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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT TO PROSPECTUS DATED JUNE 22, 2011

13,500,000 Shares
KAR Auction Services, Inc.
Common Stock

The shares of common stock are being sold by the selling stockholder. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the shares of common stock sold by the selling stockholder.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol KAR. The closing price on the New York Stock Exchange on December 5, 2012 was \$18.14 per share.

The underwriters have an option to purchase a maximum of 2,025,000 additional shares from the selling stockholder.

Investing in our common stock involves risks. See Risk Factors on page S-13.

	Price to	Underwriting	Proceeds to
	Public	Discounts and	Selling
		Commissions	Stockholder
Per Share	\$17.50	\$0.7875	\$16.7125
Total	\$236,250,000	\$10,631,250	\$225,618,750

Delivery of the shares of common stock will be made on or about December 11, 2012.

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Joint Book-Running Managers

Credit Suisse

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

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Lead Managers

Barclays

BMO Capital Markets

BofA Merrill Lynch
Senior Co-Managers

Deutsche Bank Securities

Baird

Barrington Research

BB&T Capital Markets

Stephens Inc.

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any related free writing prospectus that we may issue. None of us, the selling stockholder or the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different. The selling stockholder is offering to sell these securities and seeking offers to buy these securities only in jurisdictions where the offers and sales are permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, any related free writing prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein is accurate only as of their respective dates. Our business, financial condition, results of operations or prospects may have changed since those dates.

The distribution of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and this offering in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons who receive this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus should inform themselves about and observe any such restrictions. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute, and may not be used in connection with, an offer or

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You should read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus carefully before investing in the common stock. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain the terms of this offering of common stock. This prospectus supplement may add, update or change information in the accompanying prospectus. In addition, the information incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus may have added, updated or changed information in the accompanying prospectus. If information in this prospectus supplement is inconsistent with any information in the accompanying prospectus, this prospectus supplement will supersede such information.

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In this prospectus supplement, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the following meanings:

the Company, we, us and our refer to KAR Auction Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries;

ADESA refers, collectively, to ADESA, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of KAR Auction Services, and ADESA, Inc.'s subsidiaries, including OPENLANE, Inc. (OPENLANE);

AFC refers, collectively, to Automotive Finance Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ADESA, and Automotive Finance Corporation's subsidiaries;

Equity Sponsors refers, collectively, to Kelso Investment Associates VII, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI, L.P., ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P. and Parthenon Investors II, L.P.;

IAA refers, collectively, to Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of KAR Auction Services, and Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc.'s subsidiaries;

KAR Auction Services refers to KAR Auction Services, Inc. and not to its subsidiaries;

KAR LLC refers to KAR Holdings II, LLC, which is owned by affiliates of the Equity Sponsors, other equity co-investors and management of the Company; and

2007 Transactions refers to the following events: On December 22, 2006, KAR LLC entered into a definitive merger agreement to acquire ADESA. The merger occurred on April 20, 2007. Concurrently with the merger, IAA was contributed by affiliates of Kelso & Company and Parthenon Capital and IAA's management to KAR Auction Services. Both ADESA and IAA became wholly-owned subsidiaries of KAR Auction Services.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain references to a number of trademarks (including service marks) that are our registered trademarks or trademarks for which we have pending applications or common law rights. These include, among others, OPENLANE, CarsArrive, LiveBlock, DealerBlock® and CSAToday and our logos. Trade names, trademarks and service marks of other companies appearing in this prospectus supplement are the property of their respective holders.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the information incorporated by reference herein and therein contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and which are subject to certain risks, trends and uncertainties. In particular, statements made in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the information incorporated by reference herein and therein that are not historical facts (including, but not limited to, expectations, estimates, assumptions and projections regarding the industry, business, future operating results, potential acquisitions and anticipated cash requirements) may be forward-looking statements. Words such as should, may, will, anticipates, expects, intends, plans, believes, seeks, estimates and expressions identify forward-looking statements. Such statements, including statements regarding our future growth; anticipated cost savings, revenue increases and capital expenditures; dividend declarations and payments; guidance and our estimated results for 2012; strategic initiatives, greenfields and acquisitions; our competitive position and retention of customers; and our continued investment in information technology, are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results projected, expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page S-13 of this prospectus supplement. Some of these factors include:

fluctuations in consumer demand for and in the supply of used, leased and salvage vehicles and the resulting impact on auction sales volumes, conversion rates and loan transaction volumes;

trends in new and used vehicle sales and incentives, including wholesale used vehicle pricing;

the ability of consumers to lease or finance the purchase of new and/or used vehicles;

the ability to recover or collect from delinquent or bankrupt customers;

economic conditions including fuel prices, foreign exchange rates and interest rate fluctuations;

trends in the vehicle remarketing industry;

changes in the volume of vehicle production, including capacity reductions at the major original equipment manufacturers;

increases in the number of used vehicles purchased on virtual auction platforms;

the introduction of new competitors;

laws, regulations and industry standards, including changes in regulations governing the sale of used vehicles, the processing of salvage vehicles and commercial lending activities;

changes in the market value of vehicles auctioned, including changes in the actual cash value of salvage vehicles;

competitive pricing pressures;

costs associated with the acquisition of businesses or technologies;

litigation developments;

our ability to successfully implement our business strategies or realize expected cost savings and revenue enhancements;

our ability to maintain our brand and protect our intellectual property;

our ability to develop and implement information systems responsive to customer needs;

business development activities, including acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses;

the costs of environmental compliance and/or the imposition of liabilities under environmental laws and regulations;

weather, including increased expenses as a result of Superstorm Sandy;

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general business conditions;

our substantial amount of debt;

restrictive covenants in our debt agreements;

our assumption of the settlement risk for vehicles sold;

any impairment to our goodwill or other intangible assets;

our self-insurance for certain risks;

any losses of key personnel;

interruptions to service from our workforce;

changes in effective tax rates;

changes to accounting standards; and

other risks described from time to time in our filings with the SEC.

Many of these risk factors are outside of our control, and as such, they involve risks which are not currently known that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed or implied herein. The forward-looking statements in this prospectus supplement are made as of the date on which they are made and we do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements.

Our future growth depends on a variety of factors, including our ability to increase vehicle sold volumes and loan transaction volumes, expand our product and service offerings, including information systems development, acquire and integrate additional business entities, manage expansion, control costs in our operations, introduce fee increases, and retain our executive officers and key employees. We cannot predict whether our growth strategy will be successful. In addition, we cannot predict what portion of overall sales will be conducted through online auctions or other remarketing methods in the future and what impact this may have on our auction business.

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SUMMARY

This summary description about us and our business highlights selected information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement. It does not contain all the information you should consider before purchasing our securities. This summary may not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should read in their entirety this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any other related free writing prospectus, together with the additional information described under the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page S-49 of this prospectus supplement. You should pay special attention to the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page S-13 of this prospectus supplement to determine whether an investment in our common stock is appropriate for you.

Our Company

We are a leading provider of vehicle auction services in North America. We facilitate an efficient marketplace by providing auction services for sellers of used, or "whole car," vehicles and salvage vehicles through our 229 physical auction locations at September 30, 2012, and multiple proprietary Internet venues. In 2011, we facilitated the sale of over 3.1 million used and salvage vehicles. Our revenues are generated through auction fees from both vehicle buyers and sellers, as well as by providing value-added ancillary services, including transportation, reconditioning, inspections, storage, titling and floorplan financing. We facilitate the transfer of ownership directly from seller to buyer and generally we do not take title to or ownership of vehicles sold at our auctions. For the twelve-month period ended September 30, 2012, our revenues totaled \$1,950 million, and our Adjusted EBITDA was \$492.4 million. For the twelve-month period ended September 30, 2012, our net income was \$83.6 million. For a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, see Summary Consolidated Financial Data.

ADESA, our whole car auction services business, is the second largest provider of used vehicle auction services in North America. Vehicles at ADESA's auctions are typically sold by commercial fleet operators, financial institutions, rental car companies, used vehicle dealers and vehicle manufacturers and their captive finance companies to franchised and independent used vehicle dealers. In 2011, we acquired OPENLANE, the premier upstream online platform focused on private label auction sales for automobile original equipment manufacturers, or OEMs, and their captive finance companies. OPENLANE provides a comprehensive remarketing solution to automobile manufacturers, captive finance companies, lease and daily rental car companies, financial institutions and wholesale automobile auctions. IAA, our salvage auction services business, is one of the two largest providers of salvage auction services in North America. Vehicles at our salvage auctions are typically damaged or low-value vehicles that are predominantly sold by automobile insurance companies, non-profit organizations, automobile dealers, vehicle leasing companies and rental car companies to licensed dismantlers, rebuilders, scrap dealers or qualified public buyers. An important component of ADESA's and IAA's services to their buyers is providing short-term inventory-secured financing, known as floorplan financing, primarily to independent used vehicle dealers through our wholly-owned subsidiary AFC.

At September 30, 2012, we had a network of 68 whole car auction locations and 161 salvage auction locations. Our auction locations are primarily standalone facilities dedicated to either whole car or salvage auctions; however, some of our sites are utilized to service both whole car and salvage customers at the same location. We believe our extensive geographic network and diverse product offerings enable us to leverage relationships with North American providers and buyers of used and salvage vehicles.

Our Industry

Auctions are the hub of the remarketing system for used and salvage vehicles, bringing professional sellers and buyers together and creating a marketplace for the sale of these vehicles. Whole car auction vehicles include vehicles from dealers turning their inventory, off-lease vehicles, vehicles repossessed by financial institutions

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and rental and other program fleet vehicles that have reached a predetermined age or mileage. The salvage vehicle auction industry provides a venue for sellers, primarily automobile insurance companies, to dispose or liquidate damaged or low value vehicles to dismantlers, rebuilders, scrap dealers or qualified public buyers. The following are key industry highlights:

Whole Car Industry Volumes

During the period from 1999 to 2009, approximately 9 to 10 million used vehicles per year were sold in North America through whole car auctions. In 2010 and 2011, this number declined to 8.4 million and 7.7 million units, respectively. We estimate that used vehicle auction volumes in North America during 2012 will be consistent with 2011. The reduction in auction volumes since 2009 is attributable to supply shortages in the North American whole car auction industry caused principally by declines in new vehicle sales and lease originations from 2007 to 2009 and declines in repossessions from 2009 to 2012. We expect the industry to experience an increase in whole car auction volumes as a result of increasing new vehicle sales and lease originations since 2009 and improving credit availability.

Salvage Auction Industry Volumes

We believe that the North American salvage vehicle auction industry volumes are affected primarily by accident rates, the age of the vehicle fleet on the road, miles driven, the increased complexity of vehicles in operation and the increased utilization of after-market recycled parts within the collision repair industry. Vehicles deemed a total loss by automobile insurance companies represent the largest category of vehicles sold in the salvage vehicle auction industry. As vehicle design becomes more complex with additional enhancements, such as airbags and electrical components, vehicles are more costly to repair following an accident and insurance companies are more likely to declare a damaged vehicle a total loss. In addition, the utilization of recycled parts from salvage vehicles by the collision repair industry continues to increase as the quality of these parts gains wider acceptance and insurance companies attempt to reduce their repair claim costs. We believe that salvage volumes will continue to grow over time as the salvage auction industry expands the number of non-insurance vehicles sold, including charity, direct-to-consumer and dealer sales.

