subordinated) which the Issuer may incur.

Section 1.12. <u>Place of Payment; Transfer and Exchange</u>. The Notes shall be payable and may be presented for payment, purchase, redemption, registration of transfer and exchange and notices to or upon the Issuer shall be made at the office or agency of the Issuer maintained in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York for such office, which mutually shall be at U.S. Bank Global Corporate Trust Services – New York, 100 Wall Street, Suite 1600, New York, NY 10005, or such other office as the Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Issuer.

## ARTICLE TWO

#### Appointment of the Trustee For the Notes

Section 2.1. <u>Appointment of Trustee</u>; <u>Acceptance by Trustee</u>. Pursuant and subject to the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby appoints U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association) to act on behalf of the Holders of the Notes. By execution, acknowledgment and delivery of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee hereby accepts appointment as trustee with respect to the Notes, and agrees to perform the duties and obligations of the Trustee with respect to the Notes upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Original Indenture and in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture.

Section 2.2. Rights, Powers, Duties and Obligations of the Trustee.

- (a) Any rights, powers, duties and obligations by any provisions of the Original Indenture conferred or imposed upon the Trustee shall, insofar as permitted by law, be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Trustee with respect to the Notes.
- (b) For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(25)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 612(3)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by replacing the phrase "grossly negligent" with "negligent" each time it appears.
- Section 2.3. <u>Rights in Indenture Applicable to Trustee</u>. U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), in its capacity as Trustee, shall be afforded all of the rights, powers, immunities and indemnities of the Trustee as set forth in the Original Indenture as if such rights, powers, immunities and indemnities were specifically set forth herein.

## ARTICLE THREE

## Change of Control Offer

## Section 3.1. Change of Control Offer.

- (a) If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "<u>Change of Control Offer</u>") to each Holder of the Notes to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein.
- (b) In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount of Notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes repurchased to the date of repurchase (the <u>Change of Control Payment</u>"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control, the Issuer shall mail or deliver electronically a notice to the Trustee and to Holders of the Notes describing the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Notes on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 10 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed or delivered electronically (the "<u>Change of Control Payment Date</u>"). The notice shall, if mailed or delivered electronically prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.
- (c) In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, the Note together with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" (which form is annexed to the Note) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:
  - (i) the name of the Holder of the Note;
  - (ii) the principal amount of the Note;
  - (iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;
  - (iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;

- (v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and
- (vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.
- (d) Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.
  - (e) On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful:
    - (i) accept for payment all Notes or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;
  - (ii) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions of such Notes properly tendered: and
  - (iii) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes or portions of such Notes being repurchased.
- (f) The Issuer shall 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 the Issuer, and the third party purchases all Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Notes if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.
- (g) The Issuer shall 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, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes by virtue of any such conflict.
- (h) The Trustee has no obligation to determine whether a Change of Control Triggering Event has occurred and the Trustee has no obligation to provide notice to the Holders of the Notes of the occurrence of any Change of Control Triggering Event.
  - Section 3.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes, the following terms are applicable:

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or one of its Subsidiaries) 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 the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into

which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to one or more Persons (other than the Issuer or one of its Subsidiaries); or (3) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer becomes a direct or indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(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 the Issuer's Voting Stock immediately prior to that transaction or (B) immediately following that transaction on "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company.

"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 the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was member of such Board of Directors on the date the Notes were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"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 additional rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Issuer.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Rating Agencies" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Notes or fails to make a rating of the Notes publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a Board Resolution) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"Rating Event" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

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

"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 such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

## ARTICLE FOUR

#### Defeasance

- Section 4.1. <u>Defeasance Applicable to Notes</u>. Pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, provision is hereby made for both (i) legal defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 402(2)</u> of the Original Indenture and (ii) covenant defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 402(3)</u> of the Original Indenture, in each case, upon the terms and conditions contained in Article Four of the Original Indenture. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 402(4)(ii)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by (A) replacing the phrase "an Opinion of Counsel" with the phrase "a legal opinion of outside counsel," (B) replacing the phrase "such Opinion of Counsel" with the phrase "such legal opinion of outside counsel," and (C) replacing the phrase "Holders" with the phrase "beneficial owners."
- Section 4.2. <u>Covenant Defeasance</u>. Upon the Issuer's satisfaction of the conditions to elect covenant defeasance with respect to the Notes pursuant to <u>Article 4</u> of the Original Indenture and <u>Section 4.1</u> of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, the Issuer shall be released from its obligations under <u>Article</u> Seven of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, in addition to any other covenants set forth in Section 402(3) of the Original Indenture.
- Section 4.3. <u>Return of Trust Funds</u>. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(25)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 402(6)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by replacing "Section 402(2)(i)" with "Sections 402(2)(i) and 402(3)".

