

## Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures to the Comparable GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)

(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

### A. Reconciliation of net income attributable to Equifax to diluted EPS attributable to Equifax, adjusted for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, the income tax effect of stock awards recognized upon vesting or settlement, cybersecurity incident related costs, an accrual for certain legal claims, realignment of internal resources, adjustments for uncertain tax positions, income tax adjustments, acquisition-related amortization expense and the impact of tax legislation enacted in 2017:

<i>(In millions, except per share amounts)</i>	Three Months Ended December 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2017	2016		
Net income attributable to Equifax	\$ 172.3	\$ 123.0	\$ 49.3	40 %
Acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles (1)	42.4	46.1	(3.7)	(8)%
Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization (2)	—	5.0	(5.0)	nm
Income tax effects of stock awards that are recognized upon vesting or settlement (3)	(2.1)	—	(2.1)	nm
Cybersecurity incident related costs (4)	26.5	—	26.5	nm
Accrual for certain legal claims (6)	—	6.5	(6.5)	nm
Realignment of internal resources and other costs (7)	—	5.7	(5.7)	nm
Impact of tax legislation enacted in 2017 (8)	(48.3)	—	(48.3)	nm
Tax impact of adjustments (9)	(22.2)	(13.9)	(8.3)	nm
Net income attributable to Equifax, adjusted for items listed above	<u>\$ 168.6</u>	<u>\$ 172.4</u>	<u>\$ (3.8)</u>	<u>(2)%</u>
Diluted EPS attributable to Equifax, adjusted for the items listed above	<u>\$ 1.39</u>	<u>\$ 1.42</u>	<u>\$ (0.03)</u>	<u>(2)%</u>
Weighted-average shares used in computing diluted EPS	<u>121.2</u>	<u>121.4</u>		

<i>(In millions, except per share amounts)</i>	Twelve Months Ended December 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2017	2016		
Net income attributable to Equifax	\$ 587.3	488.8	\$ 98.5	20 %
Acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles (1)	172.2	176.5	(4.3)	(2)%
Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization (2)	11.4	40.2	(28.8)	(72)%
Income tax effects of stock awards that are recognized upon vesting or settlement (3)	(26.7)	—	(26.7)	nm
Cybersecurity incident related costs (4)	114.0	—	114.0	nm
Adjustments for uncertain tax positions (5)	(8.3)	—	(8.3)	nm
Accrual for certain legal claims (6)	—	6.5	(6.5)	nm
Realignment of internal resources and other costs (7)	—	5.7	(5.7)	nm
Impact of tax legislation enacted in 2017 (8)	(48.3)	—	(48.3)	nm
Tax impact of adjustments (9)	(76.7)	(48.7)	(28.0)	nm
Net income attributable to Equifax, adjusted for items listed above	<u>\$ 724.9</u>	<u>\$ 669.0</u>	<u>\$ 55.9</u>	<u>8 %</u>
Diluted EPS attributable to Equifax, adjusted for items listed above	<u>\$ 5.97</u>	<u>\$ 5.52</u>	<u>\$ 0.45</u>	<u>8 %</u>
Weighted-average shares used in computing diluted EPS	<u>121.5</u>	<u>121.1</u>		

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- (1) During the fourth quarter of 2017, we recorded acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$42.4 million (\$34.7 million net of tax). We calculate this financial measure by excluding the impact of acquisition-related amortization expense and including a benefit to reflect the significant cash income tax savings resulting from the income tax deductibility of amortization for certain acquired intangibles. The \$7.7 million of tax is comprised of \$13.9 million of tax expense net of \$6.2 million of a cash income tax benefit. During the fourth quarter of 2016, we recorded acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$46.1 million (\$37.2 million net of tax). The \$8.9 million of tax is comprised of \$15.1 million of tax expense net of \$6.2 million of a cash income tax benefit.

For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$172.2 million (\$140.6 million net of tax). We calculate this financial measure by excluding the impact of acquisition-related amortization expense and including a benefit to reflect the significant cash income tax savings resulting from the income tax

deductibility of amortization for certain acquired intangibles. The \$31.6 million of tax is comprised of \$56.4 million of tax expense net of \$24.8 million of a cash income tax benefit. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$176.5 million (\$143.3 million net of tax). The \$33.2 million of tax is comprised of \$58.0 million of tax expense net of \$24.8 million of a cash income tax benefit.

