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What Analysts are Saying

We are getting more bullish on the  
deal...

David Strasser,

Janney Capital Markets

March 21, 2013

Anthony Chukumba,  
BB&T Capital Markets  
November 6, 2012

Office Products is a tough  
neighborhood, but OMX is showing  
improvement in every aspect of the  
business it can control  
David Strasser,  
Janney Capital Markets  
August 2, 2012

David Gober, Morgan Stanley  
February 20, 2013

Michael Lasser, UBS  
February 21, 2013

we view ODP-OMX as a  
compelling opportunity  
Brad Thomas,  
Key Banc Capital Markets  
March 18, 2013

This deal has been anticipated for  
years, given the strategic logic  
and potential synergies.

the sector is certainly worth  
watching, as these transformative  
events unfold.

Turnaround Plan Continues to Gain  
Traction

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What Media are Saying

Strategically, the deal makes sense,  
as the companies face a changing  
competitive environment.

The New York Times

Saligram and Austrian emphasized that the combination, which will create a company that will do roughly \$18 billion in revenue, is a merger of equals.

Chicago Tribune

the combined company would be the third-leading online retailer in North America based on 2011 sales, edging past previous No. 3 Apple according to an Internet Retailer estimate.

Internet Retailer

Company's ability to control costs signaled a healthy company to investors

Associated Press

OfficeMax named among world's most ethical companies

OPI

Daily Herald, Chicago, 2013

It's the second consecutive year OfficeMax has received the ethics award, which highlights companies that outperform industry peers when it comes to ethical behavior.

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Enhanced financial performance

Increased scale and competitiveness

Global footprint

Improved customer experience

Accelerated innovation

Strategic Benefits of the Merger

Combined company will leverage talented Associates  
and managers with deep industry knowledge

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Improved Customer Experience

Continued focus on a high level of service

Improved omni-channel capabilities to better  
serve our valued customers

Products, services and solutions that enable customers to work more efficiently and productively

Accelerate change in the office solutions business, bringing to customers innovative solutions for today's workplace

Provide customers with a seamless experience across retail stores, direct sales, telesales and digital environments

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Accelerated Innovation

Sharing customer insights and learnings from innovative pilot programs underway to better identify and fulfill evolving

customer needs

Improved and expanded  
eCommerce offerings

Complementary capabilities will  
provide customers with better  
solutions faster and more  
efficiently

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requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FILED WITH THE SEC**

Office Depot will file with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a Joint Proxy Statement of OfficeMa

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**AND SHAREHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER REL  
THE SEC CAREFULLY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFO  
TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Investors and shareholders will be able to obtain free copies of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and other documents filed

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In  
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copies of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and other documents filed by OfficeMax with the SEC by contacting OfficeMax at Naperville, Illinois 60563 or by calling 630-864-6800, and will be able to obtain free copies of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus

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#### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

OfficeMax and Office Depot and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of OfficeMax and Office Depot in respect of the transaction described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus. Information regarding the solicitation of the SEC, be deemed participants in the solicitation of the respective shareholders of OfficeMax and Office Depot in connection with

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OfficeMax's directors and executive officers is contained in OfficeMax's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, and its Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated March 15, 2013, which are filed with the SEC. Information regarding Office Depot's directors and executive officers is contained in Office Depot's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 29, 2012 and its Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated March 15, 2012, which are filed with the SEC.

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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Certain statements made in this document and other written or oral statements made by or on behalf of OfficeMax constitute "forward-looking statements" under the federal securities laws, including statements regarding OfficeMax's future performance, as well as management's expectations, projections, forecasts, and other financial data relating to OfficeMax's business, operations, and financial performance.

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be successfully executed and produce the results underlying its expectations, due to the uncertainties inherent in new initiatives, expenses or challenges, or slower-than-expected results from initiatives; or that its actual results will be consistent with the foregoing. OfficeMax does not intend to place undue reliance on them.

In addition, forward-looking statements could be affected by the following additional factors, among others, related to the business combination:  
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occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement or the failure to obtain regulatory approvals or third-party approvals for the transaction and the timing and conditions for such approvals; the ability of OfficeMax and Office Depot to obtain the necessary approvals from the stockholders of OfficeMax and Office Depot; the risk that the synergies from the transaction may not be realized, may take longer

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