Consolidated Whole Car and Salvage Auction Markets

The North American used vehicle auction market is largely consolidated. We estimate that Manheim, a subsidiary of Cox Enterprises, and ADESA together represent approximately 70% of the North American whole car auction market. We estimate that ADESA represents approximately 25% of the North American whole car auction market. The North American salvage vehicle auction market is also largely consolidated with the top two competitors, IAA and Copart, Inc., together representing an estimated 70% of the market, with each representing approximately equivalent shares.

High Barriers to Entry

High barriers to entry make it difficult for new entrants to capture significant market share. The required investment in technology and related infrastructure in addition to ongoing maintenance costs required to meet customers' demands present challenges for new entrants. Large tracts of land and a significant investment in facilities and land improvements are required to build new physical auctions. In addition, the need to comply with regulatory requirements would pose a challenge for new entrants to build a large-scale operation. Larger participants are also able to better develop relationships with many of the major whole car and salvage sellers and buyers, which increases the sellers' flexibility to redistribute vehicles to markets where demand best matches supply in order to maximize proceeds, while also reducing the cost of disposition.

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Our Competitive Strengths

Leading Provider of Both Whole Car and Salvage Vehicle Auctions

We are the second largest provider of whole car auctions and the co-leader of salvage vehicle auctions and related services in North America, with estimated market shares of approximately 25% and 35% in the whole car and salvage auction markets, respectively. At September 30, 2012, we had 68 whole car and 161 salvage auction locations and are the only company in North America with a top two market share position in both the whole car and salvage auction markets. Our market presence, including 12 co-located whole car and salvage facilities, in the 75 largest metropolitan markets in the United States and Canada enables us to attract large whole car and salvage sellers while simultaneously maintaining strong relationships with local franchised and independent automobile dealers. Our auctions attract a high volume of vehicles, thereby ensuring sufficient supply to create the successful marketplaces that buyers and sellers demand. We also have a leading market position in the floorplan financing industry. AFC has 104 branches primarily supporting over 11,000 independent dealers across North America who purchase vehicles primarily from whole car auctions. Our ability to provide floorplan financing facilitates the growth of vehicle sales at auction.

Sophisticated Internet-Based Auction Services Complement Physical Presence

The services that we provide are augmented by state-of-the-art information technology solutions, enabling our buyers and sellers to maximize exposure and salability of inventory at all points in the remarketing lifecycle.

ADESA

For our whole car customers, we complement physical auction with OPENLANE (the premier upstream online platform focused on private label auction sales for automobile manufacturers, captive finance companies and other institutions), LiveBlock™ (real-time simulcast of the physical auction via the Internet, provided by our wholly-owned subsidiary LAI), DealerBlock® (24/7 interactive, virtual auctions) and customized private label solutions that allow our institutional consignors to offer vehicles via the Internet prior to arrival at the physical auction.

IAA

For our salvage buyers, we complement physical auctions with i-Bid LIVE, a real-time simulcast of the physical auction via the Internet, which allows both a live and Internet buyer to participate in the auctions. i-Bid LIVE's feature rich user interface allows buyers to search inventory, review photos, set up alerts, shop for and purchase vehicles, bid and buy all from one platform. i-Bid LIVE is also mobile-compatible, providing buyers the added flexibility to participate in IAA auctions from a smart phone or tablet, and is available as a mobile application.

Suppliers, including insurance companies and other participants, can also better process and manage their salvage inventory with IAA's technology. Specific to insurance company suppliers, IAA's patent-pending title procurement tools provide an efficient method of procuring titles and tracking a vehicle's title in the process. This helps reduce cycle time for insurance companies and provides for faster sales of total loss vehicles through IAA's auctions. In addition, IAA's proprietary Internet-based salvage management tool, CSAToday, provides transparency to suppliers' inventory, as well as provides tools, such as salvage return analysis and electronic assignment interfaces. CSAToday is also mobile-compatible, which provides added efficiency to suppliers.

Provider of High Value Added, Integrated Vehicle Auction Services

We offer a full range of integrated pre- and post-auction services aimed at assisting our customers in the redistribution of their vehicles in an efficient and cost-effective manner. Our services are provided by ADESA at

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its physical auction locations and wholly-owned brands such as AFC, CarsArrive, Professional Auto Remarketing (PAR), AutoVIN and Dent Demon. For the twelve months ended September 30, 2012, we generated a combined total of more than \$600 million of revenue from pre- and post-auction services. Pre-auction services include transportation, reconditioning (such as detailing, body repairs and light mechanical repairs), inspections, storage, titling and other administrative services. Post-auction services include post-sale inspections, reconditioning, the clearing of auction proceeds and collections, floorplan financing, ownership transfer, storage, vehicle delivery and customized reporting and analyses. The combination of our physical auction locations, Internet-based solutions and ancillary services offers our customers a single vendor solution to meet all of their vehicle redistribution needs.

Longstanding Customer Relationships and Diversified Customer Base

We have established long-term customer relationships with franchised and independent vehicle dealers, institutional customers and automobile insurance companies. Our combined whole car and salvage buyer base exceeds 150,000 registered buyers in over 100 countries. No single customer accounted for more than 3% of our consolidated revenue in 2011, and our average relationship is more than ten years with our top ten vehicle suppliers. We believe this diversity allows us to better withstand changes in the economy and market conditions. ADESA enjoys long-term relationships with major vehicle manufacturers, vehicle finance companies, vehicle fleet companies and rental car companies in North America, including, but not limited to, GM Financial, Capital One Auto Finance, Avis, Chase Auto Finance, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Ford, GE Capital, General Motors, Hertz, Honda, HSBC, Mercedes-Benz, Santander Consumer, Toyota and Wells Fargo. Furthermore, OPENLANE operates private label platforms for many leading OEMs, including Ford, Honda, Volkswagen, Hyundai, Chrysler, GM Financial, BMW and others. IAA enjoys long-term relationships with top automobile insurers, including, but not limited to, American Family Insurance, GEICO, Progressive, State Farm, USAA and Zurich Financial Services.

Low Capital Intensity and Resilient Financial Model

Our low maintenance capital expenditures and working capital requirements enable the business to generate consistently strong cash flows through a diversified mix of operations. Our business segments are complementary to each other and create a resilient platform for future growth. We generally do not take title to or bear the risk of loss for vehicles sold at whole car or salvage auctions. Furthermore, customers do not receive title or possession of vehicles after purchase until payment is received, proof of floorplan financing is provided or credit is approved. These requirements contribute to limited inventory and accounts receivable exposure. We expect our low capital intensity financial model to allow us to produce significant free cash flow in the future enabling us to continue to reduce debt and return capital to shareholders.

Strong Management Team with Track Record of Driving Growth and Improving Efficiency

Our senior management team continues to implement and execute on various growth initiatives that have resulted in increasing revenue and gross profit expansion during the past five years. Through a better coordination of corporate sales efforts and local auction operations, in addition to numerous strategic Internet initiatives, we have organically grown our revenues at auction while facing decreasing trends in industry volumes. Furthermore, the management team has implemented a disciplined expansion strategy, acquiring or building numerous auction locations and offering more services since 2009. We believe our management team's integration experience and cost discipline will continue to be a competitive advantage as we grow both organically and across the remarketing lifecycle through selective acquisitions. In addition, we have reduced costs through the integration of operating systems and introduction of standard operating practices across all auction sites, resulting in improved operating efficiencies, reduced headcount and improved operating profit at existing and acquired sites.

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Our Business Strategy

We continue to focus on growing our revenues and profitability through the execution of the following key operating strategies:

Expand Opportunities for Customers to Buy and Sell Online

We are focused on enhancing our Internet solutions in all of the key channels, and we will continue to invest in our technology platforms to capitalize on new opportunities and attract new customers. Online vehicle remarketing solutions provide the opportunity to improve the customer experience, expand our volume of transactions and potentially increase proceeds for sellers through greater buyer participation at auctions. In October 2011, we acquired OPENLANE in order to better capitalize on the increasing use of the Internet as a means to purchase wholesale vehicles. OPENLANE offers comprehensive private label remarketing solutions to automobile manufacturers, captive finance companies, lease and daily rental car companies, financial institutions and wholesale automobile auctions throughout the United States and Canada. IAA is the only national salvage auction company that offers buyers both live and Internet purchasing opportunities. ADESA provides online solutions to sell vehicles directly from a dealership or other interim storage location (upstream selling), online solutions to offer vehicles for sale while in transit to auction locations (midstream selling) and broadcasting video and audio of the physical auctions to online bidders (simulcast).

Grow Our Dealer Consignment Business

The dealer consignment business is a highly market-specific business that requires local auction sales representatives who have experience in the used vehicle business and an intimate knowledge of their local market. We have augmented our local auction teams with the addition of corporate-level resources focused on growing the number of dealer vehicles sold at our physical and online auctions. The corporate team assists the local sales representatives in developing and implementing standard best practices for building and maintaining relationships with dealers to increase our market share. Our sales representatives also utilize proprietary technology solutions to maintain and grow the dealer consignment business by strategically matching the supply of vehicles with prospective buyers at auction. We believe this combination of a standard centralized approach with decentralized resources close to large populations of dealers will enhance our relationships with the dealer community and increase dealer volumes at our whole car auctions. On a same store basis, our dealer consignment sales volumes were up approximately 12% and 13% for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and for the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, respectively, compared with the same periods in prior years.

Continue to Grow Revenue per Vehicle

From 2008 through September 30, 2012, our whole car (excluding OPENLANE) and salvage revenue per vehicle grew at compound annual growth rates of 1.7% and 3.4%, respectively. Revenue per vehicle generally consists of auction fees and fees from ancillary services. Increased utilization of ancillary services, selective fee increases, higher used vehicle prices and the introduction of new product offerings were key components of this growth. We believe these services provide economic benefits to our customers who are willing to utilize our products and services that improve their ability to manage their remarketing efforts and increase their returns. We plan to grow revenue by increasing customer utilization of these existing products and by enhancing our core auction services through such initiatives as increasing the number of vehicles offered both online and at physical auctions.

Leverage AFC's Products and Services at ADESA and IAA

We intend to selectively grow AFC while using enhanced credit analysis and risk management techniques to mitigate risk. We will continue to focus on expanding dealer coverage and improving coordination with ADESA

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and IAA to capitalize on cross-selling opportunities with AFC. By encouraging a collaborative marketing effort between AFC, ADESA and IAA, we believe we can market an enterprise solution more effectively to used vehicle dealers and tailor AFC's financing products to individual dealer needs. We will maintain our focus on generating additional revenues by expanding our suite of floorplan financing and related products and services and leveraging our market position, broad infrastructure and diversified business relationships to capitalize on current market opportunities.

Grow Our Non-Insurance Salvage Auction Customer Base

More than 12 million vehicles are de-registered annually, but only approximately 3.5 million are sold through salvage auctions, mostly by automobile insurance companies. In order to capture a greater portion of the total unit volume, we are increasingly focused on growing our vehicle supplier base, with a particular focus on non-insurance company customers, which includes charitable organizations, rental car, captive finance and fleet companies, as well as the general public. ADESA's strong customer relationships with used vehicle dealers as well as rental car, captive finance and fleet companies provide an advantage in accessing the rental car, captive finance and fleet company segments, as these customers already use ADESA's whole car auction services.

