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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Amount			
Title of each Class of	to be	Maximum	Maximum Aggregate	
Title of each Class of	to be	Offering Price Per	Aggregate	Amount of
Securities to be Registered	Registered	Unit	Offering Price	Registration Fee (1)
3.450% Senior Notes due 2021	\$500,000,000	99.899%	\$499,495,000	\$50,300

⁽¹⁾ Pursuant to Rule 457(r), the total registration fee for this offering is \$50,300.

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(TO PROSPECTUS DATED DECEMBER 1, 2015)

\$500,000,000

Macy s Retail Holdings, Inc.

3.450% Senior Notes Due 2021

Payment of principal and interest unconditionally guaranteed by

Macy s, Inc.

Macy s Retail Holdings, Inc. (Macy s Holdings) is offering \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 3.450% Senior Notes due January 15, 2021, which we refer to as the senior notes.

The senior notes mature on January 15, 2021, unless earlier redeemed. Macy s Holdings will pay interest on the senior notes semi-annually in arrears on each January 15 and July 15 of each year. The first interest payment will be made on July 15, 2016. The senior notes will rank equal in right of payment to any other existing or future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s Holdings. The guarantee will rank equal in right of payment to all other existing and future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s, Inc.

Macy s Holdings may redeem the senior notes at any time at the redemption price set forth herein. Upon the occurrence of both (i) a change of control of Macy s, Inc. and (ii) within a specified period in relation to the change of control, the senior notes being downgraded by at least two of Fitch Ratings, Inc., Moody s Investors Service, Inc. and Standard & Poor s Ratings Services and being rated below an investment grade rating by at least two of such rating agencies, Macy s Holdings will be required to make an offer to purchase the senior notes at 101% of their principal amount. On and after December 15, 2020, Macy s Holdings may redeem the senior notes at par, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Investing in the senior notes involves risks. See the Risk Factors section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015.

	Senior Notes	
	Per Note	Total
Initial public offering price (1)	99.899%	\$499,495,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions	0.600%	\$ 3,000,000

Proceeds to Macy s Holdings (1)

99.299%

\$496,495,000

(1) Plus accrued interest, if any, from December 10, 2015.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The underwriters expect to deliver the senior notes in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company for the accounts of its participants, including Clearstream Banking, societe anonyme, and Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, against payment in New York, New York on December 10, 2015.

Joint Book-Running Managers

BofA Merrill Lynch Credit Suisse J.P. Morgan
Goldman, Sachs & Co.
US Bancorp
Co-Managers
Wells Fargo Securities

BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC

Loop Capital Markets

MUFG

Ramirez & Co., Inc.

Citigroup

Fifth Third Securities

PNC Capital Markets LLC

Standard Chartered Bank

The Williams Capital Group, L.P.

The date of this prospectus supplement is December 7, 2015.

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None of Macy s, Inc., Macy s Holdings or any underwriter has authorized anyone to provide any information or to make any representation other than those contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or in any free writing prospectus that we have prepared. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that you obtain from other sources or that others may give you. This document may only be used where it is legal to sell the senior notes. The information in this document may be accurate only on the date of this document.

SUMMARY

The following summary contains basic information about the senior notes and is not intended to be complete. For a more complete discussion of the senior notes, please refer to the section entitled Description of Notes in this prospectus supplement. You should read the entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as the documents incorporated by reference into them, before making an investment decision.

Issuer Macy s Retail Holdings, Inc.

Guarantor Macy s, Inc.

Securities Offered \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 3.450% Senior Notes due

2021.

Maturity Date January 15, 2021.

Interest Payment Dates Semi-annually in arrears on each January 15 and July 15 of each year,

commencing on July 15, 2016. Interest on the senior notes being offered by this prospectus supplement will accrue from December 10, 2015.

of the prospector supplement will decide from 2000meet 10, 2010.

Ranking The senior notes will rank equal in right of payment to any other existing

or future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s Holdings.

Guarantee The obligations of Macy s Holdings under the senior notes will be fully

and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Macy $\,$ s, Inc. The guarantee will rank equal in right of payment to all other

existing and future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s, Inc.

Optional Redemption Macy s Holdings may, at its option, at any time in whole or from time to

time in part, prior to December 15, 2020 (one month prior to the maturity date (the Par Call Date)) redeem the senior notes at the redemption prices described in this prospectus supplement, plus accrued interest to the date

of redemption.

At any time on and after the Par Call Date, Macy s Holdings may, at its option, redeem the senior notes in whole or from time to time in part at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the senior notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest on the senior notes

to be redeemed to the date of redemption.

