S&P Global Reports Third Quarter Results

Growth in Revenue, Operating Profit Margin, and EPS Despite Decline in Global Bond Issuance Revenue Increased 2% Diluted EPS Increased 22% to \$1.95 Adjusted Diluted EPS Increased 23% to \$2.11

Operating Profit Margin Improved 260 Basis Points to 46% Adjusted Operating Profit Margin Improved 380 Basis Points to 50%

Company's Credit Rating Upgraded by Fitch and Moody's

NEW YORK, Oct. 25, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- S&P Global (NYSE: SPGI) today reported third quarter 2018 results with revenue of \$1,546 million, an increase of 2% compared to the same period last year. On an organic basis and excluding the unfavorable impact from foreign exchange, revenue also increased 2%.

Net income increased 20% to \$495 million and diluted earnings per share increased 22% to \$1.95 as a result of revenue growth, operating leverage, and U.S. tax reform. Adjusted net income increased 21% to \$536 million and adjusted diluted earnings per share increased 23% to \$2.11. The adjustments in the third quarter of 2018 were for lease impairments, restructuring, a reduction in the provisional tax expense related to U.S. tax reform, deal-related amortization, and Kensho retention related expenses.

"The benefit of our diverse portfolio of exceptional businesses was evident this quarter as we were able to overcome a decline in global bond issuance and deliver revenue growth, margin improvement, and EPS gains," said Douglas L. Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of S&P Global. "We continue to build the Company with innovative product launches, margin-enhancing technology projects, and investments in unique data, analytics and content augmented through technology."

Margin: The Company's operating profit margin increased 260 basis points to 46% due to a combination of revenue growth and reduced expenses. The adjusted operating profit margin increased 380 basis points to 50%.

Return of Capital: During the third quarter, the Company returned \$126 million to shareholders in dividends and completed the \$1 billion accelerated share repurchase (ASR) agreement initiated during the first quarter. Beginning later this month, the Company expects to initiate a new \$500 million ASR that will conclude no later than early February of 2019.

Ratings: Revenue declined 5% to \$700 million in the third quarter. Transaction revenue decreased 12% to \$328 million due to debt issuance reductions and lower bank loan ratings activity. Financial Services was the only sector that grew in the quarter. Non-transaction revenue increased 1% to \$372 million due to growth in fees associated with surveillance and inter-segment royalties partially offset by lower Rating Evaluation Service activity.

U.S. revenue decreased 6% and international revenue declined 4% with gains in EMEA offset by declines in Asia-Pacific, Latin America, and Canada. International represented 43% of third quarter revenue.

Operating profit increased 6% to \$395 million and the operating profit margin improved 580 basis points to 56% compared to the third quarter of 2017 as expense reductions related to lower incentives, productivity improvements, and a \$15 million restructuring expense in the prior period more than offset the decline in revenue. Adjusted operating profit increased 1% to \$396 million and the adjusted operating profit margin improved 370 basis points to 57%.

S&P Dow Jones Indices: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC is a majority-owned subsidiary. The consolidated results are included in S&P Global's income statement and the portion related to the 27% noncontrolling interest is removed in net income attributable to noncontrolling interests.

Revenue increased 10% to \$205 million in the third quarter of 2018 due primarily to an 11% increase in asset-linked fees. Revenue from ETFs is the largest component of asset-linked fees, and average ETF AUM associated with the Company's indices increased 23%. Revenue associated with data and custom subscriptions also contributed by increasing 12%.

Operating profit increased 13% to \$134 million and the operating profit margin improved 190 basis points to 65% due to revenue growth and operating leverage. Adjusted operating profit increased 13% to \$136 million and the adjusted operating profit margin improved 190 basis points to 66%. Operating profit attributable to the Company increased 15% to \$98 million. Adjusted operating profit attributable to the Company increased 15% to \$100 million.

Market Intelligence: Revenue increased 10% to \$464 million in the third quarter of 2018 with more than 10% growth in Risk Services and Data Management Solutions and midsingle digit organic growth in Desktop. Quarterly operating profit increased 20% to \$148 million. The operating profit margin improved 260 basis points to 32% as revenue gains outpaced expenses. Adjusted operating profit increased 20% to \$168 million. Adjusted operating profit margin improved 300 basis points to 36%.