Continue to Improve Operating Efficiency

We continue to focus on reducing costs by optimizing efficiency at each of our auction locations and consolidating certain management functions. Since 2007, a number of initiatives have been implemented, which have streamlined operations and improved operating efficiencies. As part of these initiatives, we introduced a management operating system to actively monitor and manage staffing levels and, as a result, have realized additional labor efficiency gains. Additional efficiencies have been gained through two of our wholly-owned subsidiaries, AuctionTrac, a vehicle tracking system at ADESA, and CarsArrive, an Internet-based system that allows customers to review instantly price quotes, delivery times, available transportation loads and also to receive instant notification of available shipments.

Use Excess Cash Flow to Reduce Debt and Return Capital to Shareholders

We generate strong cash flows as a result of our attractive gross margins, the ability to leverage our corporate infrastructure across our multiple auction locations, low maintenance capital expenditures and limited working capital requirements. Management plans to utilize a significant portion of excess cash generated by the business for debt reduction and return capital to shareholders for the foreseeable future. We generated \$238.0 million and \$305.8 million of cash flow from operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and the twelve months ended December 31, 2011, respectively. On November 30, 2012, we announced that our board of directors approved the initiation of a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock and declared an initial quarterly cash dividend of \$0.19 per share, representing an annualized dividend of \$0.76 per share, to be paid in December 2012. After paying any future dividends to shareholders (subject to prior declaration by our board of directors), we expect that significant cash flow will remain to support further de-leveraging and future growth.

Selective Acquisitions and Greenfield Expansion

Increased demand for single source solutions by our customers and other factors may increase our opportunities to acquire smaller, less geographically diverse competitors. Both ADESA and IAA have a strong record of acquiring and integrating independent auction operations and improving profitability. We will continue to evaluate opportunities to open and acquire new sites in selected markets in order to effectively leverage our sales and marketing capabilities and expand our geographic presence for both ADESA and IAA.

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Increase Our International Presence

In both our whole car and salvage vehicle businesses, we have experience managing a global buyer base with relationships in over 100 countries. We believe we are well positioned to grow internationally through both technology-based and physical auction expansion. We continue to identify opportunities to expand certain of our service offerings globally. We specifically plan to extend our OPENLANE technology. We expect that our ability to efficiently layer in the OPENLANE product and technology licensing will allow us to conveniently enter mature auction markets.

Recent Developments

New Dividend Policy and First Dividend Payment in 2012

On November 30, 2012, we announced that our board of directors has approved the initiation of a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock. The initial quarterly dividend of \$0.19 per share will be paid on December 28, 2012 to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 19, 2012, representing an annualized dividend of \$0.76 per share.

The declaration and payment of any future dividend will be subject to the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on a variety of factors, including our financial condition and results of operations, contractual restrictions, including restrictive covenants contained in our credit agreement, AFC's securitization facilities and the indenture governing our outstanding debt securities, capital requirements and other factors that our board of directors deems relevant. Therefore, no assurance can be given as to whether any future dividends may be declared by our board of directors or the amount thereof.

We obtained an amendment to our credit agreement to increase the amount of restricted payments that we are permitted to make thereunder.

Superstorm Sandy

On October 29, 2012, a severe storm, Superstorm Sandy, made landfall on the East Coast causing catastrophic flooding and damage, particularly in New Jersey and New York. An extreme weather event such as Superstorm Sandy adversely affects the overall economic environment. Specifically, in our industry, Superstorm Sandy may result in a sharp influx in the available supply of salvage vehicles. Salvage revenues, however, generated as a result of the total loss of vehicles associated with such a catastrophe are typically recognized subsequent to the incurrence of incremental costs. See Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Business Weather-related and other events beyond our control may adversely impact operations.

2012 Outlook

We continue to expect 2012 Adjusted EBITDA of \$500 million \$510 million. We also continue to expect 2012 net income per share of \$0.63 \$0.68 and adjusted net income per share of \$1.00 \$1.05, both assuming an effective tax rate of approximately 43%. Adjusted net income per share is a non-GAAP financial measure and represents GAAP net income per diluted share excluding excess depreciation and amortization and stock-based compensation, both resulting from the 2007 Transactions, net of taxes, and contingent consideration adjustment, net of tax. Additionally, we continue to expect 2012 cash taxes of approximately \$70 million, cash interest expense on corporate debt of approximately \$95 million and capital expenditures of approximately \$90 million. This would result in 2012 free cash flow of approximately \$245 million \$255 million.

We also expect 2012 total operating revenues of \$1.925 billion \$1.965 billion.

These estimated results are forward-looking statements based on preliminary data and management's estimates, and our actual results may be materially different from these estimated results. These estimated results

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are preliminary, unaudited and subject to completion, reflect management's current views with respect to future results and may change as a result of developments through year-end 2012, management's review of our results and other factors. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these estimated results. Our independent registered public accounting firm has not audited, reviewed or performed any procedures with respect to these estimated results and does not express any opinion or any other form of assurance with respect thereto.

Our Corporate Information

Our principal executive offices are located at 13085 Hamilton Crossing Boulevard, Carmel, Indiana 46032, and our telephone number is (800) 923-3725. Our website is located at www.karauctionservices.com. The information on, or accessible through, the website is not a part of, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus supplement. This reference to our website is an inactive textual reference only and is not a hyperlink. You should not consider the contents of our website in making an investment decision with respect to our securities.

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The Offering

Common stock offered by the selling stockholder 13,500,000 shares

Option to purchase additional shares from the selling stockholder 2,025,000 shares

Common stock outstanding before and after this offering(1) 136,648,020 shares

Use of proceeds We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares of common stock by the selling stockholder in this offering. The selling stockholder will receive all net proceeds from this offering.

NYSE symbol KAR

Risk Factors Investing in our common stock involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-13 to read about factors you should consider before buying our common stock.

Conflict of Interest Because affiliates of Goldman, Sachs & Co. beneficially own more than 10% of our outstanding common stock, Goldman, Sachs & Co. is deemed to be an affiliate of the Company within the meaning of Rule 5121 of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, or Rule 5121, and is deemed to have a conflict of interest under Rule 5121. In addition, KAR LLC, the selling stockholder and an affiliate of Goldman, Sachs & Co., will receive all of the net proceeds of this offering. Accordingly, this offering will be made in compliance with the applicable provisions of Rule 5121 as required by Rule 5121. Because there is a bona fide public market (as defined in Rule 5121) for our common stock, the Rule 5121 requirement for the participation of a qualified independent underwriter does not apply to this offering.

(1) Based on 136,648,020 shares of our common stock outstanding as of November 15, 2012. Does not include 3,540,593 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our equity incentive plans or 9,612,121 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of November 15, 2012, at a weighted average exercise price of \$11.51 per share.

Except as otherwise indicated, the information in this prospectus supplement assumes no exercise of the underwriters option to purchase additional shares.

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The following table sets forth our summary consolidated financial data as of the dates and for the periods indicated. The summary consolidated financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements and the related notes incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. The summary consolidated financial data as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 have been derived from our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and the related notes incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and includes all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) that we consider necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and the results of operations for these periods. The results presented below are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period.

The following summary consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with Risk Factors, our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes, and other financial information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

(Dollars in millions except per share amounts)	Twelve Months	Nine Months		Years Ended December 31,		
	Ended September 30, 2012	Ended September 30, 2012	Ended September 30, 2011	2011	2010	2009
Operations:						
Operating revenues						
ADESA	\$ 1,041.7	\$ 791.4	\$ 767.1	\$ 1,017.4	\$ 1,075.9	\$ 1,088.5
IAA	720.4	534.1	513.8	700.1	610.4	553.1
AFC(1)	187.4	144.2	125.6	168.8	136.3	93.9
Total operating revenues	\$ 1,949.5	\$ 1,469.7	\$ 1,406.5	\$ 1,886.3	\$ 1,822.6	\$ 1,735.5
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)(1)	1,492.5	1,116.6	1,048.7	1,424.6	1,382.5	1,367.8
Operating profit	265.3	209.7	226.3	281.9	268.8	195.3
Interest expense	120.6	89.8	112.3	143.1	141.4	172.6
Income from continuing operations	83.6	69.1	57.7	72.2	69.6	23.2
Net income	83.6	69.1	57.7	72.2	69.6	23.2
Net income per share						
Basic		0.51	0.42	0.53	0.52	0.21
Diluted		0.50	0.42	0.52	0.51	0.21
Weighted average shares outstanding						
Basic		136.4	135.9	136.0	134.9	108.0
Diluted		138.8	137.7	137.8	135.9	108.1
Financial Position:						
Working capital(2)	\$ 319.4	\$ 330.6	\$ 177.0	\$ 287.9	\$ 299.5	
Total assets	4,926.0	4,611.6	4,779.1	4,525.0	4,251.3	
Total debt, net of unamortized debt discount	1,822.2	1,837.8	1,902.8	1,875.7	2,272.9	
Total stockholders' equity	1,445.4	1,312.9	1,343.2	1,244.6	1,141.5	

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	Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2012	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 2011		Years Ended December 31, 2011 2010 2009		
Other Financial Data:						
EBITDA(3)	\$ 457.1	\$ 354.6	\$ 310.1	\$ 412.6	\$ 409.4	\$ 378.9
Adjusted EBITDA(3)	492.4	380.3	375.1	487.2	475.2	425.9
Net cash provided by operating activities	338.3	238.0	205.5	305.8	467.6	250.8
Capital expenditures	82.4	60.8	64.2	85.8	78.9	65.6
Depreciation and amortization	191.7	143.4	131.5	179.8	171.3	172.4

- (1) Prior to 2011, certain AFC fees collected from customers were netted against cost of services, as well as certain selling, general and administrative expenses. Such fees included lot check fees, filing fees and postage fees, each of which are charged to and collected from AFC's customers. Beginning in 2011, these fees were included in revenue with the corresponding costs reflected in their respective expense categories, resulting in an increase to revenue, as well as an increase to the related expenses for all periods presented. Prior year amounts have been revised to reflect these changes.
- (2) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities.
- (3) EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA, as presented herein, are supplemental measures of our performance that are not required by, or presented in accordance with, generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, or GAAP. They are not measurements of our financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered substitutes for net income (loss) or any other performance measures derived in accordance with GAAP.

EBITDA is defined as net income (loss), plus interest expense net of interest income, income tax provision (benefit), depreciation and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA is EBITDA adjusted for the items of income and expense and expected incremental revenue and cost savings as follows (a) gains and losses from asset sales; (b) unrealized foreign currency translation gains and losses in respect of indebtedness; (c) certain non-recurring gains and losses; (d) stock option expense; (e) certain other noncash amounts included in the determination of net income; (f) management, monitoring, consulting and advisory fees paid to the equity sponsors; (g) charges and revenue reductions resulting from purchase accounting; (h) unrealized gains and losses on hedge agreements; (i) minority interest expense; (j) expenses associated with the consolidation of salvage operations; (k) consulting expenses incurred for cost reduction, operating restructuring and business improvement efforts; (l) expenses realized upon the termination of employees and the termination or cancellation of leases, software licenses or other contracts in connection with the operational restructuring and business improvement efforts; (m) expenses incurred in connection with permitted acquisitions; and (n) any impairment charges or write-offs of intangibles.