Change of Control

Upon the occurrence of both (i) a change of control of Macy s, Inc. and (ii) within a specified period in relation to the change of control, the senior notes being downgraded by at least two of Fitch Ratings, Inc., Moody s Investors Service, Inc. and Standard & Poor s Ratings Services and being rated below an investment grade rating by at least two of such rating agencies, Macy s Holdings will be required to make an offer to purchase the senior notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase. See Description of Notes Change of Control.

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Certain Covenants

The indenture, pursuant to which the senior notes will be issued, will contain covenants that will, among other things, limit the ability of Macy s Holdings to:

incur certain liens;

enter into sale and leaseback transactions; or

consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of its assets.

These covenants will be subject to important exceptions and qualifications, which are described in Description of Notes Certain Restrictive Covenants.

Denominations

Minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Settlement Date

December 10, 2015 (T+3).

Use of Proceeds

Macy s Holdings will use the net proceeds from the sale of the senior notes offered hereby for general corporate purposes, which may include working capital, capital expenditures, retirement of indebtedness (which may include our 7.45% senior debentures that mature on October 15, 2016 and our 5.90% senior notes that mature on December 1, 2016) and repurchasing outstanding common stock of Macy s, Inc.

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

Macy s, Inc. s ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the 39 weeks ended October 31, 2015 and for the fiscal years ended January 31, 2015, February 1, 2014 and February 2, 2013 were 3.2x, 5.4x, 5.5x and 4.1x, respectively.

For purposes of determining the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings consist of income from continuing operations before income taxes plus fixed charges (excluding interest capitalized). Fixed charges represent interest incurred, premium on early retirement of debt, if any, amortization of debt expenses, and that portion of rental expenses on operating leases deemed to be the equivalent of interest.

Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent U.S. Bank National Association

USE OF PROCEEDS

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DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

The senior notes will be issued under an indenture, dated as of November 2, 2006 (the Base Indenture), among Macy s Holdings, as issuer, Macy s, Inc., as guarantor, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the Trustee), as amended and supplemented by the Sixth Supplemental Trust Indenture, to be dated as of December 10, 2015 (the Supplemental Indenture) and together with the Base Indenture, the Indenture) relating to the senior notes. The following discussion includes a summary description of certain material terms of the Indenture. Because this is a summary, it does not include all of the information that is included in the Indenture, including the definitions of certain terms used below. You should read the Indenture carefully and in its entirety. You may request a copy of the Indenture at Macy s, Inc. s address set forth under the caption Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus.

General

The senior notes are senior unsecured obligations of Macy s Holdings. The senior notes constitute a series of notes that will initially be limited to \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount and will mature on January 15, 2021. Macy s Holdings will issue the senior notes in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The senior notes will bear interest at the applicable rate per year shown on the cover page of this prospectus supplement from December 10, 2015. Macy s Holdings will pay interest semi-annually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year commencing on July 15, 2016 to the Person in whose name the senior notes (or any predecessor note) is registered at the close of business on January 1 or July 1, respectively, preceding such interest payment date. Interest on the senior notes will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each.

The senior notes will be exchangeable and transfers thereof will be registrable, at an office or agency of Macy s Holdings, one of which will be maintained for such purpose in New York, New York (which initially will be the corporate trust office of the Trustee) or such other office or agency permitted under the Indenture.

The senior notes will rank equal in right of payment to any other existing or future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s Holdings. The senior notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.

Macy s Holdings does not intend to list the senior notes on a national securities exchange.

The Indenture does not contain any provisions that would limit the ability of Macy s Holdings to incur indebtedness or require the maintenance of financial ratios or specified levels of net worth or liquidity. However, the Indenture does:

provide that, subject to certain exceptions, neither Macy s Holdings nor any Restricted Subsidiary will subject its property or assets to any mortgage or other encumbrance unless the senior notes are secured equally and ratably with such other indebtedness thereby secured; and

contain certain limitations on the ability of Macy s Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries to enter into certain sale and leaseback arrangements.

Guarantee

The obligations of Macy s Holdings under the senior notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed (the Guarantee) on a senior unsecured basis by Macy s, Inc. The Guarantee will rank equal in right of payment to all other

existing and future senior unsecured obligations of Macy s, Inc.