Platts: Revenue increased 5% to \$204 million with growth in the core subscription business partially offset by a decline in Global Trading Services due to reduced trading volumes in certain commodity products. Quarterly operating profit increased 16% to \$98 million and the operating profit margin increased 450 basis points to 48% due to revenue growth and reduced expenses. Adjusted operating profit increased 15% to \$102 million and adjusted operating profit margin improved 440 basis points to 50%.

Corporate Unallocated: Corporate Unallocated includes corporate center revenue and non-allocated corporate expenses. Corporate Unallocated operating loss increased 39% to \$71 million due to Kensho expenses including retention-related expenses. Corporate Unallocated adjusted operating loss decreased 25% to \$35 million due to a reduction in excess real estate costs, IT spend, and professional fees.

Provision for Income Taxes: U.S. tax reform has had an immediate and meaningful impact on the Company's effective tax rate. The Company's effective tax rates in the third quarters of 2018 and 2017 were 20.4% and 27.3%, respectively. The Company's adjusted effective tax rate decreased to 21.9% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 27.9% in the same period last year.

Balance Sheet and Cash Flow: Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at the end of the third quarter were \$2.2 billion. In the first nine months of 2018, cash provided by operating activities was \$1,401 million, cash used for investing activities was \$346 million, and cash used for financing activities was \$1,579 million. Free cash flow was \$1,197 million, and increase of \$140 million from the same period in 2017 primarily due to an increase in net income from revenue growth, improved cash collections on accounts receivable, and lower tax payments. Free cash flow, excluding the after tax payment of legal settlements, was \$1,404 million.

Outlook: The Company is tightening its GAAP diluted EPS guidance from a range of \$7.75 to \$7.90 to a new range of \$7.77 to \$7.87 and its adjusted diluted EPS guidance from a range of \$8.45 to \$8.60 to a new range of \$8.50 to \$8.60.

Comparison of Adjusted Information to U.S. GAAP Information: The Company reports its financial results in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). The Company also refers to and presents certain additional non-GAAP financial measures, within the meaning of Regulation G under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These measures are: adjusted diluted earnings per share, adjusted net income, adjusted operating profit and margin, organic revenue, adjusted Corporate Unallocated, adjusted effective tax rates, adjusted diluted EPS guidance, free cash flow and free cash flow excluding certain items. The Company has included reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP on Exhibits 5, 8 and 9. The Company's non-GAAP measures include adjustents that reflect how management views our businesses. The Company believes these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful supplemental information that, in the case of non-GAAP financial measures other than free cash flow and free cash flow excluding certain items, enables investors to better company 's performance across periods, and management also uses these measures internally to assess the operating performance of its business, to assess performance for employee compensation purposes and to decide how to allocate resources. The Company believes that the presentation of free cash flow and free cash flow excluding certain items allows investors to evaluate the cash generated from our underlying operations in a manner similar to the method used by management and that such measures are useful in evaluating the cash available to us to prepay debt, make strategic acquisitions and investments, and repurchase stock. However, investors should not consider any of these non-GAAP measures in isolation from, or as a substitute for, the financial information that the Company reports.

Conference Call/Webcast Details: The Company's senior management will review the third quarter 2018 earnings results on a conference call scheduled for today, October 25, at 8:30 a.m. EDT. Additional information presented on the conference call may be made available on the Company's Investor Relations Website at http://investor.spglobal.com.

The Webcast will be available live and in replay at http://investor.spglobal.com/CustomPage/Index?KeyGenPage=1073751596&event=21244. (Please copy and paste URL into Web browser.)

Telephone access is available. U.S. participants may call (888) 391-6568; international participants may call +1 (415) 228-4733 (long distance charges will apply). The passcode is "S&P Global" and the conference leader is Douglas Peterson. A recorded telephone replay will be available approximately two hours after the meeting concludes and will remain available until November 25, 2018. U.S. participants may call (888) 566-0569; international participants may call +1 (203) 369-3066 (long distance charges will apply). No passcode is required.