Management believes that the inclusion of supplementary adjustments to EBITDA applied in presenting Adjusted EBITDA is appropriate to provide additional information to investors about one of the principal measures of performance used by our creditors. In addition, management uses Adjusted EBITDA to evaluate our performance and to evaluate results relative to incentive compensation targets. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA have limitations as analytical tools, and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of the results as reported under GAAP. These measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

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The following tables reconcile EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) for the periods presented:

(Dollars in millions)	Twelve Months	Nine Months		Years Ended		
	Ended September 30, 2012	Ended September 30, 2012	2011	2011	2010	2009
Net income (loss)	\$ 83.6	\$ 69.1	\$ 57.7	\$ 72.2	\$ 69.6	\$ 23.2
Add back:						
Income taxes	61.4	52.4	8.8	17.8	27.2	11.1
Interest expense, net of interest income	120.4	89.7	112.1	142.8	141.3	172.2
Depreciation and amortization	191.7	143.4	131.5	179.8	171.3	172.4
EBITDA	457.1	354.6	310.1	412.6	409.4	378.9
Adjustments	35.3	25.7	65.0	74.6	65.8	47.0
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 492.4	\$ 380.3	\$ 375.1	\$ 487.2	\$ 475.2	\$ 425.9

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RISK FACTORS

*An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the specific risks described below in addition to those set forth in our other filings with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act before making an investment decision. If any of these risks actually materializes, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially adversely affected. As a result, the value of our securities could decline and you could lose part or all of your investment. These risks are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also materially affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. See the section entitled *Where You Can Find More Information* beginning on page S-49 of this prospectus supplement.*

Risks Related to Our Business

Decreases in the supply of used vehicles coming to auction have and may continue to impact auction sales volumes and may adversely affect our revenues and profitability.

The number of new and used vehicles that are leased by consumers affects the supply of vehicles coming to auction in future periods as the leases mature. As manufacturers and other lenders decrease the number of new vehicle lease originations and extend the terms of some of the existing leases, the number of off-lease vehicles available at auction for the industry declines. Based on our estimates, off-lease vehicles available at auction for the industry declined slightly in 2010 and declined by over 40% in 2011, reflecting declines in lease origination volume and new vehicle sales three years earlier during the recent global economic downturn and credit crisis. If the supply of off-lease vehicles coming to auction declines further, our revenues and profitability may be adversely affected. Our expectation is that the decline in off-lease vehicles will disproportionately impact Canada, where we have a significant auction market presence.

Volumes of off-lease vehicles in subsequent periods will be affected by total new vehicle sales and the future leasing behavior of manufacturers and lenders and therefore we may not be able to accurately predict the volume of vehicles coming to auction. The supply of off-lease vehicles coming to auction is also affected by the market value of used vehicles compared to the residual value of those vehicles per the lease terms. In most cases, the lessee and the dealer have the ability to purchase the vehicle at the residual price at the end of the lease term. Generally, as market values of used vehicles rise, the number of vehicles purchased at residual value by the lessees and dealers increases, thus decreasing the number of off-lease vehicles available at auction.

As recently as 2009, the auction industry sales volume was over 9 million units. However, auction sales volumes declined to approximately 7.7 million units in 2011 (excluding approximately 0.3 million units sold by OPENLANE). We believe that auction sales volumes will recover over the next several years, and we estimate volumes to reach nearly 9 million units by 2015, including OPENLANE volumes. We believe that an increase in the volume of off-lease and repossessed vehicles, among others, that are remarketed through whole car auctions are a significant contributor to this growth, and our performance could be adversely impacted if volumes do not increase and we are not able to reduce our costs permanently to compensate for the lower industry auction volumes.

A prolonged economic downturn may negatively affect our business and results of operations.

Future adverse economic conditions could increase our exposure to several risks, including:

Fluctuations in the supply of used vehicles. We are dependent on the supply of used vehicles coming to auction, and our financial performance depends, in part, on conditions in the automotive industry. During the recent global economic downturn and credit crisis, there was an erosion of retail demand for new and used vehicles that led many lenders to cut back on originations of new loans and leases and led to significant manufacturing capacity reductions by automakers selling vehicles in the United States. Capacity reductions could depress the number of vehicles received at auction in the future and could lead

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to reduced program vehicles and rental fleet sales, negatively impacting auction volumes. In addition, weak growth in or declining new vehicle sales negatively impacts used vehicle trade-ins to dealers and auction volumes. These factors could adversely affect our revenues and profitability.

Decline in the demand for used vehicles. We may experience a decrease in demand for used vehicles from buyers due to factors including the lack of availability of consumer credit and the decline in consumer spending and consumer confidence. Adverse credit conditions also affect the ability of dealers to secure financing to purchase used vehicles, which further negatively affects buyer demand. In addition, a reduction in the number of franchised and independent used car dealers negatively affects our ability to collect receivables and may reduce dealer demand for used vehicles.

Decrease in the supply and demand of salvage vehicles. If number of miles driven decreases, the number of salvage vehicles received at auction may also decrease. In addition, decreases in commodity prices, such as steel and platinum, may negatively affect vehicle values and demand at salvage auctions. In addition, if consumers eliminate their automotive collision coverage, this could result in fewer vehicles being declared a total loss.

Decrease in consumer spending. Consumer purchases of new and used vehicles may be adversely affected by economic conditions such as employment levels, wage and salary levels, trends in consumer confidence and spending, reductions in consumer net worth, interest rates, inflation, the availability of consumer credit and taxation policies. Consumer purchases in general may decline during recessions, periods of prolonged declines in the equity markets or housing markets and periods when disposable income and perceptions of consumer wealth are lower. Expected changes to U.S. federal tax policy in 2013 may negatively affect consumer spending. To the extent retail demand for new and used vehicles decreases, negatively impacting our auction volumes, our results of operations and financial position could be materially and adversely affected.

Volatility in the asset-backed securities market. Volatility and disruption in the asset-backed commercial paper market could lead to a narrowing of interest rate spreads at AFC in certain periods. In addition, any volatility and disruption has affected, and could affect, AFC's cost of financing related to its securitization facility.

Increased counterparty credit risk. Continued market deterioration could increase the risk of the failure of financial institutions party to our credit agreement and other counterparties with which we do business to honor their obligations to us. Our ability to replace any such obligations on the same or similar terms may be limited if challenging credit and general economic conditions persist.

Ability to service and refinance indebtedness. Continued uncertainty in the financial markets may negatively affect our ability to service our existing debt, access additional financing or to refinance our existing indebtedness on favorable terms or at all. If the economic downturn continues, it may affect our cash flow from operations and results of operations, which may affect our ability to service payment obligations on our debt or to comply with our debt covenants.

Our business is dependent on information and technology systems. Failure to effectively maintain or update these systems could result in us losing customers and materially adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

Robust information systems are critical to our operating environment and competitive position, including with respect to our online auctions. We may not be successful in structuring our information system infrastructure or developing, acquiring or implementing information systems which are competitive and responsive to the needs of our customers and we might lack sufficient resources to continue to make the significant necessary investments in information systems to compete with our competitors. Certain information systems initiatives that management considers important to our long-term success will require capital investment, have significant risks associated with their execution, and could take several years to implement. We may not be able to develop/implement these initiatives in a cost-effective, timely manner or at all.

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Our information and technology systems are vulnerable to damage or interruption from computer viruses, network failures, computer and telecommunications failures, infiltration by unauthorized persons and security breaches, usage errors by our employees, power outages and catastrophic events such as fires, tornadoes, floods, hurricanes and earthquakes. If these systems were compromised, not operable for extended periods of time or ceased to function properly, we may have to make a significant investment to fix or replace them and our ability to provide many of our electronic and online solutions to our customers may be impaired. If that were to occur, it could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

Aspects of our operations and business are subject to privacy regulation in the United States and elsewhere. Many U.S. states have enacted data breach regulations and laws requiring varying levels of consumer notification in the event of a security breach. Increased regulation and enforcement activity throughout the world in the areas of data privacy and data security/breach may materially increase our costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. Our failure to comply with the privacy and data security/breach laws to which we are subject could also result in fines, sanctions and damage to our reputation and trade names.

Used vehicle prices have a significant effect on fee revenue per unit at IAA and loan losses at AFC and may impact the supply of used vehicles at ADESA.

The volume of new vehicle production, accuracy of lease residual estimates, interest rates, customer demand and changes in regulations, among other things, all potentially affect the pricing of used vehicles. Used vehicle prices may affect the volume of vehicles entered for sale at our used vehicle auctions and the demand for those used vehicles, the fee revenue per unit at our salvage auctions, loan losses for our dealer financing business and our ability to retain customers. Throughout 2011, used vehicle prices remained high, which led many used vehicle dealers to retail more of their trade-in vehicles on their own rather than selling them at auction. The high used vehicle prices in 2011 also contributed to strong proceeds in the salvage auction industry. In contrast, a sustained reduction in used vehicle pricing could result in lower proceeds from the sale of salvage vehicles and a related reduction in revenue per vehicle, a potential loss of consignors, an increase in loan losses at AFC and decreased profitability.

Significant competition exists in our industry and we may not be able to retain customers.

We face significant competition for the supply of used and salvage vehicles and for the buyers of those vehicles and for the floorplan financing of these vehicles. Current or potential competition comes from four primary sources: (i) direct competitors, (ii) potential entrants, (iii) potential new vehicle remarketing venues and dealer financing services and (iv) existing alternative vehicle remarketing venues. In addition, due to the increased viability of the Internet as a marketing and distribution channel, new competition has evolved from Internet-based companies and our own customers who have historically remarketed vehicles through various channels, including our auctions. In the whole car and salvage auctions and the dealer financing businesses, we and our competitors are working to develop new services and technologies, or improvements and modifications to existing services and technologies. Some of these competitors may have greater financial and marketing resources than we do, and may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging services and technologies, evolving industry trends and changes in customer requirements, and devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their services. Increased competition could result in price reductions, reduced margins or loss of market share, any of which could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

ADESA currently competes with online wholesale and retail vehicle selling platforms, including OVE.com, SmartAuction, eBay Motors and others. These online selling platforms generally do not have any meaningful physical presence; however, they may decrease the quantity of vehicles sold through our online and physical auctions. If the number of vehicles sold at our auctions decreases due to these competitors or other remarketing methods, our revenue and profitability may be negatively impacted.

In our salvage auction business, potential competitors include used vehicle auctions, providers of claims software to insurance companies and certain salvage buyer groups and automobile insurance companies, some of

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which currently supply salvage vehicles to us. Insurance companies may in the future decide to dispose of their salvage vehicles directly to end users. Increased competition could result in price reductions, reduced margins or loss of market share, any of which could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully against current and future competitors or that competitive pressures faced by us would not have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

ADESA and IAA's agreements with its largest institutional suppliers of used and salvage vehicles are generally subject to cancellation by either party upon 30 to 90 days' notice. In addition, it is common that institutional suppliers regularly review their relationships with whole car and salvage auctions through written requests for proposals. There can be no assurance that our existing agreements will not be cancelled or that we will be able to enter into future agreements with these or other suppliers on similar terms, or at all. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully against current and future competitors or that competitive pressures faced by us would not have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. If we are not able to compete successfully, our ability to grow and achieve or sustain profitability could be impaired.

Fluctuations in the supply of and demand for salvage vehicles impact auction sales volumes, which may adversely affect our revenues and profitability.