## ARTICLE FIVE

#### **Defaults and Remedies**

- Section 5.1. Events of Default. Except as provided below, Section 501 of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to Section 301(15) of the Original Indenture, Section 501(4) of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:
  - (4) default (i) in the payment when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period of any scheduled principal on any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries, having an aggregate principal amount outstanding of at least \$50,000,000, or (ii) in the performance of any other term or provision of any such Indebtedness which default shall have resulted in such Indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such Indebtedness having been discharged, or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within the later of (x) the period specified in such instrument and (y) 15 days after written notice to the Issuer by the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding;

## ARTICLE SIX

#### Amendments and Waivers

- Section 6.1. <u>Modification and Amendment with Consent of Holders of the Notes</u> Except as provided below, <u>Section 902</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. After the Issuer's obligation to purchase the Notes arises under Article Three of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, the Issuer shall not, without the consent of each of the Holders of the Holders of the Holders, amend, change or modify in any material respect the Issuer's obligation to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event or, after such Change of Control Triggering Event has occurred, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto.
- Section 6.2. <u>Modification and Amendment without Consent of Holders of the Notes.</u> Except as provided below, <u>Section 901</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Sections 901(8)</u> and <u>901(9)</u> of the Original Indenture are hereby amended by deleting such sections in their entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following as Sections 901(8), 901(9) and 901(10):
  - (8) to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of the Securities of all or any series (including to secure the Securities of such series, add guarantees with respect thereto, transfer any property to or with the Trustee, add to the Company's covenants for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series, add any additional Events of Default, or surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company);
  - (9) to make any other change hereunder that does not adversely affect the legal rights hereunder of any Holder of the Securities of any series in any respect; or
  - (10) to supplement any provision of this Indenture as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the defeasance or discharge of the Securities of all or any series in accordance with this Indenture; *provided* that such action shall not adversely affect the interests of any Holder of the Securities of any series in any material respect.

# ARTICLE SEVEN

#### Covenants

- Section 7.1. <u>Covenants</u>. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, Article 10 of the Original Indenture is hereby supplemented by incorporating therein the following additional covenants which the Issuer shall observe solely for the benefit of the Holders for so long as any Note is Outstanding:
- (a) Limitation on Mortgages and Liens. The Issuer will not at any time directly or indirectly create or assume and will not cause or permit a Subsidiary directly or indirectly to create or assume, otherwise than in favor of the Issuer or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance upon any Principal Facility or any interest it may have therein or upon any stock of any Subsidiary or any Indebtedness of any Subsidiary to the Issuer or any other Subsidiary, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, without making effective provision (and the Issuer covenants that in such case it will make or cause to be made, effective provision) whereby the Notes and any other Indebtedness of the Issuer then entitled thereto shall be secured by such mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance equally and ratably with any and all other obligations and Indebtedness thereby secured, so long as any such other obligations and Indebtedness shall be so secured (provided that for the purpose of providing such equal and ratable security, the principal amount of Discount Securities shall be such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series); provided, however, that the foregoing covenant shall not be applicable to the following:

- (i) (A) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any such property hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so constructed is located, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such acquisition or construction or the commencement of commercial operation of such property to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the purchase or construction price of such property, or (B) the acquisition by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of such property subject to any mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance upon such property existing at the time of acquisition thereof, whether or not assumed by the Issuer or such Subsidiary, or (C) any mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance existing on the property, shares of stock or Indebtedness of a corporation at the time such corporation shall become a Subsidiary, or (D) any conditional sales agreement or other title retention agreement with respect to any property hereafter acquired or constructed; provided that, in the case of subclauses (A) through (D) of this clause (i), the lien of any such mortgage, pledge or other lien does not spread to property owned prior to such acquisition or construction or to other property thereafter acquired or constructed other than additions to such acquired or constructed property and other than property on which property so constructed is located; and provided, further, that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this clause (i) whether or not created or assumed within such period;
- (ii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created for the sole purpose of extending, renewing or refunding any mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance permitted by <u>clause (i)</u> of this <u>subsection (a)</u>; <u>provided, however</u>, that the principal amount of Indebtedness secured thereby shall not exceed the principal amount of Indebtedness so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or refunding and that such extension, renewal or refunding mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be limited to all or any part of the same property that secured the mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance extended, renewed or refunded;
- (iii) liens for taxes or assessments or governmental charges or levies not then due and delinquent or the validity of which is being contested in good faith, and against which an adequate reserve has been established; liens on any such property created in connection with pledges or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations or to secure performance in connection with bids or contracts; materialmen's, mechanics', carrier's, workmen's, repairmen's or other like liens; or liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to obtain the release of such liens; liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to obtain the release of such liens; liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to resulting from any litigation or legal proceeding which is currently being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; leases and liens, rights of reverter and other possessory rights of the lessor thereunder; zoning restrictions, easements, rights-of-way or other restrictions on the use of real property or minor irregularities in the title thereto; and any other liens and encumbrances similar to those described in this clause (iii), the existence of which does not, in the opinion of the Issuer, materially impair the use by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of the affected property in the operation of the business of the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or the value of such property for the purposes of such business;
- (iv) any contracts for production, research or development with or for the Government, directly or indirectly, providing for advance, partial or progress payments on such contracts and for a lien, paramount to all other liens, upon money advanced or paid pursuant to such contracts, or upon any material or supplies in connection with the performance of such contracts to secure such payments to the Government; and liens or other evidences of interest in favor of the Government, paramount to all other liens, on any equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings hereafter constructed, installed or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary primarily