Forward-Looking Statements: This press release contains "forward-looking statements," as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements, which express management's current views concerning future events, trends, contingencies or results, appear at various places in this report and use words like "anticipate," "assume," "believe," "continue," "estimate," "expect," "forecast," "fittend," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "strategy," "target" and similar terms, and future or conditional tense verbs like "could," "may," "might," "should," would." For example, management may use forward-looking statements when addressing topics such as: the outcome of contingencies; future actions by regulators; changes in the Company's business strategies and methods of generating revenue; the development and performance of

the Company's services and products; the expected impact of acquisitions and dispositions; the Company's effective tax rates; and the Company's cost structure, dividend policy, cash flows or liquidity.

Forward-looking statements are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in forwardlooking statements include, among other things:

- the impact of the recent acquisition of Kensho, including the impact on the Company's results of operations; any failure to successfully integrate Kensho into the Company's operations; any failure to attract and retain key employees; and the risk of litigation, unexpected costs, charges or expenses relating to the acquisition;
- worldwide economic, financial, political and regulatory conditions, including geopolitical uncertainty and conditions that may result from legislative, regulatory, trade and policy changes associated with the current U.S. administration or the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union;
- the rapidly evolving regulatory environment, in Europe, the United States and elsewhere, affecting Ratings, Platts, Indices, and Market Intelligence, including new and amended regulations and the Company's compliance therewith;
- our ability to make acquisitions and dispositions and successfully integrate the businesses we acquire;
- the outcome of litigation, government and regulatory proceedings, investigations and inquiries;
- the health of debt and equity markets, including credit quality and spreads, the level of liquidity and future debt issuances, and the potentially adverse impact of increased access to cash resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act;
- the demand and market for credit ratings in and across the sectors and geographies where the Company operates;
- concerns in the marketplace affecting the Company's credibility or otherwise affecting market perceptions of the integrity or utility of independent credit ratings;
- the effect of competitive products and pricing, including the level of success of new product developments and global expansion;
- consolidation in the Company's end-customer markets; the Company's ability to maintain adequate physical, technical and administrative safeguards to protect the security of confidential information and data, and the potential of a system or network disruption that results in regulatory penalties, remedial costs or improper disclosure of confidential information or data;
- the introduction of competing products or technologies by other companies;
- the impact of customer cost-cutting pressures, including in the financial services industry and the commodities markets;
- a decline in the demand for credit risk management tools by financial institutions;
- the level of merger and acquisition activity in the United States and abroad;
- the volatility of the energy marketplace; the health of the commodities markets;
- our ability to attract, incentivize and retain key employees; the Company's ability to successfully recover should it experience a disaster or other business continuity problem from a hurricane, flood, earthquake, terrorist attack,
- pandemic, security breach, cyber-attack, power loss, telecommunications failure or other natural or man-made event;
- our ability to adjust to changes in European and United Kingdom markets as the United Kingdom leaves the European Union, and the impact of the United Kingdom's departure
 on our credit rating activities and other European and United Kingdom offerings;
- changes in applicable tax or accounting requirements;
- guidance and information regarding the implementation of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act;
- the level of the Company's future cash flows and capital investments;
- the impact on the Company's revenue and net income caused by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; and
- the Company's exposure to potential criminal sanctions or civil penalties if it fails to comply with foreign and U.S. laws and regulations that are applicable in the domestic and international jurisdictions in which it operates, including sanctions laws relating to countries such as Iran, Russia, Sudan and Syria, anti-corruption laws such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the U.K. Bribery Act of 2010, and local laws prohibiting corrupt payments to government officials, as well as import and export restrictions

The factors noted above are not exhaustive. The Company and its subsidiaries operate in a dynamic business environment in which new risks emerge frequently. Accordingly, the Company cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the dates on which they are made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date on which it is made, except as required by applicable law. Further information about the Company's businesses, including information about factors that could materially affect its results of operations and financial condition, is contained in the Company's filings with the SEC, including the "Risk Factors" section in the Company's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Exhibit 1