We are dependent upon receiving a sufficient number of total loss vehicles as well as recovered theft vehicles to sustain profit margins in our salvage auction business. Factors that can adversely affect the number of vehicles received include, but are not limited to, a decrease in the number of vehicles in operation or miles driven, mild weather conditions that cause fewer traffic accidents, reduction of policy writing by insurance providers that would affect the number of claims over a period of time, a decrease in the percentage of claims resulting in a total loss, delays or changes in state title processing, and changes in direct repair procedures that would reduce the number of newer, less damaged total loss vehicles, which tend to have higher salvage values. In addition, our salvage auction business depends on a limited number of key insurance companies to supply the salvage vehicles we sell at auction. Our agreements with these insurance company suppliers are generally subject to cancellation by either party upon 30 to 90 days' notice. There can be no assurance that our existing agreements will not be cancelled or that we will be able to enter into future agreements with these suppliers. Future decreases in the quality and quantity of vehicle inventory, and in particular the availability of newer and less damaged vehicles, could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition. In addition, in the last few years there has been a slight decline in the percentage of claims resulting in total losses, as well as a declining trend in theft occurrences which reduces the number of stolen vehicles recovered by insurance companies for which a claim settlement has been made. If the supply of salvage vehicles coming to auction declines significantly, our revenues and profitability may be adversely affected.

An increase in the number of used and salvage vehicles purchased on virtual auction platforms could materially adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

We acquired OPENLANE in recognition of the increasing use of the Internet as a means to purchase wholesale vehicles. In connection with online auctions, ADESA and IAA offer physical auctions, which allow buyers to physically inspect and compare vehicles. If sellers and buyers increase the number of vehicles transacted on virtual auction platforms, our revenue per vehicle will likely decline. In addition, our cost structure includes a significant fixed cost component, including occupancy costs, that cannot be reduced if revenue per vehicle declines. If a shift in the percentage of used and salvage vehicles sold online as compared with used and salvage vehicles sold at physical auctions occurs, and we are unable to generate new sources of revenue, our operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected.

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If we are unable to successfully acquire and integrate other businesses, it could adversely affect our growth prospects.

Acquisitions have been a significant part of our historical growth and have enabled us to further broaden and diversify our service offerings. Our strategy generally involves the acquisition and integration of additional physical auction sites, technologies and personnel. Acquisition of businesses requires substantial time and attention of management personnel and may also require additional equity or debt financings. Further, integration of newly established or acquired businesses is often disruptive. Since we have acquired or in the future may acquire one or more businesses, there can be no assurance that we will identify appropriate targets, will acquire such businesses on favorable terms, or will be able to successfully integrate such organizations into our business. Failure to do so could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, we expect to compete against other auction groups or new industry consolidators for suitable acquisitions. If we are able to consummate acquisitions, such acquisitions could be dilutive to earnings, and we could overpay for such acquisitions.

In pursuing a strategy of acquiring other businesses, we face other risks including, but not limited to:

incurring significantly higher capital expenditures and operating expenses;

entering new markets with which we are unfamiliar;

incurring potential undiscovered liabilities at acquired businesses;

failing to maintain uniform standards, controls and policies;

impairing relationships with employees and customers as a result of management changes; and

increasing expenses for accounting and computer systems, as well as integration difficulties.

We may not successfully implement our business strategies or maintain gross profit margins.

We are pursuing strategic initiatives that management considers critical to our long-term success, including but not limited to growing market share and volume, increasing revenue per vehicle and improving customer experiences through Internet initiatives, using excess cash flow to reduce debt, leveraging AFC's products and services at ADESA and IAA and continuing to improve operating efficiency. There are significant risks involved with the execution of these initiatives, including significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties, many of which are outside of our control. Accordingly, we cannot predict whether we will succeed in implementing these strategic initiatives. For example, if we are unsuccessful in continuing to generate significant cash flows from operations (we generated \$305.8 million and \$467.6 million of cash flow from operations for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively), we may be unable to reduce our outstanding indebtedness, which could negatively affect our financial position and results of operations and our ability to execute our other strategies. It could take several years to realize any direct financial benefits from these initiatives if any direct financial benefits from these initiatives are achieved at all. Additionally, our business strategy may change from time to time, which could delay our ability to implement initiatives that we believe are important to our business.

Changes in interest rates or market conditions could adversely impact the profitability and business of AFC.

Rising interest rates may have the effect of depressing the sales of used vehicles because many consumers finance their vehicle purchases. In addition, AFC securitizes a majority of its finance receivables on a revolving basis. Volatility and/or market disruption in the asset-backed securities market in the U.S. or Canada can impact AFC's cost of financing related to, or its ability to arrange financing on acceptable terms through, its securitization facility, which could negatively affect AFC's business and our financial condition and operations.

In addition, AFC typically assesses its U.S. dealer customers with an interest rate comprised of a minimum prime rate of 5% plus an interest spread. The U.S. prime rate was 3.25% at September 30, 2012. Any increase

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above 3.25% up to 5% will likely compress AFC's margins as the variable cost of securitizing receivables will rise without a corresponding increase in the financing rate AFC charges to its U.S. dealer customers.

Increases in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to certain foreign currencies may negatively impact foreign buyer participation at our auctions.

We have a significant number of non-U.S. based buyers who participate in our auctions. Increases in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to these buyers' local currencies may reduce the prices they are willing to pay at auction, which may negatively affect our revenues.

Weather-related and other events beyond our control may adversely impact operations.

Extreme weather or other events, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, forest fires, floods, terrorist attacks or war, may adversely affect the overall economic environment, the markets in which we compete, our operations and profitability. These events may impact our physical auction facilities, causing a material increase in costs, or delays or cancellation of auction sales, which could have a material adverse impact on our revenues and profitability. In some instances, for example with the recent severe storm in October 2012, known as Superstorm Sandy, these events may result in a sharp influx in the available supply of salvage vehicles and there can be no assurance that our salvage auction business will have sufficient resources to handle such extreme increases in supply. Our failure to meet our customers' demands in such situations could negatively affect our relationships with such customers and result in a loss of future business, which would adversely affect our operating results and financial condition. In addition, salvage revenues generated as a result of the total loss of vehicles associated with such a catastrophe are typically recognized subsequent to the incurrence of incremental costs.

Mild weather conditions tend to result in a decrease in the available supply of salvage vehicles because traffic accidents decrease and fewer automobiles are damaged. Accordingly, mild weather can have an adverse effect on our salvage vehicle inventories, which would be expected to have an adverse effect on our revenue and operating results and related growth rates.

The growing political and scientific sentiment is that increased concentrations of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in the atmosphere may influence the unpredictability, severity and frequency of weather patterns. Changing weather patterns could further impact our operations as described above.

High fuel prices could lead to a reduction in miles driven and may have an adverse effect on our revenues and operating results, as well as our earnings growth rates.

High fuel prices could lead to a reduction in the miles driven per vehicle, which may reduce accident rates. High fuel prices may also disproportionately affect the demand for sport utility and full-sized vehicles which are generally not as fuel-efficient as smaller vehicles. Retail sales and accident rates are factors that affect the number of used and salvage vehicles sold at auction, wholesale prices of those vehicles and the conversion rates at used vehicle auctions. Additionally, high fuel costs increase the cost of transportation and towing of vehicles and we may not be able to pass on such higher costs to our customers.

A portion of our net income is derived from our international operations, primarily Canada, which exposes us to foreign exchange risks that may impact our financial statements.

Fluctuations between U.S. and foreign currency values may adversely affect our results of operations and financial position, particularly fluctuations with Canadian currency values. In addition, there may be tax inefficiencies in repatriating cash from Canada. For the year ended December 31, 2011, approximately 17% of our revenues were attributable to our Canadian operations. A decrease in the value of the Canadian currency relative to the U.S. dollar would reduce our profits from Canadian operations and the value of the net assets of our Canadian operations when reported in U.S. dollars in our financial statements. This could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations as reported in U.S. dollars.

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In addition, fluctuations in exchange rates may make it more difficult to perform period-to-period comparisons of our reported results of operations. For purposes of accounting, the assets and liabilities of our Canadian operations are translated using period-end exchange rates; such translation gains and losses are reported in Accumulated other comprehensive income/loss as a component of stockholders' equity. The revenues and expenses of our Canadian operations are translated using average exchange rates during each period.

Environmental, health and safety risks could adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

Our operations are subject to various foreign, federal, state and local environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, including those governing the emission or discharge of pollutants into the air or water, the generation, treatment, storage and release of hazardous materials and wastes and the investigation and remediation of contamination. Our failure to comply with current or future environmental, health or safety laws or to obtain and comply with permits required under such laws, could subject us to significant liability or require costly investigative, remedial or corrective actions.

In the used vehicle remarketing industry, large numbers of vehicles, including wrecked vehicles at salvage auctions, are stored and/or refurbished at auction facilities and during that time minor releases of fuel, motor oil and other materials may occur. We have investigated or remediated, or are currently investigating or remediating, contamination resulting from various sources, including gasoline, fuel additives (such as methyl tertiary butyl ether, or MTBE), motor oil, petroleum products and other hazardous materials released from aboveground or underground storage tanks or in connection with current or former operations conducted at our facilities. In one instance, contamination migrated to nearby properties which resulted in claims from private parties. We have incurred and may in the future incur expenditures relating to releases of hazardous materials, investigative, remedial or corrective actions, claims by third parties and other environmental issues, and such expenditures, individually or in the aggregate, could be significant.

On March 25, 2008, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA, issued a General Notice of Potential Liability, or General Notice, pursuant to Section 107(a), and a Request for Information pursuant to Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, or CERCLA to IAA for a Superfund site known as the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund Site (LDW Site) in Seattle, Washington. On November 7, 2012, the EPA issued a Second General Notice of Potential Liability, or Second General Notice, to IAA for the LDW Site. Since 2004, IAA has operated a branch on property it leases in Tukwila, Washington, which is located adjacent to the LDW Site. The LDW Site was identified as a Superfund site in 2001, three years before IAA began leasing the branch in Tukwila. At this time, the EPA has not demanded that IAA pay any funds or take any action apart from responding to the Section 104(e) Information Request. The EPA's website indicates that the EPA has issued notice letters to approximately 111 entities, and has issued Section 104(e) Requests to more than 300 entities. Four Potentially Responsible Parties, or PRPs, The Boeing Company, the City of Seattle, the Port of Seattle and King County, have funded a remedial investigation and feasibility study of the LDW Site, but the EPA has not yet issued a plan for remediating the site. IAA is aware that certain authorities may bring natural resource damage claims against PRPs. In the General Notice and Second General Notice, the EPA informed IAA that the EPA believes IAA may be a PRP, but the EPA has not specified the factual basis for this assertion. At this time, the Company does not have adequate information to determine IAA's responsibility for contamination at this site, if any, or to estimate IAA's loss as a result of this potential liability.

In addition, the Washington State Department of Ecology is working with the EPA in relation to the LDW Site, primarily to investigate and address sources of potential contamination contributing to the LDW Site. The current Tukwila property owner, the former Tukwila property owner and IAA have had discussions with the Washington State Department of Ecology concerning possible source control obligations, including an investigation of the water and soils entering the stormwater system, an analysis of the source of any contamination identified within the system and possible repairs and upgrades to the stormwater capture and filtration system. In 2011, IAA submitted

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results of its stormwater system investigation to comply with the Washington State Department of Ecology source control requirements. Additional source control obligations, if any, are not expected to have a material adverse effect on future recurring operating costs.