for the purpose of manufacturing or producing any product or performing any development work, directly or indirectly, for the Government to secure Indebtedness incurred and owing to the Government for the construction, installation or purchase of such equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings. For the purpose of this <u>clause (iv)</u>, "<u>Government</u>" shall mean the Government of the United States of America and any department, agency or political subdivision thereof and the government of any foreign country with which the Issuer or its Subsidiaries is permitted to do business under applicable law and any department, agency or political subdivision thereof;

- (v) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created after the date of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture on any property leased to or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary after that date and securing, directly or indirectly, obligations issued by a state, a territory or a possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or the District of Columbia, to finance the cost of acquisition or cost of construction of such property, *provided* that the interest paid on such obligations is entitled to be excluded from gross income of the recipient pursuant to Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or any successor to such provision), as in effect at the time of the issuance of such obligations;
- (vi) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any property now owned or hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so owned, acquired or constructed is located, to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the construction price or cost of improvements of such property, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such construction or improvement; provided that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this clause (vi) whether or not created or assumed within such period; and
- (vii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.1(a)</u>; provided that the aggregate amount of Indebtedness secured by all such mortgages, pledges, liens or encumbrances, together with the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted except under <u>Section 7.1(b)(i)</u> does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity.
- (b) <u>Limitation on Sale and Leaseback Transactions</u>. The Issuer will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, sell or transfer (except to the Issuer or one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries, or both) any Principal Facility owned by it on the date of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture with the intention of taking back a lease of such property, other than a lease for a temporary period (not exceeding 36 months) with the intent that the use by the Issuer or such Subsidiary of such property will be discontinued at or before the expiration of such period, unless either:
  - (i) the sum of the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted pursuant to this Section 7.1(b) plus the aggregate amount of Indebtedness secured by all mortgages, pledges, liens and encumbrances not otherwise permitted except under Section 7.1(a)(vii) does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity; or

- (ii) the Issuer within 120 days after the sale or transfer shall have been made by the Issuer or by any such Subsidiary applies an amount equal to the greater of (A) the net proceeds of the sale of the Principal Facility sold and leased back pursuant to such arrangement or (B) the fair market value of the Principal Facility sold and leased back at the time of entering into such arrangement (which may be conclusively determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer) to the retirement of Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities; provided that the amount required to be applied to the retirement of Outstanding Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer pursuant to this <u>subclause</u> (B) shall be reduced by (1) the principal amount (or, if the Securities of that series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of any Securities delivered within 120 days after such sale to the Trustee for retirement and cancellation, and (2) the principal amount of any other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities voluntarily retired by the Issuer within 120 days after such sale. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no retirement referred to in this <u>clause (ii)</u> may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any mandatory prepayment provision.
- (c) <u>Provision of Financial Information</u>. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 703</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such Section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:
  - (i) For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, if the Issuer is subject to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or any successor provision, the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee the annual reports, quarterly reports and other documents which the Issuer is required to file with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) or any successor provision, within 15 days after the date that the Issuer files the same with the Commission. If the Issuer is not subject to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or any successor provision, and for so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee the quarterly and annual financial statements and accompanying Item 303 of Regulation S-K ("management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations") disclosure that would be required to be contained in annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q required to be filed with the Commission if the Issuer were subject to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or any successor provision, within 15 days of the filing date that would be applicable to the Issuer at that time pursuant to applicable SEC rules and regulations.
  - (ii) Reports and other documents filed by the Issuer with the Commission and publicly available via the EDGAR system or on the Issuer's website will be deemed to be delivered to the Trustee as of the time such filing is publicly available via EDGAR or on the Issuer's website for purposes of this covenant; *provided, however*, that the Trustee shall have no obligation whatsoever to determine whether or not such information, documents or reports have been filed or are publicly available via EDGAR or on the Issuer's website. Delivery of such reports, information and documents to the Trustee is for informational purposes only and the Trustee's receipt of such shall not constitute constructive notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including the Issuer's compliance with any of its covenants relating to the Notes (as to which the Trustee is entitled to rely exclusively on an Officers' Certificate).