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Further Issuances

Macy s Holdings may, from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the holders of the senior notes, increase the principal amount of the senior notes under the Indenture and issue such increased principal amount (or any portion thereof), in which case any additional notes so issued will have the same form and terms (other than the date of issuance and, under certain circumstances, the date from which interest thereon will begin to accrue), and will carry the same right to receive accrued and unpaid interest, as the senior notes previously issued, and such additional notes will form a single series with the senior notes.

Redemption

Macy s Holdings may, at its option, redeem the senior notes, at any time in whole or from time to time in part, prior to the Par Call Date on not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior notice transmitted to the holders of the senior notes to be redeemed. The senior notes will be so redeemable at a redemption price, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, equal to the greater of (1) 100% of the principal amount of the senior notes to be redeemed and (2) the sum of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the senior notes to be redeemed that would be due after the related redemption date to the Par Call Date but for such redemption (except that, if such redemption date is not an interest payment date with respect to the senior notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to the redemption date), discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 30 basis points.

At any time on and after the Par Call Date, Macy s Holdings may, at its option, redeem the senior notes in whole or from time to time in part on not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior notice transmitted to the holders of senior notes to be redeemed. The senior notes will be so redeemable at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the senior notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest on the senior notes to be redeemed to the date of redemption.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the Par Call Date.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest of such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if Macy s Holdings obtains fewer than four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations.

Independent Investment Banker means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers appointed by Macy s Holdings.

Reference Treasury Dealer means each of Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and their respective successors and one other nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in New York City (a Primary Treasury Dealer) specified from time to time by Macy s Holdings, except that if any of the foregoing ceases to be a Primary Treasury Dealer, Macy s Holdings is required to designate as a substitute another nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a Primary Treasury Dealer.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by Macy s Holdings, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue

(expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to Macy s Holdings by such Reference Treasury Dealer as of 3:30 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity (computed as of the second business day immediately preceding such redemption date) of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

On and after any redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the senior notes called for redemption. On or prior to any redemption date, Macy s Holdings is required to deposit with a paying agent money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on the senior notes to be redeemed on such date. If Macy s Holdings is going to redeem less than all the senior notes, (a) if such senior notes are represented by global notes, interests in such global notes will be selected for redemption in accordance with the customary procedures of DTC, or (b) if such senior notes are represented by senior notes in certificated form, the Trustee will select the senior notes to be redeemed by such method as the Trustee deems fair and appropriate in accordance with methods generally used at the time of selection by fiduciaries in similar circumstances.

Change of Control

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless Macy s Holdings has exercised its right to redeem the senior notes in whole as described above, holders of senior notes will have the right to require Macy s Holdings to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of their senior notes pursuant to the offer described below (the Change of Control Offer) on the terms set forth in the Indenture. In the Change of Control Offer, Macy s Holdings will be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of senior notes repurchased plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the senior notes repurchased, to the date of purchase (the Change of Control Payment). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the option of Macy s Holdings, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control, Macy s Holdings will be required to send a notice to holders of senior notes describing the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase the senior notes on the date specified in the notice, which date will be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is sent (the Change of Control Payment Date), pursuant to the procedures required by the Indenture and described in such notice, which offer will constitute the Change of Control Offer. The notice will, if sent prior to the date on which the Change of Control occurs, state that the Change of Control Offer is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the applicable Change of Control Payment Date.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, Macy s Holdings will be required, to the extent lawful, to:

accept for payment all senior notes or portions of senior notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;

deposit with the paying agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all senior notes or portions of senior notes properly tendered; and

deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the senior notes properly accepted together with an officers certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of senior notes or portions of senior notes being purchased.

Macy s Holdings will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by Macy s Holdings and the third party repurchases all senior notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, Macy s Holdings will not be

required to repurchase any senior notes if it has given written notice of a redemption in whole of the senior notes as provided under Redemption .

Macy s Holdings will be required to comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the senior notes as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control provisions of the Indenture, Macy s Holdings will be required to comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control provisions of the Indenture by virtue of such compliance.

