UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

(Rule 14d-100)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(D)(1) OR 13(E)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (Amendment No.)

WILLIAMS CONTROLS, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION COLUMBIA ACQUISITION SUB, INC.

(Name of Filing Persons (Offerors))

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value Per Share (*Title of Class of Securities*)

969465608 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Glenn E. Tynan Chief Financial Officer Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 (973) 541-3700 (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation*	Amount of Filing Fee**				
\$124,890,034	\$17,035.00				

- * Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the filing fee pursuant to Rule 0-11(d) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). The Transaction Valuation was calculated on the basis of (a) 8,099,224 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of Williams Controls, Inc. (the "Shares"), the estimated maximum number of Shares that may be acquired in this tender offer (representing as of November 14, 2012 (i) 7,502,262 Shares issued and outstanding (including 125,025 shares of unvested restricted stock), and (ii) 596,962 Shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options, multiplied by (b) the offer price of \$15.42 per Share.
- ** The filing fee was calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 under the Exchange Act and Fee Rate Advisory #7 for fiscal year 2013, issued August 31, 2012, by multiplying the transaction value by 0.0001364.

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- □ going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: \Box

This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO (this "**Schedule TO**") relates to the offer (the "**Offer**") by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation (" **Curtiss-Wright**"), to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**"), which is annexed to and filed with this Schedule TO as Exhibit (a)(1)(A), and in the related Letter of Transmittal, which is annexed to and filed with this Schedule TO as Exhibit (a)(1)(B), which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**."

Item 1. Summary Term Sheet.

The information set forth in the section of the Offer to Purchase entitled "Summary Term Sheet" is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Subject Company Information.

(a) The name of the subject company and the issuer of the securities to which this Schedule TO relates is Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation. Williams Controls's principal executive offices are located at 14100 SW 72 nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97224. Williams Controls's telephone number at such address is (503) 684-8600.

(b) This Schedule TO relates to the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Williams Controls. According to Williams Controls, as of October 31, 2012, there were an aggregate of (i) 7,502,262 Shares issued and outstanding (including 125,025 shares of unvested restricted stock) and (ii) outstanding options to purchase 596,962 Shares.

(c) The information set forth in Section 6—"Price Range of Shares; Dividends" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 3. Identity and Background of Filing Person.

This Schedule TO is being filed by Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright. The information set forth in Section 9—"Certain Information Concerning Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright" in the Offer to Purchase and in Schedule A of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 4. Terms of the Transaction.

The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5. Past Contacts, Transactions, Negotiations and Agreements.

The information set forth in the sections of the Offer to Purchase entitled "Summary Term Sheet" and "Introduction," and Sections 9, 10 and 11—"Certain Information Concerning Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright," "Background of the Offer; Contacts with Williams Controls" and "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Purposes of the Transaction and Plans or Proposals.

The information set forth in the sections of the Offer to Purchase entitled "Summary Term Sheet" and "Introduction," and Sections 6, 7 and 11—"Price Range of Shares; Dividends," "Possible Effects of the Offer on the Market for the Shares; NYSE Listing; Exchange Act Registration and Margin Regulations" and "Purpose of the

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Item 7. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

The information set forth in Section 12—"Source and Amount of Funds" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8. Interest in Securities of the Subject Company.

The information set forth in Sections 9 and 11—"Certain Information Concerning Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright" and "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Persons/Assets Retained, Employed, Compensated or Used.

The information set forth in the section of the Offer to Purchase entitled "Introduction" and Sections 10, 11 and 16—"Background of the Offer; Contacts with Williams Controls," "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements" and "Fees and Expenses" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 10. Financial Statements.

Not applicable.

Item 11. Additional Information.

(a)(1) The information set forth in Sections 9, 10 and 11—"Certain Information Concerning Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright," "Background of Offer; Contacts with Williams Controls" and "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(a)(2), (3) The information set forth in Sections 11, 13 and 15—"Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements," "Conditions of the Offer" and "Certain Legal Matters" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(a)(4) The information set forth in Sections 7, 12 and 15—"Possible Effects of the Offer on the Market for the Shares; NYSE Listing; Exchange Act Registration and Margin Regulations," "Source and Amount of Funds" and "Certain Legal Matters" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(a)(5) The information set forth in Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters" of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Exhibits.

- (a)(1) Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012
- (A)(a)(1) Form of Letter of Transmittal (including Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) on Substitute Form
- (B) W-9)(a)(1) Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery
- (C)(a)(1) Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees
- (D)(a)(1) Form of Letter to Clients for Use by Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees
- (E)(a)(5) Joint Press Release issued by Curtiss-Wright Corporation and Williams Controls, Inc. on November 1, 2012 (1)
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- (b) Not applicable
- (d)(1) Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, by and among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. and Williams Controls, Inc. (2)
- (d)(2) Tender and Support Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2012, by and among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. and certain stockholders of Williams Controls, Inc.
- (d)(3) Confidentiality Agreement, dated as of July 5, 2012, by and between Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. and Williams Controls, Inc.
- (g) Not applicable
- (h) Not applicable

(2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Form 8-K filed by Williams Controls, Inc. on November 2, 2012

Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13E-3.

Not applicable.

⁽¹⁾ Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 8-K filed by Curtiss-Wright Corporation on November 1, 2012

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: November 15, 2012

CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION

By:	/s/ Glenn E. Tynan
Name:	Glenn E. Tynan
Title:	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

COLUMBIA ACQUISITION SUB, INC.

By:	/s/ John Watts
Name:	John Watts
Title:	President

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Offer to Purchase for Cash All Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc. at \$15.42 Net Per Share by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED.

Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), is offering to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Offer to Purchase and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"). The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser ("**Curtiss-Wright Controls**"), and Williams Controls (the "**Merger Agreement**"), under which, after the completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls and

The Williams Controls board of directors has duly and unanimously (i) approved the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger, the exercise of the top-up option (as described in this Offer to Purchase) (including the issuance of Shares pursuant to the top-up option on the terms set forth in the Merger Agreement and the adequacy of the consideration payable in respect thereof) and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement and the Tender and Support Agreement (as described in this Offer to Purchase), (ii) determined that the terms of the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement and the best interests of Williams Controls and its stockholders, (iii) recommended that the holders of the Shares accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer, (iv) recommended that the holders of the Shares adopt the Merger Agreement and (v) declared the Merger Agreement to be advisable.

The Offer is conditioned upon (i) the satisfaction of the Minimum Tender Condition (as described in this Offer to Purchase), (ii) the expiration or termination of the waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, in the United States and the receipt of all other clearances, consents, approvals, orders or authorizations applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer under any other antitrust or competition laws and (iii) other customary conditions as described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." There is no financing condition to the Offer. A summary of the principal terms of the Offer appears on pages (i) through (iv). You should read this entire document carefully before deciding whether to tender your Shares

The Information Agent for the Offer is :



501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York 10022

Shareholders may call toll free: (888) 750-5834 Banks and Brokers may call collect: (212) 750-5833

IMPORTANT

If you desire to tender all or any portion of your Shares to Purchaser in the Offer, you should either (a) complete and sign the Letter of Transmittal for the Offer (or a facsimile thereof), which is enclosed with this Offer to Purchase, in accordance with the instructions contained in the Letter of Transmittal, mail or deliver the Letter of Transmittal and any other required documents to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the depositary for the Offer (the "**Depositary**"), and either deliver the certificates for your Shares to the Depositary along with the Letter of Transmittal or tender your Shares by a transfer of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares (as defined in this Offer to Purchase) or by book-entry transfer by following the procedures described in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares" of this Offer to Purchase, in each case by the Expiration Date (as defined herein) of the Offer, or (b) request that your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee effect the tender for you. If you hold Shares registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee you must contact that institution in order to tender your Shares.

If you desire to tender your Shares and the certificates representing your Shares are not immediately available, or you cannot comply in a timely manner with the procedures for tendering your Shares by book-entry transfer, or cannot deliver all required documents to the Depositary by the expiration of the Offer, you may tender your Shares by following the procedures for guaranteed delivery described in Section 3— "Procedures for Tendering Shares" of this Offer to Purchase. The method of delivery of Shares, the Letter of Transmittal and all other required documents, including delivery by book-entry transfer, is at the election and sole risk of the tendering stockholder.

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Questions and requests for assistance may be directed to the Information Agent at the telephone number and address set forth on the back cover of this Offer to Purchase. Requests for additional copies of this Offer to Purchase, the Letter of Transmittal, the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and other tender offer materials may be directed to the Information Agent. You may also contact your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee for assistance. Copies of these materials may also be found at the website maintained by the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov.

November 15, 2012

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S UMMARY TERM SHEET

This summary highlights selected information from this Offer to Purchase and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should carefully read this entire Offer to Purchase and the other documents to which this Offer to Purchase refers to fully understand the Offer (as defined below), the Merger (as defined below) and the related transactions. References to "we," "us," or "our," unless the context otherwise requires, are references to Purchaser (as defined below).

Principal Terms

Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. ("**Purchaser**"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), is offering to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc. ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Offer to Purchase and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"). The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Williams Controls and Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. (the "**Merger Agreement**"), under which, after the completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls, Inc. (the "**Merger**").

The Offer is the first step in our plan to acquire all of the issued and outstanding Shares, as provided in the Merger Agreement. If the Offer results in our purchasing a majority of the issued and outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis, we will acquire the remainder of the Shares in the Merger for an amount in cash, without interest and subject to applicable withholding taxes, equal to the Offer Price. No appraisal rights are available in connection with the Offer. Under Delaware law, however, stockholders who continue to own their Shares at the time of the Merger and fulfill certain other requirements of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware will have appraisal rights in connection with the Merger. See Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters—Appraisal Rights."

Williams Controls has granted Purchaser an irrevocable option (which is exercisable immediately after the acceptance for payment for any Shares by Purchaser) to purchase in certain circumstances Shares equal to the number of additional Shares sufficient to cause Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser to own one Share more than 90 percent of the total Shares that would then be outstanding. The purchase price per Share for Shares under this option would be equal to the Offer Price. This option, which we refer to as the "**top-up option**," is subject to certain conditions and cannot be exercised: (i) to purchase an amount of Shares in excess of the number of shares of common stock that can be issued without the Williams Controls being obligated to obtain stockholder approval pursuant to NYSE Rule 312.03(c), (ii) unless the Offer closing will have occurred and (iii) unless, immediately after such exercise, Curtiss-Wright and its subsidiaries would own more than 90% of the Shares then outstanding on a fully diluted basis. The top-up option would be exercised if greater than 88% of the shares are tendered and purchased in the Offer.

The initial offering period for the Offer will end at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012, unless we extend the Offer. We will announce any decision to extend the Offer in a press release stating the new expiration date no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the first business day after the previously scheduled expiration of the Offer.

See Section 1—"Terms of the Offer."

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Williams Controls Board Recommendation

The Williams Controls board of directors (the "**Williams Controls Board**") has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer; Contacts with Williams Controls" below, and Williams Controls's Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 filed with the SEC in connection with the Offer, a copy of which (without certain exhibits) is being furnished to stockholders concurrently herewith.

Conditions

We are not obligated to purchase any tendered Shares unless, at the expiration of the Offer, there have been validly tendered in the Offer and not properly withdrawn that number of Shares that when added to the number of Shares owned by Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser (if any), represent a majority of the total number of outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis (which assumes conversion or exercise of all derivative securities of the Company, regardless of the conversion or exercise price or other terms and conditions thereof) as of the expiration of the Offer. See Section 11—"Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements—The Merger Agreement—Treatment of Equity Awards." We refer to this condition as the "Minimum Tender Condition ." As of the date of this Offer to Purchase, Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser own no Shares.

We also are not obligated to purchase any tendered Shares unless the waiting period applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer and the consummation of the Merger under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, (or any extension thereof) shall have expired or terminated, and we have received any required approvals of the competent competition authority of any jurisdiction other than the United States applicable to the Offer or the Merger under applicable law prior to the expiration of the Offer and any applicable waiting period thereunder shall have been terminated or shall not have expired. We refer to this condition as the "Antitrust Condition ." See Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters."

The Offer is also subject to a number of other important conditions, including, among others, (i) no order, judgment, decision, decree, injunction, ruling, award, writ or assessment (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent in nature) shall have been issued by any court of competent jurisdiction or other restraint or prohibition of any federal, state, county, provincial, or foreign government, governmental or regulatory entity or body, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality (" **Governmental Authority**"), or any law, statute, constitution, principle of common law, ordinance, code, rule, regulation, ruling or other legal requirement shall be enacted, entered, promulgated, enforced or deemed applicable, that prohibits or makes illegal the consummation of the Offer or the Merger or the transaction contemplated by this Agreement; (ii) no instituted or pending material action, suit or proceeding by any Governmental Authority seeking to restrain or prohibit the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer or the Offer; (iii) the representation and warranties of Williams Controls set forth in the Merger Agreement shall be true and correct (except for any de minimis inaccuracy and as provided in the Merger Agreement), other than (subject to certain exceptions) such failures to be true and correct that, individually or in the aggregate, have not had and would not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Williams Controls;

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(iv) William Controls shall have performed and complied in all material respects with all agreements, covenants and obligations required to be performed or complied with under the Merger Agreement; and (v) since September 30, 2011, no circumstance, event or occurrence has occurred that has had or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Williams Controls (as provided in the Merger Agreement). We can waive these conditions (other than the Minimum Tender Condition) without Williams Controls's consent. See Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer."

There is no financing condition to the Offer. We do not believe our financial condition is relevant to your decision whether to tender your Shares and accept the Offer because (i) the Offer is being made for all issued and outstanding Shares solely for cash, (ii) the Offer is not subject to any financing condition, (iii) if we consummate the Offer, we will acquire all remaining Shares for the same cash price in the Merger, and (iv) Curtiss-Wright has, and will arrange for Purchaser to have, sufficient funds to purchase all Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn in the Offer and to acquire the remaining outstanding Shares pursuant to the Merger.

Procedures for Tendering Shares

If you wish to accept the Offer and:

- you are a record holder (i.e., a stock certificate or book entry has been issued to or entered for you and registered in your name), you must deliver the stock certificate(s) representing your Shares (or follow the procedures described in this Offer to Purchase for book-entry transfer), together with a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, and any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal, to the Depositary. These materials must reach the Depositary before the Offer expires. Detailed instructions are contained in the Letter of Transmittal and in Section 3— "Procedures for Tendering Shares";
- you are a record holder, but your stock certificate or book entry is not available or you cannot deliver or transfer it to the
 Depositary before the Offer expires, you may be able to obtain three additional trading days to deliver or transfer your Shares by
 delivering the enclosed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, properly completed and duly executed, to the Depositary before the Offer
 expires. See Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares" for more information; or
- you hold your Shares through a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee (i.e., your Shares are held in "street name"), you should promptly contact your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and give instructions that your Shares be tendered.

Withdrawal Rights

You have the right to, and can, withdraw any Shares that you have previously tendered at any time until the Offer has expired. See Sections 1 and 4—"Terms of the Offer" and "Withdrawal Rights."

To withdraw Shares that you previously tendered, you must deliver a written notice of withdrawal with the required information to the Depositary at a time when you have the right to withdraw your Shares. If you tendered your Shares through your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, you must instruct the broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee to arrange for the withdrawal of your Shares. See Section 4—"Withdrawal Rights."

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Once we accept your tendered Shares upon expiration of the Offer, you will no longer be able to withdraw them. See Sections 1 and 4—"Terms of the Offer" and "Withdrawal Rights."

Recent Williams Controls Trading Prices; Subsequent Trading

On October 31, 2012, the last trading day before Curtiss-Wright Controls and Williams Controls signed the Merger Agreement, the closing price of the Shares reported on the NYSE was \$10.91 per Share.

The Offer Price of \$15.42 per Share represents a premium of approximately 41 percent to Williams Controls's closing stock price on October 31, 2012, the last trading day prior to the announcement of the signing of the Merger Agreement.

On November 14, 2012, the last full trading day before Purchaser commenced the Offer, the closing price of the Shares reported on the NYSE was \$15.36 per Share.

We advise you to obtain a recent quotation for Shares in deciding whether to tender your Shares in the Offer. See Section 6—"Price Range of Shares; Dividends."

U.S. Federal Income Tax Treatment

If you are a U.S. taxpayer, your receipt of cash for Shares in the Offer or pursuant to the Merger will be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes. You will generally recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between (a) the cash you receive in the Offer or the Merger and (b) your adjusted tax basis in the Shares you sell in the Offer or exchange pursuant to the Merger. That gain or loss will be capital gain or loss if the Shares are a capital asset in your hands, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year at the time of the exchange of your Shares for cash. You are urged to consult your own tax advisor as to the particular tax consequences of the Offer and the Merger to you, including the tax consequences under state, local, foreign and other tax laws. See Section 5—"Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Offer and the Merger."

Further Information

For further information, you can call Innisfree M&A Incorporated, the Information Agent for the Offer, toll-free at (888) 750-5834. Banks and brokers may call collect at (212) 750-5833. See the back cover page of this Offer to Purchase for additional contact information.

To All Holders of Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc.:

INTRODUCTION

Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), hereby offers to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Offer to Purchase and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**").

If your Shares are registered in your name and you tender directly to the Depositary (as defined below), you will not be obligated to pay brokerage fees or commissions or, subject to Instruction 6 of the Letter of Transmittal, transfer taxes on the purchase of your Shares by Purchaser. If you hold your Shares through a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee you should check with your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee as to whether they charge any service fees or commissions. However, if you do not complete and sign the substitute Form W-9 that is included in the Letter of Transmittal, or a Form W-8BEN or other Form W-8, as applicable, you may be subject to a required backup federal income tax withholding of twenty-eight percent of the gross proceeds payable to you. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability. See Section 5—"Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Offer and the Merger." Purchaser will pay all charges and expenses of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "**Depositary** ") and Innisfree M&A Incorporated (the " **Information Agent** ").

Consummation of the Offer is conditioned upon (i) the satisfaction of the Minimum Tender Condition (as described in this Offer to Purchase), (ii) the expiration or termination of the waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (the "HSR Act"), in the United States and the receipt of all other clearances, consents, approvals, orders or authorizations applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer under any other antitrust or competition laws (the "Antitrust Condition") and (iii) other customary conditions as described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer" (collectively, the "Offer Conditions"). There is no financing condition to the Offer.

The Minimum Tender Condition requires that, prior to the expiration of the Offer, there be validly tendered and not properly withdrawn that number of Shares which when added to the number of Shares owned by Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser (if any), represent a majority of the total number of outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis (which assumes conversion or exercise of all derivative securities of the Company, regardless of the conversion or exercise price or other terms and conditions thereof) as of the expiration of the Offer. According to Williams Controls, as of October 31, 2012, there were 7,502,262 Shares issued and outstanding (including 125,025 shares of unvested restricted stock) and 596,962 Shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options. Accordingly, based on the number of Shares and stock options outstanding as of October 31, 2012, the Minimum Tender Condition would be satisfied if at least 4,049,613 Shares are validly tendered in the Offer and not properly withdrawn (or at least 1,747,133 Shares in addition to the Shares we currently expect will be tendered pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreement (as defined below)).

The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser ("**Curtiss-Wright Controls**"), and Williams Controls (the "**Merger Agreement**"), under which, after the completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls (the "**Merger**"). At the effective time of the Merger (the "**Effective Time**"), each issued and outstanding Share (other than Shares held in the treasury of Williams Controls or owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright or Williams Controls or

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held by stockholders who have properly exercised appraisal rights under the DGCL (as defined below)) will by virtue of the Merger, and without any action by the holder thereof, be canceled and converted automatically into the right to receive from Purchaser an amount in cash, without interest and subject to applicable withholding taxes, equal to the Offer Price (the "**Merger Consideration**"), payable to the holder thereof upon surrender of the certificate formerly representing, or book-entry transfer of, such Share. The Merger Agreement is more fully described in Section 11—"Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements." Section 5—"Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Offer and the Merger" describes the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of the sale of Shares in the Offer and the Merger. We recommend that stockholders consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of the sale of Shares in connection with the Offer or the Merger.

The Offer is only for Shares and not for stock options. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, all unexercised stock options that are outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time, whether vested or unvested, will vest in full as of the Effective Time and shall terminate and be canceled as of the Effective Time. As soon as practicable after the Effective Time, in exchange for such termination and cancellation, the holders of such stock options, including any of Williams Controls's directors and executive officers that hold such Options, will receive, with respect to each stock option, a cash payment (less any applicable withholding taxes) equal to the product of (a) the excess, if any, of the Offer Price over the applicable exercise price per Share of such stock option and (b) the aggregate number of Shares subject to such stock option immediately prior to the Effective Time. If the exercise price per Share of any stock option equals or exceeds the Offer Price, such amount will be zero. Each holder of Shares of restricted stock may tender such Shares of restricted stock pursuant to the Offer and, if validly tendered and accepted for payment, the forfeiture restrictions shall terminate immediately upon acceptance for payment, and all such restricted stock so tendered and accepted shall be entitled to receive the Offer Price as payment therefor.

The Offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012, unless the Offer is extended. See Sections 1, 13 and 15—"Terms of the Offer," "Conditions of the Offer" and "Certain Legal Matters."

The Williams Controls board of directors (the "Williams Controls Board") has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer and approve and adopt the Merger Agreement and the Merger (the foregoing, the "Board Recommendation").

For factors considered by the Williams Controls Board, see Williams Controls's Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 (the "**Schedule 14D-9**") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**SEC**") in connection with the Offer, a copy of which (without certain exhibits) is being furnished to stockholders concurrently herewith.

Consummation of the Merger is conditioned upon, if required by law, among other things, the adoption of the Merger Agreement by the requisite vote of stockholders of Williams Controls. Under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "**DGCL**"), the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding Shares to adopt the Merger Agreement is the only vote of any class or series of Williams Controls's capital stock that would be necessary to adopt the Merger Agreement at any required meeting of Williams Controls's stockholders. **If, following the purchase of Shares by Purchaser pursuant to the Offer or otherwise, we own at least a majority of the issued and outstanding Shares, we will be able to effect the Merger without the affirmative vote of any other stockholder. We have agreed pursuant to the Merger Agreement that all Shares acquired pursuant to the Offer or otherwise owned by us will be voted in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement.**

The DGCL provides that, if a corporation owns at least 90 percent of the outstanding shares of each class of a subsidiary corporation entitled to vote on a merger, the corporation holding such shares may merge such subsidiary into itself, or itself into such subsidiary, without any action or vote on the part of the board of directors or the other

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stockholders of such other corporation (a "short-form merger"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, in the event that, following completion of the Offer, Purchaser (together with Curtiss-Wright and Curtiss-Wright's wholly owned subsidiaries) owns at least 90 percent of the outstanding Shares, including Shares acquired through any exercise of the top-up option (as defined below), Curtiss-Wright will cause Purchaser to effect a short-form merger of Purchaser into Williams Controls in accordance with the DGCL and, thereafter, Williams Controls will be a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright. See Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters."

No appraisal rights are available in connection with the Offer. However, under the DGCL, stockholders who continue to own their Shares at the time of the Merger and fulfill certain other requirements of the DGCL will have appraisal rights in connection with the Merger. See Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters."

This Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal, and Williams Controls's Schedule 14D-9, contain important information and each such document should be read carefully and in its entirety before you make any decision with respect to the Offer.

T HE TENDER OFFER

1. T erms of the Offer

Upon the terms and subject to the prior satisfaction or waiver of the Offer Conditions (including, if the Offer is extended or amended, the terms and conditions of any extension or amendment), we will accept for payment and pay for all Shares validly tendered in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares" and not properly withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 4—"Withdrawal Rights." The term "**Expiration Date** " means 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012, unless Purchaser has extended the Offer, in which event the term "**Expiration Date** " shall mean the latest time and date at which the Offer, as so extended by Purchaser, will expire.

The Offer is conditioned upon the satisfaction of the Minimum Tender Condition, the Antitrust Condition and the other conditions described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." Purchaser may terminate the Offer without purchasing any Shares if certain events described in Section 13 occur.

We expressly reserve the right (but are not obligated), at any time or from time to time, to waive or otherwise modify or amend the terms and conditions of the Offer in any respect. However, we have agreed in the Merger Agreement that we will not, without the prior written consent of Williams Controls, (a) reduce the number of Shares subject to the Offer, (b) reduce the Offer Price, (c) change the form of consideration payable in the Offer, (d) amend, modify or waive the Minimum Tender Condition, (e) add to the Offer Conditions described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer," or modify any of those conditions in a manner adverse to the holders of Shares, (f) terminate the Offer, or extend the Offer, except as required or permitted by the Merger Agreement, (g) provide any "subsequent offering period" within the meaning of Rule 14d-11 promulgated under the Exchange Act, or (h) take any action inconsistent with Exchange Act Rule 14d-10, regarding the equal treatment of security holders, or any other applicable law or order.

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer, promptly following the Expiration Date, we will be required to accept for payment and pay for any Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn. We are permitted to (without Williams Controls's consent), and shall (a) extend the Offer for one or more periods of time in consecutive increments of up to ten (10) business days per extension if, at the time the Offer is scheduled to expire, any of the Offer Conditions are not satisfied or have not been waived, until such time as such Offer Conditions are satisfied or waived and (b) extend the Offer for any period required by any rule, regulation, interpretation or position of the SEC or its staff or any rule or regulation of the New York Stock Exchange ("**NYSE**") applicable to the Offer; provided, that (1) if at any such scheduled expiration of the Offer for one period of up to ten (10) business days, (B) if and as requested by Williams Controls, extend the Offer for one or more periods of up to ten (10) business days per extension, and (2) we shall not be required to extend the Offer beyond December 31, 2012 or the termination of the Merger Agreement.



There can be no assurance that we will exercise our right to extend the Offer or that we will be required under the Merger Agreement to extend the Offer. During any extension of the initial offering period, all Shares previously tendered and not properly withdrawn will remain subject to the Offer, subject to any withdrawal rights. See Section 4—"Withdrawal Rights."

If we make a material change in the terms of the Offer or the information concerning the Offer, or if we waive a material condition of the Offer, we will disseminate additional tender offer materials and extend the Offer if and to the extent required by Rules 14d-4(d), 14d-6(c) and 14e-1(d) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), or otherwise. The minimum period during which a tender offer must remain open following material changes in the terms of the tender offer or the information concerning the tender offer, other than a change in the consideration offered or a change in the percentage of securities sought, will depend upon the facts and circumstances, including the relative materiality of such changes. With respect to a change in the consideration offered or a change of securities sought, a tender offer generally must remain open for at least ten (10) business days following such change.

We expressly reserve the right, in our sole discretion, subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, to not accept for payment or pay for any Shares if, at the expiration of the Offer, any of the Offer Conditions have not been satisfied or upon the occurrence of any of the events set forth in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." Under certain circumstances, we may terminate the Merger Agreement and the Offer.

We expressly reserve the right, in our sole discretion, subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, to delay acceptance of Shares and to delay payment for Shares pending receipt of any governmental regulatory approvals specified in Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters", without prejudice to our rights set forth in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." See Sections 13 and 15—"Conditions of the Offer" and "Certain Legal Matters." The reservation by us of the right to delay the acceptance for payment of or payment for Shares is subject to the provisions of Rule 14e-1(c) under the Exchange Act, which requires us to pay the consideration offered or to return Shares deposited by or on behalf of tendering stockholders promptly after the termination or withdrawal of the Offer.

Any extension or amendment of the Offer, waiver of a condition of the Offer, delay in acceptance for payment or payment, or termination of the Offer will be followed promptly by public announcement thereof, such announcement in the case of an extension to be issued not later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled Expiration Date in accordance with the public announcement requirements of Rules 14d-4(d), 14d-6(c) and 14e-1(d) under the Exchange Act. Without limiting our obligation under such rules or the manner in which we may choose to make any public announcement, we currently intend to make announcements by issuing a press release to the Dow Jones News Service (or such other national media outlet or outlets as we deem prudent) and by making any appropriate filing with the SEC.

Williams Controls has agreed to provide us with its list of stockholders and security position listings for the purpose of disseminating the Offer to holders of Shares. This Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal and other related documents will be mailed to record holders of Shares whose names appear on Williams Controls's stockholder list and will be furnished to brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and similar persons whose names, or the names of whose nominees, appear on the stockholder list or, if applicable, who are listed as participants in a clearing agency's security position listing, for subsequent transmittal to beneficial owners of Shares.

For purposes of this Offer to Purchase, "**business day**" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a federal holiday determined under Rule 14d-1(g)(3) promulgated under the Exchange Act, and consists of the time period from 12:01 a.m. through 12:00 midnight, New York City time.

2. A cceptance for Payment and Payment for Shares

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer (including, if the Offer is extended or amended, the terms and conditions of any such extension or amendment), Purchaser will accept for payment, and will pay for, all



Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date promptly after the later of (a) the Expiration Date and (b) the satisfaction or waiver of the Offer Conditions set forth in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." In addition, subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and the applicable rules of the SEC, we reserve the right to delay acceptance for payment of, or payment for, Shares, pending receipt of any regulatory or governmental approvals specified in Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters." For information with respect to approvals that we are or may be required to obtain prior to the completion of the Offer, see Section 15—"Certain Legal Matters."

In all cases, payment for any Shares tendered and accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made only after timely receipt by the Depositary of (a) certificates representing such Shares, an indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares (as defined in Section 3 below) or confirmation of the book-entry transfer of such Shares into the Depositary's account at The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares," (b) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message (as defined in Section 3 below) in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and (c) any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal. See Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares."

For purposes of the Offer, Purchaser will be deemed to have accepted for payment and thereby purchased Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date if and when Purchaser gives oral or written notice to the Depositary of its acceptance for payment of such Shares pursuant to the Offer. Payment for Shares accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made by deposit of the purchase price therefor with the Depositary, which will act as agent for the tendering stockholders for purposes of receiving payments from Purchaser and transmitting such payments to the tendering stockholders. **Under no circumstances will interest be paid on the Offer Price for Shares, regardless of any extension of the Offer or any delay in payment for Shares.**

If any tendered Shares are not accepted for payment pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Offer for any reason, including if certificates are submitted for more Shares than are tendered, such Shares will be returned or credited to the appropriate account, as applicable. Such unpurchased Shares will be returned or credited (or new certificates for the Shares not tendered will be sent), without expense to the tendering stockholder promptly following expiration or termination of the Offer. In the case of Shares tendered by book-entry transfer into the Depositary's account at DTC pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares," such Shares will be credited to an account maintained by DTC.

If, prior to the Expiration Date, Purchaser shall increase the consideration offered to holders of Shares pursuant to the Offer, such increased consideration will be paid to holders of all Shares that are purchased pursuant to the Offer, whether or not such Shares were tendered prior to such increase in consideration.

Purchaser reserves the right, subject to the provisions of the Merger Agreement, to transfer or assign in whole or in part, from time to time, to Curtiss-Wright or one or more of its direct or in wholly owned subsidiaries, the right to purchase all or any portion of the Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer, but any such transfer or assignment will not relieve Purchaser of its obligations under the Offer and will in no way prejudice the rights of tendering stockholders to receive payment for Shares validly tendered and accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer.

3. P rocedures for Tendering Shares

Valid Tender of Shares. Except as set forth below, in order for you to validly tender Shares in the Offer, (a) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed in accordance with the instructions of the Letter of Transmittal, with any required signature guarantees, or an Agent's Message (as defined below) in connection with a book-entry delivery of Shares through DTC, and any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal, must be received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this Offer to Purchase prior to the Expiration Date and either (i) certificates representing Shares tendered must be delivered to the Depositary, (ii) the Letter of Transmittal must indicate the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry

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Shares or (iii) tendered Shares must be properly delivered pursuant to the procedures for book-entry transfer described below and a confirmation of such delivery received by the Depositary (which confirmation must include an Agent's Message if the tendering stockholder has not delivered a Letter of Transmittal), in each case, prior to the Expiration Date, or (b) you must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth below. The term "**Agent's Message**" means a message, transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the Depositary and forming a part of a Book-Entry Confirmation (as defined below), which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC tendering the Shares that are the subject of such Book-Entry Confirmation that such participant has received and agrees to be bound by the terms of the Letter of Transmittal and that Purchaser may enforce such agreement against the participant.