Section 7.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the covenants set forth in Section 7.1 hereof, the following terms are applicable:

"Consolidated Stockholders' Equity", at any time, means the total stockholders' equity of the Issuer and its consolidated Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal quarter of the Issuer for which financial information is then available.

"Discount Security" means any Security which is issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1273(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations thereunder.

"Funded Debt" means any indebtedness for money borrowed, created, issued, incurred, assumed or guaranteed which would, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice, be classified as long-term debt, but in any event including all indebtedness for money borrowed, whether secured or unsecured, maturing more than one year or extendible at the option of the obligor to a date more than one year, after the date of determination thereof (excluding any amount thereof included in current liabilities).

"Principal Facility" means the real property, fixtures, machinery and equipment relating to any facility owned by the Issuer or any Subsidiary, except for any facility that, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is not of material importance to the business conducted by the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of which all of the outstanding Voting Stock (other than directors' qualifying shares) is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by the Issuer, or by one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of the Issuer or by the Issuer and one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries

## ARTICLE EIGHT

## Miscellaneous

- Section 8.1. <u>Effect of Supplemental Indenture</u>. Except as expressly modified or amended hereby, the Original Indenture continues in full force and effect and is in all respects confirmed, ratified and preserved. This Eleventh Supplemental Indenture and all its provisions shall be deemed a part of the Original Indenture in the manner and to the extent herein and therein provided.
- Section 8.2. <u>Application of Eleventh Supplemental Indenture</u>. Each and every term and condition contained in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture that modifies, amends or supplements the terms and conditions of the Original Indenture shall apply only to the Notes created hereby and not to any existing or future series of Securities established under the Original Indenture.
- Section 8.3. <u>Benefits of Eleventh Supplemental Indenture</u>. Nothing contained in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture shall be construed to confer upon any person other than a Holder of the Notes, the Issuer and the Trustee any right or interest to avail itself, himself or herself as the case may be, of any benefit under any provision of the Original Indenture or this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture.
- Section 8.4. Effective Date. This Eleventh Supplemental Indenture shall be effective as of the date first above written and upon the execution and delivery hereof by each of the parties hereto.
- Section 8.5. Governing Law. This Eleventh Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.
- Section 8.6. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Eleventh Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. The words "execution," "executed," "signed," signature" and words of like import in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture or in any other certificate, agreement or document related to this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture shall include images of manually executed signatures transmitted by facsimile, email or other electronic format (including, without limitation, "pdf," "tif" or "jpg") and other electronic signatures (including, without limitation, DocuSign and AdobeSign).

- Section 8.7. Effect of Headings. The Article and Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.
- Section 8.8. <u>Separability Clause</u>. In case any provision in this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture or in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- Section 8.9. <u>Satisfaction and Discharge</u>. The Issuer shall be deemed to have satisfied and discharged all of its obligations under the Original Indenture as modified and supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture upon compliance with the provisions of Section 401 of the Original Indenture.
- Section 8.10. No Representations. The Trustee makes no representation or warranty as to the validity or sufficiency of this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture.
- Section 8.11. <u>Special, Indirect and Consequential Damages</u> In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for special, indirect, or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including, but not limited to, loss of profit) irrespective of whether the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.
- Section 8.12. Waiver of Jury Trial EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE ORIGINAL INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.
- Section 8.13. Force Majeure. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations hereunder arising out of or caused by, directly or indirectly, forces beyond its control, including, without limitation, strikes, work stoppages, accidents, acts of war or terrorism, civil or military disturbances, nuclear or natural catastrophes or acts of God, and interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, communications or computer (software and hardware) services; it being understood that the Trustee shall use reasonable efforts which are consistent with accepted practices in the banking industry to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.
- Section 8.14. Notices and Instructions to Trustee. The Trustee agrees to accept and act upon instructions or directions pursuant to this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture sent by unsecured e-mail, pdf, facsimile transmission or other similar unsecured electronic methods; provided that any communication sent to the Trustee hereunder must be signed manually or by way of a digital signature provided by DocuSign, Inc. (or such other digital service provider); and provided, further, that the Trustee shall have received an incumbency certificate listing persons designated to execute and deliver such instructions or directions and containing specimen signatures, either manual or digital as described above, of such designated persons, which such incumbency certificate shall be amended and replaced whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Issuer elects to provide the Trustee with e-mail or facsimile instructions (or instructions by a similar electronic method) and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such instructions, the Trustee's understanding of such instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such instructions notwithstanding such instructions conflict or are inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. The Issuer agrees to assume all risks arising out of the use of such electronic methods to submit instructions and directions to the Trustee, including without limitation the risk of the Trustee acting on unauthorized instructions, and the risk or interception and misuse by third parties.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Eleventh Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

EQUIFAX INC. as Issuer

By: /s/ John W. Gamble, Jr.

Name: John W. Gamble, Jr.

