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The following are excerpts from the transcript of the Macquarie Infrastructure Company LLC Fourth Quarter 2014 Earnings Call held on February 19, 2015:

James Hooke, Chief Executive Officer

What we have determined, however, is that it makes sense to pursue a conversion from an LLC to a corporation first and to do that sooner rather than later. Last evening, in addition to filing our results for the quarter and our 10-K, we also filed a registration statement on Form S-4. The S-4 filing is the first step leading to a shareholder vote on the conversion to a corporation. In effect, the S-4 registers the shares of Macquarie Infrastructure Corporation that will, subject to shareholder consent, be used to replace the LLC interests currently on issue. The S-4 contains the proxy statement that explains the conversion and that will be used for the special shareholders meeting to vote on the conversion.

The S-4 also provides information on three additional matters related to the conversion worth mentioning now.

1. The first is a mechanism that preserves the right of MIC's Manager to name the chairman of the board of directors – something the Manager has the right to do under the current arrangement – and the issuance of 100 shares of a separate class of stock with that right.
2. The second is the fact that we will seek authorization to issue a new class of stock – preferred stock – as a means of improving flexibility with respect to managing our capital structure. I would point out that we've been careful to characterize the availability of preferred stock as nothing more than a capital management tool. The term of art associated with this instrument seems to be “a declawed preferred” – meaning that the Company intends to only issue preferred shares as a method of financing acquisitions or growth projects and not as a defensive or anti-takeover device. To be clear, we are not aware of any threatened takeover attempt, rather, having the ability to issue preferred stock is simply good business for a grown up company.

Finally, the S-4 also notes that the board has selected Delaware as the exclusive forum for hearing any derivative and similar claims that may be brought against the Company or its directors and officers. In addition to the efficiency associated with a single venue, Delaware courts have significant experience and expertise in adjudicating corporate matters. Again, we are not aware of any legal claim at this time.

There are a number of steps associated with this conversion effort:

- first is the filing of the S-4 registration statement that was published last night;
- the S-4 will then likely go through a review process by the SEC;
- after the SEC clears the S-4, the board will declare a record date, schedule the meeting, distribute the proxy statement, and begin soliciting shareholder votes;
- if shareholders approve the conversion, we'll file papers with the Delaware Secretary of State to complete the change to a corporation.

With that as an overview of some of the big matters in front of MIC, let's turn around and look at the performance of our businesses in the fourth quarter.

#### Question and Answer Section

TJ Schultz:

Great, thanks. Thanks for all the color.

Just a quick one as you look at these BEC capitalization options. Does the fact that you filed the S-4 that is being reviewed by the SEC for a conversion from an LLC to C-Corp preclude you at all from issuing new equity during this process?

James Hooke:

I think as it relates to be BEC we've got lots of options including an ATM program. As I said in my comments we have an option of raising equity, the option of paying down the debt with the existing facilities the MIC revolver or IMTT's.

Step one in that process is to have a good dialogue with S&P. I think S&P after the deal was announced put us on watch but I would also say that watch was developing watch, it wasn't negative watch. Read into that what you want.

I don't think there's anything in relation to any S-4 filing or anything else we've done that precludes us doing what we need to or want to do with BEC, but the lawyers get very nervous when I mention the word S-4 because I think if you want to look at the S-4 my advice is to review that document otherwise I get kicked under the table by the lawyers.

Jeremy Tonet:

Turning to the corporate conversion process would you be in a position to provide any color on what index inclusion MIC might see and how that could work out?

James Hooke:

Yes it's a good question I will throw to Jay Davis from Investor Relations because he has got a better sense of how that may.

Jay Davis:

A couple of options here Jeremy. I think we've looked at what may be open to us, obviously subject to consideration by the index managers, the Russell organization as an example, or S&P. Russell will look at the end of May at the makeup of the listed companies in the U.S. and decide what the cutoff is for inclusion in their list - typically the top 4000 largest organizations. S&P is a little more ad hoc as to when they include or remove anybody from their indices.

But there is potentially opportunity for passive demand for our shares in the range of 3 million, 3.5 million, 4 million shares depending on how many indices pick MIC up. The S&P MidCap 400 or the Russell 3000 are likely to do so but there is certainly no guarantee.

Jeremy Tonet:

That makes sense, thanks. One last question. Sorry for missed it but the S-4, are you able to share any thoughts on timeline for how that process generally unfolds?

James Hooke:

I can't really say anything more than the comments that I have given which is the process that is involved after we file, which for which was last night, is the SEC takes a look at it and decide whether and how they will review it. And the next step in the process is once the SEC has completed that process how long it takes the SEC to do that. It is in their hands not ours.

The only thing I would say is the reason we are moving forward on this as fast as we can is as Jay mentioned the Russell index is readjusted by the end of May and we are hoping, though not guaranteeing, but we're certainly hoping that with the timing we've done on this, we should be through the process in time to be included in the Russell index if everything went as the way these things normally go. That sort of timing would be doable.

But as to the specifics of timing, I can't give you any more color than that.

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