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**DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2018**

**SUBJECT: SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC. (ELECTION MERGER) -  
ANTICIPATED ADJUSTMENT  
OPTION SYMBOL: SNI  
NEW SYMBOL: DSCK1  
FUTURES SYMBOL: SNI1D  
NEW SYMBOL: SNI2D  
DATE: 3/7/18??? (ELECTION DEADLINE: 3/2/18)  
\* \* \* UPDATE \* \* \***

On November 17, 2017, Shareholders of Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. (SNI) approved the proposed merger with Discovery Communications, Inc.

#### **The Merger: Aggregate Terms**

In the aggregate, the total amount of cash paid and the total number of DISCK shares issued to SNI shareholders will be equal to the total amount of cash and number of DISCK shares that would have been paid and issued if all SNI holders elected the mixed consideration.

#### **The Merger: Individual Share Elections**

Within the terms of the Merger, individual SNI Shareholders may:

- Elect to receive the Mixed Consideration, which will consist of \$63.00 plus a number of Discovery Communications, Inc. Series C (DISCK) Common Stock, based on an exchange ratio calculated based on the 15-day volume weighted average price of DISCK stock ("DISCK 15-day VWAP"), as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus dated October 19, 2017 ("Proxy"). The exchange ratio is subject to a collar, such that the number of DISCK shares is expected to be between 0.9408 and 1.2096. DISCK has the option to pay additional cash instead of issuing more shares if the DISCK 15-day VWAP is less than \$25.51. Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares, if any. Mixed Considerations are subject to proration. OR,
- Elect to receive the merger consideration in cash equal to the value of the mixed consideration ("Cash Consideration"). Cash Considerations are subject to proration. OR,
- Elect to receive the merger consideration in DISCK shares equal in value to the mixed consideration ("Stock Consideration"). Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares, if any. Stock Considerations are subject to proration. OR,
- Register no preference by not making an election (Non-electing). Under the terms of the election, shares which are not subject to an effective election will be treated as non-electing shares and converted into the right to receive the Mixed Consideration.

Elections must be submitted to the exchange agent. **The election deadline is 5:00 PM New York City time on March 2, 2018.** SNI Shareholders must observe all terms and conditions for the election as specified in the Proxy. **It should be noted that it is unknown if SNI shares may be delivered pursuant to an election under "Notices of Guaranteed Delivery".** In all cases, Call option holders exercising in order to obtain stock

for an election must exercise in sufficient time to be able to make valid delivery pursuant to the election procedures.

### **The Merger Consideration: Prorations**

The elections for the Mixed, Cash, and Stock Considerations will be subject to proration as described in the Proxy.

### **CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT**

DATE:	Effective the opening of the business day after the merger is consummated. <b>Contract adjustment is expected to occur on or about March 7, 2018.</b>
OPTION SYMBOL:	SNI changes to DSCK1
STRIKE DIVISOR:	1
CONTRACT MULTIPLIER:	1
NEW MULTIPLIER:	100 (e.g., for premium or strike price extensions, 1.00 equals \$100)
NEW DELIVERABLE PER CONTRACT:	<p>The deliverable for adjusted SNI options will be BASED ON THE MERGER CONSIDERATION WHICH ACCRUES TO NON-ELECTING SNI SHAREHOLDERS (stated in terms of a current 100-Share deliverable):</p> <p>100 x the Mixed Consideration, with cash paid in lieu of fractional shares, if any</p>
CUSIP:	DISCK: 25470F302

### **DELAYED SETTLEMENT**

OCC will delay settlement of the DISCK1 deliverable until the non-electing consideration is determined.