- (2) For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$11.4 million (\$9.0 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$11.7 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$0.3 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded \$40.2 million (\$28.2 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$30.1 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$9.2 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure, including the economic hedges, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.7 million is recorded in interest expense. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

During the fourth quarter of 2016, we recorded \$5.0 million (\$3.5 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, of which \$4.6 million related to integration costs is included in operating income, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.2 million related to foreign exchange loss is included in other income, net. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

- (3) During the fourth quarter of 2017 and for the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded a tax benefit of \$2.1 million and \$26.7 million, respectively, related to the tax effects of deductions for stock compensation in excess of amounts recorded for compensation costs. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (4) During the fourth quarter 2017 and for year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$26.5 million (\$12.0 million, net of tax) and \$114.0 million (\$71.3 million, net of tax), respectively, for expenses related to the cybersecurity incident. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (5) For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$8.3 million related to adjustments from uncertain tax positions resulting from the completion of examinations of historical tax returns. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (6) During the fourth quarter 2016, we recorded a \$6.5 million (\$5.0 million, net of tax) charge for a settlement with the CFPB consisting of consumer restitution of \$3.8 million, a fine of \$2.5 million and associated legal costs of \$0.2 million.
- (7) The realignment of internal resources and other costs for the fourth quarter of 2016 of \$5.7 million (\$3.7 million, net of tax) predominantly relates to the realignment of our internal resources to support the Company's strategic objectives and increase the integration of our global operations. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (8) During the fourth quarter of 2017, as a result of recent tax legislation, the company recorded one-time adjustments of \$48.3 million for the re-measurement of deferred tax assets (liabilities), the deemed repatriation tax on unremitted foreign earnings and a valuation allowance for foreign tax credit carryforwards.
- (9) During the fourth quarter of 2017, we recorded the tax impact of adjustments of \$22.2 million comprised of (i) acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$7.7 million (\$13.9 million of tax expense net of \$6.2 million of a cash income tax benefit) and (ii) a tax adjustment of \$14.5 million related to expenses for the cybersecurity incident. During the fourth quarter of 2016, we recorded the tax impact of adjustments of \$13.9 million comprised of (i) acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$8.9 million (\$15.1 million of tax expense net of \$6.2 million of a cash income tax benefit), (ii) tax adjustment of \$1.5 million for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, (iii) tax adjustment of \$1.5 million related to a settlement with the CFPB, and (iv) tax adjustment of \$2.0 million related to the realignment of internal resources.

For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded the tax impact of adjustments of \$76.7 million comprised of (i) acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$31.6 million (\$56.4 million of tax expense net of \$24.8 million of a cash income tax benefit), (ii) tax adjustment of \$2.4 million for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, and (iii) a tax adjustment of \$42.7 million related to expenses for the cybersecurity incident. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded the tax impact of adjustments of \$48.7 million comprised of (i) acquisition-related amortization expense of certain acquired intangibles of \$33.2 million (\$58.0 million of tax expense net of \$24.8 million of a cash income tax benefit), (ii) tax adjustment of \$12.0 million for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, (iii) tax adjustment of \$1.5 million related to a settlement with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and (iv) tax adjustment of \$2.0 million related to the realignment of internal resources.

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### B. Reconciliation of net income attributable to Equifax to adjusted EBITDA, excluding cybersecurity related costs, Veda acquisition related amounts, an accrual for certain legal claims, realignment of internal resources and other costs, income taxes, interest expense, net and depreciation and amortization expense, and presentation of adjusted EBITDA margin:

<i>(In millions)</i>	Three Months Ended December 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2017	2016		
Revenue	\$ 838.5	\$ 801.1	\$ 37.4	5 %
Net income attributable to Equifax	\$ 172.3	\$ 123.0	\$ 49.3	40 %
Income taxes	(2.1)	57.8	(59.9)	(104)%
Interest expense, net*	21.8	23.4	(1.6)	(7)%
Depreciation and amortization	73.5	70.9	2.6	4 %
Veda acquisition related amounts (1)	—	4.8	(4.8)	nm
Cybersecurity incident related costs (2)	26.5	—	26.5	nm
Accrual for certain legal claims (3)	—	6.5	(6.5)	nm
Realignment of internal resources and other costs (4)	—	5.7	(5.7)	nm
Adjusted EBITDA, excluding the items listed above	\$ 292.0	\$ 292.1	\$ (0.1)	— %
Adjusted EBITDA margin	34.8%	36.5%		