For purposes of the foregoing discussion of a repurchase at the option of holders, the following definitions are applicable:

Change of Control means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the properties or assets of Macy s, Inc. and its subsidiaries taken as a whole to any Person other than Macy s, Inc. or one of its subsidiaries; (2) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any Person becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the then outstanding number of shares of Macy s, Inc. s Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Voting Stock of Macy s, Inc. is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (3) Macy s, Inc. consolidates with, or merges with or into, any Person, or any Person consolidates with, or merges with or into Macy s, Inc., in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding shares of Macy s, Inc. s Voting Stock or the Voting Stock of such other Person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the shares of Macy s, Inc. s Voting Stock outstanding immediately prior to such transaction constitute, or are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the Voting Stock of the resulting or surviving Person or any direct or indirect parent company of the resulting or surviving Person immediately after giving effect to such transaction; (4) the first day on which a majority of the members of Macy s, Inc. s Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors; or (5) the adoption of a plan providing for the liquidation or dissolution of Macy s, Inc. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction will not be deemed to involve a Change of Control under clause (2) above if (i) Macy s, Inc. becomes a direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of a holding company and (ii)(A) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of Macy s, Inc. s Voting Stock immediately prior to that transaction or (B) immediately following that transaction no Person (other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company. The term Person, as used in this definition, has the meaning given thereto in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act.

Change of Control Triggering Event means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

Continuing Directors means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of Macy s, Inc. who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date of the Supplemental Indenture; or (2) was nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election (either by a specific vote or by approval of Macy s, Inc. s proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

Fitch means Fitch Ratings, Inc. or its successor.

Investment Grade Rating means a rating equal to or higher than BBB- (or the equivalent) by Fitch, Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody s and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P.

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Moody s means Moody s Investors Service, Inc. or its successor.

Rating Agencies means (1) each of Fitch, Moody s and S&P; and (2) if any of Fitch, Moody s or S&P ceases to rate the senior notes or fails to make a rating of the senior notes publicly available for reasons outside of Macy s Holdings control, a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act, selected by Macy s Holdings (as certified by a resolution of its Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Fitch, Moody s or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

Rating Event means the rating on the senior notes is lowered by at least two of the three Rating Agencies and the senior notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by at least two of the three Rating Agencies, on any day during the period (which period will be extended so long as the rating of the applicable senior notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) commencing 60 days prior to the first public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the intention of Macy s, Inc. to effect a Change of Control and ending 60 days following consummation of such Change of Control.

S&P means Standard & Poor s Ratings Services, a division of McGraw Hill Financial, Inc., or its successor.

Voting Stock means, with respect to any specified Person (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of such Person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such Person.

Holders may not be entitled to require Macy s Holdings to purchase their senior notes in certain circumstances involving a significant change in the composition of Macy s, Inc. s Board of Directors, including in connection with a proxy contest, where Macy s, Inc. s Board of Directors initially publicly opposes the election of a dissident slate of directors, but subsequently approves such directors as Continuing Directors for purposes of the Indenture. This may result in a change in the composition of the Board of Directors that, but for such subsequent approval, would have otherwise constituted a Change of Control requiring a Change of Control Offer under the terms of the Indenture.

Under a Delaware Chancery Court interpretation of the foregoing definition of Continuing Directors, a board of directors may approve for purposes of such definition, a slate of shareholder-nominated directors without endorsing them, while simultaneously recommending and endorsing its own slate. This interpretation permits Macy s, Inc. s Board of Directors to approve a slate of directors that includes a majority of dissident directors nominated pursuant to a proxy contest and the ultimate election of such dissident slate would not constitute a Change of Control that would trigger the holder s right to require Macy s Holdings to repurchase its senior notes as described above.

The definition of Change of Control includes a phrase relating to the direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of Macy s, Inc. and its subsidiaries taken as a whole. Although there is a limited body of case law interpreting the phrase substantially all, there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of senior notes to require Macy s Holdings to repurchase its senior notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of the properties and assets of Macy s, Inc. and its subsidiaries taken as a whole to another person or group may be uncertain.

Book-Entry System

The senior notes will initially be issued in the form of a global security held in book-entry form. Accordingly, The Depository Trust Company (DTC) or its nominee will be the sole registered holder of the senior notes for all purposes under the Indenture. DTC has advised Macy s Holdings that DTC is a limited-

purpose trust company organized under the Banking Law of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act.

DTC was created to hold the securities of its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC s participants include securities brokers and dealers (including the underwriters), banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to DTC s book-entry system is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly. See Description of Debt Securities Global Securities in the accompanying prospectus.

Clearstream Banking, societe anonyme (Clearstream), is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depositary. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations (Clearstream Participants) and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides Clearstream Participants with, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and establishment of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier and the Luxembourg Central Bank. Clearstream Participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream Participant either directly or indirectly.

Distributions with respect to senior notes held beneficially through Clearstream will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream Participants in accordance with its rules and procedures to the extent received by DTC for Clearstream.

Euroclear was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of Euroclear (Euroclear Participants) and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets and in several markets in several countries. Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. (the Euroclear Operator), under contract with Euroclear plc, a U.K. corporation. All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator is regulated and examined by the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission and the National Bank of Belgium.