Direct Registration Account. If you hold your Shares in a direct registration account maintained by Williams Controls's transfer agent (such shares, "**Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares**"), in order to validly tender your Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares, you must deliver the Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, together with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents to the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this Offer to Purchase by the Expiration Date, or you must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

Book-Entry Transfer. The Depositary will establish an account with respect to the Shares at DTC for purposes of the Offer within two (2) business days after the date of this Offer to Purchase. Any financial institution that is a participant in DTC's systems may make a bookentry transfer of Shares by causing DTC to transfer such Shares into the Depositary's account in accordance with DTC's procedures for such transfer. However, although delivery of Shares may be effected through book-entry transfer, either the Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, together with any required signature guarantees, or an Agent's Message in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal, and any other required documents, must, in any case, be transmitted to and received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this Offer to Purchase prior to the Expiration Date, or the tendering stockholder must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below. The confirmation of a book-entry transfer of Shares into the Depositary's account at DTC as described above is referred to herein as a "**Book-Entry Confirmation**."

Delivery of documents to DTC in accordance with DTC's procedures does not constitute delivery to the Depositary.

Signature Guarantees and Stock Powers. Except as otherwise provided below, all signatures on a Letter of Transmittal must be guaranteed by a financial institution (which term includes most commercial banks, savings and loan associations and brokerage houses) that is a member in good standing of a recognized Medallion Program approved by The Securities Transfer Association, Inc., including the Security Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program and the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program (each, an " **Eligible Institution** "). Signatures on a Letter of Transmittal need not be guaranteed (a) if the Letter of Transmittal is signed by the registered owner(s) (which term, for purposes of this section, includes any participant in any of DTC's systems whose name appears on a security position listing as the owner of the Shares) of Shares tendered therewith and such registered owner has not completed the box entitled "Special Payment Instructions" or the box entitled "Special Delivery Instructions" on the Letter of Transmittal or (b) if such Shares are tendered for the account of an Eligible Institution. See Instructions 1 and 5 of the Letter of Transmittal. If the certificates for Shares are registered or not accepted for payment are to be returned to a person other than the registered owner of the certificates surrendered, then the tendered certificates must be endorsed or accompanied by appropriate stock powers, in either case, signed exactly as the name or names of the registered owner(s) or holder(s) appear on the certificates, with the signatures on the certificates or stock powers guaranteed as described above. See Instructions 1 and 5 of the Letter of Transmittal.

If certificates representing Shares are forwarded separately to the Depositary, a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, must accompany each delivery of certificates.

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Guaranteed Delivery. A stockholder who desires to tender Shares pursuant to the Offer and whose certificates for Shares are not immediately available, or who cannot comply with the procedures for book-entry transfer on a timely basis, or who cannot deliver all required documents to the Depositary prior to the Expiration Date, may tender such Shares by satisfying all of the requirements set forth below:

- a properly completed and duly executed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, in the form provided by Purchaser, is received by the Depositary (as provided below) prior to the Expiration Date; and
- the certificates for all tendered Shares, in proper form for transfer (or a Book-Entry Confirmation or indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares with respect to all such Shares), together with a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and any other required documents, are received by the Depositary within three (3) trading days after the date of execution of such Notice of Guaranteed Delivery. A " **trading day** " is any day on which the NYSE is open for business.

The Notice of Guaranteed Delivery may be delivered by hand or transmitted by facsimile transmission or mail to the Depositary and must include a guarantee by an Eligible Institution in the form set forth in such Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

The method of delivery of Shares, the Letter of Transmittal, the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and all other required documents, including delivery through DTC, is at the election and sole risk of the tendering stockholder. Delivery of all such documents will be deemed made only when actually received by the Depositary (including, in the case of a book-entry transfer, by Book-Entry Confirmation). If such delivery is by mail, we recommend that all such documents be sent by properly insured registered mail with return receipt requested. In all cases, sufficient time should be allowed to ensure timely delivery.

Other Requirements. Notwithstanding any provision hereof, Purchaser will pay for Shares pursuant to the Offer only after timely receipt by the Depositary of (a) certificates for (or a timely Book-Entry Confirmation with respect to) such Shares, (b) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed photocopy thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and (c) any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal. In addition, if the Shares to be tendered are Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares, the Letter of Transmittal must indicate that such Shares are Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares. Accordingly, tendering stockholders may be paid at different times depending upon when certificates for Shares, Letters of Transmittal or Book-Entry Confirmations with respect to Shares are actually received by the Depositary. **Under no circumstances will interest be paid on the Offer Price for Shares, regardless of any extension of the Offer or any delay in payment for Shares.**

Binding Agreement. The acceptance for payment by Purchaser of Shares tendered pursuant to one of the procedures described above will constitute a binding agreement between the tendering stockholder and Purchaser upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer.

Appointment as Proxy. By executing and delivering a Letter of Transmittal as set forth above (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer through DTC, by delivering an Agent's Message in lieu of a Letter of Transmittal), the tendering stockholder irrevocably appoints designees of Purchaser as such stockholder's attorneys-in-fact and proxies, each with full power of substitution, to the full extent of such stockholder's rights with respect to the Shares tendered by such stockholder and accepted for payment by Purchaser and with respect to any and all dividends, distributions, rights, other Shares or other securities issued or issuable in respect of such Shares on or after the date of the Merger Agreement. All such proxies and powers of attorney will be considered coupled with an interest in the tendered Shares. Such appointment is effective when, and only to the extent that, Purchaser accepts for payment Shares tendered by such stockholder as provided herein. Upon the effectiveness of such appointment, all prior powers of attorney, proxies and consents given by such stockholder with respect to such dividends, distributions,

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rights, Shares and other securities will, without further action, be revoked, and no subsequent powers of attorney, proxies or consents may be given (and, if given, will not be deemed effective). Purchaser's designees will, with respect to the Shares or other securities and rights for which the appointment is effective, be empowered to exercise all voting and other rights of such stockholder as they, in their sole discretion, may deem proper at any annual, special, adjourned or postponed meeting of the stockholders of Williams Controls, by written consent in lieu of any such meeting or otherwise. Purchaser reserves the right to require that, in order for Shares to be deemed validly tendered, immediately upon Purchaser's payment for such Shares, Purchaser must be able to exercise full voting, consent and other rights to the extent permitted under applicable law with respect to such Shares and other securities, including voting at any meeting of stockholders or executing a written consent concerning any matter. The Offer does not constitute a solicitation of proxies, absent a purchase of Shares as provided herein, for any meeting of the stockholders of Williams Controls.

Determination of Validity. All questions as to the validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt) and acceptance of any tender of Shares will be determined by Purchaser in its sole and absolute discretion, which determination shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such determination in a court of competent jurisdiction. Purchaser reserves the absolute right to reject any and all tenders determined by it not to be in proper form or the acceptance for payment of or payment for which may, in the opinion of Purchaser, be unlawful. Purchaser also reserves the absolute right to waive any defect or irregularity in the tender of any Shares of any particular stockholder whether or not similar defects or irregularities are waived in the case of any other stockholder. No tender of Shares will be deemed to have been validly made until all defects and irregularities relating thereto have been cured or waived. None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or assigns, the Depositary, the Information Agent or any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in tenders or incur any liability for failure to give any such notification. Purchaser's interpretation of the terms and conditions of the Offer (including the Letter of Transmittal and the Instructions thereto and any other documents related to the Offer) shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such interpretation in a court of competent jurisdiction.

4. W ithdrawal Rights

Except as otherwise provided in this Section 4, tenders of Shares pursuant to the Offer are irrevocable. A stockholder may withdraw Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer at any time on or prior to the Expiration Date and, unless and until Purchaser has previously accepted them for payments after January 11, 2013.

If Purchaser extends the Offer, is delayed in its acceptance for payment of or payment for Shares or is unable to accept for payment or pay for Shares pursuant to the Offer for any reason, then, without prejudice to Purchaser's rights under the Offer, the Depositary may nevertheless, on behalf of Purchaser, retain tendered Shares, and such Shares may not be withdrawn except to the extent that tendering stockholders exercise withdrawal rights as described in this Section 4 before the Expiration Date or after January 11, 2013, unless theretofore accepted for payment as provided herein.

For a withdrawal of Shares to be effective, a written notice of withdrawal must be timely received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this Offer to Purchase. Any notice of withdrawal must specify the name of the person having tendered the Shares to be withdrawn, the number of Shares to be withdrawn and the name of the record holder of the Shares to be withdrawn, if different from that of the person who tendered such Shares. The signature(s) on the notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution (as discussed above), unless such Shares have been tendered for the account of any Eligible Institution. If Shares have been tendered pursuant to the procedures for book-entry transfer as set forth in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares," any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account to be credited with the withdrawn Shares. If certificates representing the Shares have been delivered or otherwise identified to the Depositary, the name of the registered owner and the serial numbers shown on such certificates must also be furnished to the Depositary prior to the physical release of such certificates.

All questions as to the form and validity (including time of receipt) of any notice of withdrawal will be determined by Purchaser, in its sole and absolute discretion, which determination shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such determination in a court of competent jurisdiction. No withdrawal of Shares shall be deemed to have been properly made until all defects and irregularities have been cured or waived. None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or assigns, the Depositary, the

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Information Agent or any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in any notice of withdrawal or incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Withdrawals of tenders of Shares may not be rescinded, and any Shares properly withdrawn will be deemed not to have been validly tendered for purposes of the Offer. However, withdrawn Shares may be retendered by following one of the procedures for tendering Shares described in Section 3—"Procedures for Tendering Shares" at any time prior to the Expiration Date.

5. M aterial United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Offer and the Merger

The following is a summary of certain material U.S. federal income tax consequences to holders of Shares upon the tender of Shares for cash pursuant to the Offer and the exchange of Shares for cash pursuant to the Merger. This summary does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to a decision to dispose of Shares in the Offer or the Merger, including tax considerations that arise from rules of general application to all taxpayers or to certain classes of investors or that are generally assumed to be known by investors. This summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the " **Code** "), Treasury regulations, administrative rulings and court decisions, all as in effect as of the date hereof and all of which are subject to differing interpretations and/or change at any time (possibly with retroactive effect). In addition, this summary is not a complete description of all the tax consequences of the Offer and the Merger and, in particular, may not address U.S. federal income tax considerations to holders of Shares subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax law (including, for example, financial institutions, dealers in securities or currencies, traders that mark to market, holders who hold their Shares as part of a hedge, straddle or conversion transaction, insurance companies, tax-exempt entities and holders who obtained their Shares by exercising options). In addition, this summary does not discuss any consequences to Non-U.S. Holders (defined below) that have beneficially owned, directly or pursuant to attribution rules, more than five percent of our Shares at any time during the five-year period ending on the date of the Offer or the Merger (as applicable). Finally, this summary does not discuss any consequences to holders of options to purchase Shares or any aspect of state, local or foreign tax law that may be applicable to any holder of Shares, or any U.S. federal income tax considerations. This summary assumes tha

We urge holders of Shares to consult their own tax advisors with respect to the specific tax consequences to them in connection with the Offer and the Merger in light of their own particular circumstances, including the tax consequences under state, local, foreign and other tax laws.

U.S. Holders

Except as otherwise set forth below, the following discussion is limited to the U.S. federal income tax consequences relevant to a beneficial owner of Shares that is a citizen or resident of the United States, a domestic corporation (or any other entity or arrangement treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes), any estate (other than a foreign estate), and any trust if (i) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust, and (ii) one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust (a " U.S. Holder ").

If a partnership (including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds Shares, the tax treatment of a holder that is a partner in the partnership generally will depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Such holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of exchanging the Shares pursuant to the Offer or pursuant to the Merger.

Payments with Respect to Shares

The receipt of cash in respect of a tender of Shares pursuant to the Offer and the exchange of Shares for cash pursuant to the Merger will each be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and a U.S. Holder who receives cash for Shares pursuant to the Offer or pursuant to the Merger will recognize gain or loss, if any, equal to the difference between the amount of cash received and the holder's adjusted tax basis in the Shares. Such gain or loss will be capital gain or loss, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if such U.S. Holder's holding

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period for the Shares is more than one year at the time of the exchange of such holder's Shares for cash. Long-term capital gains recognized by an individual holder generally are subject to tax at a lower rate than short-term capital gains or ordinary income. There are limitations on the deductibility of capital losses.

Backup Withholding Tax and Information Reporting

Payments made with respect to the tender of Shares for cash in the Offer or the exchange of Shares for cash pursuant to the Merger will be subject to information reporting and U.S. federal backup withholding tax (currently at a rate of 28 percent) unless the U.S. Holder (i) furnishes an accurate tax identification number or otherwise complies with applicable U.S. information reporting or certification requirements (typically, by completing and signing a substitute Form W-9, which will be included with the Letter of Transmittal) or (ii) is a corporation or other exempt recipient and, when required, demonstrates such fact. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against a U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that such U.S. Holder furnishes the required information to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely manner.

Additional Medicare Tax on Unearned Income in 2013

If the receipt of cash in respect of a tender of Shares pursuant to the Offer or the exchange of Shares for cash pursuant to the Merger occurs after December 31, 2012, the transaction will be subject to the new 3.8% Medicare tax on unearned income. With respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, certain United States Holders, including individuals, estates and trusts, will be subject to an additional 3.8% Medicare tax on unearned income. For individual United States holders, the additional Medicare tax applies to the lesser of (i) "net investment income," or (ii) the excess of "modified adjusted gross income" over \$200,000 (\$250,000 if married and filing jointly or \$125,000 if married and filing separately). "Net investment income" generally equals the taxpayer's gross investment income reduced by the deductions that are allocable to such income. Investment income generally includes passive income such as interest, dividends, annuities, royalties, rents, and capital gains. You are urged to consult your own tax advisor regarding the implications of the additional Medicare tax resulting from exchanging Shares pursuant to the Offer or pursuant to the Merger.

Non-U.S. Holders

The following is a summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences that will apply to you if you are a Non-U.S. Holder of Shares. The term "**Non-U.S. Holder**" means a beneficial owner, other than a partnership, of Shares that is not a U.S. Holder.

Non-U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors to determine the specific U.S. federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences that may be relevant to them.

Payments with Respect to Shares

Payments made to a Non-U.S. Holder with respect to Shares exchanged for cash in the Offer or pursuant to the Merger generally will be exempt from U.S. federal income tax, unless:

• the gain on Shares, if any, is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States (and, if certain income tax treaties apply, is attributable to the Non-U.S. Holder's permanent establishment in the United States) (in which event (i) the Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax as described under "U.S. Holders— Payments with Respect to Shares," but such Non-U.S. Holder should provide a Form W-8ECI instead of a Form W-9 and (ii) if the Non-U.S. Holder is a corporation, it may be subject to branch profits tax on such gain at a 30 percent rate (or such lower rate as may be specified under an applicable income tax treaty));



the Non-U.S. Holder is an individual who was present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year and certain other conditions are met (in which event the Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to tax at a flat rate of 30 percent (or such lower rate as may be specified under an applicable income tax treaty) on the gain from the exchange of the Shares net of applicable U.S. losses from sales or exchanges of other capital assets recognized during the year); or

• the Non-U.S. Holder is an individual subject to tax pursuant to U.S. tax rules applicable to certain expatriates.

Backup Withholding Tax and Information Reporting

In general, if you are a Non-U.S. Holder you will not be subject to backup withholding and information reporting with respect to a payment made with respect to Shares exchanged for cash in the Offer or the Merger if you have provided the Depositary with an IRS Form W-8BEN (or a Form W-8ECI if your gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business). If Shares are held through a foreign partnership or other flow-through entity, certain documentation requirements also apply to the partnership or other flow-through entity. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against a Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that such Non-U.S. Holder furnishes the required information to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely manner.

6. P rice Range of Shares; Dividends

According to Williams Controls's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 (the "**Form 10-K**"), the Shares began trading on the NYSE Amex under the symbol "WMCO" on December 7, 2011 and, prior to that time, were traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the same symbol. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low prices per Share as reported in the Form 10-K with respect to periods through September 30, 2011 and as reported by published financial sources for periods starting October 1, 2011.

Fiscal Year	High		Low	
2010:				
First Quarter	\$	8.73	\$	7.74
Second Quarter	\$	8.12	\$	7.15
Third Quarter	\$	9.76	\$	8.20
Fourth Quarter	\$	10.47	\$	7.51
2011:				
First Quarter	\$	11.62	\$	9.10
Second Quarter	\$	11.63	\$	10.26
Third Quarter	\$	12.49	\$	11.06
Fourth Quarter	\$	11.50	\$	10.01
2012:				
First Quarter	\$	11.25	\$	10.67
Second Quarter	\$	11.39	\$	10.45
Third Quarter	\$	12.20	\$	10.80
Fourth Quarter	\$	12.95	\$	10.47
2013:				
First Quarter (through November 13, 2012)	\$	15.60	\$	10.25

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On October 31, 2012, the last full trading day prior to the public announcement that Curtiss-Wright and Williams Controls had entered into the Merger Agreement and that Purchaser would commence the Offer, the reported closing sales price per Share on the NYSE was \$10.91 per Share. On November 14, 2012, the last full trading day prior to the commencement of the Offer, the reported closing sales price per Share on the NYSE was \$15.36 per Share. Stockholders are urged to obtain a current market quotation for the Shares.

Purchaser has been advised that, except for the \$0.12 per share cash dividends declared by the Williams Controls Board on (1) February 24, 2011 payable to stockholders of record on May 2, 2011 (paid on May 12, 2011), (2) August 4, 2011 payable to stockholders of record on August 18, 2011 (paid on August 25, 2011) and (3) December 8, 2011 payable to stockholders of record on December 19, 2011 (paid on December 28, 2011), (4) February 7, 2012 payable to stockholders of record on February 21, 2012 (paid on February 28, 2012), (5) May 1, 2012 payable to stockholders of record on May 17, 2012 (paid on May 24, 2012), (6) August 8, 2012 payable to stockholders of record on August 21, 2012 (paid on August 28, 2012) Williams Controls has not declared or paid any dividends in the past two years. Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, except as required by law, Williams Controls is not permitted to declare, set aside or pay dividends with respect to the Shares other than cash dividends made by any direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Williams Controls to Williams Controls or one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. See Section 14—"Dividends and Distributions."

7. P ossible Effects of the Offer on the Market for the Shares; NYSE Listing; Exchange Act Registration and Margin Regulations

As set forth in Section 11—"Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements—The Merger," following the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer, Curtiss-Wright will effect the Merger, as a result of which all Shares Curtiss-Wright and its subsidiaries, including Purchaser, do not own will be canceled and converted automatically into the right to receive from Purchaser the Merger Consideration (which is cash in the same amount as the Offer Price), without interest and subject to applicable withholding taxes. However, if the short-form merger is not consummated, during the period after the Acceptance Time and prior to consummation of the Merger, our purchase of Shares in the Offer may have material effects on the market for the Shares, NYSE listing and Exchange Act registration of the Shares and the eligibility of the Shares to be used as collateral for margin loans. These potential effects are summarized below.

Possible Effects of the Offer on the Market for the Shares. The purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer will reduce the number of Shares that might otherwise trade publicly and could adversely affect the liquidity and market value of the remaining Shares held by the public. The purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer can also be expected to reduce the number of holders of Shares. The number of Shares that are still in the hands of the public, and the number of stockholders, may be so small that there will no longer be an active or liquid public trading market (or possibly any public trading market). We cannot predict whether the reduction in the number of Shares that might otherwise trade publicly would have an adverse or beneficial effect on the market price or marketability of the Shares or whether it would cause future market prices to be greater or less than the Offer Price.

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NYSE Listing. The Shares are listed on the NYSE. Depending upon the number of Shares purchased pursuant to the Offer and the number of Williams Controls stockholders remaining thereafter, the Shares may no longer meet the requirements of the NYSE for continued listing and may be delisted from the NYSE. According to the NYSE's published guidelines, the NYSE would consider delisting the Shares if, among other things, (i) the number of total stockholders of Williams Controls should fall below 1,200 and the average monthly trading volume for the Shares is less than 100,000 for the most recent 12 months or (iii) the number of publicly held Shares (exclusive of holdings of officers and directors of Williams Controls and their immediate families and other concentrated holdings of 10% or more) should fall below 600,000.

If, as a result of the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer or otherwise, the Shares no longer meet the requirements of the NYSE for continued listing and the listing of the Shares is discontinued, the market for the Shares could be adversely affected. If the NYSE were to delist the Shares, it is possible that the Shares would continue to trade on another securities exchange or in the over-the-counter market and that price or other quotations would be reported by such exchange or other sources. The extent of the public market therefor and the availability of such quotations would depend, however, upon such factors as the number of stockholders and/or the aggregate market value of such securities remaining at such time, the interest in maintaining a market in the Shares on the part of securities firms, the possible termination of registration under the Exchange Act as described below, and other factors. Curtiss-Wright cannot predict whether the reduction in the number of Shares that might otherwise trade publicly would have an adverse or beneficial effect on the market price for or marketability of the Shares or whether it would cause future market prices to be greater or less than the consideration being offered in the Offer.

If the Shares are not delisted prior to the Merger, then Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser intend to delist the Shares from the NYSE promptly following the consummation of the Merger.

Exchange Act Registration. The Shares are currently registered under the Exchange Act. The purchase of the Shares pursuant to the Offer may result in the Shares becoming eligible for deregistration under the Exchange Act. Registration of the Shares may be terminated by Williams Controls upon application to the SEC if the outstanding Shares are not listed on a "national securities exchange" and there are fewer than 300 holders of record of Shares. After the Acceptance Time, Williams Controls shall use its reasonable best efforts to enable the de-listing of the Shares from NYSE and the deregistration of the Shares under the Exchange Act as promptly as practicable after the Effective Time, and in any event no more than ten days thereafter.

Termination of registration of the Shares under the Exchange Act would reduce the information required to be furnished by Williams Controls to its stockholders and to the SEC and would make certain provisions of the Exchange Act (such as the short-swing profit recovery provisions of Section 16(b), the requirement of furnishing a proxy statement or information statement in connection with stockholders' meetings or actions in lieu of a stockholders' meeting pursuant to Section 14(a) and 14(c) of the Exchange Act and the related requirement of furnishing an annual report to stockholders) no longer applicable with respect to the Shares. In addition, if the Shares are no longer registered under the Exchange Act, the requirements of Rule 13e-3 with respect to "going private" transactions would no longer be applicable to Williams Controls. Furthermore, the ability of "affiliates" of Williams Controls and certain persons holding "restricted securities" of Williams Controls to dispose of such securities pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, may be impaired or eliminated. If registration of the Shares under the Exchange Act were terminated, the Shares would no longer be eligible for continued inclusion on the Federal Reserve Board's list of "margin securities" or eligible for stock exchange listing. Purchaser intends to seek to cause Williams Controls to apply for termination of registration of the Shares as soon as possible after the Acceptance Time if the requirements for termination of registration are met.

If registration of the Shares is not terminated prior to the Merger, then the registration of the Shares under the Exchange Act will be terminated following completion of the Merger.

Margin Regulations. The Shares are currently "margin securities" under the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, which has the effect, among other things, of allowing brokers to extend credit using such Shares as collateral. Depending upon factors similar to those described above regarding listing and

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market quotations, the Shares might no longer constitute "margin securities" for the purposes of the margin regulations, in which event the Shares would be ineligible to be used as collateral for margin loans made by brokers.

8. C ertain Information Concerning Williams Controls

The following description of Williams Controls and its business has been taken from Williams Controls's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such report.

Williams Controls is a Delaware corporation with its principal executive offices located at 14100 SW 72 nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97224. Williams Controls's telephone number at such principal executive offices is (503) 684-8300.

Williams Controls designs, manufactures and sells electronic throttle controls, pneumatic controls, and electronic sensors for heavy trucks, transit buses, off-road equipment and military applications. Williams Controls also designs and manufactures a line of adjustable foot pedals and arm rests.

Available Information. Williams Controls is subject to the information and reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and in accordance therewith is obligated to file reports and other information with the SEC relating to its business, financial condition and other matters. Certain information, as of particular dates, concerning Williams Controls's business, principal physical properties, capital structure, material pending litigation, operating results, financial condition, directors and officers (including their remuneration and stock options granted to them), the principal holders of Williams Controls's securities, any material interests of such persons in transactions with Williams Controls, and other matters is required to be disclosed in proxy statements and periodic reports distributed to Williams Controls's stockholders and filed with the SEC. Such reports, proxy statements and other information should be available for inspection at the public reference room at the SEC's office at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. Copies may be obtained by mail, upon payment of the SEC's customary charges, by writing to its principal office at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. Further information on the operation of the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC can be obtained by calling the SEC at 1 (800) SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an Internet web site that contains reports, proxy statements and other information about issuers, such as Williams Controls, who file electronically with the SEC. The address of that site is http://www.sec.gov.

Sources of Information. Except as otherwise set forth herein, the information concerning Williams Controls contained in this Offer to Purchase has been based upon publicly available documents and records on file with the SEC, including the Form 10-K, and other public sources. The information concerning Williams Controls taken or derived from such documents and records is qualified in its entirety by reference to Williams Controls's public filings with the SEC (which may be obtained and inspected as described above) and should be considered in conjunction with the more comprehensive financial and other information in such reports and other publicly available information. Although we have no knowledge that any such information contains any misstatements or omissions, none of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, or any of their respective affiliates or assigns, the Information Agent or the Depositary assumes responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the information concerning Williams Controls contained in such documents and records or for any failure by Williams Controls to disclose events which may have occurred or may affect the significance or accuracy of any such information.

Prospective Financial Information. In connection with and at various stages during the discussions between Curtiss-Wright and Williams Controls that led to the negotiation of the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls provided Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser certain prospective financial information concerning Williams Controls, including projected sales revenues, gross profit, net income, net working capital, diluted earnings per share, and earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for Williams Controls's fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of their affiliates or representatives participated in preparing, and they do not express any view on, the prospective financial information summarized below, or the assumptions underlying such information. The summary of such information is included solely to give stockholders access to the

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information that was made available to Curtiss-Wright and is not included in this Offer to Purchase in order to influence any Williams Controls stockholder to make any investment decision with respect to the Offer or the Merger, including whether to tender Shares in the Offer or whether or not to seek appraisal rights with respect to the Shares.

It is our understanding that this prospective financial information was prepared by Williams Controls solely for internal use and was not prepared for use in the documents relating to the Offer or with a view toward public disclosure, or with a view toward compliance with published guidelines of the SEC, the guidelines established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants for preparation and presentation of financial forecasts, or generally accepted accounting principles (" **GAAP** "). To our knowledge, neither Williams Controls's independent registered public accounting firm, nor any other independent accountants, have compiled, examined or performed any procedures with respect to the prospective financial information included below, or expressed any opinion or any other form of assurance on such information or its achievability.

It is our understanding that Williams Controls's prospective financial information reflects numerous estimates and assumptions made by Williams Controls with respect to industry performance, general business, economic, regulatory, market and financial conditions and other future events, as well as matters specific to Williams Controls's business, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond Williams Controls's control. Certain of these assumptions are described under the heading "Use of Financial Projections" in the Schedule 14D-9 prepared by Williams Controls and being distributed to holders of Shares with this Offer to Purchase. The prospective financial information reflects subjective judgment in many respects and thus is susceptible to multiple interpretations and periodic revisions based on actual experience and business developments. As such, the prospective financial information constitutes forward-looking information and is subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results forecasted in such prospective financial information, including, but not limited to, Williams Controls's performance, industry performance, general business and economic conditions, customer requirements, competition, adverse changes in applicable laws, regulations or rules, and the various risks set forth in Williams Controls's reports filed with the SEC. There can be no assurance that the prospective results will be realized or that actual results will not be significantly higher or lower than forecasted. The prospective financial information covers multiple years and such information by its nature becomes less reliable with each successive year. In addition, the prospective financial information will be affected by Williams Controls's ability to achieve strategic goals, objectives and targets over the applicable periods. We understand that the assumptions upon which the prospective financial information was based necessarily involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive and regulatory conditions and financial market conditions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond Williams Controls's control. The prospective financial information also reflects assumptions as to certain business decisions that are subject to change. Such information cannot, therefore, be considered a guaranty of future operating results, and this information should not be relied on as such. The inclusion of this information should not be regarded as an indication that Williams Controls, Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, any of their respective representatives or anyone who received this information then considered, or now considers, it necessarily predictive of actual future events, and this information should not be relied upon as such. None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, their advisors or representatives (including the Information Agent and the Depositary) or any of their respective affiliates makes any representation to any stockholder regarding the validity, reasonableness, accuracy or completeness of the prospective financial information described below.

None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of their advisors or representatives (including the Information Agent and the Depositary) or any of their respective affiliates intends to, and each of them disclaims any obligation to, update, revise or correct such prospective financial information if they are or become inaccurate (even in the short term).

We understand that the prospective financial information does not take into account any circumstances or events occurring after the date it was prepared, including the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement. There can be no assurance that the announcement of the Offer or the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement will not cause customers of Williams Controls to delay or cancel purchases of Williams Controls's products pending the consummation of such transactions or the clarification of any intentions with respect to the conduct of Williams Controls's business thereafter. Any such delay or cancellation of customer sales is likely to

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adversely affect the ability of Williams Controls to achieve the results reflected in such prospective financial information. Further, the prospective financial information does not take into account the effect of any failure of the Offer or the Merger to occur and should not be viewed as accurate or continuing in that context.

The inclusion of the prospective financial information herein should not be deemed an admission or representation by Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser that they are viewed by Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser as material information of Williams Controls. The prospective financial information should be evaluated, if at all, in conjunction with the historical financial statements and other information regarding Williams Controls contained in Williams Controls's public filings with the SEC. In light of the foregoing factors and the uncertainties inherent in Williams Controls's prospective financial information, stockholders are cautioned not to place undue, if any, reliance on the prospective financial information included in this Offer to Purchase.

The following is a summary of the prospective financial information Williams Controls provided to Curtiss-Wright in connection with its due diligence review:

		Years Ending September								
	2	2013 E		(dollars in millions) 2014 E		015 E				
Sales Revenue Cost of Sales		79.0 (54.2)		87.3 (60.4)		97.7 (67.5)				
Gross Profit	\$	24.8	\$	26.9	\$	30.2				
Engineering & Design SG&A		(5.0) (9.1)		(5.1) (9.4)		(5.2) (9.6)				
Operating Income	\$	10.7	\$	12.4	\$	15.5				
Net Income	\$	7.0	\$	8.1	\$	10.1				
EBITDA Total Adjustments		13.6 1.9		15.4 1.9		18.5 1.9				
Adjusted EBIDTA		15.5		17.3		20.3				
Fully Diluted Shares of Common Stock Outstanding Diluted EPS	\$	7.503 0.93	\$	7.503 1.08	\$	7.503 1.34				
Capital Expenditures Net Working Capital	\$	(2.5) 9.5	\$	(2.5) 10.3	\$	(2.5) 11.6				
iver working Capital	\$	9.5	Ф	10.5	Ф	11.0				

Certain of the prospective financial information set forth herein are non-GAAP financial measures. We understand that Williams Controls provided this information to Curtiss-Wright because Williams Controls believed it could be useful in evaluating, on a prospective basis, Williams Controls's potential operating performance and cash flow. Non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information presented in compliance with GAAP, and non-GAAP financial measures as used by Williams Controls may not be comparable to similarly titled amounts used by other companies.

The following table presents a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income, which Williams Controls believes represents the most comparable GAAP measure. This table also presents a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income. Readers also should note that, as with all other information presented in this section, the information presented in this table reflects forward-looking, rather than historical, information.

		Fiscal Year Ending September							
		(dollars in millions)							
	2	2013P 2014P			2015P				
Reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income									
EBITDA	\$	13.6	\$	15.4	\$	18.5			
Less:									
Depreciation & Amortization		2.9		3.0		3.0			
Interest Expense (Income)		-		-		_			
Income Taxes		3.7		4.3		5.4			
Net Income	\$	7.0	\$	8.1	\$	10.1			

Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income

Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 15.5	\$ 17.3	\$ 20.3
Less:			
Investment in India	-	-	-
Public Williams Controls Reporting Costs ⁽¹⁾	1.9	1.9	1.9
Depreciation & Amortization	2.9	3.0	3.0
Interest Expense (Income)	-	-	-
Income Taxes	3.7	4.3	5.4
Net Income	\$ 7.0	\$ 8.1	\$ 10.1

⁽¹⁾ Includes accounting, legal and other professional fees as well as additional employee costs and filing fees.