We have a substantial amount of debt, which could impair our financial condition and adversely affect our ability to react to changes in our business.

As of September 30, 2012, our total debt was approximately \$1.8 billion, exclusive of liabilities related to our securitization facilities, and we had \$250.0 million of borrowing capacity under our senior secured credit facilities. In addition, we had related outstanding letters of credit in the aggregate amount of \$22.8 million at September 30, 2012, which reduce the amount available for borrowings under the credit facilities.

Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences including:

limiting our ability to borrow additional amounts to fund working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, execution of our business strategy, acquisitions and other purposes;

requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to pay principal and interest on debt, which would reduce the funds available for other purposes, including funding future expansion;

making us more vulnerable to adverse changes in general economic, industry and competitive conditions, in government regulation and in our business by limiting our flexibility in planning for, and making it more difficult to react quickly to, changing conditions; and

exposing us to risks inherent in interest rate fluctuations because the majority of our indebtedness is at variable rates of interest, which could result in higher interest expenses in the event of increases in interest rates.

In addition, if we are unable to generate sufficient cash from operations to service our debt and meet other cash needs, we may be forced to reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets or operations, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness. We may not be able to refinance our debt or sell additional debt or equity securities or our assets on favorable terms, if at all, particularly because of our high levels of debt and the restrictions imposed by the agreement governing our Credit Facility and the indenture governing our floating senior notes on our ability to incur additional debt and use the proceeds from asset sales. If we must sell certain of our assets, it may negatively affect our ability to generate revenue. The inability to obtain additional financing could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition.

If we cannot make scheduled payments on our debt, we would be in default and, as a result:

our debt holders could declare all outstanding principal and interest to be due and payable;

the lenders under our senior secured credit facilities could terminate their commitments to lend us money and foreclose against the assets securing their borrowings; and

we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation.

Restrictive covenants in agreements governing our debt may adversely affect our ability to operate our business.

The indenture governing our floating senior notes and the agreement governing our credit facility contain, and future debt instruments may contain, various provisions that limit our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries, including ADESA and IAA, to, among other things:

incur additional debt;

provide guarantees in respect of obligations of other persons;

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issue redeemable stock and preferred stock;

pay dividends or distributions or redeem or repurchase capital stock;

prepay, redeem or repurchase certain debt;

make loans, investments and capital expenditures;

incur liens;

pay dividends or make other payments by our restricted subsidiaries;

enter into certain transactions with affiliates;

sell assets and capital stock of our subsidiaries; and

consolidate or merge with or into, or sell substantially all of our assets to, another person.

We assume the settlement risk for all vehicles sold through our auctions.

We do not have recourse against sellers for any buyer's failure to satisfy its payment obligations. Since revenue for most vehicles does not include the gross sales proceeds, failure to collect the receivables in full may result in a net loss up to the gross sales proceeds on a per vehicle basis in addition to any expenses incurred to collect the receivables and to provide the services associated with the vehicle. If we are unable to collect payments on a large number of vehicles, the resulting payment obligations to the seller and decreased fee revenues may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

Changes in laws affecting the importation of salvage vehicles may have an adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

Our Internet-based auction services have allowed us to offer our products and services to international markets and has increased our international buyer base. As a result, foreign importers of salvage vehicles now represent a significant part of our total buyer base. Changes in laws and regulations that restrict the importation of salvage vehicles into foreign countries may reduce the demand for salvage vehicles and impact our ability to maintain or increase our international buyer base. For example, in March 2008, a decree issued by the president of Mexico became effective that placed restrictions on the types of vehicles that can be imported into Mexico from the United States. The adoption of similar laws or regulations in other jurisdictions that have the effect of reducing or curtailing our activities abroad could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition by reducing the demand for our products and services.

We are partially self-insured for certain losses.

We self-insure a portion of employee medical benefits under the terms of our employee health insurance program, as well as a portion of our automobile, general liability and workers' compensation claims. We record an accrual for the claims expense related to our employee medical benefits, automobile, general liability and workers' compensation claims based upon the expected amount of all such claims. If actual trends, including the severity of claims and medical cost inflation above expectations were to occur, our self-insured costs would increase, which could have an adverse impact on the operating results in that period.

If we fail to attract and retain key personnel, we may not be able to execute our business strategy and our financial results could be negatively affected.

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Our success depends in large part on the performance of our executive management team and other key employees, including key field personnel. If we lose the services of one or more of our executive officers or key employees, or if one or more of them decides to join a competitor or otherwise compete with us, we may not be able to effectively implement our business strategies, our business could suffer and the value of our common stock could be materially adversely affected. Our auction business is directly impacted by the business

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relationships our employees have established with customers and suppliers and, as a result, if we lose key personnel, we may have difficulty in retaining and attracting customers, developing new services, negotiating favorable agreements with customers and providing acceptable levels of customer service. Leadership changes will occur from time to time and we cannot predict whether significant resignations will occur or whether we will be able to recruit additional qualified personnel. We do not have nor do we currently expect to obtain key person insurance on any of our executive officers.

We are subject to extensive governmental regulations, including vehicle brokerage and auction laws and currency reporting obligations. Our business is subject to risks related to litigation and regulatory actions.

Our operations are subject to regulation, supervision and licensing under various U.S. and Canadian federal, state, provincial and local authorities, agencies, statutes and ordinances, which, among other things, require us to obtain and maintain certain licenses, permits and qualifications, provide certain disclosures and notices and limit interest rates, fees and other charges. The regulations and laws that impact our company include, without limitation, the following:

The acquisition and sale of used, leased, totaled and recovered theft vehicles are regulated by state or other local motor vehicle departments in each of the locations in which we operate.

Some of the transport vehicles used at our auctions are regulated by the U.S. Department of Transportation or similar regulatory agencies in Canada and Mexico.

In many states and provinces, regulations require that a salvage vehicle be forever branded with a salvage notice in order to notify prospective purchasers of the vehicle's previous salvage status.

Some state, provincial and local regulations limit who can purchase salvage vehicles, as well as determine whether a salvage vehicle can be sold as rebuildable or must be sold for parts or scrap only.

AFC is subject to laws in certain states and in Canada which regulate commercial lending activities and interest rates and, in certain jurisdictions, require AFC or one of its subsidiaries to be licensed.

We are subject to various local zoning requirements with regard to the location of our auction and storage facilities, which requirements vary from location to location.

Changes in law or governmental regulations or interpretations of existing law or regulations could result in increased costs, reduced vehicle prices and decreased profitability for us. In addition, failure to comply with present or future laws and regulations or changes in existing laws or regulations or in their interpretation could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

We are also subject from time to time to a variety of legal actions relating to our current and past business operations, including litigation relating to employment-related issues, the environment and insurance claims. There is no guarantee that we will be successful in defending ourselves in legal and administrative actions or in asserting our rights under various laws. In addition we could incur substantial costs in defending ourselves or in asserting our rights in such actions. The costs and other effects of pending litigation and administrative actions against us cannot be determined with certainty. Although we currently believe that no such proceedings will have a material adverse effect, there can be no assurance that the outcome of such proceedings will be as expected.

If we are unable to protect our intellectual property, the value of our brand and other intangible assets may be diminished, and our business may be adversely affected.

We rely and expect to continue to rely on a combination of confidentiality and license agreements with our employees, consultants and third parties with whom we have relationships, as well as trademark, copyright, patent, trade secret, and domain name protection laws, to protect our

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proprietary rights. In the United States and internationally, we have filed various applications for protection of certain aspects of our intellectual property, and we currently hold issued patents in the United States. However, third parties may knowingly or unknowingly infringe our proprietary rights, third parties may challenge proprietary rights held by us, and pending and future

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trademark and patent applications may not be approved. In addition, effective intellectual property protection may not be available in every country in which we operate or intend to operate our business. In any or all of these cases, we may be required to expend significant time and expense in order to prevent infringement or to enforce our rights. Although we have taken measures to protect our proprietary rights, there can be no assurance that others will not offer products or concepts that are substantially similar to ours and compete with our business. If the protection of our proprietary rights is inadequate to prevent unauthorized use or appropriation by third parties, the value of our brand and other intangible assets may be diminished and competitors may be able to more effectively mimic our service and methods of operations. Any of these events could have an adverse effect on our business and financial results.

We may be subject to patent or other intellectual property infringement claims, which could have an impact on our business or operating results due to a disruption in our business operations, the incurrence of significant costs and other factors.

From time to time, we may receive notices from others claiming that we infringed or otherwise violated their patent or intellectual property rights, and the number of these claims could increase in the future. Claims of intellectual property infringement or other intellectual property violations could require us to enter into licensing agreements on unfavorable terms, incur substantial monetary liability or be enjoined preliminarily or permanently from further use of the intellectual property in question, which could require us to change business practices and limit our ability to compete effectively. Even if we believe that the claims are without merit, the claims can be time-consuming and costly to defend and may divert management's attention and resources away from our businesses. If we are required to take any of these actions, it could have an adverse impact on our business and operating results.

We are dependent on the continued and uninterrupted service from our workforce.

Currently, none of our employees participate in collective bargaining agreements. If we negotiate a first-time collective bargaining agreement, we could be subject to a substantial increase in labor and benefits expenses that we may be unable to pass through to customers for some period of time, if at all. The U.S. Congress could pass labor legislation, such as the proposed Employee Free Choice Act, or the EFCA, (also called card-check legislation) that could adversely affect our operations. The EFCA would make it significantly easier for union organizing drives to be successful—for example, by eliminating employees' absolute right to a secret ballot vote in union elections—and could give third-party arbitrators the ability to impose terms of collective bargaining agreements upon us and a labor union if we and such union are unable to agree to the terms of a collective bargaining agreement. Such an arbitrated initial contract could include pay, benefit and work rules that could adversely affect our profitability and operational flexibility.

We have a material amount of goodwill which, if it becomes impaired, would result in a reduction in our net income.

Goodwill represents the amount by which the cost of an acquisition accounted for using the purchase method exceeds the fair value of the net assets acquired. Current accounting standards require that goodwill no longer be amortized but instead be periodically evaluated for impairment based on the fair value of the reporting unit. A significant percentage of our total assets represent goodwill primarily associated with the 2007 Transactions. Declines in our profitability or the value of comparable companies may impact the fair value of our reporting units, which could result in a write-down of goodwill and a reduction in net income.

New accounting pronouncements or new interpretations of existing standards could require us to make adjustments to accounting policies that could adversely affect the financial statements.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board, or the FASB, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the SEC, and other accounting organizations or governmental entities from time to time issue new pronouncements or new interpretations of existing accounting and auditing standards that require changes to our

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accounting policies and procedures and could cause us to incur additional costs. To date, we do not believe any new pronouncements or interpretations have had a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations, but future pronouncements or interpretations could require the change of policies or procedures.

Risks Related to this Offering and Ownership of Our Common Stock

The market price and trading volume of our common stock may be volatile, which could result in rapid and substantial losses for our stockholders.

