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Electronic Data Processing PLC ("EDP" or the "Company")

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Pension Scheme Triennial Valuation

On 6 March 2017 EDP announced the preliminary results of the formal triennial actuarial valuation of its defined benefit pension scheme at 31 July 2016. As detailed in that announcement, the actuary's preliminary valuation report indicated a deficit in the scheme as at 31 July 2016 of £490,000, representing a funding level of 94%. The report suggested a 10-year deficit recovery plan involving the payment of Company cash contributions of £75,000 per annum. The announcement also noted that these amounts were provisional as the valuation was still in progress and that once it was finalised, shareholders would be updated.

Since that announcement was made, further work has been undertaken by the pension scheme actuary to finalise the valuation. Part of this work focused on analysing the data held by the scheme administrator for a number of deferred members who had been members of the scheme for less than five years. On investigation, it was determined that the liability for these members in the preliminary valuation report had been overstated by £420,000.

The actuary's valuation report has now been finalised, indicating a deficit on a scheme funding basis as at 31 July 2016 of £70,000, representing a funding level of 99%.

The expectation is that this deficit identified as at 31 July 2016 will have been cleared by the 2018/19 scheme year as a result of the payment of terminal bonuses by the scheme insurer in respect of member retirements over the next two years. The formal deficit recovery plan does not therefore require the immediate payment of cash contributions by the Company. However, the Company has agreed with the trustees to make a one-off contribution of up to a maximum of £118,000, payable on or before 31 July 2020, in the event that the terminal bonus payments do not cover the deficit in full.

Strategic Review Update

The uncertainty over the pension scheme valuation since March 2017 has impacted on the strategic review process and caused it to take longer than originally expected. Should the strategic review process not result in an acceptable offer being made for the Company the Board intends to consider returning an amount of cash to shareholders subject to any constraints on distributable reserves and the rules of the Takeover Code. The Company will update shareholders further when it is in a position to do so.

The Company expects to announce its preliminary results for the year ended 30 September 2017 during December 2017.

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EDP's solutions are offered through either on-site licenced arrangements or on a cloud/hosted basis from its own data centre located in Milton Keynes.

EDP has around 300 customers ranging from small owner-managed businesses to multinationals.

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