9. C ertain Information Concerning Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright

Purchaser. Purchaser is a Delaware corporation and, to date, has engaged in no activities other than those incident to its formation and to the Offer and the Merger. Purchaser is a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright. The principal executive offices of Purchaser are located at at 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277 and Purchaser's telephone number at such principal executive offices is (704) 869-4650.

Curtiss-Wright Controls. Curtiss-Wright Controls is a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser. Curtiss-Wright Controls is the Motion Control segment of Curtiss-Wright Corporation and a leading designer and manufacturer of advanced technologies for niche actuation and drive applications, integrated sensors and electronic subsystems internationally for the aerospace and defense markets. The principal executive offices of Curtiss-Wright Controls are located at 15800 John J. Delaney

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Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277. Curtiss-Wright Control's telephone number at such principal executive offices is (704)869-4650.

Curtiss-Wright. Curtiss-Wright is a Delaware corporation. Its shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. (NYSE). Curtiss-Wright is a diversified, multinational provider of highly engineered, technologically advanced products and services. Curtiss-Wright designs and manufactures highly engineered, advanced technologies that perform critical functions in demanding conditions in the defense, power generation, oil and gas, commercial aerospace, and general industrial markets, where safety, performance, and reliability are essential. The principal executive offices of Curtiss-Wright are located at 10 Waterview Boulevard, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054. Curtiss-Wright's telephone number at such principal executive offices is (973) 541-3700.

Additional Information. The name, business address, citizenship, present principal occupation and employment history for the past five years of each of the members of the board of directors and the executive officers of Curtiss-Wright and the members of the board of directors and the executive officers of Purchaser are set forth in Schedule A to this Offer to Purchase.

None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons listed in Schedule A, has during the last five years (a) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (b) been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding (except for matters that were dismissed without sanction or settlement) that resulted in a judgment, decree or final order enjoining the person from future violations of, or prohibiting activities subject to, U.S. federal or state securities laws or a finding of any violation of U.S. federal or state securities laws.

Except as set forth elsewhere in this Offer to Purchase: (a) none of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons listed in Schedule A or any associate or majority-owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of the persons so listed, beneficially owns or has a right to acquire any Shares or any other equity securities of Williams Controls, (b) none of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons referred to in clause (a) above or any of their executive officers, directors, affiliates or subsidiaries has effected any transaction in Shares or any other equity securities of Williams Controls during the past 60 days, (c) none of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, their subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons listed in Schedule A, has any agreement, arrangement, or understanding, whether or not legally enforceable, with any other person with respect to any securities of Williams Controls (including, but not limited to, any agreement, arrangement, or understanding concerning the transfer or the voting of any such securities, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of loans, guarantees against loss or the giving or withholding of proxies, consents or authorizations), (d) in the past two years, except as previously disclosed in Williams Controls's filings with the SEC, there have been no transactions that would require reporting under the rules and regulations of the SEC between any of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, their subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons listed in Schedule A, on the one hand, and Williams Controls or any of its executive officers, directors or affiliates, on the other hand, and (e) in the past two years, there have been no negotiations, transactions or material contacts between any of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, their subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of Curtiss-Wright or Purchaser after reasonable inquiry, any of the persons listed in Schedule A, on the one hand, and Williams Controls or any of its affiliates, on the other hand, concerning a merger, consolidation or acquisition, a tender offer or other acquisition of Williams Controls's securities, an election of Williams Controls's directors or a sale or other transfer of a material amount of assets of Williams Controls.

We do not believe our financial condition is relevant to your decision whether to tender your Shares and accept the Offer because (a) the Offer is being made for all issued and outstanding Shares solely for cash, (b) the Offer is not subject to any financing condition, (c) if we consummate the Offer, we will acquire all remaining Shares for the same cash price pursuant to the Merger, and (d) Curtiss-Wright has, and will arrange for Purchaser to have, sufficient funds to purchase all Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn in the Offer and to acquire the remaining issued and outstanding Shares pursuant to the Merger at the Acceptance Time and the Effective Time, as the case may be.

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10. B ackground of the Offer; Contacts with Williams Controls

As part of their ongoing evaluation of Curtiss-Wright's business and strategic alternatives, our board of directors and senior members of our management, on occasion with the assistance of outside financial and legal advisors, evaluate strategic opportunities and prospects for acquisitions.

In late May 2012, representatives of Houlihan Lokey contacted Curtiss-Wright to assess Curtiss-Wright's interest in acquiring Williams Controls.

During the week of June 4, 2012, senior management of Curtiss-Wright discussed the potential merits of acquiring Williams Controls and worked with Houlihan Lokey to arrange a management visit.

On July 18, 2012, members of Curtiss-Wright's management toured Williams Controls' facilities located in Oregon with members of Williams Controls' senior management and received marketing materials.

On August 9, 2012, Curtiss-Wright submitted an initial indication of interest with a purchase price range of \$13.55 to \$14.67 per share.

On August 13, 2012, Curtiss-Wright amended the range to \$14.05 - \$14.67 per share.

On August 21, 2012, Curtiss-Wright increased its offer to \$15.00 per share after discussions with Houlihan Lokey.

On September 8 through 11, 2012, Curtiss-Wright's executives had a series of meetings with Williams Controls' management as part of its due diligence evaluation.

On September 11, 2012, Curtiss-Wright's Co-Chief Operating Officer toured Williams Controls' facility in China and conducted a detailed review of sales forecasts, budget methodologies and accounting systems with Williams Controls' management.

On September 17, 2012, Curtiss-Wright submitted a draft merger agreement and an offer of \$15.75 per share.

On September 18, 2012, Curtiss-Wright was advised by Houlihan Lokey that based upon the terms of the draft merger agreement and offer submitted, Curtiss-Wright would be granted exclusivity to move forward with the acquisition.

On October 3 and 4, 2012, senior members of the management of both Williams Controls and Curtiss-Wright met with Houlihan Lokey to discuss Williams Controls' financial results, sales forecasts and tax and pension issues.

On October 11, 2012, Williams Controls' management discussed engineering, quality and operational capabilities with Curtiss-Wright's management in a due diligence session.

On October 16 and 18, 2012, senior management of Curtiss-Wright Controls toured Williams Controls' facilities in India and China with senior management of Williams Controls.

During October 2012, Curtiss-Wright and Williams Controls, together with their legal and financial advisors, negotiated the Merger Agreement and the proposed offer price.

On October 24, 2012, based on its due diligence review of Williams Controls, Curtiss-Wright lowered its proposed offer price to \$15.15 per share.

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Between October 26 and 28, 2012, Curtiss-Wright and Houlihan Lokey had multiple discussions and negotiation sessions, culminating in a negotiated offer price of \$15.42 per share.

On October 29, 2012, the Board of Directors of Curtiss-Wright and its relevant subsidiaries approved the Merger Agreement, including the offer price. On October 31, 2012, Williams Controls and Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. executed the Merger Agreement and Curtiss-Wright entered into the Tender and Support Agreement with the directors, executive officers and certain stockholders of Williams Controls.

On November 1, 2012, before the U.S. stock markets opened, Curtiss-Wright and Williams Controls issued a joint press release announcing the execution of the Merger Agreement and the forthcoming announcement of a tender offer to acquire all of the issued and outstanding Shares at a price of \$15.42 per Share in cash. The press release is filed as Exhibit (a)(5)(A) to the Schedule TO and is incorporated herein by reference.

11. P urpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements

Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls. The purpose of the Offer and the Merger is for Curtiss-Wright, through Purchaser, to acquire control of, and the entire equity interest in, Williams Controls. The Offer, as a first step in the acquisition of Williams Controls, is intended to facilitate the acquisition of all the Shares. Pursuant to the Merger, we will acquire all of the capital stock of Williams Controls not purchased pursuant to the Offer, the top-up option or otherwise. Stockholders of Williams Controls who sell their Shares in the Offer will cease to have any equity interest in Williams Controls or any right to participate in its earnings and future growth. If the Merger is consummated, non-tendering stockholders also will no longer have an equity interest in Williams Controls. On the other hand, after selling their Shares in the Offer or the subsequent Merger, stockholders of Williams Controls will not bear the risk of any decrease in the value of Williams Controls.

Assuming Purchaser purchases a majority of the issued and outstanding Shares pursuant to the Offer, we are entitled and currently intend to exercise our rights under the Merger Agreement to obtain pro rata representation on, and control of, the Williams Controls Board. Following the Merger, the directors of Purchaser will become the directors of Williams Controls. See "The Merger Agreement—Directors."

In accordance with the Merger Agreement, if we accept for payment and pay for at least a majority of the issued and outstanding Shares in the Offer, we will acquire the remaining Shares pursuant to the Merger. Under the Merger Agreement, following our acceptance for payment of the Shares in the Offer, we have the option under the top-up option to purchase from Williams Controls Shares sufficient to cause Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser to own one Share more than 90 percent of the total Shares that would then be outstanding. The availability of the top-up option is subject to certain conditions and cannot be exercised: (i) to purchase an amount of Shares in excess of the number of shares of common stock that can be issued without the Williams Controls being obligated to obtain stockholder approval pursuant to NYSE Rule 312.03 (c), (ii) unless the Offer closing will have occurred and (iii) unless, immediately after such exercise, Curtiss-Wright and its subsidiaries would own more than 90% of the Shares then outstanding on a fully diluted basis. See "The Merger Agreement—Top-Up Option."

We are conducting a detailed review of Williams Controls and its assets, corporate structure, dividend policy, capitalization, operations, properties, policies, management and personnel and will consider what, if any, changes would be desirable in light of the circumstances which exist upon completion of the Offer. We will continue to evaluate the business and operations of Williams Controls during the pendency of the Offer and after the consummation of the Offer and the Merger and will take such actions as we deem appropriate under the circumstances then existing. Thereafter, we intend to review such information as part of a comprehensive review of Williams Controls's business, operations, capitalization and management with a view of optimizing development of Williams Controls's potential in conjunction with Curtiss-Wright's existing businesses. Possible changes could include changes in Williams Controls's business, corporate structure, charter, by laws, capitalization, board of directors, management and dividend policy, although, except as disclosed in this Offer to Purchase, Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser have no current plans with respect to any of such matters.



Except as disclosed in this Offer to Purchase, we do not have any present plans or proposals that would result in an extraordinary corporate transaction involving Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries, such as a merger, reorganization, liquidation, relocation of operations, or sale or transfer of a material amount of assets, or any material changes in Williams Controls's capitalization, corporate structure, business or composition of its management or board of directors.

The Merger Agreement.

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Merger Agreement. This summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Merger Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit (d)(1) to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO that we have filed with the SEC on November 15, 2012 (the "**Schedule TO**") and which is incorporated herein by reference. The Merger Agreement may be examined and copies may be obtained in the manner set forth in Section 8—"Certain Information Concerning Williams Controls."

The Offer. The Merger Agreement provides that Purchaser will commence the Offer and that, upon the terms and subject to prior satisfaction or waiver of the Offer Conditions described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer" (including, if the Offer is extended or amended, the terms and conditions of any extension or amendment), Purchaser will accept for payment, and pay for, all Shares validly tendered pursuant to the Offer and not properly withdrawn prior to the Expiration Date.

Purchaser is permitted to (without the consent of Williams Controls), and shall (a) extend the Offer for one or more periods of time in consecutive increments of up to ten (10) business days per extension if, at the time the Offer is scheduled to expire, any of the Offer Conditions are not satisfied or have not been waived, until such time as such Offer Conditions are satisfied or waived, and (b) extend the Offer for any period required by any rule, regulation, interpretation or position of the SEC or its staff or any rule or regulation of the NYSE applicable to the Offer; provided, that (1) if at any such scheduled expiration of the Offer, the Minimum Tender Condition is not satisfied but all other Offer Conditions are satisfied or waived, then Purchaser shall (A) have the right to extend the Offer for one period of up to ten (10) business days, or (B) if and as requested by Williams Controls, extend the Offer for one or more periods of time in consecutive increments of up to ten (10) business days per extension, and (2) we shall not be required to extend the Offer beyond December 31, 2012 or the termination of the Merger Agreement.

The Offer Price shall be adjusted appropriately and proportionately to reflect the effect of any stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend (including any dividend or distribution of securities convertible into Shares), cash dividend, reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, combination, exchange of shares or other like change with respect to the Shares occurring on or after the date hereof and prior to the Acceptance Time.

Recommendation. Williams Controls has represented to us in the Merger Agreement that the Williams Controls Board (at a meeting duly called and held) has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer and approve and adopt the Merger Agreement and the Merger (the "**Company Recommendation**"). Williams Controls has further represented to us that such Williams Controls Board resolutions are sufficient to render inapplicable to Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser Section 203 of the DGCL and any other takeover laws that may purport to be applicable to the Offer, the Merger, the exercise of the top-up option and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement.

Directors. The Merger Agreement provides that, subject to the requirements of Section 14(f) of the Exchange Act, Rule 14f-1 promulgated thereunder and applicable NYSE rules, promptly upon the Acceptance Time, Purchaser has the right to designate up to such number of directors, rounded to the nearest whole number constituting at least a majority of the directors, of Williams Controls as will give Purchaser representation on the Williams Controls Board equal to the product of the number of directors on the board (giving effect to any increase) and the percentage that



the number of Shares beneficially owned by Curtiss-Wright Controls or its affiliates bears to the total number of Shares then outstanding, and Williams Controls shall use reasonable best efforts to, upon the request of Curtiss-Wright Controls, promptly, at the election of Curtiss-Wright Controls, either increase the size of the Williams Controls Board or seek and accept the resignation of such number of directors as is necessary to enable the designees of Curtiss-Wright Controls to be elected and to cause such designees to be so elected.

Williams Controls has also agreed in the Merger Agreement that individuals designated by Purchaser shall, as nearly as practicable, and to the extent permitted by applicable law, constitute at least the same percentage of each committee of the Williams Controls Board as the percentage of the entire board represented by the individuals designated by Purchaser, other than any committee established to take action under the Merger Agreement which committee shall be composed only of Independent Directors (defined below).

In the event Purchaser's designees are elected or appointed to the Williams Controls Board, the Merger Agreement requires that, until the Effective Time, the Williams Controls Board will have at least two directors who were directors on the date of the Merger Agreement and who are not officers of Williams Controls or any subsidiary of Williams Controls (the "**Independent Directors**"). If the number of Independent Directors is reduced below two for any reason, the remaining Independent Director shall be entitled to designate a person to fill such vacancy or if no Independent Director remains, the individuals who were Directors of Williams Controls on the date of the Merger Agreement shall be entitled to designate two persons to fill the vacancies who are not officers, stockholders or affiliates of Williams Controls. The Merger Agreement further provides that, until the Effective Time, certain actions of Williams Controls may only be authorized by, and will require the authorization of, the Independent Directors.

Top-Up Option. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, following the Acceptance Time, if we acquire less than 90% of the Shares outstanding, we would have the option (the "top-up option") to purchase from Williams Controls, subject to certain limitations, the number of authorized and not outstanding additional Shares equal to the number of Shares sufficient to cause Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser to own one Share more than 90% of the Shares then outstanding, taking into account those Shares outstanding after the exercise of the top-up option. The obligation of Williams Controls to issue Shares upon the exercise of the top-up option is subject only to certain conditions and the top-up option cannot be exercised: (i) to purchase an amount of Shares in excess of the number of shares of common stock that can be issued without Williams Controls being obligated to obtain stockholder approval pursuant to NYSE Rule 312.03(c), (ii) unless the Offer closing will have occurred and (iii) unless, immediately after such exercise, Curtiss-Wright Controls and its subsidiaries would own more than 90% of the Shares then outstanding on a fully diluted basis. According to Williams Controls, as of October 31, 2012, there were approximately 4.165 million Shares available to be issued pursuant to the top-up option. Additionally, pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreements, the directors and officers of Williams Controls have agreed to tender in the Offer all Shares beneficially owned and to exercise on a net issue basis any outstanding options and tender the resulting Shares. Upon the exercise of the stock options pursuant to this agreement, the Shares forfeited as consideration for the exercise shall be available for issuance pursuant to the top-up option. Including the Shares usable upon the exercise on a net issue basis of the options, the outstanding Shares subject to the Tender and Support Agreement represented, as of October 31, 2012, approximately 26% of the total outstanding Shares. Taking into account the net exercise of the options as required pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreements, Purchaser will be able to exercise the top-up option if an additional approximately 62% of the currently issued and outstanding Shares are validly tendered pursuant to the Offer and not properly withdrawn (including the Shares tendered pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreements). The price per Share payable under the top-up option would be equal to the Offer Price. In addition, the purchase price payable in connection with the exercise of the top-up option may be paid by us, at our election, either entirely in cash or by executing and delivering to Williams Controls a full-recourse promissory note, bearing interest at 5% annually and having a one-year term, in a principal amount equal to the balance of such purchase price.

The Merger. The Merger Agreement provides that, after the completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation. Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser and Williams Controls have agreed in the Merger Agreement that, unless Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser effect a short-form merger pursuant to the DGCL, Williams Controls will hold a special meeting of its stockholders as soon as practicable following the Acceptance

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Time for the purpose of adopting the Merger Agreement. Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser have agreed that, at the special meeting, all of the Shares acquired pursuant to the Offer or otherwise owned by Curtiss-Wright Controls or any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries will be voted in favor of the Merger.

The Merger Agreement further provides that, notwithstanding the foregoing, if, following consummation of the Offer or the exercise of the top-up option, Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser (together with any other direct or indirect subsidiaries of Curtiss-Wright Controls) hold in the aggregate at least 90 percent of the outstanding shares of each class of capital stock of Williams Controls, each of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser and Williams Controls will take all necessary and appropriate action to cause the Merger to become effective, as soon as practicable after consummation of the Offer, as a short-form merger pursuant to Section 253 of the DGCL without a meeting of the stockholders of Williams Controls.

Charter, Bylaws, Directors and Officers. At the Effective Time, the certificate of incorporation of Williams Controls will be amended to conform to Exhibit C of the Merger Agreement. Also at the Effective Time, the bylaws of Williams Controls will be amended to read as the bylaws of Purchaser as in effect immediately prior to the Effective Time. The directors of Purchaser and the officers of Williams Controls immediately prior to the Effective Time will be the initial directors and officers of Williams Controls as the surviving corporation.

Conversion of Shares. Each Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (other than Shares held in the treasury of Williams Controls, owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls, or held by stockholders who properly exercise appraisal rights under Delaware law) will, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder, be converted at the Effective Time into the right to receive from Purchaser the Merger Consideration, payable to such holder upon surrender of the certificate formerly representing (or upon book-entry transfer of) such Shares, without interest and less any required withholding taxes. The Merger Consideration shall be adjusted appropriately and proportionately to reflect the effect of any stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend (including any dividend or distribution of securities convertible into Shares), cash dividend, reorganization, reclassification, combination, exchange of shares or other like change with respect to the Shares occurring on or after the Acceptance Time and prior to the Effective Time. At the Effective Time, each Share held in the treasury of Williams Controls and each Share owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls and each Share owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls and each Share owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls and each Share owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls and each Share owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls or the Effective Time will, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof, be converted into one share of common stock of the surviving corporation. The

Treatment of Equity Awards. The Merger Agreement provides that the Williams Controls Board shall take such action so that, at the Effective Time, and without any action on the part of any holder thereof, all unexercised stock options that are outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time, whether vested or unvested, will vest in full as of the Effective Time and shall terminate and be canceled as of the Effective Time and each holder of a stock option will be entitled to receive with respect to such stock option, a cash payment (less any applicable withholding taxes) equal to the product of (a) the excess, if any, of the Merger Consideration over the applicable exercise price per Share of such stock option and (b) the aggregate number of Shares subject to such stock option immediately prior to the Effective Time. If the exercise price per Share of any stock option equals or exceeds the Merger Consideration, such amount will be zero.

The Merger Agreement further provides that the Williams Controls Board shall take such action so that, each holder of Shares of restricted stock may tender such Shares of restricted stock pursuant to the Offer and, if validly tendered and accepted for payment, the forfeiture restrictions shall terminate immediately upon acceptance for payment.

Representations and Warranties. In the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls has made customary representations and warranties to Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser with respect to, among other matters,

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organization and qualification, capitalization, authority, the vote of the stockholders of Williams Controls required to approve the Merger, consents and approvals, its compliance with law, subsidiaries, permits, public filings, financial statements, the absence of any Company Material Adverse Effect (as defined below), litigation, employee benefit plans, labor and employment matters, insurance, properties, tax matters, information to be included in this Offer to Purchase and any other ancillary documents related to the Offer (collectively, the "**Offer Documents**"), the Schedule 14D-9 and in any proxy or information statement to be sent to stockholders in connection with the Merger, intellectual property, environmental matters, material contracts, affiliate transactions, anticorruption, the opinion of Houlihan Lokey Capital, Inc., and brokers' fees. Each of Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser has made customary representations and warranties to Williams Controls with respect to, among other matters, organization and qualification, authority, consents and approvals, information to be included in the Schedule 14D-9, the Offer Documents and Information Statement, brokers' fees, Section 203 of the DGCL, and financing.

As defined in the Merger Agreement, and for purposes of the Offer, "**Company Material Adverse Effect**" means any change, effect, event or development, individually or taken together with all other changes, events or developments that have had or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, condition (financial or otherwise), assets, liabilities, capitalization or results of operations of Williams Controls and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole; provided, however, that none of the following shall be taken into account when determining whether a "Company Material Adverse Effect" has occurred or may occur:

(i) general economic conditions (or changes in such conditions) in the United States or any other country or region, or conditions in the global economy generally, including real estate markets;

(ii) conditions (or changes in such conditions) in the securities markets, capital markets, credit markets, currency markets or other financial markets in the United States or any other country or region, including (A) changes in interest rates and changes in exchange rates for the currencies of any countries and (B) any suspension of trading in securities (whether equity, debt, derivative or hybrid securities) generally on any securities exchange or over-the-counter market operating in the United States or any other country or region;

(iii) conditions (or changes in such conditions) in the industries in which the Company and its Subsidiaries conduct business;

(iv) political conditions (or changes in such conditions) in the United States or any other country or region or acts of war, sabotage or terrorism (including any escalation or general worsening of any such acts of war, sabotage or terrorism) in the United States or any other country or region threatened or underway as of the date of this Agreement;

(v) earthquakes, hurricanes, tsunamis, tornadoes, floods, mudslides, wild fires or other natural disasters, weather conditions and other forces majeure in the United States or any other country or region;

(vi) changes in law or other legal or regulatory conditions (or the interpretation thereof) or changes in GAAP or other accounting standards (or the interpretation thereof);

(vii) the official announcement of the Merger Agreement or the pendency or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby; provided, however, that this exception shall in no way diminish the effect of the representations, warranties or covenants of the Company pertaining to (a) conflicts with, breaches of, or rights of acceleration, modification or waiver under or arising from any anti-assignment, change of control or change of ownership provisions of any contracts, or (b) any required notices, waivers or consents to or from any Governmental Authority;

(viii) any actions expressly required by Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser to be taken or omitted, or taken pursuant to or in accordance with the Merger Agreement;

(ix) changes in the stock price or trading volume of Williams Controls, or any failure by Williams Controls to meet any public estimates or expectations of its revenue, earnings or other financial performance or results of operations for any fiscal quarter (or longer financial disclosure period) ending on or after the date of the Merger Agreement and prior to the Acceptance Time, or any failure by Williams Controls to meet

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any internal budgets, plans or forecasts of its revenues, earnings or other financial performance or results of operations, in and of itself (but not, in each case, the underlying cause of such changes or failures, unless such changes or failures would otherwise be excepted from this definition);

(x) any legal proceedings made or brought by any current or former stockholders (on their own behalf or on behalf of Williams Controls) of Williams Controls against Williams Controls or the Board, and arising or alleged to have arisen out of the Merger or in connection with any other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, or arising or alleged to have arisen out of events, conditions or circumstances first occurring or existing after the date on which Purchaser's designees comprise a majority of the Williams Controls Board; and

(xi) any recall of products made, sold or introduced into the stream of commerce, or alleged to have been made, sold or introduced into the stream of commerce, by Williams Controls, or any products liability claim or the assertion of any products liability claim involving or alleged to involve products made, sold, or introduced into the stream of commerce by Williams Controls, in each case whether or not covered or purported to be covered by policies of insurance (but only to the extent that the uninsured impact of such recall, products liability claim, or assertion of a products liability claim, individually or taken together with all other recalls, products liability claims, or assertions of products liability claims, result in liabilities of less than \$500,000 to Williams Controls or its Subsidiaries);

except to the extent such effects result from or are related to the matters described in clauses (i) through (vii) above, and disproportionately affect in a material respect Williams Controls and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, as compared to other companies that conduct business in the countries and regions and in the industries in which Williams Controls and its subsidiaries conduct business (in which case, only to the extent of such disproportionate effects (if any) shall be taken into account when determining whether a "Company Material Adverse Effect" has occurred or may occur).

The Merger Agreement and this summary of the representations and warranties contained in the Merger Agreement are not intended to be, and should not be relied upon as, disclosures regarding any facts and circumstances relating to Williams Controls or Curtiss-Wright Controls. The representations and warranties contained in the Merger Agreement have been negotiated with the principal purpose of establishing the circumstances in which Purchaser may have the right not to consummate the Offer, or a party may have the right to terminate the Merger Agreement, if the representations and warranties of the other party prove to be untrue due to a change in circumstance or otherwise, and to allocate risk between the parties, rather than establish matters as facts. The representations and warranties also may not be accurate or complete as of any specified date and may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality different from those generally applicable to stockholders.

Covenants. The parties have agreed to a number of customary covenants in the Merger Agreement, including among others the covenants described below.

Conduct of Business. The Merger Agreement obligates Williams Controls and its subsidiaries, from the date of the Merger Agreement until the Acceptance Time, to conduct their operations according to their ordinary, regular and usual course of business consistent with past practices, and to use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve intact their business organizations and relationships with such persons with whom they have significant business relations. The Merger Agreement also contains specific restrictive covenants as to certain activities of Williams Controls prior to the Acceptance Time, which provide that Williams Controls and its subsidiaries will not take certain actions, except as set forth in the Company Disclosure Letter (as defined in the Merger Agreement) or as expressly permitted or required by the Merger Agreement, without the prior written consent of Curtiss-Wright Controls (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) including, among other things and subject to certain exceptions and materiality thresholds, (i) taking any actions that would have a Company Material Adverse Effect (ii) acquiring or selling material assets, (iii) entering into, terminating, canceling or modifying agreements material to the business of Williams Controls, (iv) creating or incurring any lien on any material assets, (v) acquiring by merger, consolidation or acquisition of stock or assets any other person or any equity interest therein, (vi) amending the certificate of incorporation or bylaws of Williams Controls, (vii) declaring or paying any dividend or other distribution in respect of any Shares except for cash dividends made by any direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Williams Controls to Williams Controls or one of its wholly-owned subsidiary of Williams Controls to Williams Controls or one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, (viii) reclassifying,

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purchasing or redeeming its securities, issuing or selling its securities or granting options, (ix) incurring any indebtedness for borrowed money or guaranteeing any such indebtedness, (x) entering into, adopting or amending any employee benefit agreements or benefit plans or increasing compensation, bonus or benefits, (xi) entering into any successive collective bargaining agreement or tentative agreement, (xii) making any changes in tax reporting or accounting methods, (xiii) entering into or settling any litigation, (xiv) paying or discharging liabilities, (xv) authorizing or making any capital expenditures exceeding \$150,000 individually or \$500,000 in the aggregate, (xvi) disposing of or permitting to lapse any ownership or right to use of intellectual property, (xvii) disclosing to any third party any confidential or proprietary information other than in the ordinary course of business, (xiii) proposing or adopting a plan of merger, liquidation, dissolution, consolidation, restructuring, recapitalization or other reorganization with respect to each of Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries, (xix) making any loans, advances, guarantees or capital contributions or investments other than investments in cash and cash equivalents, (xx) adopting any stockholder rights plan, poison pill or similar arrangement, (xxi) taking any action or omitting to take any action that is reasonably likely to prevent, interfere with or delay the Merger, or (xxii) agreeing to take any of the foregoing actions.

No Solicitation. In the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls has agreed not to, and to cause its subsidiaries, officers, directors or other employees, controlled affiliates, or any investment banker, attorney or other authorized agent or representative, directly or indirectly, until the Effective Time, not to: (a) solicit, initiate or induce the making, submission or announcement of, or encourage or assist, or take any action designed to, or which could reasonably be expected to facilitate, an Acquisition Proposal (as defined below), (b) furnish to any person (other than Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser or any of their designees) any information (other than information made publicly available by Williams Controls in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practice) relating to Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries, or afford to any person (other than Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser or any of their designees) access to the business, properties, assets, books, records or other non-public information, or to any management personnel, in any such case with the intent to induce the making, submission or announcement of, or the intent to encourage or assist, an Acquisition Proposal or any inquiries or the making of any proposal that would reasonably be expected to lead to an Acquisition Proposal, (c) participate or engage in any discussions or negotiations, or cooperate in any way, with any person with respect to an Acquisition Proposal (d) approve, endorse or recommend an Acquisition Proposal or fail to reconfirm the Company Recommendation to consummate the Merger, (e) waive, terminate, modify or fail to enforce any provision of any contractual "standstill" or similar obligation of any person other than Curtiss-Wright Controls, or (f) adopt or recommend, or publicly propose to adopt or recommend, or enter into any contract contemplating, constituting or otherwise relating to, intended to or which could otherwise reasonably be expected to lead to, an Acquisition Transaction (defined below). Williams Controls further agreed to immediately cease any and all existing discussions or negotiations with any persons conducted with respect to any Acquisition Proposal and require the prompt return or destruction of all confidential information previously furnished.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, prior to the Acceptance Time, in response to an unsolicited, bona fide Acquisition Proposal from a third party that the Williams Controls Board determines in good faith (after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel) is, or would reasonably be expected to result in or lead to, a Superior Proposal (as defined below) and that the failure to take such action would be reasonably likely to violate its fiduciary duties, Williams Controls and its representatives, subject to Williams Controls giving Curtiss-Wright Controls at least twenty-four hours' written notice (which notice shall contain the identity of the person making, and a copy of, such Acquisition Proposal (if it was made in writing), and the intent of Williams Controls to participate in discussions or negotiations with, or to furnish non-public information to, such person), may (i) furnish any non-public information with respect to Williams Controls to the person making such Acquisition Proposal and its representatives pursuant to a confidentiality agreement that contains terms no less favorable to Williams Controls than the terms of the confidentiality agreement entered into with Curtiss-Wright Controls, provided that a copy of all such information is delivered simultaneously to Curtiss-Wright Controls to the extent it has not previously been so furnished to Curtiss-Wright Controls, and/or afford any such person access to the business, properties, assets, books, records or other non-public information, or to any management personnel, and (ii) engage in such negotiations or discussions with the person making such Acquisition Proposal as the Williams Controls Board shall determine.

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The Merger Agreement provides that, except as described below, the Williams Controls Board (or a committee thereof) may not withhold, withdraw, qualify, modify, change or amend, in any manner adverse to Curtiss-Wright Controls, the Company Recommendation (a " **Company Change in Recommendation**").

Notwithstanding the provisions described in the immediately preceding paragraph, at any time prior to the Acceptance Time, the Williams Controls Board (or the applicable committee thereof) may make a Company Change in Recommendation in the absence of an Acquisition Proposal or Superior Proposal if (i) the Williams Controls Board determines in good faith (after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel) that the failure to take such action would be reasonably likely to violate its fiduciary duties; (ii) Williams Controls has notified Curtiss-Wright Controls in writing that it intends to effect a Company Change in Recommendation, describing in reasonable detail the reasons for such Company Change in Recommendation; (iii) requested by Curtiss-Wright Controls, Williams Controls has made its representatives available to discuss with Curtiss-Wright Controls any proposed modifications to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement; and (iv) the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) has determined in good faith (after consultation with outside legal counsel), after considering the terms of any proposed amendment or modification to the Merger Agreement, that the failure to effect a Company Change in Recommendation would continue to reasonably be expected to result in a breach of its fiduciary duties.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained in the Merger Agreement shall prohibit the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) from (i) taking and disclosing to the Williams Controls stockholders a position statement in accordance with Rule 14e-2(a) under the Exchange Act or complying with the provisions of Rule 14d-9 promulgated under the Exchange Act or (ii) making any disclosure to the Williams Controls stockholders with respect to matters other than Curtiss-Williams Controls, Purchaser, the Merger Agreement, or the transactions contemplated thereby, if in the good faith judgment of the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof and based upon written opinion of its outside legal counsel), failure to do so would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties to its stockholders under applicable law subject to compliance with any applicable requirements of the Merger Agreement.

