



IBM and Red Hat to Combine to Create Leading Hybrid / Multi-cloud Provider

# Advancing Red Hat's Hybrid Cloud Leadership

Combination with IBM delivers significant benefits to Red Hat and will enable the company to:

Accelerate the expansion of Red Hat's leading open source portfolio





Maintain Red Hat commitment to open source and accelerate the impact of open source as the foundation of digital transformation strategies

Provide significant cross-selling opportunity through expanded delivery of industry leading open source solutions





Operate as a independent, distinct unit and preserve our unique culture



#### **Acceleration and Scale**

~380,000
Employees Worldwide

\$80B In '17 Revenues

\$5B In '17 Cloud Revenues

# IBM is an ideal teammate to support Red Hat's future

- One of the most storied technology companies in the world with an unparalleled track-record of innovation
- IBM offers complementary hardware and serves as a champion of open source technology
- IBM and Red Hat will continue to collaborate for the success of thousands of customers



#### **Transaction Overview**

#### Strategic Rationale

• Combination of Red Hat's leading solutions with IBM's broad enterprise offerings will create a complete end-to-end enterprise solutions portfolio in hybrid cloud - spanning all footprints from physical, virtual, private to multi-public clouds.

### Transaction Consideration

• Purchase price of approximately \$34 billion, or \$190.00 per share in an all-cash transaction

#### Financing

 IBM intends to use cash on hand and proceeds from committed financing to facilitate the transaction.

#### Management

 Red Hat will operate as a distinct unit of IBM, and continue to be led by Jim Whitehurst and Red Hat's current management team

### Closing and Approvals

- Expected to close in the second half of 2019
- Subject to satisfaction of customary closing conditions, including expiration or termination of the applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Act, and Red Hat shareholder approval



## Accelerates Expansion of Red Hat's Leading Open Source Portfolio



IBM has been a long-time supporter of Linux with

\$2 billion

in Linux investments across its platform over the past 2 decades

Expect to leverage IBM's scale and resources to enhance the development and continued improvement of:

- Hybrid cloud infrastructure
- Cloud native app development
- Management and automation solutions

Expect to expand Red Hat's foothold in emerging technologies for application and cloud development to capture a larger portion of this growing market



## Committed to Open Source Innovation



IBM has been a long-time supporter of the Linux and open source community through its investments in Linux and Linux on Power

Combination accelerates Red Hat's open hybrid cloud strategy

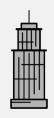
IBM and Red Hat remain **dedicated** to working with developers to continue **leading sponsorship and investment** in open source communities

Focus on ensuring that continued freedom of open source through Patent Promise, leadership in Open Invention Network the LOTNetwork



#### **Distinct Unit of IBM**







## Red Hat WILL OPERATE AS A DISTINCT UNIT OF IBM

Maintain same operating structure with the additional resources and scale of IBM to enhance innovation

## IBM INTENDS TO KEEP WHAT MAKES US GREAT

IBM understands the value that the Red Hat's team brings and the engine of innovation and success

# Red Hat MANAGEMENT TO CONTINUE TO LEAD THE COMPANY

Our leadership team will continue to lead Red Hat with the same values and culture as always



### What This Means For Associates



IBM is committed to keeping the talented Red Hat team in place



Additional opportunities for growth as part of a larger organization



Red Hat associates are essential to continued success



Red Hat associates can stay focused on winning and delivering industry leading innovation



### **What Comes Next**

 Transaction expected to close in the second half of 2019

subject to Red Hat shareholder approval and other customary closing conditions





# Important Additional Information and Where to Find It

In connection with the proposed merger, Red Hat, Inc. (the "Company") intends to file relevant materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including a preliminary proxy statement on Schedule 14A. Following the filing of the definitive proxy statement with the SEC, the Company will mail the definitive proxy statement and a proxy card to each stockholder entitled to vote at the special meeting relating to the proposed merger. STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO CAREFULLY READ THESE MATERIALS IN THEIR ENTIRETY (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO) AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT THE COMPANY WILL FILE WITH THE SEC WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. The proxy statement and other relevant materials (when available), and any and all documents filed by the Company with the SEC, may be obtained for free at the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. In addition, stockholders may obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by the Company via the Company's Investor Relations section of its website at www.redhat.com or by contacting Investor Relations by directing a request to the Company, Attention: Investor Relations, 100 East Davie Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601, or by calling (919) 754-3700.



#### **Participants in the Merger Solicitation**

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#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This document may include "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, without limitation, statements relating to the completion of the merger. In this context, forward-looking statements often address expected future business and financial performance and financial condition, and often contain words such as "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seek," "seek," "seek," "will," "would," "target," similar expressions, and variations or negatives of these words. Forward-looking statements by their nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain, such as statements about the consummation of the proposed merger and the anticipated benefits thereof. These and other forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements, including the failure to consummate the proposed merger or to make any filing or take other action required to consummate such merger in a timely matter or at all. The inclusion of such statements should not be regarded as a representation that any plans, estimates or expectations will be achieved. You should not place undue reliance on such statements. 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Such risks include, without limitation: the effects of competition in the businesses in which the Company operates; the Company's ability to adapt to a rapidly changing industry and maintain strategic relationships with industry leading companies; and the impacts of security breaches and data loss and our vulnerability to technology infrastructure failures. 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 financial condition, results of operations, credit rating or liquidity. These risks, as well as other risks associated with the proposed merger, will be more fully discussed in the proxy statement that will be filed with the SEC in connection with the proposed merger. There can be no assurance that the merger will be completed, or if it is completed, that it will close within the anticipated time period or that the expected benefits of the merger will be realized. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which such statements were made. Except as required by applicable law, the Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after such date.







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