S&P Global Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 (dollars in millions, except per share data) Three Months Nine Months (unaudited) 2018 2017 % Change 2018 2017 % Change Revenue \$ 1.546 \$ 1.513 2% \$ 4 7 2 1 \$ 4 4 7 5 6% (3)% Expenses 842 864 ,635 2,519 5% Operating profit 649 8% 2,086 1,956 7% 704 Other income, net (6) (9) (25)% (26) (16)% (22)Interest expense, net 3% 98 110 (11)% 37 621 2,010 Income before taxes on income 672 8% 1.872 7% (17)% Provision for taxes on income 137 169 (19)% 440 533 1,339 Net income 535 452 18% 1,570 17% Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests (40) (38) (6)% (123) (105) (17)% Net income attributable to S&P Global Inc 495 414 1.447 1.234 20% 17% \$ \$ Earnings per share attributable to S&P Global Inc. common shareholders: Net income: 1.97 22% 5.75 4.80 20% Basic \$ 1.62 \$ Diluted Ś 1 95 1.61 22% Ś 5 70 Ś 4 75 20% Weighted-average number of common

Basic Diluted	251.3 253.5	255.5 257.9	251.6 253.7	257.0 259.5	
Actual shares outstanding at period end			250.9	255.0	

Note - % change in the tables throughout the exhibits are calculated off of the actual number, not the rounded number presented.

Exhibit 2

S&P Global Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017

(dollars in millions)

(unaudited)	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Assets: Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash Other current assets Total current assets Property and equipment, net Goodwill and other intangible assets, net Other non-current assets Total assets	\$ 2,203 1,425 3,628 275 4,964 516 \$ 9,383	\$ 2,779 1,545 4,324 275 4,377 449 \$ 9,425
Liabilities and Equity: Short-term debt Unearned revenue Other current liabilities Long-term debt Pension, other postretirement benefits and other non-current liabilities Total liabilities Redeemable noncontrolling interest Total equity Total liabilities and equity	\$	\$ 399 1,613 1,202 3,170 923 7,307 1,350 768 \$ 9,425

Exhibit 3

S&P Global Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions)

(unaudited)	2018	2017
Operating Activities:	+ 1570	± 1,220
Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:	\$ 1,570	\$ 1,339
Depreciation	60	61
Amortization of intangibles	91	73
Stock-based compensation	73	65
Other	57	59
Net changes in other operating assets and liabilities	(450)	(394)
Cash provided by operating activities	1,401	1,203
Investing Activities:		
Capital expenditures	(88)	(77)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(263)	(80)
Proceeds from dispositions		2
Changes in short-term investments Cash used for investing activities	(346)	(155)
Cash used for investing activities	(540)	(155)
Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes, net	489	-
Payments on senior notes	(403)	(21.0)
Dividends paid to shareholders Distributions to noncontrolling interest holders	(379) (116)	(316) (69)
Repurchase of treasury shares	(1,108)	(846)
Exercise of stock options, employee withholding tax on share-based payments, and	(1,100)	(040)
other	(62)	20
Cash used for financing activities	(1,579)	(1,211)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(52)	83
Net change in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(576)	(80)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at beginning of period	<u>2,779</u> \$ 2,203	<u>2,392</u> \$ 2,312
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at end of period	<u>⇒ ∠,205</u>	φ 2,512

Exhibit 4

S&P Global Operating Results Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions)

(unaudited)	Three Months	Nine Months
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	Revenue	Revenue

