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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO - C
TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

ELITE INFORMATION GROUP, INC.

(Name of Subject Company)

GULF ACQUISITION CORP.
THE THOMSON CORPORATION

(Names of Filing Persons (Offerors))

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

28659M106

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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99.3 Communication by The Thomson Corporation to customers of The Thomson Corporation.