Links have been established among DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear to facilitate the initial issuance of the senior notes sold outside of the United States and cross-market transfers of the senior notes associated with secondary market

trading.

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Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear have agreed to the procedures provided below in order to facilitate transfers, they are under no obligation to perform these procedures, and these procedures may be modified or discontinued at any time.

Clearstream and Euroclear will record the ownership interests of their participants in much the same way as DTC, and DTC will record the total ownership of each of the U.S. agents of Clearstream and Euroclear, as participants in DTC. When senior notes are to be transferred from the account of a DTC participant to the account of a Clearstream participant or a Euroclear participant, the purchaser must send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one day prior to settlement. Clearstream or Euroclear, as the case may be, will instruct its U.S. agent to receive senior notes against payment. After settlement, Clearstream or Euroclear will credit its participant s account. Credit for the senior notes will appear the next day (European time).

Because settlement is taking place during New York business hours, DTC participants will be able to employ their usual procedures for sending senior notes to the relevant U.S. agent acting for the benefit of Clearstream or Euroclear participants. The sale proceeds will be available to the DTC seller on the settlement date. As a result, to the DTC participant, a cross-market transaction will settle no differently than a trade between two DTC participants. When a Clearstream or Euroclear participant wishes to transfer senior notes to a DTC participant, the seller will be required to send instructions to Clearstream or Euroclear through a participant at least one business day prior to settlement. In these cases, Clearstream or Euroclear will instruct its U.S. agent to transfer these senior notes against payment for them. The payment will then be reflected in the account of the Clearstream or Euroclear participant the following day, with the proceeds back valued to the value date, which would be the preceding day, when settlement occurs in New York. If settlement is not completed on the intended value date, that is, the trade fails, proceeds credited to the Clearstream or Euroclear participant s account will instead be valued as of the actual settlement date.

You should be aware that you will only be able to make and receive deliveries, payments and other communications involving the senior notes through Clearstream and Euroclear on the days when those clearing systems are open for business. Those systems may not be open for business on days when banks, brokers and other institutions are open for business in the United States. In addition, because of time zone differences there may be problems with completing transactions involving Clearstream and Euroclear on the same business day as in the United States.

Payment

The payment of principal of and interest on senior notes represented by a global security will be made in immediately available funds in accordance with the applicable requirements of the depositary for the global security.

Certain Restrictive Covenants

The Indenture contains the following restrictive covenants.

Limitation on Liens. Macy s Holdings and the Restricted Subsidiaries will not be permitted to create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any liens upon any of their respective assets, other than Permitted Liens, unless the senior notes are secured by an equal and ratable lien on the same assets. The terms of other existing and future indebtedness of Macy s Holdings may require that such other indebtedness be similarly secured by an equal and ratable lien on such assets.

Limitation on Sale and Leaseback. Macy s Holdings and the Restricted Subsidiaries will not be permitted to enter into any sale and leaseback transaction unless the net cash proceeds therefrom are applied as follows: to the extent that the aggregate amount of net cash proceeds from such sale and leaseback transaction

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that have not been reinvested in the business of Macy s Holdings or its Subsidiaries or used to reduce Senior Indebtedness of Macy s Holdings or its Subsidiaries within 12 months of the receipt of such proceeds exceeds \$100.0 million (Excess Sale Proceeds) from time to time, such Excess Sale Proceeds will be used to offer to repurchase the senior notes (on a pro rata basis with any other Senior Indebtedness of Macy s Holdings or its Subsidiaries required by the terms of such Indebtedness to be repurchased with such Excess Sale Proceeds, based on the principal amount of such Senior Indebtedness required to be repurchased) at 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, and to pay related costs and expenses.

To the extent that the aggregate purchase price for the senior notes or other Senior Indebtedness tendered pursuant to such an offer to purchase is less than the aggregate purchase price offered in such offer, an amount of Excess Sale Proceeds equal to such shortfall will cease to be Excess Sale Proceeds and may thereafter be used for general corporate purposes. If the aggregate purchase price for the senior notes or other Senior Indebtedness tendered pursuant to such an offer to purchase exceeds the amount of such Excess Sale Proceeds, the Trustee will select the senior notes or other Senior Indebtedness to be purchased by such method as the Trustee deems fair and appropriate.

