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S&P Global agrees to acquire ORBCOMM's Automatic Identification System business, strengthening its supply chain and maritime offerings

NEW YORK, April 24, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- S&P Global (NYSE: SPGI) today announced an agreement to acquire the Automatic Identification System (AIS) data services business of ORBCOMM Inc. The AIS business is a leading provider of satellite data services used to track and monitor vessels, enhancing maritime visibility and delivering critical insights that support business intelligence and decision-making for government and commercial clients worldwide.



Since 2004, ORBCOMM's AIS vessel tracking technology has incorporated high-quality, proprietary data with satellite and terrestrial based coverage. Its AIS solutions are utilized for diverse applications such as supply chain visibility, maritime safety, surveillance and security, environmental monitoring, regulatory compliance and more. ORBCOMM's AIS data services will be integrated within the S&P Global Market Intelligence division of S&P Global.

"With the uncertainties surrounding global markets and supply chains, this strategic acquisition underscores our commitment to investing in differentiated data and solutions that can help our customers navigate the volatility," said Whit McGraw, Head of Risk & Valuations Services at S&P Global Market Intelligence. "ORBCOMM's AIS data services business offers cutting-edge technology and coverage that strengthens our energy transition and maritime supply chain offering, giving us ample opportunity to invest in new product innovations."

S&P Global also announced it has entered into an agreement to take a strategic equity position in ORBCOMM. The two organizations will create a strategic alliance to develop a range of differentiated supply chain data and insight offerings, underscoring its commitment to further investing in this sector while helping customers navigate the complex maritime environment. The strategic alliance builds on the complementary strengths of S&P Global and ORBCOMM in global trade and logistics ecosystems. S&P Global's equity investment in ORBCOMM further emphasizes its commitment to this strategic alliance.

"We're excited to join forces with S&P Global to unlock new intelligence from our deep data resources and deliver new levels of intelligence to global supply chain stakeholders," said Sameer Agrawal, CEO of ORBCOMM. "Our AIS team looks forward to scaling their solutions with S&P Global, while we continue to sharpen our focus on ground-breaking smart supply chain visibility technology that serves the world's intermodal shipping ecosystem."

The acquisition is subject to customary closing conditions, including receipt of certain regulatory approvals. It is expected to close during 2025 and financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

DLA Piper served as legal advisor to S&P Global. PJT Partners and Simpson Thacher & Bartlett served as financial and legal advisors, respectively, to ORBCOMM.

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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 forward-looking statements include, among other things:

- worldwide economic, financial, political, and regulatory conditions (including slower GDP growth or recession, instability in the banking sector and inflation), and factors
 that contribute to uncertainty and volatility, natural and man-made disasters, civil unrest, public health crises (e.g., pandemics), geopolitical uncertainty (including military
 conflict), and conditions that may result from legislative, regulatory, trade and policy changes, including from the new US administration;
- the volatility and health of debt, equity, commodities, energy and automotive markets, including credit quality and spreads, the level of liquidity and future debt issuances, demand for investment products that track indices and assessments and trading volumes of certain exchange traded derivatives;
- the demand and market for credit ratings in and across the sectors and geographies where the Company operates;
- the Company's ability to maintain adequate physical, technical and administrative safeguards to protect the security of confidential information and data, and the potential for a system or network disruption that results in regulatory penalties and remedial costs or improper disclosure of confidential information or data;
- the outcome of litigation, government and regulatory proceedings, investigations and inquiries;
- concerns in the marketplace affecting the Company's credibility or otherwise affecting market perceptions of the integrity or utility of independent credit ratings, benchmarks, indices and other services;
- the level of merger and acquisition activity in the United States and abroad;
- the level of the Company's future cash flows and capital investments;
- the effect of competitive products (including those incorporating generative artificial intelligence ("AI")) and pricing, including the level of success of new product developments and global expansion;
- the impact of customer cost-cutting pressures;
- a decline in the demand for our products and services by our customers and other market participants;
- our ability to develop new products or technologies, to integrate our products with new technologies (e.g., AI), or to compete with new products or technologies offered by new or existing competitors;
- our ability to attract, incentivize and retain key employees, especially in a competitive business environment;
- our ability to successfully navigate key organizational changes, including among our executive leadership;
- the Company's exposure to potential criminal sanctions or civil penalties for noncompliance with foreign and U.S. laws and regulations that are applicable in the
 jurisdictions in which it operates, including sanctions laws relating to countries such as Iran, Russia and Venezuela, 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 continuously evolving regulatory environment in Europe, the United States and elsewhere around the globe affecting each of our businesses and the products they offer, and our compliance therewith;
- the Company's ability to make acquisitions and dispositions and successfully integrate the businesses we acquire;
- consolidation of the Company's customers, suppliers or competitors;
- the introduction of competing products or technologies by other companies;
- the ability of the Company, and its third-party service providers, to maintain adequate physical and technological infrastructure;
- the Company's ability to successfully recover from a disaster or other business continuity problem, such as an earthquake, hurricane, flood, civil unrest, protests, military conflict, terrorist attack, outbreak of pandemic or contagious diseases, security breach, cyber attack, data breach, power loss, telecommunications failure or other natural or man-made event;
- the impact on the Company's revenue and net income caused by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; and
- the impact of changes in applicable tax or accounting requirements on the Company.

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 Item 1A, *Risk Factors* in our most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K.

About ORBCOMM

ORBCOMM is a pioneer in IoT technology, empowering customers with insight to make data-driven decisions that help them optimize their operations, maximize profitability and build a more sustainable future. With 30 years of experience and one of the most comprehensive solution portfolios in the industry, ORBCOMM enables the management of over a million assets worldwide for a diverse customer base spanning transportation, supply chain, heavy equipment, maritime, natural resources and government. For more information about how ORBCOMM is driving the evolution of industry through the power of data, visit www.orbcomm.com.

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