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operations Officer

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION) as Trustee

By: /s/ David Ferrell
Name: David Ferrell
Title: Vice President

[Equifax Inc. – Eleventh Supplemental Indenture]

#### [FACE OF NOTE]

THIS NOTE IS A SECURITY IN GLOBAL FORM ("GLOBAL SECURITY") WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 203 OF THE ORIGINAL INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION (THE "DEPOSITORY"), OR A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY, WHICH MAY BE TREATED BY THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY AGENT THEREOF AS OWNER AND HOLDER OF THIS NOTE FOR ALL PURPOSES.

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY, ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

UNLESS AND UNTIL THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN CERTIFICATED FORM, THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITORY TO A NOMINEE THEREOF OR BY A NOMINEE THEREOF TO THE DEPOSITORY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY OR BY THE DEPOSITORY OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR OF THE DEPOSITORY OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR.

## EQUIFAX INC.

#### 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028

Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Issuer," which term includes any successor under the Original Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to Cede & Co. or its registered assigns, the principal sum of [•] Dollars on June 1, 2028 (the "Maturity Date"), and to pay interest thereon from May 16, 2023 (or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for) in U.S. dollars semi-annually in arrears on June 1 and December 1 of each year (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing on December 1, 2023, and on the Maturity Date, at the rate of 5.100% per annum, until payment of said principal sum has been made or duly provided for.

The interest so payable and punctually paid or duly provided for on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date will be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the "Record Date" for such payment, which will be May 15 and November 15 (regardless of whether such day is a Business Day). Any interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Record Date, and shall be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on a subsequent Record Date for the payment of such defaulted interest (which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the payment of such defaulted interest) established by notice given by mail by or on behalf of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes not less than 10 days preceding such subsequent Record Date. Interest on this Note will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The principal of this Note payable on the Maturity Date will be paid against presentation and surrender of this Note at the office or agency of the Issuer maintained for that purpose in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York. The Issuer hereby initially designates U.S. Bank Global Corporate Trust Services – New York, 100 Wall Street, Suite 1600, New York, NY 10005 as the office to be maintained by it where Notes may be presented for payment, registration of transfer, or exchange and where notices or demands to or upon the Issuer in respect of the Notes or the Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof may be served.

Interest payable on this Note on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date, as the case may be, will be the amount of interest accrued from and including the immediately preceding Interest Payment Date (or from and including May 16, 2023, in the case of the initial Interest Payment Date) to but excluding the applicable Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date, as the case may be. If any Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day, the required payment of interest or principal or both, as the case may be, will be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if it were made on the date such payment was due and no interest will accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date, as the case may be.

Payments of principal and interest in respect of this Note will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

Reference is made to the further provisions of this Note set forth on the reverse hereof. Such further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as though fully set forth at this place.

This Note shall not be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof or be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Trustee under such Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this instrument to be signed manual	lly or by facsimile by its authorized officers.
Dated as of	
	EQUIFAX INC., as Issuer
	Ву:
	Name: Title:

# TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Securities of the series designated herein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

	U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION), as Trustee	
Date:	Ву:	
	Authorized Signatory	
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#### [REVERSE OF NOTE]

## EQUIFAX INC.

#### 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028

This security is one of a duly authorized issue of debentures, notes, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Issuer (hereinafter called the "Securities") of the series hereinafter specified, all issued or to be issued under and pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016 (hereinafter called the "Original Indenture"), duly executed and delivered by the Issuer to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), as Trustee (hereinafter called the "Trustee," which term includes any successor trustee under the Original Indenture with respect to the series of Securities of which this Note is a part), and an Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 16, 2023, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the "Eleventh Supplemental Indenture;" the Original Indenture as modified and supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture is herein called the "Indenture"), to which reference is hereby made for a description of the rights, limitations of rights, obligations, duties, and immunities thereunder of the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture. The Securities may be issued in one or more series, which different series may be issued in various aggregate principal amounts, may mature at different times, may bear interest (if any) at different rates, may be subject to different redemption provisions (if any), and may otherwise vary as provided in the Indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto. This Security is one of a series designated as the 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 of the Issuer (the "Notes"), initially limited in aggregate principal amount to \$700,000,000.

In case an Event of Default with respect to the Notes shall have occurred and be continuing, the principal hereof together with accrued interest to the date of declaration, if any, may be declared, and upon such declaration shall become, due and payable, in the manner, with the effect, and subject to the conditions provided in the Indenture.