You should consider an investment in our common stock to be risky, and you should invest in our common stock only if you can withstand a significant loss and wide fluctuations in the market value of your investment. Many factors could cause the market price of our common stock to rise and fall, including the following:

our announcements or our competitors' announcements regarding new products or services, enhancements, significant contracts, acquisitions or strategic investments;

changes in earnings estimates or recommendations by securities analysts, if any, who cover our common stock;

results of operations that are below our announced guidance, including our estimated results set forth in *Summary Recent Developments*, or below securities analysts' or consensus estimates or expectations;

fluctuations in our quarterly financial results or the quarterly financial results of companies perceived to be similar to us;

changes in our capital structure, such as future issuances of securities, sales of large blocks of common stock by our stockholders or our incurrence of additional debt;

investors' general perception of us and our industry;

changes in general economic and market conditions in North America;

changes in industry conditions; and

changes in regulatory and other dynamics.

In addition, if the market for stocks in our industry, or the stock market in general, experiences a loss of investor confidence, the trading price of our common stock could decline for reasons unrelated to our business, financial condition or results of operations. If any of the foregoing occurs, it could cause our stock price to fall and may expose us to lawsuits that, even if successful, could be costly to defend and a distraction to management.

Future offerings of debt or equity securities, which would rank senior to our common stock, may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

If, in the future, we decide to issue debt or equity securities that rank senior to our common stock, it is likely that such securities will be governed by an indenture or other instrument containing covenants restricting our operating flexibility. Additionally, any convertible or

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exchangeable securities that we issue in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of our common stock and may result in dilution to owners of our common stock. We and, indirectly, our stockholders, will bear the cost of issuing and servicing such securities. Because our decision to issue debt or equity securities in any future offering will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings. Thus, holders of our common stock will bear the risk of our future offerings reducing the market price of our common stock and diluting the value of their stock holdings in us.

The market price of our common stock could be negatively affected by sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public markets.

At November 15, 2012, there were 136,648,020 shares of our common stock outstanding, including the shares to be sold by the selling stockholder in this offering. All of the common stock sold in this offering will be

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freely transferable, except for any shares held by our affiliates, as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. Pursuant to a registration rights agreement entered into at the time of the merger, KAR LLC caused us to file a registration statement under the Securities Act, including the accompanying prospectus, covering resales of all shares of our common stock held by KAR LLC. These shares represent approximately 78.2% of our outstanding common stock. Following completion of the offering, approximately 68.3% of our outstanding common stock (or approximately 66.8% if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares) will be held indirectly through their investment in KAR LLC by affiliates of the Equity Sponsors, other equity co-investors and members of our management. These shares also may be sold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, depending on the holding period and subject to restrictions in the case of shares held by persons deemed to be our affiliates. As restrictions on resale end or if KAR LLC exercises its registration rights, the market price of our stock could decline if KAR LLC sells the restricted shares or is perceived by the market as intending to sell them.

We, our executive officers, our directors, KAR LLC and the Equity Sponsors, have agreed with the underwriters, subject to certain exceptions, not to dispose of or hedge any of their common stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of common stock during the period from the date of this prospectus continuing through 90 days after the date of this prospectus supplement except with the prior written consent of Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and Goldman, Sachs & Co. See Underwriting.

Pursuant to a registration statement under the Securities Act, we have registered shares of common stock reserved for issuance in respect of stock options and other incentive awards granted to our officers and certain of our employees. If any of these holders cause a large number of securities to be sold in the public market, the sales could reduce the trading price of our common stock. These sales also could impede our ability to raise future capital.

Provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and by-laws, and of Delaware law, may prevent or delay an acquisition of us, which could decrease the trading price of our common stock.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and by-laws contain provisions that may be considered to have an anti-takeover effect and may delay or prevent a tender offer or other corporate transaction that a stockholder might consider to be in its best interest, including those transactions that might result in a premium over the market price for our shares.

These provisions include:

limiting the right of stockholders to call special meetings of stockholders to holders of at least 35% of our outstanding common stock;

rules regarding how our stockholders may present proposals or nominate directors for election at stockholder meetings;

permitting our board of directors to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval;

granting to the board of directors, and not the stockholders, the sole power to set the number of directors; and

authorizing vacancies on our board of directors to be filled only by a vote of the majority of the directors then in office and specifically denying our stockholders the right to fill vacancies in the board.

From and after the time that KAR LLC no longer has beneficial ownership of 35% or more of our outstanding common stock, these provisions will also include:

authorizing the removal of directors only for cause and only upon the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock entitled to vote for the election of directors; and

prohibiting stockholder action by written consent.
These provisions apply even if an offer may be considered beneficial by some stockholders.

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The Equity Sponsors (through KAR LLC) will continue to have significant influence over us after this offering, including control over decisions that require the approval of shareholders, which could limit your ability to influence the outcome of key transactions, including a change of control.

Currently, we are indirectly controlled by affiliates of the Equity Sponsors. Affiliates of the Equity Sponsors, other equity co-investors and management will indirectly own through their investment in KAR LLC approximately 68.3% of our common stock (or approximately 66.8% if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares) after the completion of this offering. As a result, affiliates of the Equity Sponsors will have control over our decisions to enter into any corporate transaction and the ability to prevent any transaction that requires shareholder approval regardless of whether others believe that the transaction is in our best interests. So long as the Equity Sponsors continue to indirectly hold a majority of our outstanding common stock, they will have the ability to control the vote in any election of directors.

We have entered into a director designation agreement that provides for the rights of KAR LLC directly, and the Equity Sponsors indirectly, to nominate designees to our board of directors.

The Equity Sponsors are also in the business of making investments in companies and may from time to time acquire and hold interests in businesses that compete directly or indirectly with us. The Equity Sponsors may also pursue acquisition opportunities that are complementary to our business and, as a result, those acquisition opportunities may not be available to us. So long as the Equity Sponsors, or other funds controlled by or associated with the Equity Sponsors, continue to indirectly own a significant amount of our outstanding common stock, even if such amount is less than 50%, the Equity Sponsors will continue to be able to strongly influence or effectively control our decisions. The concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying, preventing or deterring a change of control of our company, could deprive shareholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their common stock as part of a sale of our company and might ultimately affect the market price of our common stock.

Under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, the Equity Sponsors and, in some circumstances, any of our directors and officers who is also a director, officer, manager, member or employee of any of our Equity Sponsors, have no obligation to offer us corporate opportunities.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that the Equity Sponsors and their respective subsidiaries and affiliates have the right to engage or invest in, and do not have a duty to abstain from engaging or investing in, the same or similar businesses as us, do business with any of our clients, customers or vendors or employ or otherwise engage any of our officers, directors or employees. If any Equity Sponsor or any of its officers, directors, managers, members, partners or employees acquires knowledge of a potential transaction that could be a corporate opportunity for us, such person has no duty to offer that opportunity to us, our stockholders or our affiliates, even if it is one that we might reasonably have pursued. Neither the Equity Sponsors nor their officers, directors, managers, members, partners or employees will generally be liable to us or our stockholders for breach of any duty by reason of engaging in such activities. In addition, any of our directors and officers who is also a director, officer, manager, member, partner or employee of any of our Equity Sponsors and is offered or acquires knowledge of a corporate opportunity, other than solely in such person's capacity as our director or officer, will not have any liability to us if any of the Equity Sponsors pursues or acquires such corporate opportunity.

You may not receive any future dividends on our common stock.

On November 30, 2012, we announced that our board of directors has approved the initiation of a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock. The initial quarterly dividend of \$0.19 per share will be paid on December 28, 2012 to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 19, 2012, representing an annualized dividend of \$0.76 per share. Holders of our common stock are only entitled to receive such dividends as our board of directors may declare out of funds legally available for such payments. We are not required to declare cash dividends on our common stock. Future dividend decisions will be based on and affected by a

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variety of factors, including our financial condition and results of operations, contractual restrictions, including restrictive covenants contained in our credit agreement, AFC's securitization facilities and the indenture governing our outstanding debt securities, capital requirements and other factors that our board of directors deems relevant. Therefore, no assurance can be given as to whether any future dividends may be declared by our board of directors or the amount thereof.

We are a controlled company within the meaning of the NYSE rules and, as a result, qualify for, and rely on, exemptions from certain corporate governance requirements. You will not have the same protections afforded to shareholders of companies that are subject to such requirements.

KAR LLC controls a majority of the voting power of our outstanding common stock. As a result, we are a controlled company within the meaning of the NYSE corporate governance standards. Under these rules, a company of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by an individual, group or another company is a controlled company and may elect not to comply with certain corporate governance requirements, including:

the requirement that a majority of the board of directors consist of independent directors;

the requirement that we have a nominating/corporate governance committee that is composed entirely of independent directors with a written charter addressing the committee's purpose and responsibilities;

the requirement that we have a compensation committee that is composed entirely of independent directors with a written charter addressing the committee's purpose and responsibilities; and

the requirement for an annual performance evaluation of the nominating/corporate governance and compensation committees. We are utilizing these exemptions. As a result, we do not have a majority of independent directors, our nominating/corporate governance committee and compensation committee do not consist entirely of independent directors and such committees are not be subject to annual performance evaluations. Accordingly, you will not have the same protections afforded to shareholders of companies that are subject to all of the corporate governance requirements of the NYSE.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

All shares of common stock sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement will be sold by the selling stockholder and we will not receive any of the proceeds from such sales.

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Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, under the symbol KAR and has been traded on the NYSE since December 11, 2009. Prior to that time, there was no public market for our common stock.

The following table sets forth the range of high and low intraday sales prices per share of common stock for the periods indicated as reported on the NYSE:

	2012	
	High	Low
4th Quarter (October 1 - December 5)	\$ 20.49	\$ 17.00
3rd Quarter (July 1 - September 30)	\$ 20.85	\$ 14.10
2nd Quarter (April 1 - June 30)	\$ 18.57	\$ 14.39
1st Quarter (January 1 - March 31)	\$ 16.85	\$ 13.46

	2011	
	High	Low
4th Quarter (October 1 - December 31)	\$ 14.53	\$ 10.92
3rd Quarter (July 1 - September 30)	\$ 19.64	\$ 11.92
2nd Quarter (April 1 - June 30)	\$ 21.00	\$ 15.30
1st Quarter (January 1 - March 31)	\$ 15.74	\$ 13.75

	2010	
	High	Low
4th Quarter (October 1 - December 31)	\$ 14.37	\$ 11.74
3rd Quarter (July 1 - September 30)	\$ 13.73	\$ 11.03
2nd Quarter (April 1 - June 30)	\$ 15.84	\$ 11.52
1st Quarter (January 1 - March 31)	\$ 15.56	\$ 13.10

	2009	
	High	Low
4th Quarter (December 11 - December 31)	\$ 13.92	\$ 11.09

On December 5, 2012, the closing sale price of our common stock as reported on the NYSE was \$18.14 per share.

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DIVIDEND POLICY

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The following table sets forth our consolidated capitalization as of September 30, 2012.

You should read the data set forth in the table below in conjunction with Risk Factors, Selected Financial Data, our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes, and other financial information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

(Dollars in millions)	As of September 30, 2012
Debt:	
Revolving credit facility	\$
Term Loan B	1,678.7
Floating Rate Senior Notes	150.0
Unamortized debt discount	(6.5)
Total debt	1,822.2
Stockholders equity:	
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 400,000,000 shares authorized, 136,619,187 shares issued and outstanding, actual	1.4
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	
Additional paid-in capital	1,430.1
Accumulated deficit	(23.6)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	37.5
Total stockholders equity	1,445.4
Total capitalization	\$ 3,267.6

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The following consolidated financial data for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is based on our audited financial statements. We were incorporated on November 9, 2006, but had no operations in 2006 or for the period of January 1 through April 19, 2007. On April 20, 2007, we consummated a merger agreement with ADESA, and as part of the related transactions, ADESA and IAA became, directly or indirectly, our wholly-owned subsidiaries.