Under the Merger Agreement the following terms have the definitions described in this paragraph: "Acquisition Proposal" means any offer or proposal (other than an offer or proposal by Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser) to engage in an Acquisition Transaction; " Acquisition Transaction "means any transaction or series of related transactions (other than the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement) involving: (i) the purchase or other acquisition, directly or indirectly, from Williams Controls or any other person by any person or "group" (as defined in or under Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act) of more than fifty percent (50%) of any class of equity securities of Williams Controls outstanding as of the consummation of such purchase or other acquisition, or any tender offer or exchange offer by any person or "group" that, if consummated, would result in such person or "group" beneficially owning more than fifty percent (50%) of any class of equity securities of Williams Controls outstanding as of the consummation of such tender or exchange offer; (ii) a merger, consolidation, joint venture, business combination or other similar transaction involving Williams Controls pursuant to which the stockholders of Williams Controls immediately preceding such transaction hold less than fifty percent (50%) of the voting equity interests in the surviving or resulting entity of such transaction; (iii) a sale, transfer, acquisition or disposition of more than fifty percent (50%) of the consolidated assets, revenues or net income of Williams Controls and its subsidiaries taken as a whole (measured by the fair market value thereof); or (iv) a liquidation, dissolution or other winding up of Williams Controls and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole; and "Superior Proposal" means any bona fide written Acquisition Proposal for an Acquisition Transaction that (i) is fully funded or has fully committed acquisition financing, and (ii) the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) shall have determined in its good faith judgment (after consultation with its financial advisor and outside legal counsel) is reasonably likely to be consummated in accordance with its terms, taking into account all relevant legal, financial, regulatory and other aspects of such Acquisition Proposal and the identity and business reputation of the Person making such Acquisition Proposal, which Acquisition Proposal represents terms that would result in a transaction that is more favorable to the Williams Controls stockholders (in their capacity as such) from a financial point of view than the Offer and the Merger (taking into account all of the terms and conditions of such proposal (including the form of consideration) and the Merger Agreement (including any changes to the terms of the Merger Agreement proposed by Curtiss-Wright Controls in response to such Acquisition Proposal or otherwise)).

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Employee Matters. In the Merger Agreement, we have agreed with Williams Controls that after the Effective Time, Curtiss-Wright Controls shall, and shall cause Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, to, honor all employee benefit plans and compensation arrangements in accordance with their terms as in effect immediately prior to the Effective Time, provided that such employee benefit plans may be amended or terminated. In addition, for a period of one year following the Effective Time, Curtiss-Wright Controls shall, and shall cause Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, to, (i) maintain for the benefit of the Williams Controls Employees (defined below) any employee benefit plans or other compensation and severance arrangements (but excluding equity based benefits and individual employment agreements) of Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, at benefit levels that are no less than those in effect on the date of the Merger Agreement, and provide compensation and benefits to each Williams Controls Employee under such plans, or (ii) provide compensation, benefits and severance payments (other than equity based benefits and individual employment agreements) to each Williams Controls Employee that, taken as a whole, are no less favorable in the aggregate than the compensation, benefits and severance payments (other than equity based benefits and individual employment agreements) provided to such Williams Controls Employee immediately prior to the Effective Time, or (iii) provide some combination of (i) and (ii) above such that each Williams Controls Employee receives compensation, benefits and severance payments (other than equity based benefits and individual employment agreements) that, taken as a whole, are no less favorable in the aggregate than the compensation, benefits and severance payments (other than equity based benefits and individual employment agreements) provided to such Williams Controls Employee immediately prior to the Effective Time. In each case, base compensation as of immediately prior to the Effective Time shall not be decreased for a period of one year following the Effective Time for any Continuing Employee employed during that period.

All employees of Williams Controls who continue their employment with, or are employed by, Williams Controls after the Effective Time (each a " **Williams Controls Employee** ") will be granted credit for all service with Williams Controls or its subsidiaries prior to the Effective Time for purposes of eligibility to participate, vesting and entitlement to benefits where length of services is relevant (including for purposes of vacation accrual and severance pay entitlement). In addition, each Williams Controls Employee will be immediately eligible to participate in any and all employee benefit plans sponsored by Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, and Curtiss-Wright Controls will waive all eligibility waiting periods, any evidence of insurability requirements and the application of any pre-existing conditions limitations under such plans to the extent that such coverage replaces coverage under a comparable plan in which such Williams Controls Employee participated immediately before the Effective Time. Furthermore, Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, will cause any eligible expenses incurred by such Williams Controls Employee to be given full credit under the new plan following the Effective Date for purposes of satisfying all deductible, coinsurance and maximum out of pocket requirements applicable to such Williams Controls Employee and his or her covered dependents for the applicable plan year as if such amounts had been paid in accordance with such plan, and will credit the accounts of such Williams Controls Employees under any new plan which is a flexible spending plan with any unused balance from any such previous plan in the account of such Williams Controls Employee.

The Merger Agreement further provides that nothing in the foregoing obligations shall create any guarantee of employment for any period of time or preclude Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls, as the surviving corporation, to terminate any Williams Controls Employee for any reason, or require the continuation, or prevent the amendment, modification or termination of any employee benefit plan.

Indemnification and Insurance. In the Merger Agreement, Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser have agreed to honor and fulfill in all respects the obligations of Williams Controls and its subsidiaries under (i) any indemnification, expense advancement and exculpation provision set forth in any certificate of incorporation or bylaws or comparable organizational documents of Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries as in effect on the date of the Merger Agreement and (ii) all indemnification agreements between Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries and any of their respective current or former directors and officers and any person who becomes a director, officer, employee or agent of Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries prior to the Effective Time (the "Indemnified Persons"). In addition, during the period commencing at the Effective Time and ending on the sixth anniversary of the Effective Time, Williams Controls and its subsidiaries, as the surviving corporation, will cause its articles of incorporation and bylaws (and other similar organizational documents), and the successors in interest of each of them, to contain provisions with respect to indemnification, exculpation and the advancement of expenses that are at least as favorable as the indemnification, exculpation and advancement of expenses provisions contained

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in the articles of incorporation and bylaws (or other similar organizational documents) of Williams Controls and its subsidiaries as of the date of the Merger Agreement.

The Merger Agreement further provides that Curtiss-Wright Controls will, and will cause Williams Controls as the surviving corporation to, indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnified Person from and against any costs, fees and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and investigation expenses), arising out of (i) any event, circumstance or occurrence related to such Indemnified Person's capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries or other affiliates (regardless of whether such action or omission, or alleged action or omission, occurred prior to, at or after the Effective Time), or (ii) the Offer, the Merger, the Merger Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement. In addition, Curtiss-Wright Controls will, and will cause Williams Controls as the surviving corporation to, advance any such indemnification costs, fees and expenses to an Indemnified Person prior to the final disposition of any claim. Curtiss-Wright Controls retains the right to control the defense of any claim, proceeding, investigation or inquiry of any Indemnified Person after the Effective Time.

The Merger Agreement further provides that, as of the Effective Time, Williams Controls shall, in consultation with Curtiss-Wright Controls, obtain and fully pay for officers' and directors' liability and fiduciary insurance policies (the "**D&O Insurance**"), with a six year "tail" claims period effective from and after the Effective Date, on terms and conditions no less advantageous than the D&O Insurance of Williams Controls with respect to matters existing or occurring prior to the Effective Time. Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, such insurance coverage is required to be maintained only to the extent that the aggregate premium for such coverage does not exceed \$200,000.

Reasonable Best Efforts. The Merger Agreement provides that, subject to its terms and conditions, each of Williams Controls, Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright Controls will use its reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, such action and to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other parties in doing, all things reasonably necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective in the most expeditious manner practicable the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, including (i) causing the conditions to the Merger to be satisfied, (ii) obtaining all consents, approvals, authorizations and actions or nonactions required for or in connection with the consummation by the parties of the Offer, the Merger, and the other transactions contemplated thereby and (iii) obtaining all necessary and appropriate consents, waivers and approvals under any contracts to which Williams Controls or any of its subsidiaries is a party in connection with the Merger Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby so as to maintain and preserve the benefits under such contracts following the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement.

Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls, Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright Controls have agreed to use their respective reasonable best efforts to (a) respond promptly to any requests for additional information made by the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") or the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), (b) to cause the waiting periods under the HSR Act to terminate or expire at the earliest possible date after the date of filing, (c) to cooperate and coordinate with the other in the making of any such filings, (d) to supply the other with any information that may be required in order to make such filings, and (e) to supply any additional information that reasonably may be required or requested by the FTC, DOJ, or other governmental authorities. Williams Controls, Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright Controls have also agreed to (i) give each other reasonable advance notice of all meetings with any governmental authority relating to the Offer or the Merger, (ii) give each other an opportunity to participate in each of such meetings, (iii) keep the other party reasonably apprised with respect to any oral communications with any governmental authority regarding the Offer or the Merger, (iv) cooperate in the filing of any analyses, presentations, memoranda, briefs, arguments, opinions or other written communications explaining or defending the Offer or the Merger, articulating any regulatory or competitive argument and/or responding to requests or objections made by any governmental authority, (v) provide each other with a reasonable advance opportunity to review and comment upon, and consider in good faith the views of the other with respect to, all written communications (including any analyses, presentations, memoranda, briefs, arguments and opinions) with a governmental authority regarding the Offer or the Merger, (vi) provide each other (or counsel of each party, as appropriate) with copies of all written communications to or from any governmental authority relating to the Offer or the Merger, and (vii) cooperate and provide each other with a reasonable opportunity to participate in, and consider in good faith the views of the other

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with respect to, all material deliberations with respect to all efforts to satisfy the conditions against any legal prohibitions.

The Merger Agreement further provides that prior to the Merger closing date, Williams Controls will use commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and do or cause to be done all things reasonably necessary, proper or advisable on its part under applicable Laws and rules and policies of the NYSE to cause the delisting of its Shares from the NYSE as promptly as practicable after the Effective Time and the deregistration of its Shares under the Exchange Act as promptly as practicable after such delisting.

Takeover Laws. In the event that the restrictions of any state anti-takeover or other similar law are or become applicable to the Merger Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls, Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser have agreed to use their respective reasonable best efforts to ensure that the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement may be consummated as promptly as practicable on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement and otherwise to eliminate or minimize the effect of such Law on the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby.

Approval of Compensation Actions. The Merger Agreement provides that, prior to the Acceptance Time, Williams Controls shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause each employment compensation, severance and employee benefit agreement, arrangement or understanding entered into by Williams Controls on or after the date of the Merger Agreement with any of its officers, directors or employees pursuant to which consideration is paid to such officer, director or employee to satisfy the requirements of the non-exclusive safe-harbor set forth in Rule 14d-10(d) of the Exchange Act.

Conditions to Consummation of the Merger. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, the obligations of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser and Williams Controls to consummate the Merger are subject to the satisfaction or waiver, where permissible, at or prior to the Effective Time, of each of the following conditions: (a) unless the Merger is consummated as a short-form merger, the Merger Agreement shall have been adopted by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the issued and outstanding Shares, (b) Purchaser shall have accepted for payment and paid for the Shares validly tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the offer, and (c) no judgment, ruling, order, writ, injunction, decision or decree issued by a court of competent jurisdiction or other restraint or prohibition of any governmental authority of competent jurisdiction and remain in effect, that, in any such case, prohibits or makes illegal the consummation of the Merger or the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement.

Termination. The Merger Agreement provides that it may be terminated, and the Offer, the Merger, and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement may be abandoned, at any time prior to the Acceptance Time (in the case of termination rights set forth in <u>paragraphs (b)</u> and (c) below, at any time prior to the Effective Time), only as follows:

(a) by mutual written consent of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser and Williams Controls; or

(b) by either Williams Controls or Curtiss-Williams in the event that the Offer closing shall not have occurred on or before December 31, 2012 (the "**Outside Date**"); provided, however, that (i) if the Offer closing occurs on or prior to December 31, 2012, the Outside Date shall be March 31, 2013; and (ii) the right to terminate the Merger Agreement pursuant to this paragraph shall not be available to any party (A) whose actions or omissions have been a principal cause of, or primarily resulted in, the failure of the Offer closing to occur on or before such date and such action or failure to act constitutes a breach of the Merger Agreement, or (B) that is in breach in any material respect of any of its representations, warranties or covenants under the Merger Agreement at such time; or

(c) by either Williams Controls or Curtiss-Wright Controls if there shall be any law enacted by a governmental authority of competent jurisdiction after the date of the Merger Agreement remaining in effect that makes the acceptance for payment of or payment for the shares tendered pursuant to the Offer illegal or that prohibits the consummation of the Merger, or any court of competent jurisdiction shall have issued a permanent

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injunction prohibiting the acceptance for payment of or payment for the shares tendered pursuant to the Offer or prohibiting the consummation of the Merger and such injunction shall have become final and non-appealable; provided, however, that in the case of an injunction a party shall not be permitted to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this paragraph if the issuance and/or continuation of any such injunction is attributable to the failure of such party to perform any covenant or other obligation under the Merger Agreement required to be performed by such party at or prior to the Effective Time; or

(d) by Williams Controls, if (i) Williams Controls has received an Acquisition Proposal that the Williams Controls Board in good faith (after consultation with its financial advisors and outside legal counsel) has determined is a Superior Proposal and that did not result from a breach of the non-solicitation provision of the Merger Agreement; (ii) the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) shall have determined in good faith (after consultation with outside legal counsel) that the failure of the Williams Controls Board to terminate the Merger Agreement and enter into a definitive agreement relating to such Superior Proposal would reasonably be expected to result in a breach of its fiduciary duties; (iii) Williams Controls has delivered to Curtiss-Wright Controls a written notice (a "Superior Proposal Notice") advising Curtiss-Wright Controls that the Williams Controls Board intends to take such action and specifying the terms and conditions of such Superior Proposal that is the basis of the proposed action by the Williams Controls Board; (iv) if requested by Curtiss-Wright Controls, Williams Controls shall negotiate with Curtiss-Wright Controls to amend the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement in such a manner that the Acquisition Proposal which was determined to be a Superior Proposal no longer is a Superior Proposal during the period beginning at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time on the day of delivery by Williams Controls to Curtiss-Wright Controls of such Superior Proposal Notice and ending four (4) business days later at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time; (v) at the end of such four business day period, such Acquisition Proposal has not been withdrawn and the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) shall have determined in good faith (after consultation with outside legal counsel), after considering the terms of any proposed amendment or modification to this Agreement, that the failure of the Williams Controls Board to terminate the Merger Agreement and enter into a definitive agreement relating to such Superior Proposal would still reasonably be expected to result in a breach of its fiduciary duties to the Williams Controls stockholders under applicable law; and (vi) concurrently with, and as a condition of, the termination of the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls pays Curtiss-Wright Controls the Termination Fee (defined below); or

(e) by Curtiss-Wright Controls, if (i) neither Curtiss-Wright Controls nor Purchaser are in breach in any material respect of any of their respective representations, warranties or covenants under the Merger Agreement at such time, and (ii) Williams Controls has breached any of its representations, warranties or covenants under the Merger Agreement such that the conditions to the Offer (requiring that all Williams Controls representation and warranties are true and correct and that Williams Controls has complied in all material respects with all agreements, covenants and obligations required to be performed or complied by it under the Merger Agreement) would not be satisfied and either such breach is not capable of cure or, if capable of cure, Williams Controls has failed to cure such breach within thirty (30) business days after Williams Controls received written notice of such breach from Curtiss-Wright Controls (it being understood that Curtiss-Wright Controls shall not be permitted to terminate the Merger Agreement pursuant to this paragraph in respect of a curable breach set forth in any such written notice (x) at any time during such thirty (30) business day period, and (y) at any time after such thirty (30) business day period if Williams Controls has cured such breach during such thirty (30) business day period); or

(f) by Curtiss-Wright Controls, if (i) the Williams Controls Board (or any committee thereof) has effected a Company Change in Recommendation; (ii) a tender or exchange offer for the Shares that constitutes an Acquisition Proposal (whether or not a Superior Proposal) is commenced by a person unaffiliated with Curtiss-Wright Controls and, within ten (10) business days after the public announcement of the commencement of such Acquisition Proposal, Williams Controls shall not have filed a Schedule 14D-9 pursuant to Rule 14e-2 and Rule 14d-9 promulgated under the Exchange Act recommending that the Williams Controls stockholders reject such Acquisition Proposal and not tender any Shares into such tender or exchange offer, or (iii) the Williams Controls Board fails publicly to reaffirm its adoption and recommendation of the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger or the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement within ten (10) business days of receipt of a written request by Curtiss-Wright Controls to provide such reaffirmation following an Acquisition Proposal; or

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(g) by Williams Controls, if (i) Williams Controls is not in breach in any material respect of any of its representations, warranties or covenants under the Merger Agreement at such time, and (ii) Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser has breached (A) any of its representations or warranties under the Merger Agreement (which breach would or would reasonably be expected to individually or in the aggregate, prevent or materially impede, hinder or delay the performance by Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser of any of their respective obligations under the Merger Agreement or the consummation of the Offer or the Merger), or (B) covenants or obligations hereunder, and, in either case, either such breach is not capable of cure or, if capable of cure, Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser shall have failed to cure such breach within thirty (30) business days after Curtiss-Wright Controls has received written notice of such breach from Williams Controls (it being understood that Williams Controls is not permitted to terminate the Merger Agreement pursuant to this paragraph in respect of a curable breach set forth in any such written notice (A) at any time during such thirty (30) business day period, and (B) at any time after such thirty (30) business day period if Curtiss-Wright Controls and Purchaser shall have cured such breach during such thirty (30) business day period); or

(h) by Williams Controls, if (i) Purchaser fails to commence the Offer within the required time or terminates or makes any change to the Offer in violation of the terms of the Merger Agreement, or (ii) at any scheduled expiration date of the Offer, Purchaser fails to accept for payment and pay for the Shares validly tendered and not withdrawn in the Offer and at such time all of the conditions to the Offer are satisfied and no subsequent expiration date for the Offer is established pursuant to an authorized extension of the Offer, except, in the case of clauses (i) or (ii), any such failure that resulted from a breach by Williams Controls of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement set forth in the Merger Agreement; or

(i) by Williams Controls or Curtiss-Wright Controls, if (i) during the pendency of the Offer the terminating party had not breached its representations, warranties or covenants in the Merger Agreement in a manner that materially delayed or impeded the terms of the Offer, and (ii) the Offer shall have expired or been terminated in accordance with its terms without Curtiss-Wright Controls or Purchaser having accepted for purchase any of the Shares pursuant to the Offer.

Fees and Expenses. Except as described below with respect to the Termination Fee, all fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby shall be paid by the party or parties, as applicable, incurring such expenses whether or not the Offer or the Merger is consummated.

As described in greater detail below, in the event that the Merger Agreement is validly terminated under "*Termination*" above, Williams Controls has agreed to pay Curtiss-Wright Controls a termination fee of \$4,173,750 (the "**Termination Fee**"). Williams Controls has agreed to pay the Termination Fee if (i) the Merger Agreement is validly terminated by Curtiss-Wright Controls or Williams Controls pursuant to paragraph (b) under "*Termination*" solely due to a failure of the Minimum Tender Condition or pursuant to paragraph (i) under "*Termination*" solely due to a failure of the Minimum Tender Condition or pursuant to paragraph (i) under "*Termination*" solely due to a failure of the time of the termination of the Merger Agreement at such time, (iii) at or prior to the time of the termination of the Merger Agreement a third party has publicly disclosed a bona fide Acquisition Proposal and such Acquisition Proposal has not been withdrawn prior to the time of the termination of the Merger Agreement, and (iv) within two hundred seventy (270) days following the termination of the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls enters into a definitive agreement to consummate, or consummates, any Acquisition Proposal (regardless of whether such Acquisition Proposal is made before or after termination of the Merger Agreement);

In the event that the Merger Agreement is terminated (A) by Williams Controls under the circumstances described in <u>paragraph (d)</u> under "*Termination*", Williams Controls must pay Curtiss-Wright Controls the Termination Fee; (B) by Curtiss-Wright Controls under the circumstances described in <u>paragraph (f)</u> under "*Termination*", Williams Controls must pay Curtiss-Wright the Termination Fee; (C) by Curtiss-Wright Controls under the circumstances described in <u>paragraph (g)</u> or (h) under "*Termination*", the non-terminating party must pay the terminating party \$1,250,000, which amount shall represent liquidated damages with respect to the breach that gave rise to the termination and such payment shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the terminating party against the non-terminating party. In no event shall Williams Controls be required to pay the Termination Fee on more than one occasion.

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Amendment. The Merger Agreement may be amended by the parties at any time before or after the Offer closing has occurred or stockholder approval has been obtained; provided, however, that (i) after the Offer closing and subject to certain adjustments to the Merger Consideration as specified in the Merger Agreement, there will be no amendment that decreases the Offer Price or the Merger Consideration, and (ii) after the Stockholder Approval has been obtained, there will be made no amendment that by applicable law requires further approval by the Williams Controls stockholders without such further approval having been obtained. The Merger Agreement may not be amended except by an instrument in writing signed on behalf of each of the parties.

Waiver. At any time and from time to time prior to the Effective Time, any party or parties may, to the extent legally allowed and except as otherwise set forth in the Merger Agreement, (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of the other party or parties thereto, as applicable, (b) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties made to such party or parties thereto contained therein or in any document delivered pursuant to the Merger Agreement and (c) waive compliance with any of the agreements or conditions for the benefit of such party or parties thereto contained therein (other than the Minimum Tender Condition) unless such waiver is consented to in writing by Williams Controls). Any agreement on the part of a party or parties hereto to any such extension or waiver shall be valid only if set forth in an instrument in writing signed on behalf of such party or parties, as applicable. Any delay in exercising any right under the Merger Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of such right.

Confidentiality Agreement. Prior to entering into the Merger Agreement, Williams Controls and Curtiss-Wright entered into a confidentiality agreement, dated as of July 5, 2012 (the " **Confidentiality Agreement** "). As a condition to being furnished confidential information of Williams Controls, Curtiss-Wright agreed, among other things, to keep such confidential information confidential and to use it only for specified purposes and to certain employee non-solicitation provisions for the protection of Williams Controls. The Confidentiality Agreement also contained a customary "standstill" provision that does not apply to the Offer, the Merger or the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement. Under the Merger Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement expressly remains in full force and effect. The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Confidentiality Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit (d) (3) to the Schedule TO and is incorporated herein by reference.

Tender and Support Agreement. Curtiss-Wright Controls, Purchaser, and each of Patrick W. Cavanagh, Dennis E. Bunday, Mark S. Koenen, Kenneth Dean Hendrickson, R. Eugene Goodson, Doug Hailey, Samuel H. Greenawalt, Donn J. Viola, and Peter Salas (the current directors and executive officers of Williams Controls), and Dolphin Offshore Partners, L.P., and Dolphin Direct Equity Partners, L.P., in their capacity as stockholders of Williams Controls, entered into a Tender and Support Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2012 (the "Tender and Support Agreement"). Pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreement, the signatories have agreed to tender in the Offer all Shares beneficially owned and to exercise on a net issue basis any outstanding options and tender the resulting Shares. Including the Shares issuable upon the exercise on a net issue basis of the options, the outstanding Shares subject to the Tender and Support Agreement represented, as of October 31, 2012, approximately 26% of the total outstanding Shares. Pursuant to the Tender and Support Agreement, the stockholder signatories agreed, among other things, subject to the termination of the Tender and Support Agreement to (a) tender in the Offer (and not to withdraw) all Shares beneficially owned or thereafter acquired by them, (b) vote such Shares in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement in the event stockholder approval is required to consummate the Merger pursuant to Section 251 of the DGCL and against any competing transaction, (c) appoint us as their proxy to vote such shares in connection with the Merger Agreement, and (d) not otherwise transfer any of their Shares. The Tender and Support Agreement will terminate upon the earliest of (x) the termination of the Merger Agreement, (y) the Effective Time, and (z) written notice by Curtiss-Wright Controls to terminate the Tender and Support Agreement. The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Tender and Support Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit (d)(2) to the Schedule TO and is incorporated herein by reference.

Effects of Inability to Consummate the Merger. If, following the consummation of the Offer, the Merger is not consummated for any reason (see above—"The Merger Agreement—Conditions to Consummation of the Merger"), Curtiss-Wright, which indirectly owns 100 percent of the common stock of Purchaser, will indirectly control the Shares acquired by Purchaser pursuant to the Offer, as well as any other Shares held by Curtiss-Wright or its subsidiaries. Under the Merger Agreement, promptly following payment by Purchaser for Shares purchased

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pursuant to the Offer, and from time to time thereafter, subject to Section 14(f) of the Exchange Act and applicable NYSE rules and regulations regarding director independence, Williams Controls has agreed to take all actions necessary to cause a pro rata portion (based on the percentage of outstanding shares acquired by Purchaser) of the directors of Williams Controls to consist of persons designated by Purchaser (see above— "The Merger Agreement—Directors"). As a result of its ownership of such Shares and right to designate nominees for election to the Williams Controls Board, Curtiss-Wright will be able to indirectly influence decisions of the Williams Controls Board and the decisions of Purchaser as a stockholder of Williams Controls. This concentration of influence in one stockholder may adversely affect the market value of the Shares.

If we control more than 50 percent of the outstanding Shares following the consummation of the Offer but the Merger is not consummated, stockholders of Williams Controls, other than those affiliated with Curtiss-Wright, will lack sufficient voting power to elect directors or to cause other actions to be taken which require majority approval.

12. Source and Amount of Funds

Curtiss-Wright, the ultimate parent of Purchaser, will provide Purchaser with sufficient funds to pay for all Shares accepted for payment in the Offer or to be acquired in the Merger. We estimate that the total amount of funds necessary to purchase all issued and outstanding Shares and other equity-based interests of Williams Controls Controls pursuant to the Offer and the Merger will be approximately \$119 million. We expect to fund these payments through either a capital contribution or an intercompany loan from Curtiss-Wright to Curtiss-Wright Controls and then from Curtiss-Wright Controls to Purchaser (the terms of which have not yet been determined). Curtiss-Wright will obtain such funds from cash on hand and/or existing committed credit facilities. In addition, Curtiss-Wright has entered into a Guaranty Agreement for the benefit of Williams Controls whereby it guarantees the obligations of Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright Controls under the Merger Agreement. The Offer is not conditioned upon any financing arrangements.

1 3. Conditions of the Offer

Notwithstanding any other term of the Offer but subject to the terms set forth in the Merger Agreement, we are not required to accept for payment or, subject to any applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, including Rule 14e-l(c) under the Exchange Act (relating to our obligation to pay for or return tendered Shares promptly after the termination or withdrawal of the Offer), to pay for any Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer and, only after complying with any obligation to extend the Offer pursuant to the Merger Agreement, may terminate the Offer, if:

- (1) the Minimum Tender Condition is not satisfied;
- (2) the Antitrust Condition is not satisfied;

(3) any of the following conditions shall exist at the time of expiration of the Offer or immediately prior to such payment:

(A) any order, judgment, decision, decree, injunction, ruling, award, writ or assessment (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent in nature) issued by any court of competent jurisdiction or other restraint or prohibition of any federal, state, county, provincial, or foreign government, governmental or regulatory entity or body, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality (" **Governmental Authority** "), or any law, statute, constitution, principle of common law, ordinance, code, rule, regulation, ruling or other legal requirement shall be enacted, entered, promulgated, enforced or deemed applicable, that prohibits or makes illegal the consummation of the Offer or the Merger or the transaction contemplated by this Agreement;

(B) any instituted or pending material action, suit or proceeding by any Governmental Authority seeking to restrain or prohibit the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer or the consummation of the Offer;

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(C) (1) any representation or warranty of Williams Controls contained in Section 4.7 of the Merger Agreement shall not be true and correct (except for any de minimis inaccuracy), as of the date of the Merger Agreement and as of the date of determination as though made on the date of determination (except to the extent such representation or warranty expressly relates to an earlier date, in which case as of such earlier date), (2) any representation or warranty contained in Section 4.2, 4.4, 4.5, 4.13(b), 4.19(h) or 4.27 of the Merger Agreement that is qualified as to materiality or by reference to a Company Material Adverse Effect shall not be true and correct, or any such representation or warranty of Williams Controls that is not so qualified shall not be true and correct in all materials respects, as of the date of the Agreement and as of the date of determination (except to the extent such representation as though made on the date of determination or warranty expressly relates to an earlier date, in which case as of such earlier date), or (3) any other representation or warranty of Williams Controls (other than the representation and warranty contained in Section 4.13(a)) contained in the Merger Agreement shall not be true and correct (without giving effect to any qualifications or limitations as to materiality or Company Material Adverse Effect set forth therein) as of the date of the Merger Agreement and as of the date of determination or warranty expressly relates to a specified date, in which case as of such ease as of such ease easily or except, in the case of this clause (3), where the failure of such representations and warranties to be true as of such dates, individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have a Company Material Adverse Effect;

(D) William Controls shall have failed to perform or comply in all material respects with all agreements, covenants and obligations required to be performed or complied with by it under the Merger Agreement; or

(E) since September 30, 2011, there shall have occurred any change, circumstance, event or occurrence that has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Company Material Adverse Effect; or

(4) the Merger Agreement shall have been terminated in accordance with its terms.

Subject to the Merger Agreement and applicable law, we expressly reserve the right, at any time or from time to time prior to the expiration of the Offer, in our sole discretion, to waive or otherwise modify the terms and conditions of the Offer in any respect, except that we reserve the right to waive or otherwise modify those conditions of the Offer that depend upon receipt of government regulatory approvals at any time prior to the acceptance of Shares for payment. Any reference in this Offer to Purchase or in the Merger Agreement to a condition or requirement being satisfied shall be deemed met if such condition or requirement is so waived. Purchaser will terminate the Offer only pursuant to the specified conditions described in this Offer to Purchase. The failure by us or any of our affiliates at any time to exercise any of the foregoing rights shall not be deemed a waiver of any such right, the waiver of any such right with respect to particular facts and circumstances shall not be deemed an ongoing right.

1 4. Dividends and Distributions

The Merger Agreement provides that, from the date of the Merger Agreement to the Effective Time, except as required by law, Williams Controls is not permitted to declare, set aside or pay dividends with respect to the Shares other than cash dividends made by any direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Williams Controls to Williams Controls or one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. See Section 11— "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements—The Merger Agreement—Conduct of Business."

1 5. Certain Legal Matters

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General. Except as otherwise set forth in this Offer to Purchase, based on our review of Williams Controls's publicly available SEC filings and other information regarding Williams Controls, we are not aware of any licenses or other regulatory permits that appear to be material to the business of Williams Controls and that might be adversely affected by the acquisition of Shares by us pursuant to the Offer or, except as set forth below, of any approval or other action by any governmental, administrative or regulatory agency or authority that would be required for the acquisition or ownership of Shares by us pursuant to the Offer. In addition, except as set forth below, we are not aware of any filings, approvals or other actions by or with any governmental authority or administrative or regulatory agency that would be required for our acquisition or ownership of the Shares. Should any such approval or other action be required, we currently expect that such approval or action, except as described below under "State Takeover Laws," would be sought or taken. There can be no assurance that any such approval or action, if needed, would be obtained or, if obtained, that it would be obtained without substantial conditions, and there can be no assurance that, in the event that such approvals were not obtained or such other actions were not taken, adverse consequences might not result to Williams Controls's or our business or that certain parts of Williams Controls's or our business might not have to be disposed of or held separately. In such an event, we may not be required to purchase any Shares in the Offer. See Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer."

Antitrust Compliance.