The net cash proceeds from any sale or leaseback transaction will be determined net of the following:

all fees and expenses incurred and all taxes and reserves required to be accrued as a liability as a consequence of such a sale and leaseback transaction;

all payments made on any Indebtedness that is secured by assets subject to a sale and leaseback transaction; and

all distributions and other payments made to minority interest holders in Subsidiaries of Macy s Holdings or joint ventures as a result of a sale and leaseback transaction.

Cash Equivalents will be deemed to be proceeds upon receipt of such Cash Equivalents and cash payments under promissory notes secured by letters of credit or similar assurances of payment issued by commercial banks of recognized standing will be deemed to be proceeds upon receipt of such payments.

If an offer to purchase the senior notes is made, Macy s Holdings will comply with all tender offer rules, including but not limited to Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and Rule 14e-1 thereunder, to the extent applicable to such offer to purchase. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of the Indenture related to limitations on sale and leaseback transactions, Macy s Holdings will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the provisions of the Indenture related to limitations on sale and leaseback transactions by virtue of such conflicts.

Limitations on Merger and Other Transactions

Prior to the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture, Macy s Holdings will not be permitted to consolidate with or merge with or into any other Person, or transfer (by lease, assignment, sale, or otherwise) all or substantially all of its properties and assets to another Person unless:

(1) either

- (a) Macy s Holdings is the continuing or surviving Person in the consolidation or merger; or
- (b) the Person (if other than Macy s Holdings) formed by the consolidation or into which Macy s Holdings is merged or to which all or substantially all of the

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properties and assets of Macy s Holdings are transferred is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, business trust, trust or other legal entity organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States, any State thereof, or the District of Columbia, and expressly assumes, by a supplemental indenture, all of Macy s Holdings obligations under the senior notes and the Indenture;

- (2) immediately after the transaction and the incurrence or anticipated incurrence of any indebtedness to be incurred in connection therewith, no Default exists; and
- (3) an officer s certificate is delivered to the Trustee to the effect that both of the conditions set forth above have been satisfied and an opinion of outside counsel has been delivered to the Trustee to the effect that condition (1) set forth above has been satisfied.

The continuing, surviving or successor Person will succeed to and be substituted for Macy s Holdings with the same effect as if it had been named in the Indenture as a party thereto, and thereafter the predecessor Person will be relieved of all obligations and covenants under the Indenture and the senior notes.

Events of Default

The following are Events of Default with respect to the senior notes:

- (1) failure to pay principal of or premium, if any, on any senior note when due and payable;
- (2) failure to pay any interest on any senior note when due and payable, which failure continues for 30 calendar days;
- (3) failure to perform, or breach of, any other of Macy s Holdings covenants or warranties in the Indenture (other than a covenant or warranty included therein solely for the benefit of a series of debt securities other than the senior notes), which failure or breach continues for 60 calendar days after written notice as provided in the Indenture;
- (4) any nonpayment at maturity or other default (beyond any applicable grace period) under any agreement or instrument relating to any other Indebtedness of Macy s Holdings or any Restricted Subsidiary (the unpaid principal amount of which is not less than \$100.0 million), which default results in the acceleration of the maturity of such Indebtedness prior to its stated maturity or occurs at the final maturity thereof;
- (5) the entry of any final judgments or orders against Macy s Holdings, Macy s, Inc. or any of their respective Restricted Subsidiaries in excess of \$100.0 million individually or in the aggregate (not covered by insurance) that is not paid, discharged or otherwise stayed (by appeal or otherwise) within 60 calendar days after the entry of such judgments or orders;
- (6) the Guarantee ceases to be in full force and effect (except as contemplated by the terms of the Indenture) or is declared in a judicial proceeding to be null and void, or Macy s, Inc. denies or disaffirms in writing its obligation under the Guarantee;
- (7) specified events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of Macy s Holdings, Macy s, Inc. or any Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries of Macy s Holdings or Macy s, Inc. that, if considered in the aggregate, would be a Significant Subsidiary; and
- (8) the failure to redeem the senior notes when required pursuant to the terms and conditions thereof or to pay the repurchase price for senior notes to be repurchased in accordance with the Indenture.

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Macy s Holdings will be required to provide the Trustee with notice of any uncured Event of Default within 10 calendar days after any responsible officer of Macy s Holdings becomes aware of or receives actual notice of the occurrence thereof. The Trustee will be required, within 90 calendar days after the occurrence of a default in respect of the senior notes, to give to the holders of the senior notes notice of all such uncured defaults known to it, except that:

in the case of a default in the performance of any covenant of the character contemplated in clause (3) above, no such notice to holders of the senior notes will be given until at least 30 calendar days after the occurrence of such default; and

other than in the case of a default of the character contemplated in clause (1) or (2) above, the Trustee may withhold such notice if and so long as it in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the holders of the senior notes.