<i>(In millions)</i>	Twelve Months Ended December 31,		\$ Change	% Change
	2017	2016		
Revenue	\$ 3,362.2	\$ 3,144.9	\$ 217.3	7 %
Net income attributable to Equifax	\$ 587.3	\$ 488.8	\$ 98.5	20 %
Income taxes	148.6	233.1	(84.5)	(36)%
Interest expense, net*	89.7	88.6	1.1	1 %
Depreciation and amortization	287.8	265.4	22.4	8 %
Veda acquisition related amounts (1)	11.4	39.3	(27.9)	(71)%
Cybersecurity incident related costs (2)	114.0	—	114.0	nm
Accrual for certain legal claims (3)	—	6.5	(6.5)	nm
Realignment of internal resources and other costs (4)	—	5.7	(5.7)	nm
Adjusted EBITDA, excluding the items listed above	\$ 1,238.8	\$ 1,127.4	\$ 111.4	10 %
Adjusted EBITDA margin	36.8%	35.8%		

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\*Excludes interest income of \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2017 and 2016, respectively. Also excludes interest income of \$3.1 million and \$3.5 million the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

- (1) For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$11.4 million (\$9.0 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$11.7 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$0.3 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded \$40.2 million (\$28.2 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$30.1 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$9.2 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure, including the economic hedges, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.7 million is recorded in interest expense. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

During the fourth quarter of 2016, we recorded \$5.0 million (\$3.5 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, of which \$4.6 million related to integration costs is included in operating income, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.2 million related to foreign exchange loss is included in other income, net. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

- (2) During the fourth quarter 2017 and for year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$26.5 million (\$12.0 million, net of tax) and \$114.0 million (\$71.3 million, net of tax), respectively, for expenses related to the cybersecurity incident. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (3) During the fourth quarter 2016, we recorded a \$6.5 million (\$5.0 million, net of tax) charge for a settlement with the CFPB consisting of consumer restitution of \$3.8 million, a fine of \$2.5 million and associated legal costs of \$0.2 million.
- (4) The realignment of internal resources and other costs for the fourth quarter of 2016 of \$5.7 million (\$3.7 million, net of tax) predominantly relates to the realignment of our internal resources to support the Company's strategic objectives and increase the integration of our global operations. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

**C. Reconciliation of operating income to Adjusted EBITDA, excluding cybersecurity incident related costs, Veda acquisition related amounts, an accrual for certain legal claims, realignment of internal resources and other costs, income taxes, depreciation and amortization expense, other income, net, noncontrolling interest, and presentation of adjusted EBITDA margin for each of the segments:**

<i>(In millions)</i>		<b>Three Months Ended December 31, 2017</b>					
	<b>U.S. Information Solutions</b>	<b>International</b>	<b>Workforce Solutions</b>	<b>Global Consumer Solutions</b>	<b>General Corporate Expense**</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Revenue	\$ 313.0	\$ 244.8	\$ 183.4	\$ 97.3	—	\$ 838.5	
Operating Income	130.3	40.6	73.2	23.3	(76.5)	190.9	
Depreciation and Amortization	20.8	28.0	10.3	3.7	10.7	73.5	
Other income/(expense), net*	0.5	2.8	—	—	(0.1)	3.2	
Noncontrolling interest	—	(2.1)	—	—	—	(2.1)	
Adjustments (1)	—	—	—	4.5	22.0	26.5	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 151.6	\$ 69.3	\$ 83.5	\$ 31.5	\$ (43.9)	\$ 292.0	
Operating Margin	41.6%	16.6%	39.9%	23.9%	nm	22.8%	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	48.5%	28.3%	45.5%	32.4%	nm	34.8%	

<i>(In millions)</i>		<b>Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2017</b>					
	<b>U.S. Information Solutions</b>	<b>International</b>	<b>Workforce Solutions</b>	<b>Global Consumer Solutions</b>	<b>General Corporate Expense**</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Revenue	\$ 1,262.7	\$ 932.3	\$ 764.2	\$ 403.0	—	\$ 3,362.2	
Operating Income	539.1	169.4	331.9	106.2	(322.0)	824.6	
Depreciation and Amortization	83.7	109.9	42.1	13.2	38.9	287.8	
Other income/(expense), net*	2.0	9.7	—	—	—	11.7	
Noncontrolling interest	—	(10.7)	—	—	—	(10.7)	
Adjustments (1)(2)	—	9.5	—	4.5	111.4	125.4	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 624.8	\$ 287.8	\$ 374.0	\$ 123.9	\$ (171.7)	\$ 1,238.8	
Operating Margin	42.7%	18.2%	43.4%	26.4%	nm	24.5%	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	49.5%	30.9%	48.9%	30.7%	nm	36.8%	

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\*Excludes interest income of \$0.9 million in the fourth quarter and \$3.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2017.

