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Background

Denali S-4 (including Proxy Statement): Preliminary proxy statement Filed Dec. 14; information will be updated in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus that will be mailed to EMC shareholders.

Definitive Proxy Statement Following the SEC comment process, the definitive proxy statement/prospectus will include date of the EMC shareholder meeting/vote in Hopkinton, MA and other updated information.

Questions & Answers

What happened during the go-shop process and what was the outcome?

EMC and its representatives solicited alternative acquisition proposals during the go shop period. No acquisition proposals were received or deemed to constitute a superior proposal to the existing merger agreement.

Now that the S-4 (including the preliminary proxy statement) has been filed, what is the timeframe for closing the deal?

The parties are working to fulfill customary conditions, including required regulatory and EMC shareholder approval. We expect the transaction to close in the second or third quarter of Dell's FY2017 (mid- 2016).

How many drafts/amendments of the proxy statement do you anticipate, and when will the definitive proxy statement be filed?

We won't speculate on the number of amendments that will be filed. The definitive proxy statement will be filed following the SEC comment process.

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EMC shareholder vote: When will a shareholder meeting/vote take place?

The special meeting of EMC shareholders will take place after the definitive proxy statement is filed and mailed to EMC shareholders. We estimate the spring of 2016.

If an EMC shareholder abstains, how is that non-vote counted? Does approval for the deal simply require a majority of voting shares?

An abstention or failure to vote or a broker non-vote will have the same effect as a no vote. Approval of the merger agreement requires the affirmative vote, in person or by proxy, of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of EMC common stock entitled to vote as of the record date for the special meeting.

What happens if EMC shareholders don't vote to approve the merger agreement?

If the merger is not completed for any reason, EMC shareholders will not receive any consideration for their shares of EMC common stock, and EMC will remain an independent public company with EMC common stock being traded on the NYSE. In addition, in certain circumstances where EMC shareholders do not vote to approve the merger agreement, EMC may be required to pay a termination fee or expense reimbursement to Denali following the termination of the merger agreement. See *The Merger Agreement Termination Fees*.

How are EMC executive compensation and severance payments determined?

The EMC board of directors and its compensation committee have designed the director and executive compensation programs of EMC, in consultation with independent outside compensation experts, with a view towards attracting and retaining qualified candidates and taking into account, among other things, the compensation practices of EMC's peers and competitors for such qualified candidates and market compensation practices generally.

Compensation matters relating to EMC named executive officers and other executives in connection with the merger are disclosed within the preliminary proxy statement under *Interests of Certain EMC Directors and Officers*.

Who will be the board members for the capital stock committee (CSC)? Will they also be members of the Denali board?

The Capital Stock Committee will consist of at least three members of Denali's board of directors, and shall at all times be composed of a majority of directors who satisfy the independence requirements required to serve on the audit committee of a company listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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What does it mean that I could get converted to Class C stock of Denali?

In general, the Denali board of directors may convert all outstanding shares of Denali's Class V Common Stock into shares of Denali's Class C Common Stock if the Class C Common Stock is a publicly traded stock. Such conversion would be based on the market prices of the two securities prior to conversion and would generally be at an exchange ratio that includes a premium for the holders of Class V Common Stock. A complete description of the circumstances in which conversion may be authorized may be found in the preliminary proxy statement under "Description of Denali Capital Stock Following the Merger" Denali Common Stock.

Did EMC director David Strohm resign from the EMC Board due to a dissenting vote regarding the Dell deal?

Mr. Strohm resigned prior to the vote due to increasing non-EMC business commitments and personal obligations.

Who was Company X and who was Company Y?

Company X is a leading global provider of enterprise information technology products and services. Company Y is a global provider of servers, storage and networking solutions. No additional details are being disclosed.

Was Denali interested in a meaningful portion of EMC's economic interest in VMW at the time of its April 9 letter?

Dell believes that a strategically-aligned family of businesses provides the best structure to be nimble, innovative and maintain the independent partner ecosystems of Dell, EMC, VMware, VCE, Virtustream, RSA, Pivotal and the balance of the Dell and EMC companies. The combined company will accelerate the development of groundbreaking new technologies that will support customers in a connected world ripe with opportunity and disruption.

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EMC Corporation Disclosure Regarding Forward Looking Statements

This communication contains forward-looking information about EMC Corporation and the proposed transaction that is intended to be covered by the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements as a result of certain risk factors, including but not limited to: (i) the failure to obtain the approval of EMC shareholders in connection with the proposed transaction; (ii) the failure to consummate or delay in consummating the proposed transaction for other reasons; (iii) the risk that a condition to closing of the proposed transaction may not be satisfied or that required financing for the proposed transaction may not be available or may be delayed; (iv) the risk that a regulatory approval that may be required for the proposed transaction is delayed, is not obtained, or is obtained subject to conditions that are not anticipated; (v) risk as to the trading price of Class V Common Stock to be issued by Denali Holding Inc. in the proposed transaction relative to the trading price of shares of VMware, Inc.'s common stock; (vi) the effect of the proposed transaction on VMware's business and operating results and impact on the trading price of shares of Class V Common Stock of Denali Holding Inc. and shares of VMware common stock; (vii) the diversion of management time on transaction-related issues; (viii) adverse changes in general economic or market conditions; (ix) delays or reductions in information technology spending; (x) the relative and varying rates of product price and component cost declines and the volume and mixture of product and services revenues; (xi) competitive factors, including but not limited to pricing pressures and new product introductions; (xii) component and product quality and availability; (xiii) fluctuations in VMware's operating results and risks associated with trading of VMware common stock; (xiv) the transition to new products, the uncertainty of customer acceptance of new product offerings and rapid technological and market change; (xv) the ability to attract and retain highly qualified employees; (xvi) insufficient, excess or obsolete inventory; (xvii) fluctuating currency exchange rates; (xviii) threats and other disruptions to our secure data centers or networks; (xix) our ability to protect our proprietary technology; (xx) war or acts of terrorism; and (xxi) other one-time events and other important factors disclosed previously and from time to time in EMC's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Except to the extent otherwise required by federal securities law, EMC disclaims any obligation to update any such forward-looking statements after the date of this communication.

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