Ratings Market Intelligence Platts Indices Corporate Intersegment Elimination Total revenue	2018 \$ 700 464 204 205 5 (32) \$ 1,546	2017 \$ 739 422 193 187 (28) \$ 1,513	% Change (5)% 10% 10% N/M (15)% 2%	2018 \$ 2,223 1,349 604 627 10 (92) \$ 4,721	2017 \$ 2,199 1,238 577 542 (81) \$ 4,475	% Change 1% 9% 5% 16% N/M (14)% 6%
		Expenses			Expenses	
	2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	% Change
Ratings (a) Market Intelligence (b) Platts (c) Indices (d) Corporate Unallocated expense (e) Intersegment Elimination Total expenses	\$ 305 316 106 71 76 (32) \$ 842	\$ 364 299 109 68 52 (28) \$ 864	(16)% 6% (3)% 4% (15)% (3)%	\$ 1,050 961 319 211 186 (92) \$ 2,635	\$ 1,055 889 332 190 124 (81) \$ 2,519	% 7% (4)% 11% 51% (14)% 5%
		Operating Profit			Operating Profit	
	2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	% Change
Ratings (a) Market Intelligence (b) Platts (c) Indices (d) Total reportable segments Corporate Unallocated (e) Total operating profit	\$ 395 148 98 134 775 (71) \$ 704	\$ 375 123 84 119 701 (52) \$ 649	6% 20% 16% 13% 11% (39)% 8%	\$ 1,173 388 285 416 2,262 (176) \$ 2,086	\$ 1,144 339 245 352 2,080 (124) \$ 1,956	2% 14% 17% 18% 9% (42)% 7%

N/M - not meaningful

- (a) The nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes legal settlement expenses of \$73 million. The three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes employee severance charges of \$15 million and legal settlement expenses of \$2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Additionally, amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$1 million is included for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and \$2 million and \$3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- (b) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes restructuring charges related to a business disposition and employee severance charges of \$2 million. The nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes a non-cash disposition-related adjustment of \$4 million and employee severance charges of \$4 million. Additionally, amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$18 million and \$17 million is included for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$54 million and \$52 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- (c) Amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$4 million and \$5 million is included for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$13 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes a non-cash acquisition-related adjustment of \$11 million, a charge to exit a leased facility of \$6 million, an asset write-off of \$2 million and employee severance charges of \$1 million.
- (d) Amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$2 million and \$1 million is included for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$5 million and \$4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- (e) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes Kensho retention related expense of \$11 million and \$23 million, respectively, lease impairments of \$11 million, and employee severance charges of \$7 million. The three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes employee severance charges of \$4 million. Additionally, amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$8 million and \$17 million is included for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018.

Exhibit 5

S&P Global Operating Results - Reported vs. Adjusted Non-GAAP Financial Information Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

Adjusted Operating Profit

(unaudited)			Three Months			Nine Months	
·		2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	% Change
Ratings	Operating Profit Non-GAAP Adjustments (a) Deal-Related Amortization	\$ 395 — 1	\$ 375 15 1	6%	\$ 1,173 73 2	\$ 1,144 16 3	2%
	Adjusted Operating Profit	\$ 396	\$ 391	1%	\$ 1,248	\$ 1,164	7%
Market	Operating Profit Non-GAAP Adjustments (b) Deal-Related Amortization	\$ 148 2 18	\$ 123 	20%	\$ 388 2 54	\$ 339 8 52	14%
Intelligence	Adjusted Operating Profit	\$ 168	\$ 140	20%	\$ 444	\$ 399	11%
Platts	Operating Profit Non-GAAP Adjustments (c) Deal-Related Amortization	\$ 98 	\$ 84 	16%	\$ 285	\$ 245 20	17%
	Adjusted Operating Profit	\$ 102	5 \$ 89	15%	13 \$ 298	13 \$ 279	7%
	Operating Profit	\$ 134	\$ 119	13%	\$ 416	\$ 352	18%
Indices	Deal-Related Amortization Adjusted Operating Profit	\$ 136	1 \$ 120	13%	5 \$ 421	4 \$ 356	18%

perating Profit on-GAAP Adjustments (a) (b) (c) eal-Related Amortization Adjusted Segment Operating Profit	\$	775 2 25 802	\$	701 15 24 740	11%	\$	2,262 75 74 2,411	\$ \$	2,080 45 73 2,198	9% - 10%
orporate Unallocated on-GAAP Adjustments (d)	\$	(71) 28	\$	(52) 4	(39)%	\$	40	\$	(124) 4	(42)%
eal-Related Amortization Adjusted Corporate Unallocated	\$	8 (35)	\$	(48)	25%	\$	17 (119)	\$	(120)	(1)%
perating Profit	\$	704	\$	649	8%	\$	2,086	\$	1,956	7%
eal-Related Amortization Adjusted Operating Profit	\$	33 767	\$	24 692	11%	\$	91 2,292	\$	73 2,078	10%
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Adjusted Provision for Income Taxes

