This morning I enjoyed experiencing the General Session at VMware Explore US. There was compelling content and tremendous energy in the room coming from the entire VMware community. I’m confident that attendees will benefit from the rest of the event and all that VMware Explore has to offer.

VMWARE’S INNOVATION NEWS

As part of Explore, VMware announced a series of new innovations for its Cloud & Edge Infrastructure, Anywhere Workspace, and Cloud-Native applications and management platforms.

New innovations in vSphere 8 and vSAN 8, when they come to market, will help customers dramatically improve how they run, manage and secure their different enterprise applications. And the VMware Cloud Foundation+ will provide customers with consistent infrastructure and operations across private and public clouds at scale, becoming the foundation of VMware’s Edge portfolio. VMware’s new Aria portfolio gives customers a powerful multi-cloud management system that can also be connected to the management of their private cloud. These will be compelling offerings across the entire VMware portfolio.

I also had the opportunity to walk the expo floor and observed all the activity across VMware’s robust ecosystem of partners, customers and employees. I’m sure this energy will transfer to the event’s technical sessions, where customers can learn more about VMware’s innovations.

TRANSACTION BENEFITS

Following the close of the transaction, the combination of Broadcom and VMware will continue to provide customers an innovative, flexible and sustainable software platform, enabling them to build, run, manage, connect, deliver and protect their applications -- everywhere. Whether it be on premises, in a private cloud, multiple clouds or at the edge, solutions from the combined Broadcom and VMware organization will give customers greater choice to address their most complex IT infrastructure challenges.

With the completion of this transaction, Broadcom will be a new participant in the multi-cloud era, and VMware will be the flagship of our combined software offerings. Together, we will be guided by a commitment to provide customers more control, flexibility, and choice to design and navigate their IT software platforms.

We will keep the VMware community informed about what’s ahead once the transaction closes! To stay updated on the transaction, click here.
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE TRANSACTION AND WHERE TO FIND IT

In connection with the proposed transaction, Broadcom has filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 that includes a proxy statement of VMware and that also constitutes a prospectus of Broadcom. Each of Broadcom and VMware also file other relevant documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. The registration statement has not yet become effective and the proxy statement/prospectus included therein is in preliminary form. This document is not a substitute for the proxy statement/prospectus or registration statement or any other document that Broadcom or VMware may file with the SEC. The definitive proxy statement/prospectus (if and when available) will be mailed to stockholders of VMware. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE FILED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THESE DOCUMENTS, CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY IF AND WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN OR MIGHT CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

Broadcom, VMware and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of Broadcom, including a description of their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is set forth in Broadcom’s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 25, 2021. Information about the directors and executive officers of VMware, including a description of their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is set forth in VMware’s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 26, 2021. Information about the directors and executive officers of Broadcom and VMware is also contained in the registration statement that has been filed with the SEC on February 18, 2022, and Broadcom’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2021, which was filed with the SEC on December 17, 2021. Information about the directors and executive officers of VMware, including a description of their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is set forth in VMware’s proxy statement/prospectus that has been filed with the SEC on May 27, 2022, VMware’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2022, which was filed with the SEC on March 24, 2022, a Form 8-K filed by VMware on April 22, 2022 and a Form 8-K filed by VMware on May 2, 2022. Other information concerning the participants in the proxy solicitations and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, are or will be contained in the proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC as permitted by applicable securities laws and regulations. Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of any of the above-mentioned materials filed or to be filed with the SEC on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Broadcom and VMware also make information available on their respective websites that may contain important information about Broadcom, VMware and the proposed transaction. Any filing with the SEC will be available free of charge at the SEC’s website at http://www.sec.gov or may be obtained, without charge, by directing requests to Broadcom Communications, 7000 Ausherman Drive, San Jose, CA 95131, or to VMware Communications, 3401 Perdido Street, Palo Alto, CA 94306.