Under the HSR Act, and the related rules and regulations that have been issued by the FTC, certain transactions having a value above specified thresholds may not be consummated until specified information and documentary material ("**Premerger Notification and Report Forms**") have been furnished to the FTC and the Antitrust Division of the DOJ (the "**Antitrust Division**") and certain waiting period requirements have been satisfied. The requirements of the HSR Act apply to the acquisition of Shares in the Offer and the Merger.

Under the HSR Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, the purchase of Shares in the Offer cannot be completed until the expiration of a 15 calendar day waiting period following the filing by Curtiss-Wright, as the parent entity of Purchaser, of a Premerger Notification and Report Form concerning the Offer with the FTC and the Antitrust Division, unless the waiting period is earlier terminated by the FTC and the Antitrust Division. Curtiss-Wright filed the Premerger Notification and Report Forms with the FTC and the Antitrust Division in connection with the purchase of the Shares in the Offer and the Merger on November 14, 2012. The required waiting period with respect to the Offer and the Merger will expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on the 15th calendar day following the date such filing occurred unless the FTC or the Antitrust Division issues a request for additional information and documentary material (a "Second Request ") prior to that time. If within the 15 calendar day waiting period either the FTC or the Antitrust Division were to issue a Second Request, the waiting period with respect to the Offer and the Merger would be extended until 10 calendar days following the date of substantial compliance by Curtiss-Wright with that request, unless the FTC or the Antitrust Division terminated the additional waiting period before its expiration. After the expiration of the 10 calendar day waiting period, the waiting period could be extended only by a court enjoining the transaction. Curtiss-Wright also may agree with the FTC or the Antitrust Division that it will not close the transaction for a certain amount of time in order to allow the completion of its antitrust review. Complying with a Second Request can take a significant period of time. Although Williams Controls is required to file certain information and documentary materials with the FTC and the Antitrust Division in connection with the Offer, neither Williams Controls's failure to make those filings nor a Second Request issued to Williams Controls from the FTC or the Antitrust Division will extend the waiting period with respect to the purchase of Shares in the Offer and the Merger. The Merger will not require an additional filing under the HSR Act if Curtiss-Wright owns at least 50% of the outstanding Shares at the time of the Merger or if the Merger occurs within one year after the HSR Act waiting period applicable to the Offer expires or is terminated.

The FTC and the Antitrust Division will consider the legality under the antitrust laws of Purchaser's proposed acquisition of Williams Controls. At any time before or after Purchaser's acceptance for payment of Shares pursuant to the Offer, if the Antitrust Division or the FTC believes that the Offer would violate the U.S. federal antitrust laws by substantially lessening competition in any line of commerce affecting U.S. consumers, the FTC and the Antitrust Division have the authority to challenge the transaction by seeking a federal court order enjoining the transaction or, if Shares have already been acquired, requiring disposition of such Shares, or the divestiture of substantial assets of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, Williams Controls, or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates. U.S. state attorneys general and private persons may also bring legal action under the antitrust laws seeking similar relief or

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seeking conditions to the completion of the Offer. While Purchaser and Curtiss-Wright believe that the consummation of the Offer will not violate any antitrust laws, there can be no assurance that a challenge to the Offer on antitrust grounds will not be made or, if a challenge is made, what the result will be. If any such action is threatened or commenced by the FTC, the Antitrust Division or any state or any other person, Purchaser may not be obligated to consummate the Offer or the Merger. See Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer."

Other Foreign Laws. It is a condition of our obligation to accept for payment and pay for Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer that any required approvals or consents in respect of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement shall have been obtained under any applicable antitrust or other competition laws of jurisdictions other than the United States or investment laws relating to foreign ownership, and that any applicable waiting periods thereunder have expired or been terminated.

If any foreign governmental authority initiates an action to block the Offer or the Merger and an order is issued prohibiting the Offer or the Merger, we and Williams Controls may not be obligated to consummate the Offer or the Merger.

Stockholder Approval. Williams Controls has represented in the Merger Agreement that the execution and delivery of the Merger Agreement by Williams Controls and the consummation by Williams Controls of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement have been duly and validly authorized by the Williams Controls Board, and that no other corporate proceedings on the part of Williams Controls are necessary to authorize the Merger Agreement or to consummate the transactions so contemplated, except, in the case of the consummation of the Merger, for the adoption of the Merger Agreement by the holders of a majority in voting interest of the issued and outstanding Shares if required by the DGCL. As described below, such approval is not required if the Merger is consummated pursuant to the short-form merger provisions of the DGCL. According to Williams Controls's certificate of incorporation, the Shares are the only securities of Williams Controls that entitle the holders thereof to voting rights. If, following the purchase of Shares by Purchaser pursuant to the Offer, Purchaser and its affiliates own a majority of the outstanding Shares, Purchaser will be able to effect the Merger without the affirmative vote of any other stockholder of Williams Controls.

Short-Form Merger. The DGCL provides that if a parent company owns at least 90 percent of each class of stock of a subsidiary entitled to vote on a merger, the parent company can effect a short-form merger with that subsidiary without the action of the other stockholders of the subsidiary. Accordingly, if as a result of the Offer, the top-up option or otherwise, Purchaser directly or indirectly owns at least 90 percent of the Shares, Purchaser could, and (subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to its obligations to effect the Merger contained in the Merger Agreement) is obligated under the Merger Agreement to effect the Merger without prior notice to, or any action by, any other stockholder of Williams Controls if permitted to do so under the DGCL. Even if Purchaser does not own 90 percent of the outstanding Shares following consummation of the Offer, Purchaser could seek to purchase additional Shares in the open market, from Williams Controls or otherwise in order to reach the 90 percent threshold and effect a short-form merger. The consideration per Share paid for any Shares so acquired, other than Shares acquired pursuant to the top-up option, may be greater or less than that paid in the Offer. In addition, pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, following the Acceptance Time, if we acquire a majority but less than 90 percent of the Shares outstanding, we could exercise our top-up option to purchase from Williams Controls, subject to certain limitations, a number of additional Shares equal to the number of Shares sufficient to cause Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser to own one Share more than 90 percent of the Shares then outstanding, taking into account those Shares outstanding after the exercise of the top-up option. The price per Share payable under the top-up option would be equal to the Offer Price, and such purchase price may be paid by us, at our election, either entirely in cash or by paying in cash an amount equal to not less than the aggregate par value of the Shares purchased pursuant to the top-up option and by executing and delivering to Williams Controls a full-recourse, unsecured and non-transferable promissory note, bearing interest at 5% annually and having a one-year term with no pre-payment premium or penalty, in a principal amount equal to the balance of such purchase price. See Section 11– "Purpose of the Offer and Plans for Williams Controls; Merger Agreement and Other Agreements-The Merger Agreement-Top-Up Option."

State Takeover Laws. A number of states (including Delaware, where Williams Controls is incorporated) have adopted takeover laws and regulations which purport, to varying degrees, to be applicable to attempts to

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acquire securities of corporations which are incorporated in such states or which have substantial assets, stockholders, principal executive offices or principal places of business therein. In general, Section 203 of the DGCL prevents an "interested stockholder" (including a person who owns or has the right to acquire 15% or more of a corporation's outstanding voting stock) from engaging in a "business combination" (defined to include mergers and certain other actions) with a Delaware corporation for a period of three years following the time such person became an interested stockholder unless, among other things, the "business combination" is approved by the board of directors of such corporation prior to such time. Williams Controls has represented to us in the Merger Agreement that the Williams Controls Board (at a meeting duly called and held) has duly and unanimously adopted resolutions that are sufficient to render inapplicable to Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser the restrictions on business combinations set forth in Section 203 of the DGCL and any other takeover laws that may purport to be applicable to the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement and the Tender and Support Agreement. Accordingly, no Delaware statute should have the effect of precluding the Offer or the Merger. Purchaser has not attempted to comply with any other state takeover laws in connection with the Offer or the Merger. To the extent that the provisions of other state takeover statutes purport to apply to the Offer or the Merger. Purchaser believes that such laws conflict with federal law and constitute an unconstitutional burden on interstate commerce. Purchaser reserves the right to challenge the validity or applicability of any state law allegedly applicable to the Offer, the Merger, the Merger Agreement, the Tender and Support Agreement or the transactions contemplated thereby (other than the DGCL), and nothing in this Offer to Purchase nor any action taken in connection herewith is intended as a waiver of that right. In the event that it is asserted that one or more takeover statutes apply to the Offer or the Merger, and it is not determined by an appropriate court that such statute or statutes do not apply or are invalid as applied to the Offer, the Merger or the Merger Agreement, as applicable, Purchaser may be required to file certain documents with, or receive approvals from, the relevant state authorities, and Purchaser might be unable to accept for payment or purchase Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer or be delayed in continuing or consummating the Offer. In such case, Purchaser may not be obligated to accept for purchase, or pay for, any Shares tendered. See Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer."

Appraisal Rights. No appraisal rights are available to the holders of Shares in connection with the Offer. However, if the Merger is consummated, each holder of Shares (the "Appraisal Shares") at the Effective Time who has neither voted in favor of the Merger nor consented thereto in writing, and who otherwise complies with the applicable statutory procedures under Section 262 of the DGCL, will be entitled to receive a judicial determination of the fair value of the Appraisal Shares (exclusive of any element of value arising from the accomplishment or expectation of the Merger) and to receive payment of such judicially determined amount in cash, together with such rate of interest, if any, as the Delaware court may determine for Appraisal Shares held by such holder. Unless the Delaware court in its discretion determines otherwise for good cause shown, this rate of interest will be five percent over the Federal Reserve discount rate (including any surcharge) as established from time to time between the Effective Time and the date of payment and will be compounded quarterly.

Any such judicial determination of the fair value of the Appraisal Shares could be based upon considerations other than or in addition to the price paid in the Offer and the market value of the Appraisal Shares. Stockholders should recognize that the value so determined could be higher or lower than, or the same as, the price per Share paid pursuant to the Offer or the per share price to be paid pursuant to the Merger. Moreover, we or Williams Controls may argue in an appraisal proceeding that, for purposes of such a proceeding, the fair value of the Appraisal Shares is less than the price paid in the Offer and the Merger. Stockholders also should note that investment banking opinions as to the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the consideration payable in a sale transaction, such as the Offer and the Merger, are not opinions as to fair value under Section 262 of the DGCL.

The Merger Agreement provides that, in any appraisal proceeding with respect to Appraisal Shares and to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the fair value of the Appraisal Shares shall be determined in accordance with Section 262 of the DGCL without regard to the top-up option, the Shares issued in connection with the top-up option or any cash or promissory note delivered by Purchaser to Williams Controls in payment for the Shares issued pursuant to the top-up option.

If any holder of Appraisal Shares who demands appraisal under Section 262 of the DGCL fails to perfect, or effectively withdraws or loses his, her, or its rights to appraisal as provided in the DGCL, the Appraisal Shares of

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such stockholder will be converted into the right to receive the Merger Consideration, without interest and subject to applicable withholding taxes, in accordance with the Merger Agreement.

The foregoing summary of appraisal rights of stockholders under the DGCL does not purport to be a statement of the procedures to be followed by stockholders desiring to exercise any appraisal rights under Delaware law. The preservation and exercise of appraisal rights require strict and timely adherence to the applicable provisions of Delaware law which will be set forth (or attached) in their entirety in the proxy statement or information statement for the Merger, unless the Merger is effected as a short-form merger, in which case they will be set forth in (or attached to) the notice of merger. The foregoing discussion is not a complete statement of law pertaining to appraisal rights under Delaware law and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Delaware law.

Stockholders cannot exercise appraisal rights at this time. The information provided above is for informational purposes only with respect to the alternatives of stockholders if and when the Merger is consummated. If stockholders sell their Shares in the Offer (or otherwise prior to the Merger), such holders will not be entitled to exercise appraisal rights with respect to such Shares.

"Going Private" Transactions. Rule 13e-3 under the Exchange Act is applicable to certain "going private" transactions and may under certain circumstances be applicable to the Merger. However, Rule 13e-3 will be inapplicable if (a) the Shares are deregistered under the Exchange Act prior to the Merger or another business combination or (b) the Merger or other business combination is consummated within one year after the purchase of the Shares pursuant to the Offer and the amount paid per Share pursuant to the Merger or other business combination is at least equal to the amount paid per Share in the Offer. Neither Curtiss-Wright nor Purchaser believes that Rule 13e-3 will be applicable to the Merger.

1 6. Fees and Expenses

We have retained Arc Securities, LLC to act as financial advisor in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, for which services Arc Securities, LLC will receive customary compensation. Arc Securities, LLC will receive reimbursement for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and indemnification against certain liabilities arising out of the engagement, including liabilities under the federal securities laws. In the ordinary course of business, Arc Securities, LLC and its affiliates may trade Shares for their own accounts and accounts of customers, and, accordingly, may at any time hold a long or short position in the Shares.

We have retained the Depositary and the Information Agent in connection with the Offer. Each of the Depositary and the Information Agent will receive customary compensation, reimbursement for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, and indemnification against certain liabilities in connection with the Offer, including liabilities under the federal securities laws.

As part of the services included in such retention, the Information Agent may contact holders of Shares by personal interview, mail, electronic mail, telephone and other methods of electronic communication and may request brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and other nominees to forward the Offer materials to beneficial holders of Shares.

Except as set forth above, we will not pay any fees or commissions to any broker or dealer or other person for soliciting tenders of Shares pursuant to the Offer. Brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and other nominees will upon request be reimbursed by us for customary mailing and handling expenses incurred by them in forwarding the offering material to their customers.

17. Miscellaneous

We are not aware of any jurisdiction where the making of the Offer is prohibited by any administrative or judicial action pursuant to any valid state statute. If we become aware of any valid state statute prohibiting the



making of the Offer or the acceptance of the Shares, we will make a good faith effort to comply with that state statute or seek to have such statute declared inapplicable to the Offer. If, after a good faith effort, we cannot comply with the state statute, we will not make the Offer to, nor will we accept tenders from or on behalf of, the holders of Shares in that state. In any jurisdiction where the securities, blue sky or other laws require the Offer to be made by a licensed broker or dealer, the Offer will be deemed to be made on behalf of Purchaser by one or more registered brokers or dealers licensed under the laws of such jurisdiction.

We have filed with the SEC the Schedule TO (including exhibits) in accordance with the Exchange Act, furnishing certain additional information with respect to the Offer and may file amendments thereto. In addition, Williams Controls will file the Schedule 14D-9 (including exhibits) in accordance with the Exchange Act setting forth its recommendation and furnishing certain additional related information. The Schedule TO and the Schedule 14D-9, and any amendments thereto, including exhibits, may be examined and copies may be obtained from the SEC in the manner set forth in Section 8—"Certain Information Concerning Williams Controls"—"Available Information."

No person has been authorized to give any information or make any representation on behalf of Purchaser or Curtiss-Wright not contained in this Offer to Purchase, the Letter of Transmittal or the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized. No broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee shall be deemed to be the agent of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, Williams Controls, the Information Agent or the Depositary or any of their affiliates for the purpose of the Offer. Neither delivery of this Offer to Purchase nor any purchase pursuant to the Offer will, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser, Williams Controls or any of their respective subsidiaries since the date as of which information is furnished or the date of this Offer to Purchase.

Neither the Offer, nor this Offer to Purchase, nor the Letter of Transmittal, nor the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery constitutes a solicitation of proxies for any meeting of Williams Controls's stockholders. Any such solicitation that we or any of our affiliates might seek would be made only pursuant to separate proxy materials complying with the requirements of Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act.

Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc.

November 15, 2012

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INFORMATION CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF CURTISS-WRIGHT, CURTISS-WRIGHT CONTROLS AND PURCHASER

CURTISS-WRIGHT

Set forth below are the name, business address and current principal occupation or employment, and material occupations, positions, offices or employment for the past five years of each director and executive officer of Curtiss-Wright. Except as otherwise noted, positions specified are positions with Curtiss-Wright.

Name	Address	Principal Occupation or Employment
Curtiss-Wright Board of Directors		
Martin R. Benante	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Curtiss- Wright Corporation (Since April 2000).
Dean M. Flatt	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	President and Chief Operating Officer of Honeywell International Inc.'s Defense and Space division (July 2005- July 2008); President of Honeywell International Inc.'s Aerospace Electronics Systems division (December 2001-July 2005); President of Honeywell International Inc.'s Specialty Materials and Chemicals division (July 2000-December 2001); member of Operating Executive Board of JF Lehman & Company (since May 2010).
S. Marce Fuller	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	President and Chief Executive Officer of Mirant Corporation (July 1999 – October 2005).
Dr. Allen A. Kozinski	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Group Vice President, Global Refining of BP PLC (1998 – 2002).
John R. Myers	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Tru-Circle Corporation (June 1999 – July 2003); Limited Partner of Carlisle Enterprises (1993 – 1999); since 2005 served as Operating Partner of First Atlantic Capital Corporation.
Admiral (Ret.) John B. Nathman	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Commander of U.S. Fleet Forces Command (February 2005 – May 2007); Vice Chief of Naval Operations U.S. Navy (August 2004 – February 2005); Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Warfare Requirements and Programs at the Pentagon (August 2002 – August 2004);

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Name	Address	Principal Occupation or Employment	
		Commander, Naval Air Forces (October 2001 – August 2002); Commander of Naval Air Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet (August 2000 – October 2001).	
Robert J. Rivet	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Executive Vice President, Chief Operations and Administrative Officer of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (October 2008 – February 2011); Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (September 2000 – October 2009).	
Dr. William W. Sihler	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Ronald E. Trzcinski Professor of Business Administration, Darden Graduate School of Business Administration, University of Virginia (Since 1984); Director, President, and Treasurer of Southeastern Consultants Group, Ltd. (Since 1992).	
Albert E. Smith	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Chairman of Tetra Tech, Inc. (March 2006 – January 2008); Member of the Secretary of Defense's Science Board (2002 – 2005); Executive Vice President of Lockheed Martin Corp. (September 1999 – June 2005).	
Executive Officers			
David C. Adams	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	President and Chief Operating Officer (October 2012 – present); Co-Chief Operating Officer (November 2008 – October 2012); Vice President (November 2005 – November 2008); President of Curtiss-Wright Controls (since June 2005); Senior Vice President, Electronic Systems Curtiss- Wright Controls (February 2004 – June 2005); Group Vice President, Integrated Sensing (April 2002 – February 2004).	
David J. Linton	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President (October 2012 – present); Co-Chief Operating Officer (November 2008 – October 2012); Vice President (May 2004 – November 2008); President (since May 2004); Vice President of Program Management, Raytheon Network Centric Systems (November 2003 – April 2004); Chief Executive Officer, Cordiem, Inc. (April 2001 – March 2003); Vice President and General Manager of Electric Systems, Hamilton Sundstrand Corporation (June 1998 – April 2001).	
Thomas P. Quinly	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President (since November 2010); President Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. (since November 2008); Senior Vice President, Embedded Computing of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. (since 2004).	
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Name	Address	Principal Occupation or Employment
Glenn E. Tynan	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer (since June 2002); Controller (June 2000 – May 2002).
Michael J. Denton	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel (since August 2001).
Glenn G. Coleman	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President and Corporate Controller (since May 2008); Finance Vice President, Wireless Business Group of Alcatel Lucent, formerly Lucent Technologies; (June 2007 – December 2007); Finance Vice President, American Controller of Alcatel Lucent, formerly Lucent Technologies; (January 2002 – May 2007).
Harry S. Jakubowitz	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President (since May 2007); Treasurer (since September 2005).
Paul J. Ferdenzi	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President, Human Resources (since November 2011); Associate General Counsel (since June 1999); Assistant Secretary (since May 2001).
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CURTISS-WRIGHT CONTROLS

Set forth below are the name, business address and current principal occupation or employment, and material occupations, positions, offices or employment for the past five years of each director and executive officer of Curtiss-Wright Controls. Except as otherwise noted, positions specified are positions with Curtiss-Wright.

Name	Business Address	Principal Occupation or Employment	
Directors			
Martin R. Benante	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Curtiss- Wright Corporation (Since April 2000).	
Michael J. Denton	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel (since August 2001).	
David C. Adams	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	President and Chief Operating Officer (October 2012 – present); Co-Chief Operating Officer (November 2008 – October 2012); Vice President (November 2005 – November 2008); President of Curtiss-Wright Controls (since June 2005); Senior Vice President, Electronic Systems Curtiss-Wright Controls (February 2004 – June 2005); Group Vice President, Integrated Sensing (April 2002 – February 2004).	
Executive Officers			
Thomas P. Quinly	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President (since November 2010); President Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. (since November 2008); Senior Vice President, Embedded Computing of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. (since 2004).	
Glenn E. Tynan	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer (since June 2002); Controller (June 2000 – May 2002). Vice President, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.	
Allan Symonds	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President Finance, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.	
Dan O'Connell	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President and General Manager, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.	
Robert H. Shaw	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.; Vice President and Secretary of Purchaser	
Harry S. Jakubowitz	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President (since May 2007); Treasurer (since September 2005). Treasurer of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.	
Michael J. Denton	Curtiss-Wright Corporation 10 Waterview Boulevard, Second Floor Parsippany, New Jersey 07054	Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel (since August 2001).	

PURCHASER

Set forth below are the name, business address and current principal occupation or employment, and material occupations, positions, offices or employment for the past five years of each director and executive officer of Purchaser. Except as otherwise noted, positions specified are positions with Curtiss-Wright.

Name	Business Address	Principal Occupation or Employment
Directors		
Allan Symonds	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President Finance, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.
Robert H. Shaw	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.; Vice President and Secretary of Purchaser
Executive Officers		
John Watts	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	President and Treasurer of Purchaser
Robert H. Shaw	Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200, Charlotte, NC 28277	Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.; Vice President and Secretary of Purchaser
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Manually signed facsimiles of the Letter of Transmittal, properly completed and duly executed, will be accepted. The Letter of Transmittal, certificates for Shares and any other required documents should be sent by each stockholder of Williams Controls or such stockholder's broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee to the Depositary as follows:

The Depositary for the Offer Is:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.



By Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions P.O. Box 64854 St. Paul, MN 55164-0854 By Courier or Hand (until 11:59 p.m., New York City time on Thursday, December 13, 2012):

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions 1110 Centre Point Curve, Suite 101 Mendota Heights, MN 55120-4100

Any questions or requests for assistance may be directed to the Information Agent at the telephone number and address set forth below. Requests for additional copies of the Offer to Purchase and the Letter of Transmittal may be directed to the Information Agent. You may also contact your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee for assistance concerning the Offer.

The Information Agent for the Offer is :



501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York 10022

Shareholders may call toll free: (888) 750-5834 Banks and Brokers may call collect: (212) 750-5833

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THIS DOCUMENT IS IMPORTANT AND REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

Letter of Transmittal To Tender Shares of Common Stock of WILLIAMS CONTROLS, INC. at \$15.42 Net Per Share Pursuant to the Offer to Purchase dated November 15, 2012 by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED.

The Depositary for the Offer Is:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

By Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions P.O. Box 64854 St. Paul, MN 55164-0854 By Hand or Courier (until 11:59 p.m., New York City time on Thursday, December 13, 2012):

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions 1110 Centre Point Curve, Suite 101 Mendota Heights, MN 55120-4100

DESCRIPTION OF SHARES TENDERED

(Must be signed by all registered shareholders; include legal capacity if signing on behalf of an entity) (Please Fill in, if blank)

Share Certificate(s) and Share(s) Tendered (Please attach additional signed list, if necessary)

Certificate Number(s) and/or	Total Number of	
indicate Book- Entry or DRP	Shares Represented	Number of Shares
shares	by Certificate(s)	Tendered (1,2)

Total Shares Tendered

(1) If shares are held in Book-Entry form or in a Reinvestment Plan, you must indicate the number of shares you are tendering.
 (2) Unless otherwise indicated, all Shares represented by Share Certificates delivered to the Depositary Agent will be deemed to have been tendered. See Instruction 4.

DELIVERY OF THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID DELIVERY. YOU MUST SIGN THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL WHERE INDICATED BELOW AND, IF YOU ARE A U.S. HOLDER, COMPLETE THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 ACCOMPANYING THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL. IF YOU ARE A NON-U.S. HOLDER, YOU MUST OBTAIN AND COMPLETE AN IRS FORM W-8BEN OR OTHER IRS FORM W-8, AS APPLICABLE.

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ACCOMPANYING THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL OR ANY OF THE OTHER OFFER DOCUMENTS, YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE INFORMATION AGENT, INNISFREE M&A INCORPORATED, TOLL-FREE AT (888) 750-5834, OR (212) 750-5833 FOR BANKS AND BROKERS.

You have received this Letter of Transmittal in connection with the offer of Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation (" **Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation (" **Curtiss-Wright**"), to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the " **Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation (" **Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, as described in the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012.

You should use this Letter of Transmittal to deliver to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "**Depositary**") Shares represented by stock certificates for tender. If you are delivering your Shares by book-entry transfer to an account maintained by the Depositary at The Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**"), you may use this Letter of Transmittal or you may use an Agent's Message (as defined in Instruction 2 below). In this document, stockholders who deliver certificates representing their Shares are referred to as "**Certificate Stockholders**." Stockholders who deliver their Shares through book-entry transfer are referred to as "**Book-Entry Stockholders**." If you hold your Shares in a direct registration account maintained by Williams Controls's transfer agent (such shares, "**Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares**"), in order to validly tender your Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares, you must deliver the Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, together with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents to the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of the Offer to Purchase by the Expiration Date (as defined in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase).

If certificates for your Shares are not immediately available or you cannot deliver your certificates and all other required documents to the Depositary prior to the Expiration Date (as defined in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase), or you cannot comply with the book-entry transfer procedures on a timely basis, you may nevertheless tender your Shares according to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase. See Instruction 2. **Delivery of documents to DTC will not constitute delivery to the Depositary.**

NOTE: SIGNATURES MUST BE PROVIDED BELOW PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

SPECIAL PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS (See Instructions 1, 5 and 6)	SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS
To be completed ONLY if the check accepted for payment is/are to be issued in the name of someone other than the undersigned.	To be completed ONLY if the check is to be sent to someone other than the undersigned or to the undersigned at an address other than that shown under "Description of Shares Tendered."
Issue To:	Mail To: Name
Name	(Please Print)
(Please Print)	Address
Address	
(Include Zip Code) (Recipient must complete Substitute Form W-9 below)	(Include Zip Code)
 <u>Certification:</u> Under penalties of perjury, I certify that: 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer ider waiting for a number to be issued to me), and 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exwithholding, (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Ream subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer withholding, and 	Employer Identification Number Evenue Service (IRS) that I report all interest or
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (as defined in the in	nstructions below)
Notification of Backup Withholding	
to report all interest and dividends on my tax return. I understa) that I am currently subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure and that marking this box will result in backup withholding on any tem 2 above. "The Internal Revenue Service does not require your fications required to avoid backup withholding."
Required: Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:	<u>.</u>
 ☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C Corporation ☐ Limited liability company. Enter tax classification (C=C content 	\Box S Corporation \Box Partnership Trust/estate orporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership):
Signature:	Date:
Signature:	Date:

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT ALIEN INDIVIDUALS OR FOREIGN ENTITIES (e.g. foreign corporation, partnership or trusts): DO NOT COMPLETE THE ABOVE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9. COMPLETE THE ENCLOSED FORM W-8BEN, OR OBTAIN ONE AT <u>www.irs.gov</u> OR CALL 877-262-8260 FOR COPY OF FORM W-8BEN. COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FORM W-8BEN CERTIFICATION OF FOREIGN STATUS. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL SUBJECT YOU TO FEDERAL BACKUP WITHHOLDING AT THE CURRENT APPLICABLE RATE.

The names and addresses of the registered holders of the tendered Shares should be printed, if not already printed above, exactly as they appear on the Share Certificates (as defined below) tendered hereby.

This Letter of Transmittal is to be used by shareholders if certificates for Shares are to be forwarded herewith or if shares are held in book-entry form on the records of the Depositary.

Holders of Shares whose certificates for such Shares (the "Share Certificates") are not immediately available, or who cannot complete the procedure for book-entry transfer on a timely basis, or who cannot deliver all other required documents to the Depositary Agent prior to the Expiration Date (as defined in the Prospectus), must tender their Shares according to the guaranteed delivery procedure set forth in "The Offer—Guaranteed Delivery" of the Prospectus. See Instruction 2.

IMPORTANT SHAREHOLDER: SIGN HERE (Please Complete Substitute Form W-9 Included Herein)

	(Signature(s) of Owner(s))	
Name(s)		
		Capacity (Full
Title)		
	(See Instructions)	
Address		

(Include Zip Code)

(Must be signed by the registered holder(s) exactly as name(s) appear(s) on stock certificate(s) or on a security position listing or by the person (s) authorized to become registered holder(s) by certificates and documents transmitted herewith. If signature is by a trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, attorney-in-fact, officer of a corporation or other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, please set forth full title and see Instruction 5.)

GUARANTEE OF SIGNATURE(S) (If required—See Instructions 1 and 5)

APPLY MEDALLION GUARANTEE STAMP BELOW

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby tenders to Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), the above-described shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), pursuant to the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and this Letter of Transmittal (which, together with the Offer to Purchase, as each may be amended or supplemented from time to time, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"). The undersigned understands that Purchaser reserves the right, subject to the provisions of the Merger Agreement, to transfer or assign, from time to time, in whole or in part, to Curtiss-Wright or one or more of its direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, the right to purchase all or any portion of the Shares tendered herewith.

On the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer (including, if the Offer is extended or amended, the terms and conditions of any extension or amendment), subject to, and effective upon, acceptance for payment and payment for the Shares validly tendered herewith in accordance with the terms of the Offer, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers to, or upon the order of, Purchaser, all right, title and interest in and to all of the Shares being tendered hereby and any and all dividends, distributions, rights, other Shares or other securities issued or issuable in respect of such Shares on or after October 31, 2012 (collectively, "**Distributions**"). In addition, the undersigned hereby irrevocably appoints Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "**Depositary**") the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact and proxy of the undersigned with respect to such Shares and any Distributions with full power of substitution (such power of attorney being deemed to be an irrevocable power coupled with an interest) to the fullest extent of such stockholder's rights with respect to such Shares and any Distributions on the account books maintained by the Depository Trust Company ("**DTC**") together, in each such case, with all accompanying evidence of transfer and authenticity, to or upon the order of Purchaser, (b) to present such Shares and any Distributions, and (c) to receive all benefits and otherwise exercise all rights of beneficial ownership of such Shares and any Distributions, all in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer.

The undersigned hereby irrevocably appoints each of the designees of Purchaser the attorney-in-fact and proxy of the undersigned, each with full power of substitution, to the full extent of such stockholder's rights with respect to the Shares tendered hereby which have been accepted for payment and with respect to any Distributions. The designees of Purchaser will, with respect to the Shares and any associated Distributions for which the appointment is effective, be empowered to exercise all voting and any other rights of such stockholder, as they, in their sole discretion, may deem proper at any annual, special, adjourned or postponed meeting of Williams Controls's stockholders, by written consent in lieu of any such meeting or otherwise. This proxy and power of attorney shall be irrevocable and coupled with an interest in the tendered Shares. Such appointment is effective when, and only to the extent that, Purchaser accepts the Shares tendered with this Letter of Transmittal for payment pursuant to the Offer. Upon the effectiveness of such appointment, without further action, all prior powers of attorney, proxies and consents given by the undersigned with respect to such Shares and any associated Distributions will be revoked and no subsequent powers of attorney, proxies, consents or revocations may be given (and, if given, will not be deemed effective). Purchaser reserves the right to require that, in order for Shares to be deemed validly tendered, immediately upon Purchaser's acceptance for payment of such Shares, Purchaser must be able to exercise full voting, consent and other rights, to the extent permitted under applicable law, with respect to such Shares and any associated Distributions, including voting at any meeting of stockholders or executing a written consent concerning any matter.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the undersigned has full power and authority to tender, sell, assign and transfer the Shares and any Distributions tendered hereby and, when any of the same are accepted for payment by Purchaser, Purchaser will acquire good, marketable and unencumbered title thereto, free and clear of all liens, restrictions, charges and encumbrances and the same will not be subject to any adverse claim. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the undersigned is the registered owner of the Shares or the Share Certificate(s) have been endorsed to the undersigned in blank or the undersigned is a participant in DTC whose

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name appears on a security position listing participant as the owner of the Shares. The undersigned will, upon request, execute and deliver any additional documents deemed by the Depositary or Purchaser to be necessary or desirable to complete the sale, assignment and transfer of the Shares and any Distributions tendered hereby and accepted for payment. In addition, the undersigned shall promptly remit and transfer to the Depositary for the account of Purchaser any and all Distributions in respect of the Shares tendered hereby and accepted for payment, accompanied by appropriate documentation of transfer and, pending such remittance or appropriate assurance thereof, Purchaser shall be entitled to all rights and privileges as owner of any such Distributions and may withhold the entire purchase price or deduct from the purchase price the amount or value thereof, as determined by Purchaser in its sole and absolute discretion.