Except as otherwise may be specified herein or in the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, prior to May 1, 2028 (one month prior to their maturity date) (the "Par Call Date"), the Issuer may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (the "Optional Redemption Price") (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of: (i) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the Redemption Date (assuming the Notes matured on the Par Call Date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 30 basis points, less (b) interest accrued to the Redemption Date; and (ii) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed; plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

On or after the Par Call Date, the Issuer may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered Holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 10 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; *provided* that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall

determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to 12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); *provided* that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "Change of Control Offer") to each Holder of the Notes to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein. In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount of Notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes repurchased to the date of repurchase (the "Change of Control Payment"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Notes on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 10 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed or delivered electronically (the "Change of Control Payment Date"). The notice shall, if mailed or delivered electronically prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, this Security together with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" (which form is annexed hereto) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:

- (i) the name of the Holder of the Note;
- (ii) the principal amount of the Note;
- (iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;
- (iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;
- (v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and
- (vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful (1) accept for payment all Notes or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer, (2) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions of such Notes properly tendered, and (3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes or portions of such Notes being repurchased.

The Issuer shall 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 the Issuer and the third party purchases all Notes of this series properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Notes if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

The Issuer shall 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, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes by virtue of any such conflict.

The following terms have the meanings given to them in this Note:

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or one of its Subsidiaries) 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 the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to one or more Persons (other than the Issuer or one of its Subsidiaries); or (3) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer becomes a direct or indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(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 the Issuer's Voting Stock immediately prior to that transaction or (B) immediately following that transaction no "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company.

"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 the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date the Notes were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

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

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Rating Agencies" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Notes or fails to make a rating of the Notes publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a Board Resolution) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"Rating Event" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

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

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date for the Notes, the yield determined by the Issuer in accordance with the following two paragraphs:

(i) The Treasury Rate shall be determined by the Issuer after 4:15 p.m., New York City time (or after such time as yields on U.S. government securities are posted daily by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System), on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date based upon the yield or yields for the most recent day that appear after such time on such day in the most recent statistical release published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System designated as "Selected Interest Rates (Daily)—H.15" (or any successor designation or publication) ("H.15") under the caption "U.S. government securities—Treasury constant maturities—Nominal" (or any successor caption or heading) ("H.15 TCM"). In determining the Treasury Rate, the Issuer shall select, as applicable: (1) the yield for the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the period from the Redemption Date to the Par Call Date (the "Remaining Life"); or (2) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the Remaining Life, the two yields — one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant

- maturity on H.15 immediately shorter than and one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately longer than the Remaining Life and shall interpolate to the Par Call Date on a straight-line basis (using the actual number of days) using such yields and rounding the result to three decimal places; or (3) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 shorter than or longer than the Remaining Life, the yield for the single Treasury constant maturity on H.15 closest to the Remaining Life. For purposes of this paragraph, the applicable Treasury constant maturity or maturities on H.15 shall be deemed to have a maturity date equal to the relevant number of months or years, as applicable, of such Treasury constant maturity from the Redemption Date.
- (ii) If on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date H.15 TCM is no longer published, the Issuer shall calculate the Treasury Rate based on the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the second Business Day preceding such Redemption Date of the United States Treasury security maturing on, or with a maturity that is closest to, the Par Call Date, as applicable. If there is no United States Treasury security maturing on the Par Call Date but there are two or more United States Treasury securities with a maturity date equally distant from the Par Call Date, one with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date and one with a maturity date following the Par Call Date, the Issuer shall select the United States Treasury security with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date. If there are two or more United States Treasury securities maturing on the Par Call Date or two or more United States Treasury securities the criteria of the preceding sentence, the Issuer shall select from among these two or more United States Treasury securities the United States Treasury security that is trading closest to par based upon the average of the bid and asked prices for such United States Treasury securities at 11:00 a.m., New York City time. In determining the Treasury Rate in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, the semi-annual yield to maturity of the applicable United States Treasury security shall be based upon the average of the bid and asked prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, of such United States Treasury security, and rounded to three decimal places.

"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 such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

The Original Indenture and the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture contain provisions permitting the Issuer and the Trustee, with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of each series to be affected (voting separately), evidenced as provided in the Original Indenture, to execute supplemental indentures for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the Original Indenture or of any supplemental indenture or modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series; provided that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of each such series affected by such supplemental indenture, (1) reduce the percentage of Outstanding Securities necessary to modify or amend the Original Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Original Indenture or certain defaults and their consequences provided in the Original Indenture, or to reduce the quorum or change voting requirements set forth in the Original Indenture; (2) reduce the rate of, or change or have the effect of changing the time for payment of Interest, including Defaulted Interest, on any Security; (3) reduce the principal amount of, or change or have the effect of changing the Stated Maturity of any Security, or adversely change the date on which any Security may be subject to redemption or reduce the Redemption Price therefor; (4) make any Security payable in currency other than that stated in such Security or change the place of payment of any

Security from that stated in such Security or in the Original Indenture; (5) make any change in provisions of the Original Indenture protecting the right of each Holder of a Security to receive payment of principal of and Interest on such Security on or after the due date thereof or to bring suit to enforce such payment, or permitting Holders holding a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities to waive defaults or Events of Default; (6) make any change to or modify the ranking of any Security that would adversely affect the Holders of such Security; (7) modify any of Section 902 of the Original Indenture or any of the second paragraph of Section 507 of the Original Indenture, except to increase the required percentage to effect the action or to provide that certain other provisions may not be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each of the Outstanding Securities affected thereby; or (8) after the Issuer's obligation to purchase the Notes arises under Article Three of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, amend, change or modify in any material respect the Issuer's obligation to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event or, after such Change of Control Triggering Event has occurred, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto.