### **Futures Contract Adjustment**

DATE:	Effective the opening of the business day after the merger is consummated. <b>Contract adjustment is expected to occur on or about March 7, 2018.</b>
FUTURES SYMBOLS:	<p>SNI1D changes to SNI2D</p> <p>Note: All active Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. (SNI) futures symbols will be adjusted in a manner similar to that of SNI1D futures.</p>
NUMBER OF CONTRACTS:	No Change
MULTIPLIER	100 (e.g., a premium of 1.50 yields \$150)
NEW DELIVERABLE PER CONTRACT:	The deliverable for adjusted SNI1D futures will be BASED ON THE MERGER CONSIDERATION WHICH ACCRUES TO NON-ELECTING SNI SHAREHOLDERS (stated in terms of a current 100-Share deliverable):

100 x the Mixed Consideration, with cash paid in lieu of fractional shares, if any

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DISCK: 25470F302

## **DELAYED SETTLEMENT**

OCC will delay settlement of the SNI2D/all active SNI futures until the non-electing consideration is determined.

## **Important Exercise Considerations**

Holders of SNI Call options who wish to make their own elections with respect to SNI shares received through exercise (for example, to receive a consideration other than the Non-Electing consideration) bear sole responsibility in determining when to exercise their options to permit a valid election. After the merger is consummated and the contract adjustment described above is effected, adjusted SNI options will no longer call for the delivery of SNI shares upon exercise. Call option holders will receive upon exercise (and Put holders deliver upon exercise) the non-electing merger consideration (on a per contract basis).

## **Delivery Settlement and Protect Provisions**

Option contracts which are exercised, and physically-settled security futures contracts which mature, will require the settlement of all component securities included in the contract deliverable at the time of the futures contract maturation or option contract exercise, including rights, warrants, or similar instruments. Additional SNI entitlements (such as due bills, eligibility to participate in tender offers, elections, etc.) may also automatically attach to securities deliverable upon physically-settled futures contract maturity or option exercise. Conversely, securities not included in the contract deliverable at the time of the option exercise or futures contract maturity, or other entitlements not associated with the underlying deliverable securities, may preclude holders of long futures contracts from realizing the benefit of such entitlements. For example, if a physically-settled security futures underlying security is the subject of a tender offer, exchange offer, or similar event which expires *before* the futures contract reaches its maturity, the securities due to long futures holders upon maturity *will not* be eligible for participation in the tender/exchange offer. Conversely, if such tender offer, exchange offer or similar event expires *after* the futures contract matures, securities deliverable to long futures holders *will* be eligible for participation in these events.

Except in unusual cases, securities deliverable as a result of equity option exercise or the maturity of physically-settled security futures are settled through National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC).

Rights and obligations of Members with respect to securities settling at NSCC as a result of an option exercise or assignment or a physically-settled security future delivery or receipt obligation are governed by the rules of NSCC. NSCC has its own rules which enable purchasers of securities to protect themselves for value which may be lost if timely delivery is not made to them of securities subject to specific deadlines, such as the expiration of a tender offer, rights subscription, election, or similar event. These rules are generally called protect or liability notice procedures, and are intended to protect purchasers by binding the delivering parties to liability if such value is lost because timely delivery is not effected. Purchasers of securities must observe the rules and procedures of NSCC to avail themselves of such "protect" provisions of NSCC. Questions regarding these provisions should be addressed to NSCC.

## **Special Risks**

Writers of call options and holders of short positions in physically-settled security futures at maturity who are uncovered with respect to deliverable securities subject to deadlines or cut-off times (such as expirations of tender offers, rights subscriptions, elections, or similar events) should be aware of a risk associated with the timing of their possible assignments or physically-settled security futures delivery obligations: Equity option exercise settlement and settlement of physically-settled security futures delivery obligations normally occurs 2 business days after the option exercise date or the security-futures maturity date. An uncovered call writer or uncovered short futures holder who has an obligation to deliver, and who

waits until after assignment or futures maturity to effect purchase of the underlying security, may not be able to effect timely delivery by a regular-way purchase (2 business-day settlement) or call option exercise (2 business-day settlement after exercise). Such uncovered writer or short futures holder may nevertheless be subject to liability under the protect provisions of NSCC (see above) with respect to his delivery obligation, because he cannot make timely delivery. Additionally, Cash Markets (same-day, or less-than-2-business-day settlement) may not be available, or may be expensive for buyers of the underlying security.

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