(unaudited)	Three Months					Nine Months			
		2018		2017	% Change	 2018		2017	% Change
Provision for Income Taxes Non-GAAP Adjustments (a) (b) (c) (d) (e)	\$	137 16	\$	169 7	(19)%	\$ 440 36	\$	533 21	(17)%
Deal-Related Amortization Adjusted Provision for Income Taxes	\$	8 161	\$	9 185	(13)%	\$ 22 499	\$	25 579	(14)%

Adjusted Effective Tax Rate

(unaudited)	Three Months				Nine Months				
			%					%	
	2018	2017	Change		2018		2017	Change	
Adjusted Operating Profit	\$ 767	\$ 692	11%	\$	2.292	\$	2.078	10%	
Other Income, Net	(6)	(9)			(22)		(26)		
Interest Expense, Net	38	37			98		110		
Adjusted Income Before Taxes on Income (1)	736	664	11%		2,216	_	1,994	11%	
Adjusted Provision for Income Taxes ⁽²⁾	161	185			499		579		
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate (2)/(1)	21.9 %	27.9	%		22.5 %		29.0 %		

Adjusted Net Income attributable to SPGI and Adjusted Diluted EPS

(unaudited)	20	18	203	17	% Chan	ge
	Net Income attributable to SPGI	Diluted EPS	Net Income attributable to SPGI	Diluted EPS	Net Income attributable to SPGI	Diluted EPS
		Three	Months			
As Reported	\$ 495	\$ 1.95	\$ 414	\$ 1.61	20%	22%
Non-GAAP Adjustments (a) (b) (c) (d) (e)	15	0.06	12	0.05		
Deal-Related Amortization	26	0.10	16	0.06		
Adjusted	\$ 536	\$ 2.11	\$ 442	\$ 1.71	21%	23%
		Nine	Months			
As Reported	\$ 1,447	\$ 5.70	\$ 1,234	\$ 4.75	17%	20%
Non-GAAP Adjustments (a) (b) (c) (d) (e)	78	0.31	29	0.11		
Deal-Related Amortization	69	0.27	47	0.18		
Adjusted	\$ 1,594	\$ 6.28	\$ 1,310	\$ 5.05	22%	24%

Note - Totals presented may not sum due to rounding.

Note - Adjusted operating margin for Ratings, Market Intelligence, Platts and Indices was 57%, 36%, 50% and 66% for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Adjusted operating margin for the Company was 50% for the three months ended September 30, 2018. Adjusted operating margin for Ratings, Market Intelligence, Platts and Indices was 56%, 33%, 49%, and 67% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Adjusted operating margin for the Company was 49% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Adjusted operating margin for the Company was 49% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. Adjusted operating margin for the Company was 49% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

- (a) The nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes legal settlement expenses of \$73 million (\$55 million after-tax). The three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes employee severance charges of \$15 million (\$9 million after-tax) and legal settlement expenses of \$2 million (\$1 million after-tax) for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.
- (b) The three and nine month ended September 30, 2018 includes restructuring charges related to a business disposition and employee severance charges of \$2 million (\$2 million after -tax). The nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes a non-cash disposition-related adjustment of \$4 million (\$4 million after-tax) and employee severance charges of \$4 million after-tax).
- (c) The nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes a non-cash acquisition-related adjustment of \$11 million (\$3 million after-tax), a charge to exit a leased facility of \$6 million (\$3 million after-tax), an asset write-off of \$2 million (\$1 million after-tax) and employee severance charges of \$1 million (\$1 million after-tax).
- (d) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes Kensho retention related expense of \$11 million (\$8 million after-tax) and \$23 million (\$17 million after-tax), respectively, lease impairments of \$11 million (\$8 million after-tax), and employee severance charges of \$7 million (\$5 million after-tax). The three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 includes employee severance charges of \$4 million (\$3 million after-tax).
- (e) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes an adjustment to the provisional tax charge recorded in the fourth quarter of 2017 of \$8 million.