If an Event of Default described in clause (7) above occurs, the principal of, and any premium and accrued interest on the senior notes will become immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any holder of the senior notes. If any other Event of Default with respect to the senior notes occurs and is continuing, either the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding senior notes, by notice as provided in the Indenture (with a copy to the Trustee if given by the Holders), may declare the principal amount of the senior notes to be due and payable immediately. However, at any time after a declaration of acceleration with respect to the senior notes has been made, but before a judgment or decree based on such acceleration has been obtained, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding senior notes may, under specified circumstances, rescind and annul such acceleration.

The Trustee will have no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of the senior notes unless such holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee. Subject to the provisions of the Indenture, including those requiring security or indemnification of the Trustee, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the senior notes will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, with respect to the senior notes.

No holder of a senior note will have any right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture or for any remedy thereunder unless:

the holder has previously given to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default;

the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding senior notes have also made such a written request;

the holder or holders have offered reasonable indemnity to the Trustee to institute the proceeding as trustee;

the Trustee has failed to institute such proceeding within 60 calendar days after receipt of the written request; and

during such 60-day period, the Trustee has not received from the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding senior notes a direction inconsistent with the written request. However, the limitations described above will not apply to a suit instituted by a holder of senior notes for enforcement of payment of the principal of, and any principal or interest on, the senior notes on or after the applicable due dates expressed in the senior notes.

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Macy s Holdings will be required to furnish to the Trustee annually a statement as to the performance of its obligations under the Indenture and as to any default in such performance.

Defeasance

Except as described below, upon compliance with the applicable requirements described below:

- (1) Macy s Holdings and Macy s, Inc. will be deemed to have been discharged from their respective obligations with respect to the senior notes; or
- (2) Macy s Holdings will be released from its obligations to comply with certain of the covenants in the Indenture with respect to the senior notes, and the occurrence of an event described in any of clauses (3), (4) and (8) under Events of Default above will no longer be an Event of Default with respect to the senior notes, except to the limited extent described below.

Following any defeasance described in clause (1) or (2) above, Macy s Holdings will continue to have specified obligations under the Indenture, including obligations to register the transfer or exchange of the senior notes; replace destroyed, stolen, lost, or mutilated senior notes; maintain an office or agency in respect of the senior notes; hold funds for payment to holders of senior notes in trust; and to compensate and reimburse the Trustee. In the case of any defeasance described in clause (2) above, any failure by Macy s Holdings to comply with its continuing obligations may constitute an Event of Default with respect to the senior notes as described in clause (3) under Events of Defaults above.

In order to effect any defeasance described in clause (1) or (2) above, Macy s Holdings or Macy s, Inc. must irrevocably deposit with the Trustee, in trust, money or specified government obligations (or depositary receipts therefor) that through the scheduled payment of principal and interest in accordance with their terms will provide, without reinvestment, money in an amount sufficient to pay all of the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the senior notes on the dates such payments are due in accordance with the terms of the senior notes. In addition, the following conditions must be satisfied:

no Event of Default or event with which the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default under the Indenture shall have occurred with respect to the senior notes and be continuing on the date of such deposit;

no Event of Default or any event described in clause (7) under Events of Default above shall have occurred and be continuing at any time on or prior to the 124th calendar day following the date of deposit;

in the event of defeasance described in clause (1) above, Macy s Holdings shall have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of outside counsel stating that (a) it has received from, or there has been published by, the United States Internal Revenue Service a ruling or (b) there has been a change in applicable federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, among other things, the holders of the outstanding senior notes will not recognize gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposit, defeasance and discharge and will be subject to United States federal income tax on the same

amount, in the same manner, and at the same times as if such deposit, defeasance and discharge had not occurred;

in the event of any defeasance in clause (2) above, Macy s Holdings shall have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of outside counsel to the effect that, among other things, the holders of the outstanding senior notes will not recognize gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposit or defeasance and will be subject to United States federal income tax on the same amount, in the same manner, and at the same times as if such deposit or defeasance had not occurred;

