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Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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On September 7, 2017, Pershing Square Capital Management, L.P. and certain affiliates sent the following letter to the board of directors of Automatic Data Processing, Inc., which was also posted on www.ADPascending.com:

September 7, 2017

To the Board of ADP:

Thank you for the opportunity to present our analysis and ideas to the full board. We greatly appreciated the iterative dialogue and your insightful questions.

We left the meeting with the strong impression that we could work together very effectively to build on ADP's strengths to greatly improve the company's competitiveness, profitability, and growth. To that end as we discussed in the meeting, it is our strong preference that we end the proxy contest and come to a resolution on governance.

We have proposed an expansion of the board by three seats and the addition of our nominees. This would eliminate the need for us to replace existing directors and we could begin working together immediately.

We have met with a substantial number of shareholders over the past few weeks. They would strongly prefer that the company embrace its significant potential for improvement and that we work together in the best interest of the company and all of its stakeholders.

Please let us know how you would like to proceed.

Respectfully,

/s/ William A. Ackman

William A. Ackman

CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PARTICIPANTS

Pershing Square Capital Management, L.P. (Pershing Square) and certain of its affiliated funds have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) a definitive proxy statement and accompanying GOLD proxy card to be used to solicit proxies in connection with the upcoming annual meeting of stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. (the Company) and the election of a slate of director nominees at the Annual Meeting (the Solicitation). Stockholders are advised to read the proxy statement and any other documents related to the Solicitation because they contain important information, including information relating to the participants in the Solicitation. These materials and other materials filed by Pershing Square with the SEC in connection with the Solicitation are available at no charge on the SEC s website at <http://www.sec.gov>. The definitive proxy statement and other relevant documents filed by Pershing Square with the SEC are also available, without charge, by directing a request to Pershing Square s proxy solicitor, D.F. King & Co., Inc., 48 Wall Street, 22nd Floor, New York, New York 10005 (Call Collect: (212) 269-5550; Call Toll Free: (866) 342-1635) or email: ADP@dfking.com.

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