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Explanatory Note: The following is a form letter to be used by Tyco International plc in communications with customers.

**Tyco/Johnson Controls Merger** 

#### **Customer Letter**

**Dear Valued Customer:** 

On January 25, 2016, we <u>announced</u> the news that Tyco and Johnson Controls have agreed to merge to create the global leader in building products and technology, integrated solutions and energy storage Johnson Controls plc.

We are excited about combining our established, industry-leading businesses, cutting-edge innovation pipelines and extensive global footprints to enhance our offerings for customers. By bringing together our complementary products and services, customers will benefit from integrated product, installation and service capabilities across fire, security, controls, HVAC and energy storage. Together, we will be uniquely positioned to provide the most comprehensive portfolio of building and energy solutions.

I want to assure you that our commitment to [insert name] remains unchanged. After the closing of the merger, we believe the combined company will be positioned to better partner with you to help support your goals as well as enhance the experience for your own customers.

Assuming we receive regulatory approvals and satisfy customary closing conditions, we expect to complete the merger by September 2016. Until then, it will be business as usual, and there will be no changes in how your Tyco team serves you.

Later in the year, we plan to share more information about the expanded solutions we will offer as a combined company as well as any other changes that are noteworthy. We recognize that your relationship with your Tyco account team is important to you and to your organization. Please share any questions or concerns you may have with them. Our highest priority is to continue to serve you with the highest quality of service.

We greatly appreciate your confidence in Tyco and look forward to continuing our strong business relationship with you.

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(Please see next page for important information investors and shareholders)

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS AND SHAREHOLDERS

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In connection with the proposed transaction between Johnson Controls, Inc. ( Johnson Controls ) and Tyco International plc ( Tyco ), Tyco will file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ) a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a joint proxy statement of Johnson Controls and Tyco that also constitutes a prospectus of Tyco (the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus ). Johnson Controls and Tyco plan to mail to their respective shareholders the definitive Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus in connection with the transaction. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF JOHNSON CONTROLS AND TYCO ARE URGED TO READ THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED OR TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT JOHNSON CONTROLS, TYCO, THE TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus (when available) and other documents filed with the SEC by Johnson Controls and Tyco through the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov. In addition, investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Johnson Controls by contacting Johnson Controls Shareholder Services at Shareholder.Services@jci.com or by calling (800) 524-6220 and will be able to obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Tyco by contacting Tyco Investor Relations at Investorrelations@Tyco.com or by calling (609) 720-4333.

#### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

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