

GENWORTH FINANCIAL INC
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Genworth Financial, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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This filing relates to the proposed acquisition of Genworth Financial, Inc. (the Company) by Asia Pacific Global Capital Co., Ltd. (Parent), pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 21, 2016, among the Company, Parent and Asia Pacific Global Capital USA Corporation.

On November 2, 2016, after the market closed, the Company made available an additional question and answer (the Q&A) to certain employees regarding the proposed transaction. The following is a copy of the Q&A:

Can you please tell me more about China Oceanwide and Mr. Lu's relationship with the Chinese government?

China Oceanwide is a privately held, family owned international financial holding group founded by Mr. Lu Zhiqiang and headquartered in Beijing, China.

Mr. Lu is a member of the Chinese Communist Party, but does not hold any official government positions.

Mr. Lu is a member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC).

The CPPCC is an annual forum for hundreds of representatives from government, business, sports, media, and society in general to discuss various aspects of China's legislative, administrative, social and cultural affairs.

It is principally an advisory body in which the government solicits opinions across a wide range of different groups within China.

Mr. Lu's advisory role at the CPPCC is honorary and ceremonial. It does not constitute a government officer position.

Mr. Lu serves as the Party Secretary of China Oceanwide's Chinese Communist Party (CPC) Committee.

The Chinese government encourages all companies to have a CPC committee which is led by a Party Secretary elected by the members of the committee.

Mr. Lu's title as the Party Secretary of China Oceanwide is in line with and is a result of his leadership position at China Oceanwide, which is consistent with the usual and customary practice for large Chinese enterprises.

This does not constitute a government officer position.

In line with Genworth's own purpose, the group has also demonstrated a strong commitment to social responsibility, having donated over \$250 million to the benefit of society, and actively participating in various public welfare projects.

Important Information For Investors and Stockholders

In connection with the proposed transaction, Genworth Financial, Inc. (Genworth) intends to file a proxy statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in connection with the solicitation of proxies for a special

meeting to be called at a future date. Promptly after filing its proxy statement in definitive form with the SEC, Genworth will mail such definitive proxy statement when available to each stockholder of Genworth entitled to vote. **Genworth stockholders are urged to read the proxy statement (including all amendments and supplements thereto) and all other relevant documents which Genworth will file with the SEC when they become available, because they will contain important information about the proposed transaction and related matters.**

Stockholders will also be able to obtain copies of the proxy statement, without charge, when available, at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by contacting the investor relations department of Genworth at the following:

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Participants in the Solicitation

Genworth and its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies of Genworth's stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Genworth's stockholders may obtain, without charge, more detailed information regarding such interested participants in Genworth's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 26, 2016, its proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 1, 2016, and any Statements of Changes in Beneficial Ownership on Form 4 of such participants, filed with the SEC. Additional information will be available in the proxy statement when it becomes available.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This communication includes certain statements that may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements may be identified by words such as expects, intends, anticipates, plans, believes, seeks, estimates, will or words of similar meaning and in not limited to, statements regarding the outlook for the company's future business and financial performance.

Forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and assumptions, which are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Actual outcomes and results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements and factors that may cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties related to: (i) the risk that the transaction may not be completed in a timely manner or at all, which may adversely affect Genworth's business and the price of Genworth's common stock; (ii) the ability of the parties to obtain stockholder and regulatory approvals, or the possibility that they may delay the transaction or that materially burdensome or adverse regulatory conditions may be imposed in connection with any such regulatory approvals; (iii) the risk that a condition to closing of the transaction may not be satisfied; (iv) potential legal proceedings that may be instituted against Genworth following announcement of the transaction; (v) the risk that the proposed transaction disrupts Genworth's current plans and operations as a result of the announcement and consummation of the transaction; (vi) potential adverse reactions or changes to Genworth's business relationships with clients, employees, suppliers or other parties or other business uncertainties resulting from the announcement of the transaction or during the pendency of the transaction, including but not limited to such changes that could affect Genworth's financial performance; (vii) certain restrictions during the pendency of the transaction that may impact Genworth's ability to pursue certain business opportunities or strategic transactions; (viii) continued availability of capital and financing to Genworth before the consummation of the transaction; (ix) further rating agency actions and downgrades in Genworth's financial strength ratings; (x) changes in applicable laws or regulations; (xi) Genworth's ability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the transaction; (xii) the amount of the costs, fees, expenses and other charges related to the transaction; (xiii) the risks related to diverting management's attention from the Company's ongoing business operations; (xiv) the impact of changes in interest rates and political instability; and (xv) other risks and uncertainties described in Genworth's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 26, 2016. 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 Genworth's consolidated financial condition, results of operations, credit rating or liquidity. Accordingly, forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Genworth's views as of any subsequent date, and Genworth does not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they were made, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.