Exhibit 6

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Revenue Information Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions)

Revenue by Type

(unaudited)				TI	hree Months			
			%			%		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017
		Ratings		Ma	arket Intelligence			Platts
Non-Subscription / Transaction (a)	\$ 328	\$ 372	(12)%	\$ 8	\$ 10	(20)%	\$ 2	\$2
Non-Transaction (b)	372	367	1%	—	_	N/M	_	_
Subscription (c)	_	_	N/M	451	406	11%	188	177
Asset-Linked Fees (d)	_	_	N/M	5	6	(21)%	_	_
Sales Usage-Based Royalties (e)	_	_	N/M	—	_	N/M	14	14
Total revenue	\$ 700	\$ 739	(5)%	\$ 464	\$ 422	10%	\$ 204	\$ 193
		Indices			Corporate		Inter	segment Elin
			%			%		
	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017
Non-Subscription / Transaction (a)	\$ —	\$ —	N/M	\$ —	\$ —	N/M	\$ —	\$ —
Non-Transaction (b)	_	_	N/M	-	_	N/M	(32)	(28)
Subscription (c)	41	36	12%	5	_	N/M	-	_
	131	118	11%	—	_	N/M	-	_
Asset-Linked Fees (d)								
Asset-Linked Fees (d) Sales Usage-Based Royalties (e) Total revenue	<u>33</u> \$ 205	<u>33</u> \$_187	2% 10%	<u> </u>		N/M N/M	\$ (32)	\$ (28)

2018		%					
2018		70			%		
2010	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017
	Ratings		Ma	arket Intelligence			Platts
\$ 1,094	\$ 1,138	(4)%	\$ 28	\$ 32	(15)%	\$ 8	\$ 9
1.129	1.061	6%	_	· _	N/M	· _	· _
	_	N/M	1.306	1.189	10%	556	523
_	_	N/M	15	17	(13)%	_	_
_	_	N/M	_	_		40	45
\$ 2,223	\$ 2,199	1%	\$ 1,349	\$ 1,238	9%	\$ 604	\$ 577
	Indices			Corporate		Inter	segment Elim
		%			%		-
2018	2017	Change	2018	2017	Change	2018	2017
\$ -	\$ —	N/M	\$ —	\$ —	N/M	\$ —	\$ —
_	_	N/M	_	_	N/M	(92)	(81)
109	104	4%	10	_	N/M	_	_
396	340	17%	_	_	N/M	_	_
122	98	25%	_	_	N/M	_	_
\$ 627	\$ 542	16%	\$ 10	\$ -		\$ (92)	\$ (81)
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N/M - not meaningful

(a) Non-subscription / transaction revenue is primarily related to ratings of publicly-issued debt, bank loan ratings and corporate credit estimates.

- (b) Non-transaction revenue is primarily related to surveillance of a credit rating, annual fees for customer relationship-based pricing programs, fees for entity credit ratings and global research and analytics. Non-transaction revenue also includes an intersegment revenue elimination, which mainly consists of the royalty of \$28 million and \$81 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and \$25 million and \$73 million for the three and six months ended September 30, 2017, respectively, charged to Market Intelligence for the rights to use and distribute content and data developed by Ratings.
- (c) Subscription revenue is related to credit ratings-related information products, Market Intelligence Desktop products, investment research products and other data subscriptions, real-time news, market data and price assessments, along with other information products.

(d) Asset-linked fees primarily related to fees based on assets underlying exchange-traded funds, mutual funds and insurance products.

(e) Sales usage-based royalty revenue is primarily related to trading based fees from exchange-traded derivatives and licensing of its proprietary market price data and price assessments to commodity exchanges.