It is understood that the undersigned will not receive payment for the Shares unless and until the Shares are accepted for payment and until the Share Certificate(s) owned by the undersigned are, or this Letter of Transmittal tendering any Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares is, received by the Depositary at the address set forth above, together with such additional documents as the Depositary may require, or, in the case of Shares held in book-entry form through DTC, ownership of Shares is validly transferred on the account books maintained by DTC, and until the same are processed for payment by the Depositary. It is understood that the method of delivery of the Shares, the Share Certificate(s) and all other required documents (including delivery through DTC) is at the option and sole risk of the undersigned and that the risk of loss of such Shares, Share Certificate(s) and other documents shall pass only after the Depositary has actually received the Shares or Share Certificate (s) (including, in the case of a book-entry transfer through DTC, by Book-Entry Confirmation (as defined below)).

All authority conferred or agreed to be conferred pursuant to this Letter of Transmittal shall not be affected by, and shall survive, the death or incapacity of the undersigned and any obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, trustees in bankruptcy, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned. Except as stated in the Offer to Purchase, this tender is irrevocable.

The undersigned understands that the acceptance for payment by Purchaser of Shares tendered pursuant to one of the procedures described in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase will constitute a binding agreement between the undersigned and Purchaser upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer.

Unless otherwise indicated herein under "Special Payment Instructions," please issue the check for the purchase price in the name(s) of, and/or return any Share Certificate(s) representing Shares not tendered or accepted for payment to, the registered owner(s) appearing under "Description of Shares Tendered." Similarly, unless otherwise indicated under "Special Delivery Instructions," please mail the check for the purchase price and/or return any Share Certificate(s) representing Shares not tendered or accepted for payment (and accompanying documents, as appropriate) to the address(es) of the registered owner(s) appearing under "Description of Shares Tendered." In the event that both the Special Delivery Instructions and the Special Payment Instructions are completed, please issue the check for the purchase price and/or issue any Share Certificate(s) representing Shares not tendered or accepted for payment (and any accompanying documents, as appropriate) in the name of, and deliver such check and/or return such Share Certificate(s) (and any accompanying documents, as appropriate) to, the person or persons so indicated. The undersigned recognizes that Purchaser has no obligation pursuant to the Special Payment Instructions to transfer any Shares from the name of the registered owner thereof if Purchaser does not accept for payment any of the Shares so tendered.

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INSTRUCTIONS Forming Part of the Terms and Conditions of the Offer

1. **Guarantee of Signatures.** Except as otherwise provided below, all signatures on this Letter of Transmittal must be guaranteed by a financial institution (which term includes most commercial banks, savings and loan associations and brokerage houses) that is a member in good standing of a recognized Medallion Program approved by The Securities Transfer Association, Inc., including the Security Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program and the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program (each, an "**Eligible Institution**"). Signatures on this Letter of Transmittal need not be guaranteed (a) if this Letter of Transmittal is signed by the registered owner(s) (which term, for purposes of this document, includes any participant in DTC whose name appears on a security position listing as the owner of the Shares) of Shares tendered herewith and such registered owner has not completed the box titled "Special Payment Instructions" or the box titled "Special Delivery Instructions" on this Letter of Transmittal or (b) if such Shares are tendered for the account of an Eligible Institution. See Instruction 5.

2. Delivery of Letter of Transmittal and Certificates or Book-Entry Shares. This Letter of Transmittal is to be completed by stockholders if Share Certificate(s) are to be forwarded herewith, if such Shares are Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares or, unless an Agent's Message is utilized, if tenders are to be made pursuant to the procedures for tender by book-entry transfer set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase. A manually signed facsimile of this document may be used in lieu of the original. If your Shares are held as Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares, in order to validly tender your Shares, you must deliver the Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, together with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents to the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of the Offer to Purchase prior to the Expiration Date (as defined in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase), or you must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below. If tenders are to be made pursuant to the procedures for tender by book-entry transfer set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase, in order to validly tender your Shares, confirmation of any book-entry transfer into the Depositary's account at DTC of Shares tendered by book-entry transfer ("Book-Entry **Confirmation** "), as well as this Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, together with any required signature guarantees, unless an Agent's Message is utilized, and any other required documents must be received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of the Offer to Purchase prior to the Expiration Date, or you must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below. Any other documents required by this Letter of Transmittal, including, in the case of certificated Shares, any Share Certificate(s) to be forwarded herewith, must also be received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth herein prior to the Expiration Date. Please do not send your Share Certificate(s) directly to Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright or Williams Controls.

Stockholders whose Share Certificate(s) are not immediately available or who cannot deliver all other required documents to the Depositary prior to the Expiration Date or who cannot comply with the procedures for book-entry transfer on a timely basis, may nevertheless tender their Shares by properly completing and duly executing a Notice of Guaranteed Delivery pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase. Pursuant to such procedures: (a) a properly completed and duly executed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery in the form provided by Purchaser must be received by the Depositary prior to the Expiration Date and (b) Share Certificate(s) representing all tendered Shares, in proper form for transfer (or a Book-Entry Confirmation with respect to such Shares), as well as a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed with any required signature guarantees (unless, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message is utilized), and all other documents required by this Letter of Transmittal, must be received by the Depositary within three (3) New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of such Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

A Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, must accompany each delivery of Share Certificate(s) to the Depositary.

The term "**Agent's Message**" means a message, transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the Depositary and forming part of a Book-Entry Confirmation, which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC tendering the Shares which are the subject of such Book-Entry Confirmation that such

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participant has received and agrees to be bound by the terms of the Letter of Transmittal and that Purchaser may enforce such agreement against the participant.

THE METHOD OF DELIVERY OF THE SHARES, THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL AND ALL OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING DELIVERY THROUGH DTC, IS AT THE ELECTION AND SOLE RISK OF THE TENDERING STOCKHOLDER. DELIVERY OF ALL SUCH DOCUMENTS WILL BE DEEMED MADE AND RISK OF LOSS OF THE SHARE CERTIFICATE(S) SHALL PASS ONLY WHEN ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY THE DEPOSITARY (INCLUDING, IN THE CASE OF A BOOK-ENTRY TRANSFER, BY BOOK-ENTRY CONFIRMATION). IF SUCH DELIVERY IS BY MAIL, WE RECOMMEND THAT ALL SUCH DOCUMENTS BE SENT BY PROPERLY INSURED REGISTERED MAIL WITH RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. IN ALL CASES, SUFFICIENT TIME SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO ENSURE TIMELY DELIVERY.

No alternative, conditional or contingent tenders will be accepted and no fractional Shares will be purchased. All tendering stockholders, by execution of this Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), waive any right to receive any notice of the acceptance of their Shares for payment.

The undersigned understands and acknowledges that all questions as to validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt) and acceptance of any tender of Shares will be determined by Purchaser (which may delegate power in whole or in part to the Depositary) in its sole and absolute discretion, and such determination shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such determination in a court of competent jurisdiction. Purchaser reserves the right to waive any irregularities or defects in the surrender of any Shares or Share Certificate(s). A surrender will not be deemed to have been made until all irregularities have been cured or waived. Purchaser and the Depositary shall make reasonable efforts to notify any person of any defect in any Letter of Transmittal submitted to the Depositary.

3. **Inadequate Space.** If the space provided herein is inadequate, the certificate numbers and/or the number of Shares should be listed on a separate schedule attached hereto and separately signed on each page thereof in the same manner as this Letter of Transmittal is signed.

4. **Partial Tenders.** If fewer than all the Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares held in a direct registration account or fewer than all the Shares evidenced by any Share Certificate delivered to the Depositary are to be tendered, fill in the number of Shares which are to be tendered in the column titled "Number of Shares Tendered" in the box titled "Description of Shares Tendered." In the case of Shares evidenced by Share Certificates, new certificate(s) for the remainder of the Shares that were evidenced by the old certificate(s) but not tendered will be sent to the registered owner, unless otherwise provided in the appropriate box on this Letter of Transmittal, as soon as practicable after the Expiration Date. All Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares held in a direct registration account or Shares represented by Share Certificate(s) delivered to the Depositary will be deemed to have been tendered unless otherwise indicated.

5. Signatures on Letter of Transmittal; Stock Powers and Endorsements. If this Letter of Transmittal is signed by the registered owner(s) of the Shares tendered hereby, the signature(s) must correspond with the name(s) as written on the face of the Share Certificate(s) without alteration or any other change whatsoever.

If any Shares tendered hereby are owned of record by two or more joint owners, all such owners must sign this Letter of Transmittal.

If any tendered Shares are registered in the names of different holder(s), it will be necessary to complete, sign and submit as many separate Letters of Transmittal (or manually signed facsimiles thereof) as there are different registrations of such Shares.

If this Letter of Transmittal or any certificates or stock powers are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-infact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such persons should so indicate when signing, and proper evidence satisfactory to Purchaser of their authority so to act must be submitted, or in lieu of evidence the signatures must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution noted; see Instruction 1.

If this Letter of Transmittal is signed by the registered owner(s) of the Shares listed and transmitted hereby, no endorsements of any Share Certificate(s) or separate stock powers are required unless payment is to be made to, or Share Certificate(s) representing Shares not tendered or accepted for payment are to be issued in the name of, a person other than the registered owner(s). Signatures on such Share Certificate(s) or stock powers must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution.

If this Letter of Transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered owner(s) of the Share(s) listed, the Share Certificate(s) must be endorsed or accompanied by the appropriate stock powers, in either case, signed exactly as the name or names of the registered owner(s) or holder(s) appear(s) on the Share Certificate(s). Signatures on such Share Certificate(s) or stock powers must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution.

6. **Transfer Taxes.** Purchaser will pay any transfer taxes with respect to the transfer and sale of Shares to it or to its order pursuant to the Offer (for the avoidance of doubt, transfer taxes do not include United States federal income or backup withholding taxes). If, however, payment of the purchase price is to be made to, or (in the circumstances permitted hereby) if Share Certificate(s) not tendered or accepted for payment are to be registered in the name of, any person other than the registered owner(s), or if tendered Share Certificate(s) are registered in the name of any person other than the person signing this Letter of Transmittal, the amount of any transfer taxes (whether imposed on the registered owner(s) or such person) payable on account of the transfer to such person will be deducted from the purchase price unless satisfactory evidence of the payment of such taxes, or exemption therefrom, is submitted.

7. **Special Payment.** If a check is to be issued in the name of a person other than the signer of this Letter of Transmittal the appropriate boxes on this Letter of Transmittal must be completed. Tax implications apply to the registered holder (i.e., person identified in Box E) at the time of transfers unless Gift or Inheritance Rules apply. For tax-related information or questions, contact your tax advisor.

8. **Requests for Assistance or Additional Copies.** Questions or requests for assistance may be directed to the Information Agent at its address and telephone number set forth below or to your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee. Additional copies of the Offer to Purchase, this Letter of Transmittal, the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and other tender offer materials may be obtained from the Information Agent as set forth below, and will be furnished at Purchaser's expense.

9. **Backup Withholding.** In order to avoid U.S. federal "backup withholding," currently at a rate of twenty-eight percent with respect to cash received in exchange for Shares in the Offer, a stockholder submitting Shares must (a) provide the Depositary with a properly completed Substitute Form W-9, included in this Letter of Transmittal, indicating an exemption from backup withholding and sign such form under penalties of perjury or (b) provide the Depositary with a properly completed IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable IRS Form W-8, and sign such form under penalties of perjury. IRS Form W-8BEN and other IRS Forms W-8 are available from the Depositary or from the Internal Revenue Service web site, at http://www.irs.gov. Please see "Important Tax Information" below.

10. Lost, Destroyed, Mutilated or Stolen Share Certificate(s). If any Share Certificate has been lost, destroyed, mutilated or stolen, the stockholder should promptly notify Williams Controls' share transfer agent, Computershare, at (800) 962-4284 or for international callers at (781) 575-3120. The stockholder will then be instructed as to the steps that must be taken in order to replace the Share Certificate. This Letter of Transmittal and related documents cannot be processed until the procedures for replacing lost, mutilated, destroyed or stolen Share Certificate(s) have been followed.

11. **Waiver of Conditions.** Subject to the terms and conditions of the Offer and the Merger Agreement (each as defined in the Offer to Purchase) and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the conditions of the Offer may be waived by Purchaser in whole or in part at any time and from time to time in its sole discretion.

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IMPORTANT: THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL (OR A MANUALLY SIGNED FACSIMILE THEREOF) OR AN AGENT'S MESSAGE, TOGETHER WITH SHARE CERTIFICATE(S) OR BOOK-ENTRY CONFIRMATION OR A PROPERLY COMPLETED AND DULY EXECUTED NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY AND ALL OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPOSITARY PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE.

IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION

For purposes of this summary, a "U.S. holder" means a citizen or resident of the United States, a domestic partnership (or any other entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes), a domestic corporation (or any other entity or arrangement treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes), any estate (other than a foreign estate), and any trust if—(a) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust, and (b) one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If a partnership (including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds Shares, the tax treatment of a holder that is a partner in the partnership generally will depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Any such holder should consult its own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of exchanging the Shares pursuant to the Offer or pursuant to the Merger (as defined in the Offer to Purchase).

A "non-U.S. holder" for purposes of this summary means a beneficial owner of Shares (other than a partnership, including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) that is not a U.S. holder.

Under United States federal income tax laws, as described in more detail hereunder, Purchaser is generally required to report any cash payment made to a holder of Shares surrendered in the Offer to such holder and to the United States Internal Revenue Service (" **IRS** ") and Purchaser may be required to "backup withhold" at the current rate of twenty-eight percent of any such payment.

To avoid such backup withholding, a U.S. holder whose Shares are submitted herewith should provide the Depositary a properly completed Substitute Form W-9, which is attached hereto, signed under penalties of perjury, including such holder's correct Taxpayer Identification Number ("**TIN**") (generally, such holder's social security or employer identification number) and certifying that the holder is not subject to backup withholding. A U.S. holder of Shares is required to give the Depositary the correct TIN of the record owner of the Shares being submitted for payment in connection herewith. If the Shares are registered in more than one name or are not registered in the name of the actual owner, please consult the enclosed Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9 for additional guidance on which number to report. If the holder does not have a TIN, the holder should write "Applied For" in the space provided for the TIN and the Depositary will retain the backup withholding tax amount until such holder provides the Depositary with its certified TIN. If the holder does not provide the Depositary with a certified TIN within 60 days, the Depositary must backup withhold at the current rate of twenty-eight percent of all cash payments made to the holder.

Certain holders (including, among others, corporations and non-U.S. holders) are exempt from these backup withholding and reporting requirements. Exempt persons who are U.S. holders are not subject to backup withholding and should indicate their exempt status on the Substitute Form W-9 by entering their correct TIN, marking the appropriate box and signing and dating the Substitute Form W-9 in the space provided.

A non-U.S. holder should submit to the Depositary the appropriate version of an IRS Form W-8, properly completed, including certification of such holder's foreign status, and signed under penalty of perjury. IRS Form W-8BEN is the version of IRS Form W-8 most likely to apply to foreign persons claiming exemption from backup withholding. Non-U.S. holders should carefully read the instructions to IRS Form W-8BEN and, if applicable, complete the required information, sign and date the IRS Form W-8BEN and return the form to the Depositary with the completed Letter of Transmittal. In certain cases, IRS Form W-8BEN may not be the proper IRS form to be completed and returned, depending on the status of the foreign person claiming exemption from backup withholding. If you are a non-U.S. holder, you must complete and return the appropriate version of IRS Form W-8. IRS Form W-8BEN and other IRS Forms W-8 are available from the Depositary or from the IRS web site, at http://www.irs.gov.

If the Depositary is not provided with a properly completed Substitute Form W-9 or an IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable IRS Form W-8, the holder may be subject to a \$50 penalty imposed by the IRS. In addition, the Depositary may be required to withhold at the current rate of twenty-eight percent of any cash payment made to the



holder with respect to Shares submitted in connection herewith as backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against the holder's United States federal income tax liability, if any, provided that the holder furnishes the required information to the IRS in a timely manner.

Please consult your accountant or tax advisor for further guidance regarding the completion of Substitute Form W-9, IRS Form W-8BEN, or another version of IRS Form W-8 to claim exemption from backup withholding, or contact the Depositary.

GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9

Guidelines for Determining the Proper Identification Number for the Payee (You) to Give the Payor -Social security numbers have nine digits separated by two hyphens: i.e. 000-00-0000. Employer identification numbers have nine digits separated by only one hyphen: i.e. 00-0000000. The table below will help determine the number to give the payor.

For this type of account: An individual's account The individual 1. Two or more individuals (joint account) The actual owner of the 2. account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account(1)3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act) The minor(2) The grantor-trustee(1) (a) The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) 4. The actual owner(1)(b) So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law 5. Sole proprietorship account or single-owner LLC The owner(3) For this type of account:

- A valid trust, estate or pension trust 6.
- Corporate account or LLC electing corporate status on IRS Form 8832 7.
- Partnership account (or multiple-member LLC) held in the name of the business 8.
- Association, club or other tax-exempt organization account 9.
- A broker or registered nominee 10.
- Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or 11. local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments
- (1)List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person has a social security number, that person's number must be furnished.
- Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's social security number. (2)
- (3) Show the name of the owner. You must show your individual name, but you may also enter your business or "doing business as" name. Either your social security number or employer identification number (if you have one) may be used.
- List first and circle the name of the legal trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the taxpayer identification number of the personal (4) representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

Note: If no name is circled when there is more than one name, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

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Give the name and Social Security number of-

Give the name and Employer Identification Number of-

The legal entity(4)The corporation The partnership The organization The broker or nominee The public entity

GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9

Obtaining a Number

If you do not have a taxpayer identification number ("**TIN**") you should apply for one immediately. You may obtain Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, at the local office of the Social Security Administration or get this form online at www.socialsecurity.gov. You may obtain Form SS-4, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer identification Number, from the Internal Revenue Service ("**IRS**") by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676) or from the IRS website at www.irs.gov. If you do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN.

Payees Exempt from Backup Withholding

Payees specifically exempted from backup withholding on all dividend and interest payments and on broker transactions include the following:

•A corporation.

•A financial institution.

•An organization exempt from tax under Section 501(a), or an individual retirement account, or a custodial account under Section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of Section 401(f)(2).

•The United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

•A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any subdivision or instrumentality thereof.

•An international organization or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

•A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia or a possession of the United States.

- •A real estate investment trust.
- •A common trust fund operated by a bank under Section 584(a).
- •An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- •A foreign central bank of issue.

Certain other payees may be exempt from either dividend and interest payments or broker transactions. You should consult your tax advisor to determine whether you might be exempt from backup withholding. Exempt payees described above should file the Substitute Form W-9 to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 as follows:

ENTER YOUR TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, WRITE "EXEMPT" ACROSS THE FACE OF THE FORM, SIGN AND DATE THE FORM AND RETURN THE FORM TO THE PAYOR.

IF YOU ARE A NONRESIDENT ALIEN OR FOREIGN ENTITY NOT SUBJECT TO BACKUP WITHHOLDING, GIVE THE PAYOR THE APPROPRIATE COMPLETED IRS FORM W-8.

Private Act Notice

Section 6109 requires you to provide your correct taxpayer identification number to payors who must report the payments to the IRS. The IRS uses the number for identification purposes and may also provide this information to various government agencies for tax enforcement or litigation purposes. Payors must be given numbers whether or not recipients are required to file tax returns. Payors must generally withhold currently at a rate of twenty-eight percent of any taxable interest, dividend and certain other payments to a payee who does not furnish a TIN to a payor. Certain penalties may also apply.



Penalties

- (1) Penalty for failure to Furnish Taxpayer Identification Number If you fail to furnish your correct taxpayer identification number to a payor, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure, unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.
- (2) **Civil Penalty for False Information with Respect to Withholding**—If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis which results in no imposition of backup withholding, you are subject to a penalty of \$500.
- (3) Criminal Penalty for Falsifying Information Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT YOUR TAX ADVISOR OR THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

The Depositary for the Offer Is:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.



By Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions P.O. Box 64854 St. Paul, MN 55164-0854 By Hand or Courier (until 11:59 p.m., New York City time on Thursday, December 13, 2012):

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions 1110 Centre Point Curve, Suite 101 Mendota Heights, MN 55120-4100

Any questions or requests for assistance may be directed to either the Information Agent at the telephone number and address set forth below. Requests for additional copies of the Offer to Purchase and the Letter of Transmittal may be directed to the Information Agent. You may also contact your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee for assistance concerning the Offer.

The Information Agent for the Offer is :



501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York 10022

Shareholders may call toll free: (888) 750-5834 Banks and Brokers may call collect: (212) 750-5833

November 15, 2012

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Notice of Guaranteed Delivery for Offer to Purchase for Cash All Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc. at \$15.42 Net Per Share by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED

Do not use for signature guarantees

This form of notice of guaranteed delivery must be used to accept the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**") of Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**") to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**") enclosed herewith, if certificates for Shares and all other required documents cannot be delivered to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "**Depositary**") prior to the Expiration Date (as defined in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase), if the procedure for delivery by book-entry transfer cannot be completed prior to the Expiration Date, or if time will not permit all required documents to reach the Depositary prior to the Expiration Date.

Such form may be delivered by hand or transmitted by facsimile transmission or mailed to the Depositary and must include a guarantee by an Eligible Institution (as defined below). See Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase.

The Depositary for the Offer Is Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.



By Mail:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions P.O. Box 64854 St. Paul, MN 55164-0854 By Facsimile Transmission:

For Eligible Institutions Only: (866) 734-9952

For Confirmation Only Telephone: (800) 468-9716

By Hand or Courier (until 11:59 p.m., New York City time on December 13, 2012):

> Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Shareowner Services Voluntary Corporate Actions 1110 Centre Point Curve, Suite 101 Mendota Heights, MN 55120-4100

DELIVERY OF THIS NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE, OR TRANSMISSION OF INSTRUCTIONS VIA FACSIMILE TO A NUMBER OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID DELIVERY.

This Notice of Guaranteed Delivery is not to be used to guarantee signatures. If a signature on a Letter of Transmittal is required to be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution under the instructions thereto, such signature guarantee must appear in the applicable space provided in the signature box on the Letter of Transmittal and must be mailed (not faxed) to the Depositary in accordance with the instructions contained in the Letter of Transmittal.

GUARANTEE (Not to be used for signature guarantee)

The undersigned, a member in good standing of a recognized Medallion Program approved by the Securities Transfer Association Incorporated, including the Security Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program and the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program (each, an "**Eligible Institution**"), hereby guarantees that either the certificates representing the Shares tendered hereby, in proper form for transfer, an indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares (as defined in the Offer to Purchase), or timely confirmation of a book-entry transfer of such Shares into the Depositary's account at The Depository Trust Company (pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase), together with a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a bookentry transfer, an Agent's Message (as defined in the Offer to Purchase)) and any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal, will be received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth above within three (3) New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution hereof.

The Eligible Institution that completes this form must communicate the guarantee to the Depositary and must deliver the Letter of Transmittal, Share Certificate(s) and/or any other required documents to the Depositary within the time period shown above. Failure to do so could result in a financial loss to such Eligible Institution.

Number of Shares Tendered:

, 2012

Name of Firm:

Offer to Purchase for Cash All Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc. at \$15.42 Net Per Share by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED.

November 15, 2012

To Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees:

We have been engaged by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), to act as Information Agent in connection with Purchaser's offer to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**") and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**") enclosed herewith. Please furnish copies of the enclosed materials to those of your clients for whom you hold Shares registered in your name or in the name of your nominee.

The Offer is conditioned upon (i) there having been validly tendered in the Offer and not properly withdrawn that number of that when added to the number of shares owned by Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser (if any), represent a majority of the total number of outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis (which assumes conversion or exercise of all derivative securities of the Company, regardless of the conversion or exercise price or other terms and conditions thereof) as of the expiration of the Offer, (ii) the expiration or termination of the waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended in the United States and the receipt of all other clearances, consents, approvals, orders or authorizations applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer under any other antitrust or competition laws and (iii) other customary conditions as described in Section 13—"Conditions of the Offer." There is no financing condition to the Offer.

The Offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012, unless the Offer is extended.

Enclosed herewith are the following documents:

1.Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012;

2. The Letter to Stockholders of Williams Controls from Williams Controls's Chief Executive Officer, accompanied by Williams Controls' Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9;

3.Letter of Transmittal to be used by stockholders of Williams Controls in accepting the Offer and tendering Shares, including guidelines for certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9;

4.Notice of Guaranteed Delivery; and

5.A printed letter that may be sent to your clients for whose accounts you hold Shares in your name or in the name of your nominee, with space provided for obtaining such clients' instructions with regard to the Offer.

The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser (" Curtiss-Wright Controls "), and Williams Controls (the "Merger Agreement"), under which, after completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright (the "Merger"). At the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time"), each issued and outstanding Share (other than Shares held in the treasury of Williams Controls or owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright or Williams Controls or held by stockholders who have properly exercised appraisal rights under Delaware law) will, by virtue of the Merger, and without any action by the holder thereof, be canceled and converted into the right to receive from Purchaser an amount in cash equal to the Offer Price, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, payable to the holder thereof upon surrender of the certificate formerly representing, or book-entry transfer of, such Share. The Merger Agreement is more fully described in the Offer to Purchase. The Williams Controls board of directors (the "Williams Controls Board") has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer and approve and adopt the Merger Agreement and the Merger.

For purposes of the Offer, Purchaser will be deemed to have accepted for payment, and thereby purchased, Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn if and when Purchaser gives oral or written notice to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.(the "**Depositary**") of its acceptance for payment of such Shares pursuant to the Offer. In all cases, payment for any Shares tendered and accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made only after timely receipt by the Depositary of (a) certificates for such Shares, an indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares or a Book-Entry Confirmation (as defined in the Offer to Purchase) with respect to such Shares pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Offer to Purchase, (b) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message (as defined in the Offer to Purchase) in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and (c) any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal. Accordingly, tendering stockholders may be paid at different times depending upon when certificates for Shares or Book-Entry Confirmations with respect to Shares are actually received by the Depositary. **Under no circumstances will interest be paid on the Offer Price for Shares, regardless of any extension of the Offer or any delay in payment for Shares.**

Purchaser is not aware of any state where the making of the Offer is prohibited by any administrative or judicial action pursuant to any valid state statute. If Purchaser becomes aware of any valid state statute prohibiting the making of the Offer or the acceptance of the Shares, Purchaser will make a good faith effort to comply with that state statute or seek to have such statute declared inapplicable to the Offer. If, after a good faith effort, Purchaser cannot comply with the state statute, Purchaser will not make the Offer to, nor will tenders be accepted from or on behalf of, the holders of Shares in that state. In any jurisdiction where the securities, "blue sky" or other laws require the Offer to be made by a licensed broker or dealer, the Offer will be deemed to be made on behalf of Purchaser by one or more registered brokers or dealers that are licensed under the laws of such jurisdiction.

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In order to tender Shares pursuant to the Offer, a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of any book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message), and any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal, should be sent to and timely received by the Depositary, and either certificates representing the tendered Shares or confirmation of the book-entry transfer of such Shares into the Depositary's account should be delivered, all in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Letter of Transmittal and the Offer to Purchase.

Neither Curtiss-Wright nor Purchaser will pay any fees or commissions to any broker or dealer or other person (other than the Information Agent or as otherwise described in Section 16 the Offer to Purchase) in connection with the solicitation of tenders of Shares pursuant to the Offer. You will be reimbursed upon request for customary mailing and handling expenses incurred by you in forwarding the enclosed offering materials to your clients.

Your prompt action is requested. We urge you to contact your clients as promptly as possible. The Offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012, unless the Offer is extended.

If holders of Shares wish to tender their Shares, but it is impracticable for them to deliver their certificates representing tendered Shares or other required documents or to complete the procedures for delivery by book-entry transfer prior to the Expiration Date (as defined in "Section 1—Terms of the Offer" of the Offer to Purchase), a tender may be effected by following the guaranteed delivery procedures specified in the Offer to Purchase and the Letter of Transmittal.

Questions and requests for assistance or for additional copies of the enclosed materials may be directed to the Information Agent at the address and telephone number set forth below and in the Offer to Purchase. Additional copies of the enclosed materials will be furnished at Purchaser's expense.

Very truly yours,

Innisfree M&A Incorporated

NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN OR IN THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS SHALL RENDER YOU OR ANY PERSON THE AGENT OF CURTISS-WRIGHT, PURCHASER, WILLIAMS CONTROLS, THE INFORMATION AGENT, THE DEPOSITARY OR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, OR AUTHORIZE YOU OR ANY OTHER PERSON TO USE ANY DOCUMENT OTHER THAN THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS OR MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF ANY OF THEM WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFER NOT CONTAINED IN THE OFFER TO PURCHASE OR THE LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

The Information Agent for the Offer is :



501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York 10022

Shareholders may call toll free: (888) 750-5834 Banks and Brokers may call collect: (212) 750-5833

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Offer to Purchase for Cash All Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc. at \$15.42 Net Per Share by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED.

November 15, 2012

To Our Clients:

Enclosed for your information is an Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**"), and the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with the Offer to Purchase, as each may be amended or supplemented from time to time, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"), relating to the offer by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer.

The Williams Controls board of directors has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer and approve and adopt the Merger Agreement and the Merger.

We are the holder of record of Shares held by us for your account. A tender of such Shares can be made only by us as the holder of record and pursuant to your instructions. The Letter of Transmittal accompanying this letter is furnished to you for your information only and cannot be used by you to tender Shares held by us for your account.

We request instructions as to whether you wish to tender any or all of the Shares held by us for your account, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Offer.

Your attention is directed to the following:

1. The Offer Price is \$15.42 per Share, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer.

2. The Offer is being made for all issued and outstanding Shares.

3. The Offer is conditioned upon (i) there having been validly tendered in the Offer and not properly withdrawn that number of that when added to the number of shares owned by Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser (if any), represent a majority of the total number of outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis (which assumes conversion or exercise of all derivative securities of the Company, regardless of the conversion or exercise price or other terms and conditions thereof) as of the expiration of the Offer, (ii) the expiration or termination of the waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended in the United States and the receipt of all other clearances, consents, approvals, orders or authorizations applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer under any other antitrust or competition laws and (iii) other customary conditions as described in Section 13— "Conditions of the Offer." There is no financing condition to the Offer.

4. The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser (" **Curtiss-Wright Controls** "), and Williams Controls (the " **Merger Agreement** "), under which, after completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls (the " **Merger** "). At the effective time of the Merger (the " **Effective Time** "), each issued and outstanding Share (other than Shares held in the treasury of Williams Controls or owned by Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright or Williams Controls or beld by stockholders who properly exercised appraisal rights under Delaware law) will, by virtue of the Merger, and without any action by the holder thereof, be canceled and converted into the right to receive from Purchaser an amount in cash equal to the Offer Price, without interest and less any required withholding taxes, payable to the holder thereof upon surrender of the certificate formerly representing, or book-entry transfer of, such Share.

5. The Offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, December 13, 2012 (the " **Expiration Date** "), unless the Offer is extended.

6. Any transfer taxes applicable to the sale of Shares to Purchaser pursuant to the Offer will be paid by Purchaser, except as otherwise provided in Instruction 6 of the Letter of Transmittal.

If you wish to have us tender any or all of the Shares held by us for your account, please so instruct us by completing, executing and returning to us in the enclosed envelope the instruction form set forth below. Please forward your instructions to us in ample time to permit us to submit a tender on your behalf prior to the Expiration Date. If you authorize the tender of your Shares, all such Shares will be tendered unless otherwise specified on the instruction form set forth below.