It is also provided in the Original Indenture that, with respect to certain defaults or Events of Default regarding the Securities of any series, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount Outstanding of the Securities of such series (or, in the case of certain defaults or Events of Default, all series of Securities) may on behalf of the Holders of all the Securities of such series (or all of the Securities, as the case may be) waive any such past default or Event of Default and its consequences, prior to any declaration accelerating the maturity of such Securities, or, subject to certain conditions, may rescind a declaration of acceleration and its consequences with respect to such Securities. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security (unless revoked as provided in the Original Indenture) shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders and owners of this Security and any securities that may be issued in exchange or substitution herefor, irrespective of whether or not any notation thereof is made upon this Security or such other securities.

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Issuer, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and interest on this Security in the manner, at the respective times, at the rate and in the coin or currency herein prescribed.

This Security is issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Securities may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series of other authorized denominations at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, in the manner and subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, but without the payment of any service charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

Upon due presentment for registration of transfer of Securities at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, one or more new Securities of the same series of authorized denominations in an equal aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor, subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, without charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

The Issuer, the Trustee or any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may deem and treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the absolute owner of this Security (whether or not this Security shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing hereon), for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal hereof or the Optional Redemption Price, if any, and subject to the provisions on the face hereof, interest hereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The Indenture and each Security shall be deemed to be a contract under the laws of the State of New York, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with the laws of such state, except as may otherwise be required by mandatory provisions of law.

Capitalized terms used herein which are not otherwise defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto relating to this Security.

# OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE

box:	o have this Security purchased by the Issuer pursu	ant to Article 1 nree of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, check the
	o have only part of this Security purchased by the ount that you elect to have purchased: \$	Issuer pursuant to Article Three of the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, state
Dated:	Your Signature:_	(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.)
Signature Guarantee:		
		(Signature must be guaranteed)

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.



May 16, 2023

Board of Directors Equifax Inc. 1550 Peachtree Street N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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We are acting as counsel to Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, dated as of the date hereof, relating to the Notes (as defined below) (the "Eleventh Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"), between the Company and the Trustee, of \$700,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 (the "Notes"), and the sale of the Notes pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, dated May 5, 2023 (the "Agreement"), among the Company and BofA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Truist Securities, Inc., and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, and pursuant to the Company's automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-266290) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 22, 2022 (the "Registration Statement"). This opinion letter is furnished to you at your request to enable you to fulfill the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S K, 17 C.F.R. § 229.601(b)(5), in connection with the Registration Statement.

For purposes of this opinion letter, we have examined copies of such agreements, instruments and documents as we have deemed an appropriate basis on which to render the opinions hereinafter expressed. In our examination of the aforesaid documents, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all natural persons, the accuracy and completeness of all documents submitted to us, the authenticity of all original documents, and the conformity to authentic original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies (including pdfs). As to all matters of fact, we have relied on the representations and statements of fact made in the documents so reviewed, and we have not independently established the facts so relied on. This opinion letter is given, and all statements herein are made, in the context of the foregoing.

For purposes of this opinion letter, we have assumed that (i) each party to the Indenture has all requisite power and authority under all applicable law and governing documents to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Indenture, and each such party has complied with all legal requirements pertaining to its status as such status relates to its rights to enforce the Indenture against the Company; (ii) each such party has duly authorized and, except with respect to the Company to the extent governed by New York law, executed and delivered the Indenture; (iii) each party to the Indenture is validly existing and in good standing in all necessary jurisdictions (and the name, and the descriptions of the form and jurisdiction of organization, of each entity contained in the Indenture and in this opinion letter are accurate in all respects);

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(iv) the Indenture constitutes a valid and binding obligation, enforceable against each of such other parties other than the Company in accordance with its terms; (v) there has been no mutual mistake of fact or misunderstanding, or fraud, duress or undue influence, in connection with the negotiation, execution or delivery of the Indenture, and the conduct of all parties to the Indenture has complied with any requirements of good faith, fair dealing and conscionability; and (vi) there are and have been no agreements or understandings among the parties, written or oral, and there is and has been no usage of trade or course of prior dealing among the parties (and no act or omission of any party), that would, in any such case, define, supplement or qualify the terms of the Indenture. We have also assumed the validity and constitutionality of each relevant statute, rule, regulation and agency action covered by this opinion letter.