\*\*General Corporate Expense includes non-recurring adjustments of \$22.0 million for the fourth quarter and 111.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2017.

<i>(In millions)</i>		<b>Three Months Ended December 31, 2016</b>					
	<b>U.S. Information Solutions</b>	<b>International</b>	<b>Workforce Solutions</b>	<b>Global Consumer Solutions</b>	<b>General Corporate Expense**</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Revenue	\$ 316.2	\$ 212.4	\$ 173.6	\$ 98.9	—	\$ 801.1	
Operating Income	140.6	32.1	68.6	31.7	(69.1)	203.9	
Depreciation and Amortization	20.3	28.2	10.9	2.4	9.1	70.9	
Other income/(expense), net*	0.4	1.7	—	—	—	2.1	
Noncontrolling interest	—	(1.8)	—	—	—	(1.8)	
Adjustments (2)(3)(4)	—	4.1	—	—	12.9	17.0	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 161.3	\$ 64.3	\$ 79.5	\$ 34.1	\$ (47.1)	\$ 292.1	
Operating Margin	44.5%	15.1%	39.5%	32.1%	nm	25.5%	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	51.0%	30.3%	45.8%	34.5%	nm	36.5%	

	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2016						Total
	U.S. Information Solutions	International	Workforce Solutions	Global Consumer Solutions	General Corporate Expense**		
Revenue	\$ 1,236.5	\$ 803.6	\$ 702.2	\$ 402.6	—	\$ 3,144.9	
Operating Income	537.0	111.4	295.5	112.4	(238.4)	817.9	
Depreciation and Amortization	82.1	101.6	42.7	9.6	29.4	265.4	
Other income/(expense), net*	1.9	13.0	—	—	(16.0)	(1.1)	
Noncontrolling interest	—	(6.3)	—	—	—	(6.3)	
Adjustments (2)(3)(4)	—	7.8	—	—	43.7	51.5	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 621.0	\$ 227.5	\$ 338.2	\$ 122.0	\$ (181.3)	\$ 1,127.4	
Operating Margin	43.4%	13.9%	42.1%	27.9%	nm	26.0%	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	50.2%	28.3%	48.2%	30.3%	nm	35.8%	

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\*Excludes interest income \$0.8 million in the fourth quarter and \$3.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2016.

\*\*General Corporate Expense includes non-recurring adjustments of \$13.3 million in the fourth quarter and \$27.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2016.

- (1) During the fourth quarter 2017 and for year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$26.5 million (\$12.0 million, net of tax) and \$114.0 million (\$71.3 million, net of tax), respectively, for expenses related to the cybersecurity incident. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (2) For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$11.4 million (\$9.0 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$11.7 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$0.3 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded \$40.2 million (\$28.2 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$30.1 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$9.2 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure, including the economic hedges, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.7 million is recorded in interest expense. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.  
  
During the fourth quarter of 2016, we recorded \$5.0 million (\$3.5 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts other than acquisition-related amortization, of which \$4.6 million related to integration costs is included in operating income, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.2 million related to foreign exchange loss is included in other income, net. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.
- (3) During the fourth quarter 2016, we recorded a \$6.5 million (\$5.0 million, net of tax) charge for a settlement with the CFPB consisting of consumer restitution of \$3.8 million, a fine of \$2.5 million and associated legal costs of \$0.2 million.
- (4) The realignment of internal resources and other costs for the fourth quarter of 2016 of \$5.7 million (\$3.7 million, net of tax) predominantly relates to the realignment of our internal resources to support the Company's strategic objectives and increase the integration of our global operations. See the Notes to this reconciliation for additional detail.

## ***Notes to Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures to the Comparable GAAP Financial Measures***

**Acquisition-related amortization expense, net of tax** - We calculate this financial measure by excluding the impact of acquisition-related amortization expense and including a benefit to reflect the significant cash income tax savings resulting from the income tax deductibility of amortization for certain acquired intangibles. These financial measures are not prepared in conformity with GAAP. Management believes excluding the impact of amortization expense is useful because excluding acquisition-related amortization, and other items that are not comparable, allows investors to evaluate our performance for different periods on a more comparable basis. Certain acquired intangibles result in significant cash income tax savings which are not reflected in earnings. Management believes that including a benefit to reflect the cash income tax savings is useful as it allows investors to better value Equifax. Management makes these adjustments to earnings when measuring profitability, evaluating performance trends, setting performance objectives and calculating our return on invested capital.