In all cases, payment for any Shares tendered and accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made only after timely receipt by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.(the "**Depositary**") of (a) certificates representing such Shares, an indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares (as defined in the Offer to Purchase) or confirmation of the book-entry transfer of such Shares into the Depositary's account at The Depository Trust Company pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Offer to Purchase, (b) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message (as defined in the Offer to Purchase) in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and (c) any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal. Accordingly, tendering stockholders may be paid at different times depending upon when certificates for Shares or book-entry confirmations with respect to Shares are actually received by the Depositary. **Under no circumstances will interest be paid on the Offer Price for Shares, regardless of any extension of the Offer or any delay in payment for Shares.**

Purchaser is not aware of any state where the making of the Offer is prohibited by any administrative or judicial action pursuant to any valid state statute. If Purchaser becomes aware of any valid state statute prohibiting the making of the Offer or the acceptance of the Shares, Purchaser will make a good faith effort to comply with that state statute or seek to have such statute declared inapplicable to the Offer. If, after a good faith effort, Purchaser cannot comply with the state statute, Purchaser will not make the Offer to, nor will tenders be accepted from or on behalf of, the holders of Shares in that state. In any jurisdiction where the securities, "blue sky" or other laws require the Offer to be made by a licensed broker or dealer, the Offer will be deemed to be made on behalf of Purchaser by one or more registered brokers or dealers that are licensed under the laws of such jurisdiction.



The undersigned acknowledge(s) receipt of your letter and the enclosed Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**"), and the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with the Offer to Purchase, as each may be amended or supplemented from time to time, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"), in connection with the offer by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchase**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), to purchase for cash all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Offer.

This will instruct you to tender the number of Shares indicated on the reverse (or if no number is indicated on the reverse, all Shares) that are held by you for the account of the undersigned, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer.

The undersigned understands and acknowledges that all questions as to validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt) and acceptance of any tender of Shares to the Depositary will be determined by Purchaser (which may delegate power in whole or in part to the Depositary) in its sole and absolute discretion, and such determination shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such determination in a court of competent jurisdiction.

Dated:	_, 2012					
		Number of Shares to Be Tend	ered:	Shares*		
Account Number:			Signature(s):	Sign Below		
Account Number.			-			
Dated:		, 2012				
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		Please Type of	or Print Name(s)			
Please Type or Print Address(es) Here						
Area Code and Telephone Number						
Taxpayer Identification or Social Security Number(s)						
* Unless otherwise indicated, you are deemed to have instructed us to tender all Shares held by us for your account.						
Please return this form to the brokerage firm or other nominee maintaining your account.						

This announcement is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell Shares (as defined below). The Offer (as defined below) is made solely by the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012, and the related Letter of Transmittal and any amendments or supplements thereto. Purchaser (as defined below) is not aware of any state where the making of the Offer is prohibited by any administrative or judicial action pursuant to any valid state statute. If Purchaser becomes aware of any valid state statute prohibiting the making of the Offer or the acceptance of Shares pursuant thereto, Purchaser will make a good faith effort to comply with that state statute or seek to have such statute declared inapplicable to the Offer. If, after a good faith effort, Purchaser cannot comply with the state statute, Purchaser will not make the Offer to, nor will tenders be accepted from or on behalf of, the holders of Shares in that state. Except as set forth above, the Offer is being made to all holders of Shares. In any jurisdiction where the securities, "blue sky" or other laws require the Offer to be made by a licensed broker or dealer, the Offer will be deemed to be made on behalf of Purchaser by one or more registered brokers or dealers that are licensed under the laws of such jurisdiction.

Notice of Offer to Purchase for Cash All Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Williams Controls, Inc. at \$15.42 Net Per Share by Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation

Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Purchaser**") and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("**Curtiss-Wright**"), is offering to purchase all issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), of Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Williams Controls**"), at a price of \$15.42 per Share, net to the seller in cash (the "**Offer Price**"), without interest thereon and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, dated November 15, 2012 (the "**Offer to Purchase**"), and in the related Letter of Transmittal (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the "**Offer**"). Tendering stockholders who have Shares registered in their names and who tender directly to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "**Depositary**") will not be obligated to pay brokerage fees or commissions or, except as set forth in the Letter of Transmittal, transfer taxes on the purchase of Shares by Purchaser pursuant to the Offer. Stockholders who hold their Shares through a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee should consult with such institution as to whether it charges any service fees or commissions.

THE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012, UNLESS THE OFFER IS EXTENDED.

The purpose of the Offer is for Curtiss-Wright, through Purchaser, to acquire control of, and the entire equity interest in, Williams Controls. Following the consummation of the Offer, Purchaser intends to effect the Merger (as defined below).

The Offer is conditioned upon (i) the satisfaction of the Minimum Tender Condition (as described below), (ii) the expiration or termination of the waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, in the United States and the receipt of all other clearances, consents, approvals, orders or authorizations applicable to the purchase of Shares pursuant to the Offer under any other antitrust or competition laws and (iii) other customary conditions as described in Section 13 of the Offer to Purchase. There is no financing condition to the Offer.

The Minimum Tender Condition requires that, prior to the expiration of the Offer, there be validly tendered in the Offer and not properly withdrawn that number of shares that when added to the number of Shares owned by Curtiss-Wright and Purchaser (if any), represent a majority of the total number of outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis (which assumes conversion or exercise of all derivative securities of the Company, regardless of the conversion or exercise price or other terms and conditions thereof), in each case, as more fully described in the Offer to Purchase. See Section 13 of the Offer to Purchase.

The Offer is being made pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 31, 2012, among Purchaser, Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright and the parent corporation of Purchaser (" **Curtiss-Wright Controls**"), and Williams Controls (the " **Merger Agreement**"), under which, after the completion of the Offer and the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Purchaser will be merged with and into Williams Controls and Williams Controls will be the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright Controls (the " **Merger**"). At the effective time of the Merger (the " **Effective Time**"), each issued and outstanding Share (other than Shares held in the treasury of Williams Controls or owned by Curtiss-Wright or any wholly owned subsidiary of Curtiss-Wright or Williams Controls or held by stockholders who have exercised appraisal rights under Delaware law) will, by virtue of the Merger and without any action by the holder thereof, be canceled and converted into the right to receive from Purchaser an amount in cash, without interest and subject to applicable withholding taxes, equal to the Offer Price, payable to the holder thereof upon surrender of the certificate formerly representing, or book-entry transfer of, such Share. The Merger Agreement is more fully described in the Offer to Purchase.

The Williams Controls board of directors (the "Williams Controls Board") has duly and unanimously (a) authorized and approved the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement, (b) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated in the Merger Agreement, (c) declared that the Merger Agreement, the Merger and the Offer, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, are fair to and in the best interests of the stockholders of Williams Controls, (d) recommended that the stockholders of Williams Controls accept the Offer and tender their Shares pursuant to the Offer and approve and adopt the Merger Agreement and the Merger.

Subject to the provisions of the Merger Agreement and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**"), Purchaser reserves the right (but is not obligated), at any time or from time to time, to waive or otherwise modify or amend the terms and conditions of the Offer in any respect. Purchaser has agreed in the Merger Agreement that it will not, without the prior written consent of Williams Controls, waive or modify certain conditions as described in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase. Subject to the provisions of the Merger Agreement and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, Purchaser reserves the right to, and under certain circumstances Williams Controls may require Purchaser to, extend the Offer, as described in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase.

Any extension or amendment of the Offer, waiver of a condition of the Offer, delay in acceptance for payment or payment, or termination of the Offer will be followed promptly by public announcement thereof, such announcement in the case of an extension to be issued not later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled Expiration Date (as defined in Section 1 of the Offer to Purchase).

In all cases, payment for any Shares tendered and accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made only after timely receipt by the Depositary of (a) certificates representing such Shares, an indication in the Letter of Transmittal of the tender of Direct Registration Book-Entry Shares (as defined in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase), or confirmation of the book-entry transfer of such Shares into the Depositary's account at The Depository Trust Company (" **DTC** ") pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase, (b) a Letter of Transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile thereof), properly completed and duly executed, with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an Agent's Message (as defined in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase) in lieu of the Letter of Transmittal), and (c) any other documents required by the Letter of Transmittal.

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For purposes of the Offer, Purchaser will be deemed to have accepted for payment, and thereby purchased, Shares validly tendered and not properly withdrawn prior to the expiration of the Offer if and when Purchaser gives oral or written notice to the Depositary of its acceptance for payment of such Shares pursuant to the Offer. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer, payment for Shares accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer will be made by deposit of the purchase price therefor with the Depositary, which will act as agent for the tendering stockholders for the purpose of receiving payments from Purchaser and transmitting such payments to the tendering stockholders. **Under no circumstances will interest be paid on the Offer Price for Shares, regardless of any extension of the Offer or any delay in payment for Shares.**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 4 of the Offer to Purchase, tenders of Shares pursuant to the Offer are irrevocable. A stockholder may withdraw Shares tendered pursuant to the Offer at any time prior to the expiration of the Offer and, thereafter, unless and until Purchaser has previously accepted them for payment, such Shares may also be withdrawn at any time after January 11, 2013. For a withdrawal of Shares to be effective, a written notice of withdrawal must be timely received by the Depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of the Offer to Purchase. Any notice of withdrawal must specify the name of the person having tendered the Shares to be withdrawn, the number of Shares to be withdrawn and the name of the record holder of the Shares to be withdrawn, if different from that of the person who tendered such Shares. The signature(s) on the notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution (as defined in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase), unless such Shares have been tendered for the account of any Eligible Institution. If Shares have been tendered pursuant to the procedures for book-entry transfer as set forth in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase, any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account to be credited with the withdrawn Shares. If certificates representing the Shares have been delivered or otherwise identified to the Depositary, the name of the registered owner and the serial numbers shown on such certificates must also be furnished to the Depositary prior to the physical release of such certificates. All questions as to the form and validity (including time of receipt) of any notice of withdrawal will be determined by Purchaser, in its sole and absolute discretion, which determination shall be final and binding on all parties, subject to the right of any such party to dispute such determination in a court of competent jurisdiction. No withdrawal of Shares shall be deemed to have been properly made until all defects and irregularities have been cured or waived. None of Curtiss-Wright, Purchaser or any of their respective affiliates or assigns, the Depositary, the Information Agent, or any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in any notice of withdrawal or incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Withdrawals of tenders of Shares may not be rescinded, and any Shares properly withdrawn will be deemed not to have been validly tendered for purposes of the Offer. However, withdrawn Shares may be retendered by following one of the procedures for tendering Shares described in Section 3 of the Offer to Purchase at any time prior to the expiration of the Offer.

The information required to be disclosed by paragraph (d)(1) of Rule 14d-6 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is contained in the Offer to Purchase and is incorporated herein by reference.

The Offer to Purchase and related Letter of Transmittal and other related documents will be mailed to record holders of Shares whose names appear on Williams Controls's stockholder list and will be furnished to brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and similar persons whose names, or the names of whose nominees, appear on the stockholder list or, if applicable, who are listed as participants in a clearing agency's security position listing for subsequent transmittal to beneficial owners of Shares.

The receipt of cash in respect of a tender of Shares pursuant to the Offer and the exchange of Shares for cash pursuant to the Merger will each be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes and may also be a taxable transaction under applicable state, local, foreign or other tax laws. Holders of Shares are urged to consult with their own tax advisors as to the particular tax consequences of the Offer and the Merger to them.

The Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal and Williams Controls's Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 filed with the Commission in connection with the Offer contain important information and each such document should be read carefully and in its entirety before any decision is made with respect to the Offer.

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Questions and requests for assistance may be directed to the Information Agent at the address and telephone number set forth below. Requests for copies of the Offer to Purchase and the related Letter of Transmittal may be directed to the Information Agent or to brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or other nominees. Such copies will be furnished promptly at Purchaser's expense. Purchaser will not pay any fees or commissions to any broker or dealer or any other person (other than the Information Agent or as otherwise described in Section 16 of the Offer to Purchase) for soliciting tenders of Shares pursuant to the Offer.

The Information Agent for the Offer is :



501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York 10022

Shareholders may call toll free: (888) 750-5834 Banks and Brokers may call collect: (212) 750-5833

November 15, 2012

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TENDER AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

This Tender and Support Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2012 (this "**Agreement**"), is among Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Parent**"), Columbia Acquisition Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent ("**Acquisition Sub**"), and the individual or entity listed on <u>Schedule A</u> hereto (the "**Stockholder**"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of the date of this Agreement (the "**Merger Agreement**") among Parent, Acquisition Sub and Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**").

RECITALS

- A. The Stockholder owns beneficially (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) and/or of record (as specified on <u>Schedule A</u>) the shares of Company Common Stock set forth opposite such Stockholder's name on <u>Schedule A</u> (all such shares of Company Common Stock that are outstanding as of the date hereof, together with any other shares of Company Common Stock that are hereafter issued to, or are otherwise acquired or owned, beneficially or of record, by such Stockholder during the Agreement Period (as defined below), including through the exercise of any stock options, warrants, convertible or exchangeable securities or other similar instruments of the Company, and any other securities of the Company described in <u>Section 11</u>, but excluding any shares that are disposed of in compliance with <u>Section 7.2</u>, collectively, the "**Subject Shares**").
- B. Concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, Parent, Acquisition Sub and the Company are entering into the Merger Agreement, a copy of which has been made available to the Stockholder, which provides for, among other things, the making of a tender offer (such offer, as it may be amended from time to time as permitted by the Merger Agreement, the "**Offer**") by Acquisition Sub for all of the outstanding shares of Company Common Stock, and the subsequent merger of Acquisition Sub with and into the Company (the "**Merger**"), upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein.
- C. As an inducement to and condition to Parent's and Acquisition Sub's willingness to enter into the Merger Agreement, the Stockholder has agreed to enter into this Agreement with Parent.

Therefore, intending to be legally bound, the parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

ARTICLE I AGREEMENT TO TENDER

1.1 <u>Tender</u>. The Stockholder hereby agrees to validly tender or cause to be tendered in the Offer any and all Subject Shares of such Stockholder, pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Offer, no later than five Business Days after the receipt by such Stockholder of a letter of transmittal with respect to the Offer. In furtherance of the foregoing, at the time of such tender, the Stockholder shall: (i) deliver to the Paying Agent in the Offer (the "**Paying Agent**"): (A) a letter of transmittal with respect to its Subject Shares complying with the terms of the Offer; (B) a certificate or certificates representing such Subject Shares or an "agent's message" (or such other evidence, if any, of transfer as the Depositary may reasonably request) in the case of a book-entry transfer of any Subject Shares; and (C) all other documents or instruments, to the extent applicable, in the form required to be delivered by the Stockholders of the Company pursuant to the terms of the Offer; or (ii) cause its broker or such other

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Person that is the holder of record of any Subject Shares to tender such Subject Shares pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Offer and within the timeframe specified in the first sentence of this <u>Section 1.1</u>. The Stockholder agrees that once its Subject Shares are tendered, such Stockholder will not withdraw or cause or permit to be withdrawn any of such Subject Shares from the Offer, unless and until this Agreement shall have been terminated in accordance with <u>Section 12.4</u>. Any shares of Company Common Stock acquired or obtained by the Stockholder following the date of its initial tender pursuant to this Section 1.1 shall be promptly tendered after the receipt thereof, and in no case later than the Acceptance Time.

1.2 <u>Exercise of Options</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement shall serve as a notice of exercise of all Company Options held by the Stockholder, which exercise shall be deemed to have occurred contemporaneously with, and contingent upon, the Acceptance Time. The exercise price of such Company Options shall be paid in cash or pursuant to the cashless exercise provisions thereof. For purposes of clarity, all shares of Company Common Stock issued upon such exercise shall be included in the Subject Shares and tendered pursuant to <u>Section 1.1</u>. For purposes of any net issue exercise provisions of any such Company Options, the time of exercise of options exercised pursuant hereto shall be deemed to be the Acceptance Time, and the fair market value of the Company Common Stock for purposes of the determination of the number of shares to be issued upon exercise thereof, and the payment of the exercise price therefor, shall be deemed to be equal to the Offer Price.

1.3 <u>Return of Subject Shares</u>. If the Offer is terminated or withdrawn by Acquisition Sub, or the Merger Agreement is validly terminated prior to the Acceptance Time, Parent and Acquisition Sub shall promptly return, and shall cause the Paying Agent acting on behalf of Parent and Acquisition Sub to return, all tendered Subject Shares to the registered holders of the Subject Shares tendered in the Offer.

ARTICLE II DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION

2.1The Stockholder : (a) consents to and authorizes the publication and disclosure by Parent, Acquisition Sub or the Company, as applicable, of such Stockholder's identity and holdings of Subject Shares, the nature of such Stockholder's commitments, arrangements and understandings under this Agreement (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the disclosure of this Agreement) and any other information, in each case, that Parent, Acquisition Sub or the Company, as applicable, reasonably determines is required to be disclosed by applicable Laws in any press release, any of the Offer Documents, the Schedule 14D-9 or any other disclosure document (whether or not filed with the SEC) in connection with the Offer, the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement (the "Contemplated Transactions "); and (b) agrees to promptly give to Parent, Acquisition Sub or the Company, as applicable, any information it may reasonably require for the preparation of any such disclosure documents. The Stockholder: (i) represents and warrants that none of the information provided by or on behalf of such Stockholder pursuant to this Section 2 will, at the time it so provided, contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and (ii) agrees to promptly notify Parent, Acquisition Sub and the Company, as applicable, of any required corrections with respect to any such information, if and to the extent that any such information shall have become false or misleading in any material respect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Parent, Acquisition Sub and the Company shall use reasonable efforts to inform the Stockholder of any public disclosure of such information about the Stockholder prior to making such disclosure public. The Stockholder shall consult with Parent before issuing any press releases or otherwise making any public statements with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby and shall not issue any such press release or make any public statement without the approval of Parent, except as pursuant to applicable Laws.

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ARTICLE III VOTING AGREEMENT

3.1 The Stockholder irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that if such Stockholder's Subject Shares have not been previously accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer, such Stockholder shall, or shall cause the holder of record thereof on any applicable record date, at any meeting (whether annual or special and whether or not an adjourned or postponed meeting) of the holders of Company Common Stock, however called (each, a "**Company Stockholders Meeting**"), or (if applicable) pursuant to any consent of the Stockholders of the Company in lieu of a meeting or otherwise, to:

(a) be present, in person or represented by proxy, or otherwise cause such Stockholder's Subject Shares to be counted for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum at such meeting (to the fullest extent that such Subject Shares may be counted for quorum purposes under applicable Laws); and

(b) vote (or cause to be voted) with respect to all such Stockholder's Subject Shares to the fullest extent that such Subject Shares are entitled to be voted at the time of any vote:

(i) in favor of: (A) the approval of the Merger Agreement; (B) without limitation of the preceding clause "(A)," the approval of any proposal to adjourn or postpone the Company Stockholders Meeting to a later date if there are not sufficient votes for approval of the Merger Agreement on the date on which the Company Stockholders Meeting is held; *provided, however*, that the Stockholder shall not be required to approve a proposal to adjourn the meeting past the Outside Date; and (C) any other matter necessary, or reasonably requested by Parent, for the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions, including the Offer and the Merger; and

(ii) against: (A) any action (including any amendment to the Company's articles of incorporation or bylaws, as in effect on the date hereof), agreement or transaction that would reasonably be expected to frustrate the purposes of, impede, hinder, interfere with, nullify, prevent, delay or adversely affect, in each case in any material respect, the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions, including the Offer and the Merger; (B) any Acquisition Proposal or any agreement related thereto, and any action in furtherance of any Acquisition Proposal; (C) any merger, acquisition, sale, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization, extraordinary dividend, dissolution, liquidation or winding up of or by the Company, or any other extraordinary transaction involving the Company (other than the Merger) or any of its Subsidiaries, or a material portion of their respective assets; and (D) any action, proposal, transaction or agreement that would reasonably be expected to result in a breach, in any material respect, of any covenant, representation or warranty or any other obligation or agreement of such Stockholder under this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV IRREVOCABLE PROXY

4.1 The Stockholder hereby revokes (and agrees to cause to be revoked) all proxies, if any, that it has heretofore granted with respect to its Subject Shares. The Stockholder hereby irrevocably appoints Parent as attorney-in-fact and proxy for and on behalf of such Stockholder, until the end of the Agreement Period, for and in the name, place and stead of such Stockholder, to:

(a) attend any and all Company Stockholder Meetings;

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(b) vote, express consent or dissent or issue instructions to the record holder to vote such Stockholder's Subject Shares in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article 3</u> at any and all Company Stockholder Meetings; and

(c) if applicable, grant or withhold, or issue instructions to the record holder to grant or withhold, in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article 3</u>, all written consents with respect to the Subject Shares at any and all Company Stockholder Meetings or otherwise.

The foregoing proxy shall be deemed to be a proxy coupled with an interest, is irrevocable (and as such shall survive and not be affected by the death, incapacity, mental illness or insanity of such Stockholder) until the end of the Agreement Period and shall not be terminated by operation of Law or upon the occurrence of any other event other than the termination of this Agreement pursuant to <u>Section 12.4</u>. The Stockholder authorizes such attorney and proxy to substitute any other Person(s) to act hereunder, to revoke any substitution and to file this proxy and any substitution or revocation with the Secretary of the Company. The Stockholder hereby affirms that the irrevocable proxy set forth in this <u>Section 4</u> is given in connection with and granted in consideration of and as an inducement to Parent and Acquisition Sub entering into the Merger Agreement and that such irrevocable proxy is given to secure the obligations of such Stockholder under <u>Section 3</u>.

ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE STOCKHOLDER

5.1 The Stockholder represents and warrants to Parent and Acquisition Sub as follows (it being understood that, except where expressly stated to be given or made as of the date hereof only, the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement shall be made as of the date hereof, as of the Acceptance Time and, if such Stockholder's Subject Shares have not been previously accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer, as of the date of each Company Stockholders Meeting or (if applicable) consent in lieu thereof).

(a) *Organization.* If such Stockholder is not an individual, it is duly organized and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization.

(b) *Authorization*. If such Stockholder is not an individual, it has full corporate, limited liability company, partnership or trust power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder. If such Stockholder is an individual, he or she (or the representative or fiduciary signing on his or her behalf, as applicable) has full legal capacity, right and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform his or her obligations hereunder. If such Stockholder is not an individual, the execution, delivery and performance by such Stockholder of this Agreement and the consummation by such Stockholder of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate, limited liability company, partnership or trust action on the part of such Stockholder. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by or on behalf of such Stockholder and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of such Stockholder in accordance with its terms, subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(c) No Violation .

(i) The execution and delivery of this Agreement by such Stockholder does not, and the performance by such Stockholder of such Stockholder's obligations hereunder will not: (A) if such Stockholder is not an individual, contravene, conflict with, or result in any violation or breach of any

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provision of its articles of incorporation, bylaws or similar organizational documents; (B) assuming compliance with the matters referred to in <u>Section 5.1(c)(ii)</u>, contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation or breach of any Law or any judgment, injunction, order or decree of any Governmental Authority with competent jurisdiction applicable to such Stockholder; or (C) constitute a default, or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, could become a default, under, or cause or permit the termination, cancellation, acceleration or other change of any right or obligation or the loss of any benefit to which such Stockholder is entitled under any provision of any Contract binding upon such Stockholder, or result in the imposition of any Encumbrance on any assets of such Stockholder, except, in the case of clauses "(B)" and "(C)" of this sentence, for such matters as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to prevent, delay, impair or otherwise adversely affect, in each case, in any material respect, the ability of Stockholder to perform its obligations hereunder or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

(ii) No consent, approval, order, authorization or permit of, or registration, declaration or filing with or notification to, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is required by or with respect to such Stockholder in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement by such Stockholder or the performance by such Stockholder of such Stockholder's obligations hereunder, except for the filing with the SEC of any Schedules 13D or 13G or amendments to Schedules 13D or 13G and filings under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended as may be required in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Ownership of Subject Shares . As of the date hereof, the Stockholder is, and (except with respect to any Subject Shares (d) Transferred in accordance with Section 7.2 or accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer) at all times during the Agreement Period will be, the beneficial and/or record owner (as specified on Schedule A) of, and have good and marketable title to, such Stockholder's Subject Shares free and clear of all Liens, including any limitations or restrictions on such Stockholder's voting or disposition rights pertaining thereto. Other than as provided in this Agreement, such Stockholder has, and (except with respect to any Shares Transferred in accordance with Section 7.2 or accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer) at all times during the Agreement Period will have, with respect to such Stockholder's Subject Shares, the sole power, directly or indirectly, to vote, dispose of, exercise, exchange and convert, as applicable, such Subject Shares, and to demand or waive any appraisal or dissenters' rights or issue instructions pertaining to such Subject Shares with respect to the matters set forth in this Agreement, in each case with no limitations, qualifications or restrictions on such rights, and, as such, has, and (except with respect to any Shares Transferred in accordance with Section 7.2 or accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer) at all times during the Agreement Period will have, the complete and exclusive power to, directly or indirectly: (i) issue (or cause the issuance of) instructions with respect to the matters set forth in Section 4; (ii) agree to all matters set forth in this Agreement; and (iii) demand and waive appraisal or dissenters' rights. Except to the extent of any Subject Shares acquired after the date hereof (which shall become Subject Shares upon that acquisition), the number of shares of the Company Common Stock set forth on Schedule A opposite the name of such Stockholder are the only shares of Company Common Stock owned beneficially and/or of record (as specified on Schedule A) by such Stockholder on the date of this Agreement. Other than the Subject Shares and any shares of Company Common Stock that are the subject of unexercised Company Options held by such Stockholder (the number of which is set forth opposite the name of such Stockholder on Schedule A), such Stockholder does not own any shares of Company Common Stock or any options to purchase or rights to subscribe for or otherwise acquire any securities of the Company and has no interest in or voting rights with respect to any securities of the Company. Except as provided in this Agreement, there are no agreements or arrangements of any kind, contingent or otherwise, to which such Stockholder is a party obligating Stockholder to Transfer or cause to be Transferred, any of such Stockholder's Subject Shares. Except pursuant to this Agreement, no Person has any contractual or other right or obligation to purchase or otherwise acquire any of such Stockholder's Subject Shares.

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(e) *No Other Proxies*. None of such Stockholder's Subject Shares are subject to any voting agreement, trust or other agreement or arrangement with respect to voting or to any proxy, on the date of this Agreement, except pursuant to this Agreement.

(f) *Absence of Litigation*. As of the date hereof, there is no Legal Proceeding pending against, or, to the knowledge of such Stockholder, threatened against or otherwise affecting, such Stockholder or any of its or his properties or assets (including such Stockholder's Subject Shares) that could reasonably be expected to impair in any material respect the ability of such Stockholder to perform its or his obligations hereunder or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby on a timely basis.

(g) *Opportunity to Review; Reliance*. Such Stockholder has had the opportunity to review the Merger Agreement and this Agreement with counsel of its own choosing. Such Stockholder understands and acknowledges that Parent and Acquisition Sub are entering into the Merger Agreement in reliance upon such Stockholder's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement.

(h) *Finders' Fees*. No investment banker, broker, finder or other intermediary is entitled to a fee or commission from Parent, Acquisition Sub or the Company in respect of this Agreement based upon any arrangement or agreement made by or on behalf of such Stockholder in its or his capacity as such.

ARTICLE VI REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PARENT AND ACQUISITION SUB

6.1 Parent and Acquisition Sub hereby represent and warrant to the Stockholder, as of the date hereof, as of the Acceptance Time and as of the date of each Company Stockholders Meeting, that: (a) such party has full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (b) the execution, delivery and performance by such party of this Agreement and the consummation by such party of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such party; and (c) this Agreement constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of such party in accordance with its terms, subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

ARTICLE VII NO PROXIES FOR OR LIENS ON SUBJECT SHARES; NO SOLICITATION

7.1 <u>Prohibition on Transfer</u>. Except pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, during the Agreement Period, the Stockholder shall not (and the Stockholder shall not permit any Person under the Stockholder's control to), without the prior written consent of Parent, directly or indirectly: (i) grant or permit the grant of any proxies, powers of attorney, rights of first offer or refusal or other authorizations in or with respect to, or enter into any voting trust or voting agreement or arrangement with respect to, any Subject Shares or any interest therein; (ii) sell (including short sell), assign, transfer, tender, pledge, encumber, grant a participation interest in, hypothecate or otherwise dispose of (including by gift) (each, a "**Transfer**") any Subject Shares or any interest therein; (iii) create or otherwise permit any Liens to be created on any Subject Shares; (iv) enforce or permit the execution of the provisions of any redemption, share purchase or sale, recapitalization or other agreement with respect to the direct or indirect Transfer of any Subject Shares or any interest therein; (v) enter into any Contract with any Person with respect to the direct or indirect Transfer of any Subject Shares or any interest therein; (vi) enter into a swap or other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, the economic consequence of ownership of any Subject Shares; or (vii) agree to do any of the foregoing. The Stockholder shall not, and shall not permit any Person under such Stockholder's control or any of its or their respective

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Representatives to, seek or solicit any such Transfer or any such Contract. Without limiting the foregoing, the Stockholder shall not take any other action that would in any way restrict, limit or interfere in any material respect with the performance of such Stockholder's obligations hereunder (or with the Contemplated Transactions) or make any representation or warranty of such Stockholder in this Agreement untrue or incorrect.

7.2 Exceptions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Stockholder shall have the right to Transfer all or any portion of its or his Subject Shares to a Permitted Transferee of such Stockholder if and only if prior thereto and as a condition to the effectiveness of such Transfer, such Permitted Transferee shall have agreed in writing, in a manner reasonably acceptable in form and substance to Parent: (i) to accept such Subject Shares subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and (ii) to be bound by this Agreement and to agree and acknowledge that such Person shall constitute a Stockholder for all purposes of this Agreement; *provided* that notwithstanding any such Transfer, such Stockholder shall continue to be liable for any breach by any Permitted Transferee of its or his agreements and covenants under this Agreement. " **Permitted Transferee** " means, with respect to the Stockholder: (A) a spouse, lineal descendant or antecedent, brother or sister, adopted child or grandchild of such Stockholder; (B) any trust, the trustees of which include only the Stockholder and/or the other Persons named in clause "(A)" of this sentence and the beneficiaries of which include only the Stockholder and/or the Persons named in clause "(A)" of this sentence; (C) any corporation, limited liability company or partnership, the Stockholders, members or general and limited partners of which include only the Persons named in clauses "(A)" or "(B)" of this sentence; or (D) if such Stockholder is a trust, the beneficiary or beneficiaries authorized or entitled to receive distributions from such trust.

7.3 <u>Effect of Attempted Transfer</u>. Any attempted Transfer of Subject Shares, or any interest therein, in violation of this Section 7 shall be null and void. In furtherance of this Agreement, the Stockholder hereby authorizes Parent and Acquisition Sub to direct the Company to impose stop orders to prevent the Transfer of any Subject Shares on the books of the Company in violation of this Agreement. If so requested by Parent, the Stockholder agrees that its Subject Shares shall bear a legend stating that they are subject to this Agreement.

7.4 <u>No Solicitation</u>. During the Agreement Period, the Stockholder shall not (and the Stockholder shall ensure that its Representatives do not), directly or indirectly, take any action that the Company is prohibited from taking under Section 6.2 of the Merger Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII WAIVER OF DISSENTERS' RIGHTS

8.1 The Stockholder hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, and agrees not to assert, exercise or perfect, any and all rights he or it may have as to appraisal, dissent or any similar or related matter with respect to any of such Stockholder's Subject Shares that may arise with respect to the Merger or any of the Contemplated Transactions, including under Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

ARTICLE IX NOTICES OF CERTAIN EVENTS

9.1 The Stockholder shall notify Parent of any development occurring after the date hereof that causes, or that would reasonably be expected to cause, any breach of any of such Stockholder's representations or warranties in this Agreement.

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ARTICLE X FURTHER ASSURANCES

10.1 Parent and the Stockholder will each execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all further documents and instruments and use their respective commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Laws, to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE XI CERTAIN ADJUSTMENTS

11.1 In the event of a stock dividend or distribution, stock split, reverse stock split, recapitalization, subdivision, combination, merger, consolidation, reclassification, spin-off, readjustment, exchange of shares or the like, on, of or affecting the Subject Shares, the term "Subject Shares" shall be deemed to refer to and include such shares as well as all such stock dividends and distributions and any securities into which or for which any or all of such shares may be changed or exchanged or which are received in the transaction.

