# S&P Global and IHS Markit Announce Final Regulatory Approval for Merger and Expected Close on February 28, 2022

NEW YORK, Feb. 25, 2022 / PRNewswire / -- S&P Global (NYSE: SPGI) and IHS Markit (NYSE: INFO) today announced that the UK's Competition and Markets Authority and the European Commission have granted the final regulatory approvals necessary for the companies to close their merger. The companies expect to complete their combination on **Monday**, **February 28**.

"We are pleased to mark this final step toward completing our merger and combining these two world-class companies," said Douglas L. Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of S&P Global. "With the close now imminent, we are ready to accelerate progress, implement new ways to serve our customers and people, and create value for our shareholders."

Douglas L. Peterson, President and CEO; Ewout Steenbergen, Executive Vice President and CFO; and Mark Grant, Senior Vice President, Investor Relations, will host a conference call to share a business update and discuss 2022 guidance on **Tuesday, March 1 at 8am EST**. Dial-in details will be shared in a separate press release prior to the call.

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For example, these forward-looking statements could be affected by factors including, without limitation, risks associated with: (i) the satisfaction of the remaining conditions precedent to consummation of the merger and the divesture of the Company's CGS business and IHS Markit's OPIS, CMM, PetroChem Wire and Base Chemicals businesses (together, the "proposed transaction"); (ii) uncertainty relating to the impact of the proposed transaction on the businesses of the Company and IHS Markit, including potential adverse reactions or changes to business relationships resulting from the announcement or completion of the proposed transaction and changes to existing business relationships and increased cyber risks during the pendency of the acquisition that could affect the Company's and/or IHS Markit's financial performance; (iii) the ability of the Company to successfully integrate IHS Markit's operations and retain and hire key personnel; (iv) the ability of the Company to implement its plans, forecasts and other expectations with respect to IHS Markit's business after the consummation of the proposed transaction and realize expected synergies; (v) business disruption following the proposed transaction; (vi) economic, financial, political and regulatory conditions, in the United States and elsewhere, and other factors that contribute to uncertainty and volatility, including the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union, natural and man-made disasters, civil unrest, pandemics (e.g., COVID-19 and its variants (the "COVID-19 pandemic")), geopolitical uncertainty, and conditions that may result from legislative, regulatory, trade and policy changes associated with the current U.S. administration: (vii) the ability of the Company and IHS Markit to successfully recover from a disaster or other business continuity problem due to a hurricane, flood, earthquake, terrorist attack, war, pandemic, security breach, cyber-attack, data breach, power loss, telecommunications failure or other natural or man-made event, including the ability to function remotely during long-term disruptions such as the COVID-19 pandemic; (viii) the impact of public health crises, such as pandemics (including the COVID-19 pandemic) and epidemics and any related company or governmental policies and actions to protect the health and safety of individuals or governmental policies or actions to maintain the functioning of national or global economies and markets, including any quarantine, "shelter in place," "stay at home," workforce reduction, social distancing, shut down or similar actions and policies; (ix) the outcome of any potential litigation, government and regulatory proceedings, investigations and inquiries; (x) changes in debt and equity markets, including credit quality and spreads; (xi) demand for investment products that track indices and assessments, and trading volumes of certain exchange-traded derivatives; (xii) changes in financial markets, capital, credit and commodities markets and interest rates; (xiii) the possibility that the proposed transaction may be more expensive to complete than anticipated, including as a result of unexpected factors or events; (xiv) the parties' ability to meet expectations regarding the accounting and tax treatments of the proposed transaction; (xv) the outcome of the previously announced offers to exchange any and all outstanding notes issued by IHS Markit for new notes to be issued by the Company and the solicitations of consents to adopt certain proposed amendments to each of the indentures governing the IHS Markit notes; and (xvi) those additional risks and factors discussed in reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Company and IHS Markit from time to time, including those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in their respective most recently filed Annual Reports on Form 10-K. While the list of factors presented here is considered representative, this list should not be considered to be a complete statement of all potential risks and uncertainties. Unlisted factors may present significant additional obstacles to the realization of forward-looking statements. Consequences of material differences in results as compared with those anticipated in the forward-looking statements could include, among other things, business disruption, operational problems, financial loss, legal liability to third parties and similar risks, any of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's or IHS Markit's consolidated financial condition, results of operations, credit rating or liquidity. Except to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, each of the Company and IHS Markit disclaims any duty to update any forward-looking statements contained in this communication or to otherwise update any of the above-referenced factors.

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