This opinion letter is based as to matters of law solely on the applicable provisions of laws of the State of New York (but not including any laws, statutes, ordinances, administrative decisions, rules or regulations of any political subdivision below the state level), as currently in effect. We express no opinion herein as to any other laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations (and in particular, we express no opinion as to any effect that such other laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations may have on the opinion expressed herein). Insofar as the opinions expressed herein relate to or are dependent upon matters governed by Georgia law, we have relied, without independent investigation, upon, and our opinions expressed herein are subject to all of the qualifications, assumptions and limitations expressed in, the opinion dated May 16, 2023 of John J. Kelley III, Chief Legal Officer of the Company, filed as Exhibit 5.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K relating to the offer and sale of the Notes.

Based upon, subject to and limited by the foregoing, we are of the opinion that, following (i) receipt by the Company of the consideration for the Notes specified in the Agreement, and (ii) the due execution, authentication, issuance and delivery of the Notes pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, the Notes will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company.

The opinion expressed above with respect to the valid and binding nature of obligations may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights and remedies (including, without limitation, the effect of statutory and other law regarding fraudulent conveyances and fraudulent, preferential or voidable transfers) and by the exercise of judicial discretion and the application of principles of equity, good faith, fair dealing, reasonableness, conscionability and materiality (regardless of whether the Notes are considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), including, without limitation, principles limiting the availability of specific performance and injunctive relief.

This opinion letter has been prepared for use in connection with the filing by the Company of a Current Report on Form8-K, which Form 8-K will be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, and speaks as of the date hereof. We assume no obligation to advise of any changes in the foregoing subsequent to the delivery of this opinion letter.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the above-described Form8-K and to the reference to this firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus dated May 5, 2023 that forms a part of the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are an "expert" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hogan Lovells US LLP

HOGAN LOVELLS US LLP

1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

May 16, 2023

Board of Directors Equifax Inc. 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am the Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary to Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association), as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Indenture, dated as of the date hereof, relating to the Notes (as defined below), between the Company and the Trustee, of \$700,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 5.100% Senior Notes due 2028 (the "Notes"), and the sale of the Notes pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, dated May 5, 2023, among the Company and BofA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Truist Securities, Inc., and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, and pursuant to the Company's automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-266290) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 22, 2022 (the "Registration Statement"). This opinion letter is furnished to you at your request to enable you to fulfill the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K, 17 C.F.R. § 229.601(b)(5), in connection with the Registration Statement.

For purposes of this opinion letter, I, or attorneys in the legal department of the Company under my direction, have examined copies of such agreements, instruments and documents as I have deemed an appropriate basis on which to render the opinion hereinafter expressed.

In rendering the opinion set forth below, I have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the accuracy and completeness of all documents submitted to me, the authenticity of all original documents, and the conformity to authentic original documents of all documents submitted to me as copies (including pdfs). I have also assumed the legal capacity for all purposes relevant hereto of all natural persons and, with respect to all parties to agreements or instruments relevant hereto other than the Company, that such parties had the requisite power and authority (corporate or otherwise) to execute, deliver and perform such agreements or instruments or instruments have been duly authorized by all requisite action (corporate or otherwise), executed and delivered by such parties and that such agreements or instruments are the valid, binding and enforceable obligations of all parties thereto. As to questions of fact material to my opinion, I have relied upon certificates of officers of the Company and of public officials. This opinion letter is given, and all statements herein are made, in the context of the foregoing.

I, or attorneys in the legal department of the Company under my direction, have also reviewed such questions of law as I have considered necessary and appropriate for the purposes of this opinion.

This opinion is limited in all respects to the applicable federal laws of the United States and the laws of the State of Georgia, and no opinion is expressed with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction or any effect which such laws may have on the opinion expressed herein. This opinion is limited to the matters stated herein, and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated herein.

Based upon, subject to and limited by the foregoing, I am of the opinion that the Company (i) is validly existing as a corporation under the laws of the State of Georgia and (ii) has the corporate power under Georgia law to execute and deliver the Notes and the Notes have been duly authorized by the Company.

This opinion letter has been prepared for use in connection with the filing by the Company of a Current Report on Form8-K, which Form 8-K will be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, and speaks as of the date hereof. I assume no obligation to advise of any changes in the foregoing subsequent to the delivery of this opinion letter.

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.2 to a Current Report on Form8-K dated May 5, 2023 and to the reference to this opinion under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus dated May 5, 2023 that forms a part of the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, I do not hereby admit that I am an "expert" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Hogan Lovells US LLP may rely on the opinion expressed herein, insofar as it relates to the Georgia General Corporation Law, for purposes of delivering its legal opinion in connection with the validity of the Notes.

[Signature page follows]

Very truly yours,

/s/ John J. Kelley III
John J. Kelley III
Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and
Corporate Secretary

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