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Date: August 31, 2022

Subject: Steel Connect, Inc. – Anticipated Cash Settlement
Option Symbol: STCN
Date: ???

On September 30, 2022, Shareholders of Steel Connect, Inc. (STCN) will vote concerning the proposed merger with SP Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. If the merger is approved and consummated, each existing STCN Common Share will be converted into the right to receive \$1.35 net cash per share, plus one non-transferable Contingent Value Right (“CVR”).

Note: The CVR represents a non-transferable contractual right to receive an additional payment. The adjusted STCN option deliverable will not include the non-transferable CVRs.

Exercise Consideration - STCN options will not call for the delivery of the CVRs. Call option holders who wish to receive the CVRs should exercise their options in sufficient time in advance of the contract adjustment. In all cases, it is the sole responsibility of persons holding call options seeking to receive the underlying securities to determine when to exercise their options.

Contract Adjustment

Date: Effective the opening of the business day after the merger is consummated. Contract adjustment is expected to occur in the second half of 2022.

**New Deliverable
Per Contract:** \$135.00 Cash (\$1.35 x 100)

Settlement in STCN options will take place through OCC’s cash settlement system. Settlement will be accomplished by payment of the difference between the extended strike amount and the cash deliverable.

Acceleration of Expirations

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cash-only delivery will be subject to **an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series** (See OCC Information Memo 23988).

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