Exhibit 7

S&P Global

Revenue by Geographic Area Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions)

(unaudited)		U.S.				Inter	national	
	 2018	 2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change
			Three I	Months				
Ratings	\$ 400	\$ 425	(6)%	\$	300	\$	314	(4)%
Market Intelligence	300	279	8%		164		143	15%
Platts	70	70	-%		134		123	8%
Indices	175	155	13%		30		32	(6)%
Corporate	5	_	N/M		_		_	N/M
Intersegment elimination	(18)	(15)	(17)%		(14)		(13)	(14)%
Total revenue	\$ 932	\$ 914	2%	\$	614	\$	599	2%
			Nine M	lonths				
Ratings	\$ 1,266	\$ 1,276	(1)%	\$	957	\$	923	4%
Market Intelligence	874	831	5%		475		407	17%

Platts Indices Corporate Intersegment elimination	210 533 10 (50)	213 448 (42)	(1)% 19% N/M (17)%	³⁹⁴ 94 (42)	364 94 (39)	9% 1% N/M (11)%
Total revenue	\$ 2,843	\$ 2,726	4%	\$ 1,878	\$ 1,749	7%

Exhibit 8

S&P Global Non-GAAP Financial Information Three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

(dollars in millions)

Computation of Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow Excluding Certain Items

Nine Months						
	2018		2017			
\$	1,401	\$	1,203	_		
	(88)		(77)			
	(116)		(69)			
\$	1,197	\$	1,057			
	_		67			
	180		4			
	71		_			
	(44)		_			
\$	1,404	\$	1,128	_		
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S&P Global Organic Revenue

(unaudited)			Thre	e Months		Nine Months					
		2018		2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change	
Total revenue	\$	1,546	\$	1,513	2%	\$	4,721	\$	4,475	6%	
Ratings acquisition		(2)		_			(4)		_		
Market Intelligence acquisitions		(5)		_			(9)		_		
Corporate acquisition		(5)		_			(10)		_		
Total adjusted revenue	\$	1,534	\$	1,513	1%	\$	4,698	\$	4,475	5%	
Organic revenue constant currency basis	\$	1,537	\$	1,513	2%	\$	4,664	\$	4,475	4%	

Ratings Organic Revenue

2017 % Cha	nge 2018	2017	% Change
			/o change
739	(5)% \$ 2,223	\$ 2,199	1%
_	(4)	_	
739	(5)% \$ 2,219	\$ 2,199	1%
		(4)	(4)

Market Intelligence Organic Revenue

(unaudited)		Three	e Months		Nine Months					
	2018		2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change	
Market Intelligence revenue	\$ 464	\$	422	10%	\$	1,349	\$	1,238	9%	
Acquisitions	(5)		_			(9)		_		
Adjusted Market Intelligence revenue	\$ 459	\$	422	9%	\$	1,340	\$	1,238	8%	

Adjusted Indices Net Operating Profit

(unaudited)	Three Months						Nine Months					
		2018		2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change		
Adjusted operating profit	\$	136	\$	120	13%	\$	421	\$	356	18%		
Income attributable to noncontrolling interests		36		33			112		95			
Adjusted Net Operating Profit	\$	100	\$	87	15%	\$	309	\$	261	17%		
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Adjusted Corporate Unallocated Expense

		Three	Months		Nine Months					
	2018		2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change	
\$	(71)	\$	(52)	(39)%	\$	(176)	\$	(124)	(42)%	
	(5)		_			(10)		_		
-	(76)		(52)	46%		(186)		(124)	51%	
	28		4			40		4		
	8		_			16		_		
	11		_			23		_		
\$	(29)	\$	(48)	(38)%	\$	(107)	\$	(120)	(9)%	
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(a) The three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 excludes amortization of intangibles from acquisitions of \$8 million and \$16 million, respectively, and an adjustment for Kensho retention related expense of \$11 million and \$23 million, respectively.

Exhibit 9

S&P Global Non-GAAP Guidance

Reconciliation of 2018 Non-GAAP Guidance

(unaudited)		
	Low	High
GAAP Diluted EPS	\$ 7.77	\$ 7.87
Deal-related amortization	0.40	0.40
Compensation for replacement equity awards and retention plans	0.09	0.09
Integration costs	0.01	0.01
Legal settlement	0.20	0.20
Lease impairments	0.03	0.03
Restructuring	0.03	0.03
Reduction to Provisional Tax Charge	(0.03)	(0.03)
Non-GAAP Diluted EPS	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.60

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