ARTICLE XII MISCELLANEOUS

12.1 <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly delivered and received hereunder (i) four (4) Business Days after being sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, (ii) one (1) Business Day after being sent for next Business Day delivery, fees prepaid, via a reputable nationwide overnight courier service, or (iii) immediately upon delivery by email, portable document format (.pdf), by hand or by facsimile (with a written or electronic confirmation of delivery), in each case to the intended recipient as set forth below:

If to Parent or Acquisition Sub, to:

Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200 Charlotte NC 28277 Attention: Tom Quinly, President Facsimile No.: (704) 869-4601 email address: tquinly@curtisswright.com

with a copy to:

Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200 Charlotte NC 28277 Attention: Robert H. Shaw, VP & General Counsel Facsimile No.: (704) 869-4601 email address: rshaw@curtisswright.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Reed Smith LLP 2500 One Liberty Place 1650 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 Attention: Brian C. Miner Facsimile No.: (215) 851-1420 email address: bminer@reedsmith.com

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If to a Stockholder, to his, her or its address set forth on a signature page hereto, with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 2200 Seattle, Washington 98101 Attention: Marcus J. Williams Facsimile: (206) 757-7999

12.2 Amendment and Waivers.

(a) Any provision of this Agreement may be amended during the Agreement Period if, but only if, such amendment is in writing and is signed by each party to this Agreement.

(b) No failure on the part of any party to exercise any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, and no delay on the part of any party in exercising any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, shall operate as a waiver of such power, right, privilege or remedy; and no single or partial exercise of any such power, right, privilege or remedy shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof or of any other power, right, privilege or remedy. No party shall be deemed to have waived any claim arising out of this Agreement, or any power, right, privilege or remedy under this Agreement, unless the waiver of such claim, power, right, privilege or remedy is expressly set forth in a written instrument duly executed and delivered on behalf of such party; and any such waiver shall not be applicable or have any effect except in the specific instance in which it is given.

12.3 Binding Effect; Benefit; Assignment.

(a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. No provision of this Agreement is intended to confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations or liabilities hereunder upon any Person other than the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Without limiting any of the restrictions set forth in <u>Section 7</u> or elsewhere in this Agreement, this Agreement shall be binding upon any Person to whom any Subject Shares are Transferred prior to the end of the Agreement Period.

(b) Neither the Stockholder, on the one hand, nor Parent or Acquisition Sub, on the other hand, may assign this Agreement or any of his or its rights, interests or obligations hereunder (whether by operation of law or otherwise) without the prior written approval of Parent or such Stockholder, as applicable, except that each of Parent and Acquisition Sub may transfer or assign their respective rights and obligations under this Agreement, in whole or from time to time in part, to one or more of their respective Affiliates at any time; *provided* that such transfer or assignment shall not relieve such Person of its obligations under this Agreement.

12.4 <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement shall automatically terminate and become void and of no further force or effect on the earliest to occur of: (i) the Effective Time; (ii) the termination of this Agreement by written notice from Parent to the Stockholder; and (iii) the termination of the Merger Agreement in accordance with its terms (the period from the date hereof through the termination of this Agreement being referred to as the "Agreement Period"); *provided* that: (A) <u>Section 12.5</u> and <u>Section 12.8</u> shall survive such termination; and (B) no such termination shall relieve or release the Stockholder, Parent or Acquisition Sub from any obligations or liabilities arising out of his or its breach of this Agreement prior to its termination.

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12.5 Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.

(a) This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of laws thereof (it being understood, however, that with respect to any matters of corporate law required to be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, such laws shall apply).

(b) In any action between any of the parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement each of the parties: (A) irrevocably and unconditionally consents and submits to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, Delaware (unless the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction over the matter, in which case the United States District Court for the District of Delaware); (B) agrees that it will not attempt to deny or defeat such jurisdiction by motion or other request for leave from such court; and (C) agrees that it will not bring any such action in any court other than the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, Delaware (unless the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction over the matter, in which case the United States District Court for the District of Delaware). Service of any process, summons, notice or document to any party's address and in the manner set forth in <u>Section 12.1</u> shall be effective service of process for any such action.

(c) EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE IT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE CONTEMPLATED TRANSACTIONS. EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES, AGREES AND CERTIFIES THAT: (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO PREVENT OR DELAY ENFORCEMENT OF EITHER OF SUCH WAIVERS; (B) IT UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH WAIVERS; (C) IT MAKES SUCH WAIVERS VOLUNTARILY; AND (D) IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS <u>SECTION 12.5 (c)</u>.

12.6 <u>Severability</u>. Any term or provision of this Agreement that is invalid or unenforceable in any situation in any jurisdiction shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms and provisions hereof or the validity or enforceability of the offending term or provision in any other situation or in any other jurisdiction. If the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction declares that any term or provision hereof is invalid or unenforceable, the parties hereto agree that the court making such determination shall have the power to limit the term or provision, to delete specific words or phrases, or to replace any invalid or unenforceable term or provision with a term or provision that is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid or unenforceable term or provision, and this Agreement shall be enforceable as so modified. In the event such court does not exercise the power granted to it in the prior sentence, the parties hereto shall replace such invalid or unenforceable term or provision that will achieve, to the extent possible, the economic, business and other purposes of such invalid or unenforceable term.

12.7 <u>Enforcement</u>. The parties acknowledge and agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached, and that monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy therefor. Accordingly, in the event of any breach or threatened breach by Parent or Acquisition Sub, on the one hand, or the Stockholder, on the other hand, of any covenant or obligation of

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such party contained in this Agreement, the other party shall be entitled to obtain, without proof of actual damages (and each party hereby waives any requirement for the securing or posting of any bond in connection with such remedy): (i) a decree or order of specific performance to enforce the observance and performance of such covenant or obligation; and (ii) an injunction restraining such breach or threatened breach; this being in addition to any other remedy to which any such party is entitled at law or in equity.

12.8 <u>Expenses</u>. All costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement shall be paid by or on behalf of the party incurring such cost or expense, whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated.

12.9 <u>Counterparts; Effectiveness</u>. This Agreement may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. This Agreement shall become effective when each party hereto shall have received a counterpart hereof signed by all of the other parties hereto. Until and unless each party has received a counterpart hereof signed by the other party hereto, this Agreement shall have no effect and no party shall have any right or obligation hereunder (whether by virtue of any other oral or written agreement or other communication).

12.10 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement (including all Schedules hereto) and the other agreements referred to in this Agreement constitute the entire agreement and supersede all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, among or between any of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof.

12.11 <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, shall not be deemed to be a part of this Agreement and shall not be referred to in connection with the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

12.12 Interpretation.

(a) For purposes of this Agreement, whenever the context requires: the singular number shall include the plural, and vice versa; the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders; the feminine gender shall include the masculine and neuter genders; and the neuter gender shall include masculine and feminine genders.

(b) The parties hereto agree that any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be applied in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

(c) As used in this Agreement, the words "include" and "including," and variations thereof, shall not be deemed to be terms of limitation, but rather shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."

(d) Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires: (A) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document or any Law herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document or Law as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified; (B) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns; (C) any reference herein to "Sections," "Exhibits" and "Schedules" are intended to refer to Sections of this Agreement; and (D) the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder," and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof.

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12.13 <u>Stockholder Capacity</u>. The Stockholder is signing and entering this Agreement solely in his capacity as the beneficial owner of Subject Shares, and nothing herein shall limit or affect in any way any actions that may be hereafter taken by him in his capacity as an employee, officer or director of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Merger Agreement.

12.14 <u>Non-Survival of Representations and Warranties</u>. None of the representations and warranties in this Agreement or in any instrument delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall survive the Effective Time.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

CURTISS-WRIGHT CONTROLS, INC.

By: /s/ Robert H. Shaw Name: Robert H. Shaw Title: VP & General Counsel

COLUMBIA ACQUISITION SUB, INC.

By: /s/ John Watts

Name: John Watts Title: President

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STOCKHOLDERS

<u>/s/ Patrick W. Cavanagh</u> Name: Patrick W. Cavanagh

<u>/s/ Dennis E. Bunday</u> Name: Dennis E. Bunday

<u>/s/ Mark S. Koenen</u> Name: Mark S. Koenen

<u>/s/ Kenneth Dean Hendrickson</u> Name: Kenneth Dean Hendrickson

<u>/s/ R. Eugene Goodson</u> Name: R. Eugene Goodson

<u>/s/ Doug Hailey</u> Name: Doug Hailey

<u>/s/ Samuel H. Greenswalt</u> Name: Samuel H. Greenswalt

<u>/s/ Donn J. Viola</u> Name: Donn J. Viola

<u>/s/ Peter Salas</u> Name: Peter Salas

DOLPHIN OFFSHORE PARTNERS, L.P.

<u>/s/ Peter Salas</u> Name: Peter Salas, Authorized Signatory

DOLPHIN OFFSHORE PARTNERS, L.P.

<u>/s/ Peter Salas,</u> Name: Peter Salas, Authorized Signatory

<u>SCHEDULE A</u> Ownership of Company Common Stock

Name	Number of Shares of Company Common Stock Beneficially Owned	Number of Shares of Company Common Stock Owned of Record	Number of Shares Subject to Unexercised Company Options(1)	Number of Subject Shares
Patrick W. Cavanagh	211,903	116,732	95,171	211,903
Dennis E. Bunday	87,946	53,431	34,515	87,946
Mark S. Koenen	64,447	33,472	30,975	64,447
Kenneth Dean Hendrickson	12,579	8,441	4,138	12,579
R. Eugene Goodson	166,743	156,406	10,337	166,743
Doug Hailey	110,303	94,626	15,677	110,303
Samuel H. Greenawalt	45,677	30,000	15,677	45,677
Donn J. Viola	27,123	11,538	15,540	27,123
Peter Salas(2)	1,829,575	1,817,936	11,639	1,829,575
Dolphin Offshore Partners, L.P.	1,106,274	1,106,274		1,106,274
Dolphin Direct Equity Partners, L.P.	707,211	707,211		707,211

(1) Amounts reflect the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise on a net issue exercise basis of Company Options held by each Stockholder. For the purposes of clarity, the gross number of shares issuable upon an exercise of such Company Options shall be Subject Shares hereunder.

(2) Amounts include 1,813,485 shares of Common Stock indirectly held through control of Dolphin Offshore Partners, L.P. and Dolphin Direct Equity Partners, L.P. Mr. Salas does not presently have authority to vote 487,465 of the shares of Common Stock held by Dolphin Offshore Partners, L.P. as a result of bankruptcy proceedings pending against the brokerage firm in which the shares are held.

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Exhibit (d)(3)

CONFIDENTIAL

July 5, 2012

Mr. Brian Freeman Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. 15800 John J. Delaney Dr., Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28277

Dear Mr. Freeman:

In connection with the consideration of a possible negotiated transaction (the "<u>Transaction</u>") involving Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc. or its affiliates (collectively, "<u>you</u>") and Williams Controls, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the " <u>Company</u>"), you have requested information regarding the Company. As a condition to any information regarding the Company being furnished to you, you agree to treat any Evaluation Material (as defined below), and to take or abstain from taking certain other actions, in accordance with the provisions of this letter agreement.

1. <u>Definitions.</u>

1.1 Evaluation Material. The term "Evaluation Material" means all information, data, reports, interpretations, forecasts, business plans and records, financial or otherwise, and whether written, oral, electronic, visual or otherwise (whatever the form or transmission or storage medium), concerning or related to the Company, any of its affiliates, subsidiaries or joint ventures, or any of the businesses, properties, products, intellectual property, product designs and plans, technical know-how, marketing information, services, costs and pricing information, methods of operation, employees, financial condition, operations, assets, liabilities, results of operations and/or prospects of any of the foregoing (whether prepared by the Company, any of its Representatives (as defined below) or otherwise) that previously has been or may be furnished to you or any of your Representatives by or on behalf of the Company or any of its Representatives (collectively, "Information"), as well as all notes, analyses, compilations, summaries, extracts, studies, interpretations or other materials prepared by you or any of your Representatives that contain, reflect or are based upon, in whole or in part, any such Information, and in each case regardless of whether or not specifically marked as confidential. The term "Evaluation Material" does not include Information that (i) is or becomes generally available to the public (other than as a result of a disclosure by you or any of your Representatives in violation of this letter agreement or any other obligation of confidentiality), or (ii) was within your possession prior to it being furnished to you by or on behalf of the Company or any of its Representatives (as can be demonstrated by you with dated materials) or thereafter becomes available to you, in either case without being subject to any contractual, legal, fiduciary or other obligation of confidentiality to the Company or any other person with respect to such Information, or (iii) developed by you independently of the Company as supported by your

written records. The term "<u>Evaluation Material</u>" shall include, without limitation, the existence of a possible Transaction, your or the Company's interest in a possible Transaction, the fact that Evaluation Material has been made available to you or any of your Representatives, the fact that discussions or negotiations have taken place, are taking place or may take place concerning a possible Transaction or any similar transaction or any of the terms, conditions or other facts with respect thereto (including, without limitation, the status thereof and any drafts of any term sheets, letters of intent or agreements related to the Transaction), and the existence and terms of this letter agreement. You acknowledge and agree that the Evaluation Material may include Information made available to the Company or any of its Representatives pursuant to confidentiality agreements or other obligations of confidentiality between the Company and/or one or more of its Representatives and third parties.

1.2 <u>Other Definitions</u>. As used in this letter agreement, (i) the term "<u>Representatives</u>" means, each

party's respective affiliates and joint ventures and any partners, members, managers, directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, advisors (including, without limitation, financial advisors, bankers, consultants, counsel and accountants) thereof, and, subject to the next sentence, financing sources, (ii) the term "<u>person</u>" shall be broadly interpreted to include the media and any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, group, governmental authority or other entity, and (iii) the term "<u>affiliate</u>" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>"). Your or your Representatives' actual or prospective financing sources for the Transaction shall not be deemed "<u>Representatives</u>" unless and until, prior to contacting such financing sources (including for purposes of checking conflicts), the Company has consented in writing to such persons being contacted by you or your Representatives for such purposes.

2. <u>Evaluation Material.</u>

2.1 <u>Nondisclosure of Evaluation Material</u>. You hereby agree that you shall, and you shall cause your Representatives to: (i) use the Evaluation Material solely for the purpose of evaluating your possible participation in the Transaction, (ii) keep the Evaluation Material strictly confidential in accordance with the terms of this letter agreement, and (iii) without the prior written consent of the Company, not disclose any of the Evaluation Material to any person; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that you may disclose any of the Evaluation Material to your Representatives who need to know such Information for the sole purpose set forth in clause (i) above and who agree to be bound by the terms hereof to the same extent as if they were parties hereto. You hereby agree to notify the Company immediately upon discovery of any unauthorized use or disclosure of Evaluation Material or any other breach of this letter agreement by you or any of your Representatives, and will cooperate with the Company to assist the Company to regain possession of the Evaluation Material and prevent its further unauthorized use or disclosure.

2.2 <u>Compulsory Disclosure</u>. In the event that you or any of your Representatives receives a request (by deposition, interrogatory, request for documents, subpoena, civil investigative demand or similar process) to disclose, or is otherwise required by law or any rule of any securities exchange to which you or any of your Representatives is subject ("<u>Law</u>"), including, for purposes of accountants, applicable professional standards of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Public Company Accounting Oversight Board or state

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boards of accountancy or obligations thereunder, to disclose, any of the Evaluation Material, you shall (x) provide the Company with prompt written notice of such request or requirement, along with, to the extent applicable, a copy of the request and the proposed disclosure, the circumstances surrounding such request or requirement, the reason that such disclosure is required and the time and place such disclosure is expected to be made, in each case with sufficient specificity so that the Company may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy and/or waive compliance with the provisions of this letter agreement, and (y) if requested by the Company, assist the Company in seeking a protective order or other appropriate remedy in response to such request or requirement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, you shall not, and shall cause your Representatives not to, oppose any action by the Company to obtain such a protective order or other remedy. Notwithstanding Paragraph 2.1 hereof, if, in the absence of a protective order or other remedy or the receipt of a waiver by the Company, you are, or any of your Representatives is, nonetheless, on the advice of your counsel, required by Law to disclose any Evaluation Material, you or such Representative may disclose to the applicable tribunal or other person only that portion of the Evaluation Material which such counsel advises you is required by Law to be disclosed, provided that you, and, if appropriate, such Representative, exercise your reasonable best efforts to continue to preserve, and have such tribunal or other person preserve, the confidentiality of such Evaluation Material. Notwithstanding any disclosure of Evaluation Material pursuant to this Paragraph 2.2, you and your Representatives will continue to be bound by your and their obligations of confidentiality (including, without limitation, with respect to any Evaluation Material disclosed pursuant to this Paragraph 2.2) and other obligations hereunder.

2.3 <u>Privileges</u>. Neither the Company nor the board of directors of the Company (the "<u>Company Board</u>") intend to waive, or to cause any of their Representatives to waive, the attorney-client, attorney work product or other applicable privilege of the Company, the Company Board or any of the Company's subsidiaries, affiliates or joint ventures (any of the foregoing, a "<u>Privilege</u>") by providing any Evaluation Material subject to a Privilege, and any production by the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives of such Information shall be inadvertent. Accordingly, you agree that a production to you or any of your Representatives by the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives of Evaluation Materials protected by a Privilege shall not constitute a waiver of any such Privilege by any person, and you agree that, upon request by the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives to, immediately return and/or destroy such inadvertently produced Evaluation Materials.

2.4 <u>Information Request Procedures; No Contact</u>. You agree that, without the prior written consent of the Company Board, all communications from you or your Representatives regarding the proposed Transaction, including, without limitation, inquiries, requests for additional information, requests for access to personnel or other business contacts, requests for facility tours or discussions or questions regarding procedures, will be submitted only to the persons listed in <u>Annex A</u> hereto or to such other person or persons as specifically designated in writing by the Company for such purposes, except that you or your counsel may direct questions regarding this letter agreement to Davis Wright Tremaine LLP. You agree that you will not, and you will cause your Representatives not to, initiate or maintain contact with (i) subject to the preceding sentence, the Company's Representatives, regarding any matters related to the possible Transaction, employment arrangements or understandings, any rollover of equity, the

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process or discussions of the Company Board or any related matters, or (ii) any customer, supplier, licensor, licensee or other business partner of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or joint ventures with respect to any matters related to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or joint ventures or any of the foregoing persons' businesses or assets, in either case except with the prior written consent of, and supervision by, the Company Board or a designated Representative of the Company Board.

2.5 <u>Return and Destruction of Evaluation Material</u>. If you decide that you do not wish to participate in the Transaction, you will promptly inform the Company of that decision. In that case, or at any time upon the request of the Company for any reason, you will promptly (i) deliver to the Company all Evaluation Material furnished by or on behalf of the Company or any of its Representatives and (ii) deliver to the Company or destroy all other Evaluation Material, in each case without keeping any copies, in whole or part thereof in any medium whatsoever; provided, however, that you and your Representatives shall be entitled to retain the minimum number of copies of the Evaluation Material to the extent necessary to comply with applicable Law, which shall be used solely for such purposes. In the event of such a decision or request, you shall cause one of your authorized officers to deliver to the Company a certificate stating that you have complied with all of the requirements of this Paragraph 2.5. Notwithstanding the return or the destruction of the Evaluation Material or the termination of discussions regarding the Transaction, you and your Representatives will continue to be bound by your and their obligations of confidentiality (including, without limitation, with respect to any Evaluation Material destroyed or returned pursuant to this Paragraph 2.5 or any Evaluation Material retained pursuant to the proviso to the first sentence of this Paragraph 2.5) and other obligations hereunder.

2.6 <u>Accuracy of Evaluation Material</u>. You understand and agree that none of the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives is making or shall be deemed to make or have made any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of the Evaluation Material. You agree that none of the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives shall have any liability to you or any of your Representatives relating to or resulting from the use of the Evaluation Material, including, without limitation, for any conclusions that you, any of your Representatives or any other person derive from the Evaluation Material. Only those representations or warranties that are made in a final definitive written agreement (if any) providing for the Transaction (which, for avoidance of doubt, shall not include a term sheet, letter of intent or other similar instrument) (a " <u>Definitive Transaction Agreement</u>"), when, as and if executed and delivered, and subject to such limitations and restrictions as may be specified therein, will have any legal effect.

2.7 <u>Ownership of Evaluation Material</u>. Nothing herein, nor any disclosure contemplated hereby, shall be deemed to transfer to you or any other person any interest in, or confer in you or any other person any right (including, without limitation, intellectual property right) over, the Evaluation Material whatsoever beyond those interests and rights expressly provided for in this letter agreement.

2.8 <u>Term</u>. The obligations of each party hereto set forth in this Paragraph 2 shall terminate and be of no further force or effect on the date that is three (3) years from the date hereof.

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3. <u>Non-Solicitation; Non-Hire.</u>

In consideration of the Evaluation Material being furnished to you, for a period of two (2) years from the date hereof, you will cause your Representatives who are aware of this letter agreement (other than third party advisors taking action on behalf of an unrelated person without breach of any of the other terms of this letter agreement) not to, directly or indirectly, without obtaining the prior written consent of the Company, solicit for employment any current or former officers, employees or independent contractors of the Company or any of its affiliates or joint ventures (whether or not such person would commit any breach of such person's contract of service in leaving such employment or service); provided, however, that the restriction on solicitation above shall not restrict your ability to conduct generalized searches for officers or employees by use of advertisements in periodicals of general circulation.

4. <u>Standstill; Securities Laws.</u>

4.1 Standstill. You hereby represent and warrant that you and your affiliates do not beneficially own any shares of the common stock of the Company. In consideration of the Evaluation Material being furnished to you, you hereby agree that, for a period of two (2) years from the date hereof, unless invited in advance by the Company Board to do so (which invitation will be expressly set forth in a written instrument from, and duly authorized by, the Company Board), you will not, and you will cause your Representatives (other than third party advisors taking action on behalf of an unrelated person without breach of any of the other terms of this letter agreement) not to, directly or indirectly, acting alone or as part of a group: (i) acquire, offer to acquire, or agree to acquire, directly or indirectly, by purchase or otherwise, (a) any securities (whether equity, debt or otherwise) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries (or beneficial ownership thereof, as such term is used pursuant to Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), (b) any right to vote or to direct the voting of any voting or equity securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or (c) any direct or indirect rights to acquire any securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any derivative securities with economic equivalents of ownership of any of such securities; (ii) enter into or agree, offer, propose or seek to enter into, or otherwise be involved in or part of, directly or indirectly, any acquisition transaction or other business combination relating to all or part of the Company or any of its subsidiaries (whether by way of merger, consolidation, purchase, exchange, recapitalization, restructuring or otherwise) or any acquisition transaction for all or part of the assets of the Company or any of its businesses or subsidiaries; (iii) make, or in any way participate in, directly or indirectly, any "solicitation" of "proxies" (as such terms are used in the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission) to vote, or seek to advise or influence any person or entity with respect to the voting of, any voting securities of the Company; (iv) form, join or in any way participate in a "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d) (3) of the Exchange Act) with respect to any securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (v) seek or propose, alone or in concert with others, to influence or control the management or policies of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or to become, designate, replace or remove a member of the board of directors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (vi) directly or indirectly enter into any discussions, negotiations, agreements, arrangements or understandings with any other person with respect to any of the foregoing activities or propose any of such activities to any other person; (vii) advise, assist, encourage, or act as a financing source for or otherwise invest in any other person in connection any of the foregoing activities; (viii) disclose (other than, to the extent otherwise permitted hereby, to the

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Company or its Representatives) any intention, plan or arrangement inconsistent with any of the foregoing; (ix) request that the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives, directly or indirectly, (A) amend or waive any provision of this Paragraph 4.1 (including this clause (ix)) or (B) otherwise consent to any action inconsistent with any provision of this Paragraph 4.1 (including this clause (ix)); (x) take any action that might require the Company or any of its Representatives to make a public announcement regarding any of the activities referred to in clauses (i)-(viii) of this Paragraph 4.1 (other than disclosures otherwise expressly permitted by this letter agreement); or (xi) agree to take any of the foregoing actions.

4.2 <u>Prohibition on Voting Restrictions</u>. For a period of two (2) years from the date hereof, unless consented to in advance by the Company Board to do so (which invitation will be expressly set forth in a written instrument from, and duly authorized by, the Company Board), you shall not, and you shall cause your Representatives (other than third party advisors not taking action on your behalf or at your direction) not to, enter into any exclusivity, lock-up or other agreement, arrangement or understanding, whether written or oral, with any current or future shareholder of the Company or other person that has the right to vote or direct the voting of voting securities of the Company that is intended or could reasonably be expected to limit, restrict, restrain or otherwise impair in any manner, directly or indirectly, the ability of such person to (i) vote any voting securities of the Company beneficially owned by such person (or with respect to which such person otherwise has the right to vote or to the direct the voting of such voting securities) in favor of, or (ii) tender any such voting or equity securities of the Company into any offer made in connection with, any transaction involving the Company.

4.3 <u>Securities Laws</u>. You understand and agree that you are aware, and that you will advise your Representatives, that the U.S. federal and state securities laws prohibit, and certain foreign laws may prohibit, any person who has material, non-public information about a company from purchasing or selling securities of such company or from communicating such information to any other person under circumstances in which it is reasonably foreseeable that the person is likely to purchase or sell such securities. You will, and will cause your Representatives to, comply with U.S. federal and state securities laws and foreign laws in connection with the receipt of Evaluation Material contemplated hereby.

5. <u>Certain Additional Restrictions</u>

5.1 <u>No Partnering</u>. Neither you nor your affiliates nor any of your Representatives have or will, without the prior written consent of the Company Board, enter into, directly or indirectly, any discussions, negotiations, agreements, arrangements or understandings with any person (other than your Representatives), with respect to a possible Transaction or a transaction involving any assets of the Company or that could otherwise affect such person's decisions or actions with respect to a possible Transaction.

5.2 <u>Prohibition on Exclusive Arrangements</u>. You have not and will not, directly or indirectly, enter into any agreement, arrangement or understanding, whether written or oral, with any potential financing source or sources which may reasonably be expected to limit, restrict, restrain, otherwise impair in any manner, directly or indirectly, the ability of such financing source or sources to provide financing or other assistance to any other party in any other transaction involving the Company.

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6. <u>Miscellaneous.</u>

6.1 <u>Breach</u>. You shall be responsible for ensuring that your Representatives adhere to the terms of this letter agreement as if such persons were original parties hereto, you shall be responsible for any breach of this letter agreement by you or any of your Representatives, and you agree, at your sole expense, to take all reasonable measures to avoid any prohibited or unauthorized disclosure or use of the Evaluation Material or other breach of this letter agreement by any of your Representatives. The foregoing obligation shall not limit the remedies available to the Company for any breach of this letter agreement by any of your Representatives.

Process. You understand and agree that: (i) unless and until a Definitive Transaction Agreement has 6.2 been executed and delivered by the Company and you, none of the Company, the Company Board nor any of their Representatives will be under any legal obligation of any kind whatsoever with respect to the Transaction, and except as arising pursuant to such a Definitive Transaction Agreement, neither you nor any of your Representatives shall have, and you hereby waive for yourself and on their behalf, any claims whatsoever against the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives arising out of or relating to the Transaction; (ii) no Information provided, including any statements made, to you or any of your Representatives prior to, in the course of or for the purpose of negotiations relating to a Transaction, will constitute an offer by the Company or on the Company's behalf, nor will you or any of your Representatives claim that any such Information forms the basis of any contract or agreement (including, without limitation, an agreement in principle), to engage in any transaction with you, and you hereby waive any claims to the contrary; (iii) the Company Board and the Company reserve the right, in their sole discretion, to both reject any and all proposals made by you or any of your Representatives with regard to a Transaction and/or to terminate discussions and negotiations with you or any of your Representatives at any time for any reason or no reason; (iv) the Company, the Company Board or any of their Representatives may enter into negotiations and discussions with any other parties for a possible transaction in lieu of the Transaction with you and enter into a definitive agreement with respect thereto without prior notice to you or any of your Representatives; (v) the Company Board and the Company may change in any way in their sole discretion the Company's processes or procedures for considering the Transaction or any transaction in lieu of the Transaction without prior notice to you or any of your Representatives; (vi) the Company Board and the Company retain the right to determine, in their sole discretion, what Information it will make available to you or any of your Representatives; and (vii) any passwords provided to you in connection with an electronic data room ("EDR"), if any, will be used only by the individuals to whom such passwords are issued, and that should you desire additional individuals to access the EDR, you will request additional passwords for such individuals.

6.3 <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. This letter agreement may be modified or waived only by a separate writing by the Company and you expressly so modifying or waiving this letter agreement. It is understood and agreed that no failure or delay by the Company, or the Company Board on behalf of the Company, in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege hereunder.

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6.4 <u>Severability</u>. The illegality, invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this letter agreement in any jurisdiction shall not affect the legality, validity or enforceability of any other provision of this letter agreement or the legality, validity or enforceability of such provision of this letter agreement in any other jurisdiction. In the event that any of the provisions of this letter agreement shall be held by a court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, such provisions shall be deemed limited or eliminated only to the minimum extent necessary so that this letter agreement shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

6.5 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This letter agreement contains the entire agreement between the Company and you concerning the subject matter hereof and supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, to the extent relating to the exchange of Evaluation Material contemplated hereby or any consideration, discussions or negotiations of a Transaction.

6.6 <u>Remedies</u>. It is further understood and agreed that money damages may not be a sufficient remedy for any breach of this letter agreement by you or any of your Representatives and, in addition to all other remedies that the Company or any of its Representatives may have at law or in equity and without limiting any of the foregoing, the Company and any of its Representatives shall be entitled to equitable relief, including, without limitation, injunction and specific performance, as a remedy for any such breach and you hereby waive any requirement for the securing or posting of any bond in connection with such remedy. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this letter agreement, if a court of competent jurisdiction determines that you or any of your Representatives has breached any provision of this letter agreement, you shall be liable for and pay to the Company on demand any damages awarded, and the reasonable legal fees and expenses incurred by the Company in connection with such breach, including any litigation related thereto and any appeal therefrom.

6.7 <u>Governing Law; Venue</u>. This letter agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to the conflicts of law provisions thereof. The parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally consent to the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of, and waive any objection to the laying of venue in, the U.S. federal and state court sitting in the City of Wilmington (collectively, the "<u>Delaware Courts</u>") for any action, suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this letter agreement, and agree not to commence any action, suit or proceeding related thereto except in a Delaware Court. Each of the parties hereto further agrees that service of any process, summons, notice or document by registered mail to its address set forth on the first page of this letter agreement shall be effective service of process for any action, suit or proceeding brought against it in any Delaware Court.

6.8 <u>Assignment; Binding Effect</u>. You may not assign your rights or obligations under this letter agreement to any person. The Company may assign its rights and obligations, in whole or in part, under this letter agreement to any person. This letter agreement shall be binding upon you and your respective successors and permitted assigns and shall inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Company and its respective successors and assigns.

6.9 <u>Expenses</u>. All costs and expenses incurred in connection with this letter agreement and the consideration by the parties of the Transaction, including, without limitation,

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all fees of law firms, commercial banks, investment banks, accountants, public relations firms, experts and consultants, shall be paid by the party incurring such cost or expense.

6.10 <u>Headings</u>. Headings included in this letter agreement are for the convenience of the parties only and shall be given no substantive or interpretive effect.

6.11 <u>Counterparts; Signatures</u>. This letter agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This letter agreement or any counterpart may be executed and delivered by facsimile copies or electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed to be an original.

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Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing by signing and returning one copy of this letter agreement to the undersigned, whereupon this letter agreement shall become a binding agreement between you and the Company.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAMS CONTROLS, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Patrick Cavanaugh</u> Name: Patrick Cavanagh Title: Chief Executive Officer

Accepted and agreed as of this 5th day of July, 2012:

CURTISS-WRIGHT CONTROLS, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Brian Freeman</u> Name: Brian Freeman Title: Vice President Technology & Market Development

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Annex A

Company Representatives

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