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Macy s Holdings shall have delivered to the Trustee a certificate from a nationally recognized firm of independent accountants expressing their opinion that the payments of principal and interest when due on the deposited government obligations without reinvestment plus any deposited money without investment will provide the cash at such times and in such amounts as will be sufficient to pay the principal of and any premium and interest when due on the senior notes or on any earlier date or dates on which the senior notes will be subject to redemption at the option of the holder;

such defeasance will not cause the Trustee to have a conflicting interest within the meaning of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the Trust Indenture Act) (assuming all senior notes are in default within the meaning of the Trust Indenture Act);

Macy s Holdings shall have delivered to the Trustee an officer s certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent with respect to such defeasance have been complied with;

such defeasance will not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the Investment Company Act), unless such trust will be qualified under the Investment Company Act or will be exempt from regulation thereunder; and

there shall have been delivered to the Trustee the certificate of a responsible officer of Macy s Holdings certifying, on behalf of Macy s Holdings, to the effect that such defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any agreement to which Macy s Holdings is a party or violate any law to which Macy s Holdings is subject.

If Macy s Holdings fails to comply with its remaining obligations under the Indenture after a defeasance with respect to the senior notes as described under clause (2) above and the senior notes are declared due and payable because of the occurrence of any undefeased Event of Default, the amount of money and government obligations on deposit with the Trustee may be insufficient to pay amounts due on the senior notes at the time of the acceleration resulting from such Event of Default. If such a failure occurs, Macy s Holdings will remain liable in respect of such payments.

Certain Defined Terms

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given to such terms in the Indenture. In addition, for purposes of the Indenture, the following definitions apply:

Bank Facilities means the Credit Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2013, among Macy s, Inc., Macy s Holdings, the lenders party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and paying agent, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

Cash Equivalent means:

(1) obligations issued or unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States of America or by any agency or authority controlled or supervised by and acting as an instrumentality of the United States of America;

(2) obligations (including, but not limited to, demand or time deposits, bankers acceptances and certificates of deposit) issued by a depository institution or trust company or a wholly owned

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Subsidiary or branch office of any depository institution or trust company, provided that (a) such depository institution or trust company has, at the time of Macy s Holdings or any Restricted Subsidiary s Investment therein or contractual commitment providing for such Investment, capital, surplus, or undivided profits (as of the date of such institution s most recently published financial statements) in excess of \$100.0 million and (b) the commercial paper of such depository institution or trust company, at the time of Macy s Holdings or any Restricted Subsidiary s Investment therein or contractual commitment providing for such Investment, is rated at least A-1 by S&P, P-1 by Moody s or F1 by Fitch;

- (3) debt obligations (including, but not limited to, commercial paper and medium term notes) issued or unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by any corporation, state or municipal government or agency or instrumentality thereof, or foreign sovereignty, if the commercial paper of such corporation, state or municipal government, or foreign sovereignty, at the time of Macy s Holdings or any Restricted Subsidiary s Investment therein or contractual commitment providing for such Investment, is rated at least A-1 by S&P, P-1 by Moody s or F1 by Fitch;
- (4) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the type described above entered into with a depository institution or trust company meeting the qualifications described in clause (2) above; and
- (5) Investments in money market or mutual funds that invest predominantly in Cash Equivalents of the type described in clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) above; provided, however, that, in the case of the clauses (1) through (3) above, each such Investment has a maturity of one year or less from the date of acquisition thereof.

Consolidated Net Tangible Assets means total assets (less depreciation and valuation reserves and other reserves and items deductible from gross book value of specific asset accounts under GAAP) after deducting therefrom (1) all current liabilities and (2) all goodwill, trade names, trademarks, patents, unamortized debt discount, organization expenses and other like intangibles, all as set forth on the most recent balance sheet of Macy s Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries and computed in accordance with GAAP.

Existing Indebtedness means all Indebtedness under or evidenced by:

the senior notes:

Macy s Holdings 6.375% Senior notes due 2037;

Macy s Holdings 5.90% Senior notes due 2016;

Macy s Holdings 6.9% Senior debentures due 2029;

Macy s Holdings 6.7% Senior debentures due 2034;

Macy s Holdings 7.45% Senior debentures due 2017;

Macy s Holdings 6.65% Senior debentures due 2024;

Macy s Holdings 7.0% Senior debentures due 2028;

Macy s Holdings 8.75% Senior debentures due 2029;

Macy s Holdings 6.9% Senior debentures due 2032;

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Macy s Holdings 8.5% Senior debentures due 2019;

Macy s Holdings 6.7% Senior debentures due 2028;

Macy s Holdings 7.875% Senior debentures due 2030;

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Macy s Holdings 6.79% Senior debentures due 2027;

Macy s Holdings 7.45% Senior debentures due 2016;

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