

Market Release

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Foreign Investment Review Board approval received

Veda Group Limited (**Veda** or the **Company**) (ASX: VED) is pleased to announce that the Foreign Investment Review Board (**FIRB**) has provided notification that the Australian Government has no objections in terms of its foreign investment policy to Equifax Inc's (**Equifax**) proposed acquisition of 100% of the shares in Veda via a scheme of arrangement (**Scheme**).

As announced in the 23 November 2015 ASX release outlining the proposed Scheme, FIRB approval was one of the key regulatory approvals required. This means that the condition precedent in clause 3.1(a)(1) of the Scheme Implementation Deed is now satisfied. The process for achieving other approvals is underway and will be reported to the ASX in due course.

The Directors of Veda continue to unanimously recommend that Veda shareholders vote in favour of the Scheme, in the absence of a superior proposal. They also intend to vote any Veda shares in their control in favour of the Scheme, in the absence of a superior proposal.

The Scheme remains subject to a number of customary conditions including the approval of Veda's shareholders at the meeting to be held on Monday, 8 February 2016 and the Federal Court of Australia, as well as approval from the NZ Overseas Investment Office. If the Scheme is approved and all conditions precedent are satisfied, Veda shareholders will receive a cash payment of A\$2.825 per Veda share on the implementation date (which is expected to be 25 February 2016).

Further information

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About Veda

Veda (ASX:VED) is a data analytics company and the leading provider of credit information and analysis in Australia and New Zealand. From its core credit bureau business established in 1967, Veda has expanded to deliver a suite of credit and other analytical products targeted to specific industry segments.

Veda is built on the largest, most comprehensive and current data source in Australia and New Zealand with information on around 20 million credit active people and 5.7 million commercial entities. The breadth and depth of our data, and the knowledge it delivers help customers take a proactive and informed approach in making decisions.

Veda's customers use data intelligence provided by Veda to make decisions on credit risk, verify identity and employee background, reduce identity theft and fraud, and undertake digital marketing strategies. For further information, please visit our website at www.veda.com.au.