(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Years Ended December 31,			
	2012	2011	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007(1)
Operations:							
Operating revenues							
ADESA	\$ 791.4	\$ 767.1	\$ 1,017.4	\$ 1,075.9	\$ 1,088.5	\$ 1,123.4	\$ 677.7
IAA	534.1	513.8	700.1	610.4	553.1	550.3	330.1
AFC(2)	144.2	125.6	168.8	136.3	93.9	102.3	98.3
Total operating revenues	\$ 1,469.7	\$ 1,406.5	\$ 1,886.3	\$ 1,822.6	\$ 1,735.5	\$ 1,776.0	\$ 1,106.1
Operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization and impairment charges)(2)	1,116.6	1,048.7	1,424.6	1,382.5	1,367.8	1,441.3	873.1
Goodwill and other intangibles impairment						164.4	
Operating profit (loss)	209.7	226.3	281.9	268.8	195.3	(12.5)	106.4
Interest expense	89.8	112.3	143.1	141.4	172.6	215.2	162.3
Income (loss) from continuing operations	69.1	57.7	72.2	69.6	23.2	(216.2)	(38.3)
Net income (loss)	69.1	57.7	72.2	69.6	23.2	(216.2)	(38.3)
Net income (loss) per share							
Basic	0.51	0.42	0.53	0.52	0.21	(2.02)	(0.36)
Diluted	0.50	0.42	0.52	0.51	0.21	(2.02)	(0.36)
Weighted average shares outstanding							
Basic	136.4	135.9	136.0	134.9	108.0	106.9	106.7
Diluted	138.8	137.7	137.8	135.9	108.1	106.9	106.7

	At September 30,		2011	2010	At December 31,		2007
	2012	2011			2009	2008	
Financial Position:							
Working capital(3)	\$ 319.4	\$ 330.6	\$ 177.0	\$ 287.9	\$ 299.5	\$ 304.3	\$ 442.1
Total assets	4,926.0	4,611.6	4,779.1	4,525.0	4,251.3	4,157.6	4,530.8
Total debt, net of unamortized debt discount	1,822.2	1,837.8	1,902.8	1,875.7	2,272.9	2,527.4	2,616.7
Total stockholders' equity	1,445.4	1,312.9	1,343.2	1,244.6	1,141.5	750.7	1,013.6

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Years Ended December 31,			
	2012	2011	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007(1)
Other Financial Data:							
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 238.0	\$ 205.5	\$ 305.8	\$ 467.6	\$ 250.8	\$ 224.9	\$ 96.8
Capital expenditures	60.8	64.2	85.8	78.9	65.6	129.6	62.7
Depreciation and amortization	143.4	131.5	179.8	171.3	172.4	182.8	126.6

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- (1) We had no operations prior to the merger transactions on April 20, 2007; as such, this data represents the period from April 20, 2007 through December 31, 2007.
- (2) Prior to 2011, certain AFC fees collected from customers were netted against cost of services, as well as certain selling, general and administrative expenses. Such fees included lot check fees, filing fees and postage fees, each of which are charged to and collected from AFC's customers. Beginning in 2011, these fees were included in revenue with the corresponding costs reflected in their respective expense categories, resulting in an increase to revenue, as well as an increase to the related expenses for all periods presented. Prior year amounts have been revised to reflect these changes.
- (3) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities.

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KAR LLC is the sole selling stockholder under this prospectus supplement.

On April 20, 2007, KAR LLC acquired the shares that may be offered for resale pursuant to this prospectus supplement in connection with a merger and related transactions pursuant to which ADESA, Inc. and Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc. became subsidiaries of KAR Auction Services, the issuer of the shares offered hereby. At the time of the merger and until its initial public offering of common stock in December 2009, KAR Auction Services was a wholly-owned subsidiary of KAR LLC. In connection with the merger, KAR LLC contributed to KAR Auction Services approximately \$1.1 billion of consideration, consisting of a combination of cash, stock of ADESA, Inc. and stock of Axle Holdings, Inc. (the then-owner of IAA), in exchange for the 106,853,660 shares offered for resale pursuant to the accompanying prospectus (after giving effect to certain capitalization transactions and a 10-for-1 stock split in December 2009). The per share purchase price was approximately \$10 (after giving effect to a 10-for-1 stock split in December 2009).

See the **Certain Related Party Relationships** section of the proxy statement for our annual meeting of shareholders held on May 17, 2012, which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement, for a description of material relationships between us and the selling stockholder.

The following table sets forth the name of the selling stockholder, the number of shares and percentage of our common stock beneficially owned by the selling stockholder as of November 15, 2012, the number of shares of common stock being sold in this offering and the number of shares to be beneficially owned by the selling stockholder after the completion of this offering. The applicable percentage of ownership for the selling stockholder is based on 136,648,020 shares of common stock outstanding as of November 15, 2012.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to This Offering		Number of Shares Offered	Shares Beneficially Owned After This Offering	
	Number	Percent of Class		Number	Percent of Class
KAR Holdings II, LLC	106,853,660	78.2%	13,500,000	93,353,660	68.3%

KAR LLC is controlled by the Equity Sponsors, which own common units in KAR LLC. The Equity Sponsors do not directly hold any shares of our common stock that may be offered for resale pursuant to this prospectus supplement.

The Equity Sponsors acquired common units in KAR LLC in connection with the above-mentioned merger and related transactions that occurred on April 20, 2007. In connection with the merger, the Equity Sponsors and the Company's management contributed to the selling stockholder approximately \$1.1 billion of consideration, consisting of a combination of cash, stock of ADESA, Inc. and stock of Axle Holdings, Inc., in exchange for common units in KAR LLC.

Pursuant to the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of KAR LLC, as amended, the business and affairs of KAR LLC are managed by a board of directors. Affiliates of Kelso Investment Associates VII, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI, L.P. and ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P. each have the right to designate two directors for election to KAR LLC's board and affiliates of Parthenon Investors II, L.P. have the right to designate one director, in each case so long as they continue to hold a specified amount of their original common units.

Pursuant to a director designation agreement entered into in connection with the initial public offering of our common stock in December 2009, KAR LLC has the right to directly nominate individuals to our board of directors. The director designation agreement provides that, for so long as KAR LLC owns more than 10% of our outstanding common stock, no change will be made to the size of our board without the consent of KAR LLC.

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KAR LLC will have the right to nominate individuals to our board at each meeting of stockholders where directors are to be elected and, subject to limited exceptions, we will include in the slate of nominees recommended to our stockholders for election as directors the number of individuals designated by KAR LLC as follows (depending on the percentage ownership of KAR LLC at the time of such election):

so long as KAR LLC owns more than 50% of our outstanding common stock, seven individuals;

so long as KAR LLC owns 50% or less but at least 30% of our outstanding common stock, six individuals;

so long as KAR LLC owns less than 30% but at least 20% of our outstanding common stock, four individuals;

so long as KAR LLC owns less than 20% but at least 10% of our outstanding common stock, three individuals;

so long as KAR LLC owns less than 10% but at least 5% of our outstanding common stock, one individual; and

after such time as KAR LLC owns less than 5% of our outstanding common stock, no individuals.

The selling stockholder may be deemed to be an affiliate of Goldman, Sachs & Co., a registered broker-dealer. The selling stockholder acquired the shares offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and that may be offered for resale pursuant to the accompanying prospectus with investment intent in the ordinary course of business (such business being the investment in and development of companies) in connection with the merger transaction described above. At the time of the purchase of these shares, neither the selling stockholder nor Goldman, Sachs & Co. had any agreements or understandings, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute the securities.

The Equity Sponsors and certain members of management do not own the shares of our common stock offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and that may be offered for resale pursuant to the accompanying prospectus. KAR LLC holds all of these shares and the Equity Sponsors and certain members of management hold common units in KAR LLC. The following table presents information on what the beneficial ownership of these shares would be if beneficial ownership of these shares were attributed to the Equity Sponsors and certain members of management based solely on their proportionate holdings of common units in KAR LLC at November 15, 2012. In addition, (i) the information presented in the footnotes to this table are based on shares beneficially owned prior to this offering and (ii) other than for KAR LLC, the number of shares deemed sold by each holder reflects a pro rata portion of the shares sold by KAR LLC in this offering based on such holder's approximate percentage ownership of common equity interests in KAR LLC. In accordance with its limited liability company agreement, KAR LLC will distribute the net proceeds of its sale of common stock in this offering to its members pro rata based upon the relative number of common units of KAR LLC held by such members.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to This Offering		Number of Shares Offered	Shares Beneficially Owned After This Offering	
	Number(1)	Percent of Class(2)		Number(1)	Percent of Class(2)
KAR Holdings II, LLC	106,853,660	78.2%	13,500,000	93,353,660	68.3%
KELSO GROUP:					
Kelso Investment Associates VII, L.P.(3)(4)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
KEP VI, LLC(3)(4)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Frank T. Nickell(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Thomas R. Wall, IV(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
George E. Matelich(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Michael B. Goldberg(3)(4)(5)(6)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%

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Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to This Offering		Number of Shares Offered	Shares Beneficially Owned After This Offering	
	Number(1)	Percent of Class(2)		Number(1)	Percent of Class(2)
David I. Wahrhaftig(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Frank K. Bynum, Jr.(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Philip E. Berney(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Frank J. Loverro(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
James J. Connors, II(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Church M. Moore(3)(4)(5)(6)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Stanley de J. Osborne(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Christopher L. Collins(3)(4)(5)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
PARTHENON GROUP:					
Parthenon Investors II, L.P. and related funds(7)(8)(9)	8,865,530	6.5%	1,120,080	7,745,450	5.7%
GOLDMAN GROUP:					
GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P. and related funds(10)(11)	27,081,968	19.8%	3,421,563	23,660,405	17.3%
VALUEACT GROUP:					
ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P.(12)(13)(26)(28)	23,371,818	17.1%	2,851,288	20,520,530	15.0%
AXLE HOLDINGS II, LLC(3)(27)	27,326,090	20.0%	3,452,406	23,873,684	17.5%
EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS					
David J. Ament					
Kelly J. Barlow					
Warren W. Byrd(16)	53,490	*	634	52,856	*
Thomas J. Carella (6)(11)(24)(25)	27,081,968	19.8%	3,421,563	23,660,405	17.3%
Thomas J. Caruso(17)	110,080	*	634	109,446	*
Brian T. Clingen(6)(14)	1,382,680	1.0%	174,689	1,207,991	*
Robert M. Finlayson(6)	13,848	*		13,848	*
Peter R. Formanek(6)	19,418	*		19,418	*
Michael B. Goldberg(3)(4)(5)(6)(25)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%
Donald S. Gottwald(18)	70,880	*		70,880	*
James P. Hallett(6)(15)	119,050	*	12,672	106,378	*
Peter J. Kelly(29)	87,500	*		87,500	*
Eric M. Loughmiller(19)	15,910	*	380	15,530	*
Sanjeev K. Mehra(6)(11)(24)(25)	27,081,968	19.8%	3,421,563	23,660,405	17.3%
Church M. Moore(3)(4)(5)(6)(25)	45,323,240	33.2%	5,726,184	39,597,056	29.0%