**Veda acquisition related amounts for transaction expenses incurred as a direct result of the acquisition, as well as integration expense in the first year following the closure of the acquisition** - For the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded \$11.4 million (\$9.0 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$11.7 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$0.3 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded \$40.2 million (\$28.2 million, net of tax) for Veda acquisition related amounts. \$30.1 million related to transaction and integration costs in operating income, \$9.2 million is recorded in other income, net and is the impact of foreign currency changes on the transaction structure, including the economic hedges, \$0.2 million is recorded in depreciation and amortization, and \$0.7 million is recorded in interest expense. Management believes excluding this charge is useful as it allows investors to evaluate our performance for different periods on a more comparable basis. Management makes these adjustments to net income when measuring profitability, evaluating performance trends, setting performance objectives and calculating our return on invested capital. This is consistent with how management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Income tax effects of stock awards that are recognized upon vesting or settlement** - During the fourth quarter of 2017 and for the year ended December 31, 2017, we recorded a tax benefit of \$2.1 million and \$26.7 million, respectively, related to the tax effects of deductions for stock compensation in excess of amounts recorded for compensation costs in accordance with newly adopted guidance. Management believes excluding this tax effect from financial results provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017, as compared to the corresponding period in 2016, because this amount is non-operating and relates to income tax benefits or deficiencies for stock awards recognized when tax amounts differ from recognized stock compensation cost. This is consistent with how management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Accrual for costs related to the cybersecurity incident** - During the third quarter of 2017, we reported that we were the target of a cybersecurity incident. We recorded \$26.5 million (\$12.0 million, net of tax) during the fourth quarter of 2017 and \$114.0 million (\$71.3 million, net of tax) for the year ended December 31, 2017 associated with the costs to investigate the cybersecurity incident, legal fees to respond to subsequent litigation and costs to deliver the free product offering made to all U.S. consumers. Management believes excluding this charge is useful as it allows investors to evaluate our performance for different periods on a more comparable basis. Management makes these adjustments to net income when measuring profitability, evaluating performance trends, setting performance objectives and calculating our return on invested capital. This is consistent with how management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Impact of tax legislation enacted in 2017** - During the fourth quarter of 2017, as a result of recent tax legislation, the company recorded one-time adjustments of \$48.3 million for the re-measurement of deferred tax assets (liabilities), the deemed repatriation tax on unremitted foreign earnings and a valuation allowance for foreign tax credit carryforwards. Management believes excluding this tax effect from certain financial results provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our financial results for the year ended December 31, 2017, as compared to the corresponding period in 2016, because a benefit of such an amount is not comparable among the periods. This is consistent with how management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Accrual for certain legal claims** - We recorded a charge of \$6.5 million (\$5.0 million, net of tax) related to an accrual for certain legal claims in the fourth quarter of 2016. Management believes excluding these charge from certain financial results provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our financial results for the year ended December 31, 2016, as compared to the corresponding period in 2017, since a charge of such an amount is not comparable among the periods. This is

consistent with how our management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Charge related to the realignment of internal resources and other** - We recorded a charge of \$5.7 million (\$3.7 million, net of tax) in the fourth quarter of 2016. These charges were predominantly related to the realignment of our internal resources to support our strategic objectives and increase the integration of our global operations. Management believes excluding these charges from certain financial results provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our financial results for the year ended December 31, 2016, since a charge of such an amount for 2017 is not comparable among the periods. This is consistent with how our management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Adjustments for uncertain tax positions** - During the first quarter of 2017, we recorded a tax benefit of \$8.3 million related to adjustments from uncertain tax positions resulting from the completion of examinations of historical tax returns. Management believes excluding this tax effect from certain financial results provides meaningful supplemental information regarding our financial results for the year ended December 31, 2017, as compared to the corresponding period in 2016, because a benefit of such an amount is not comparable among the periods. This is consistent with how management reviews and assesses Equifax's historical performance and is useful when planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods.

**Adjusted EBITDA and EBITDA margin** - Management defines adjusted EBITDA as consolidated net income attributable to Equifax plus net interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, and also excludes certain one-time items. Management believes the use of adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin allows investors to evaluate our performance for different periods on a more comparable basis.