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**Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures
Pursuant to SEC Rule 17a-5(e)(4)**

The Board of Directors
Waddell & Reed, Inc.:

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and with the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) Series 600 Rules, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7) for the year ended December 31, 2017, which were agreed to by Waddell & Reed, Inc. (the Company) and SIPC, solely to assist you and SIPC in evaluating the Company's compliance with the applicable instructions of the General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7). The Company's management is responsible for the Company's compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7 with respective cash disbursement records entries (wire transfers), and noted no differences;
2. Compared the Total Revenue amount reported on the Annual Audited Form X-17A-5 Part III for the year ended December 31, 2017, with the Total Revenue amount reported in Form SIPC-7 for the year ended December 31, 2017, and noted no difference;
3. Compared any adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7 with supporting schedules and working papers (adjustments support schedule and trial balance), and noted no differences; and
4. Recalculated the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7 and in the related supporting schedules and working papers supporting the adjustments, and noted no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination or a review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Company's compliance with the applicable instructions of the General Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7). Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.



This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties referred to in the first paragraph of this report, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Kansas City, Missouri
February 23, 2018