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Subject to Completion, Dated April 6, 2016

Preliminary Prospectus Supplement

(To Prospectus dated December 24, 2013)

\$

Ally Financial Inc.

% Senior Notes due

This is an offering of \$ aggregate principal amount of % Senior Notes due (the notes) of Ally Financial Inc. (Ally). The notes will bear interest at a rate of arrears, of each year, beginning on , 2016. The notes will mature on , .

The notes will be unsubordinated unsecured obligations of Ally and will rank equally in right of payment with all of Ally s existing and future unsubordinated unsecured indebtedness and senior in right of payment to all existing and future indebtedness that by its terms is expressly subordinated to the notes. The notes will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future secured indebtedness of Ally to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables) of subsidiaries of Ally, to the extent of the value of the assets of those subsidiaries.

The notes will be issued in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The notes will not be listed on any exchange, listing authority or quotation system. Currently, there is no public market for the notes. The notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity and there is no sinking fund for the notes.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page S-8 and incorporated by reference herein to read about risks you should consider before buying the notes.

	Per note	Total
Price to public(1)	%	\$
Underwriting discount	%	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to Ally	%	\$

(1) Plus accrued interest, if any, from , 2016.

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The notes are not savings or deposit accounts of Ally or any of its subsidiaries, and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency or insurer.

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 notes will be ready for delivery in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company (DTC) and its participants, including Euroclear Bank, SA/NV and Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, on or about , 2016.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Barclays BofA Merrill Lynch Citigroup Deutsche Bank Securities RBC Capital Markets , 2016

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We provide information to you about this offering in two separate documents. The accompanying prospectus provides general information about us and the securities we may offer from time to time. This prospectus supplement describes the specific details regarding this offering. Additional information is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. If information in this prospectus supplement is inconsistent with the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on this prospectus supplement.

Neither we nor the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We and the underwriters take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer of these notes in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or in any such free writing prospectus is accurate as of any date other

than their respective dates.

The distribution of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus and the offering of the notes in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus comes should inform themselves about and observe such restrictions. This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus does not constitute, and may not be used in connection with, an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

References in this prospectus supplement to the Company, we, us, and our refer to Ally Financial Inc. and its direct and indire subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, and the term Ally refers only to Ally Financial Inc.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain or incorporate by reference documents containing various forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable federal securities laws, including the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, that are based upon our current expectations and assumptions concerning future events that are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated.

The words expect, anticipate, estimate, initiative, objective, plan, forecast, goal, project, outlook, priorities, continue, or the negative of any of these words or similar expressions are intended may, would, could, should, believe, potential, forward-looking statements. All statements contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, other than statements of historical fact, including without limitation statements about future events and financial performance, are forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties.

While these statements represent our current judgment on what the future may hold, and we believe these judgments are reasonable, these statements are not guarantees of any events or financial results, and our actual results may differ materially due to numerous important factors that are described in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, as updated by our subsequent Current Reports on Form 8-K and the other documents incorporated by reference herein. See Incorporation by Reference; Where You Can Find More Information. Many of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions are beyond our control, and may cause our actual results and performance to differ materially from our expectations. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and should consider all uncertainties and risks discussed, including those under Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein. Such forward-looking statements apply only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances that arise after the date the forward-looking statement is made.

INDUSTRY AND MARKET DATA

We obtained the industry, market and competitive position data included in this prospectus supplement and in the documents incorporated by reference herein from our own internal estimates and research as well as from industry and general publications and research, surveys and studies conducted by third parties. Industry publications, studies and surveys generally state that they have been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, although they do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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SUMMARY

This summary highlights some of the information contained, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus supplement. It does not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read both this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in their entirety, including the information incorporated by reference, to understand fully the terms of the notes, as well as the other considerations that are important to you in making your investment decision. You should pay special attention to the Risk Factors beginning on page S-8 and incorporated by reference herein as well as the section entitled Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements on page S-1.

Ally Financial Inc.

Ally Financial Inc. is a leading, independent, diversified financial services firm with \$158.6 billion in assets as of December 31, 2015. Founded in 1919, we are a leading financial services company with over 95 years of experience providing a broad array of financial products and services, primarily to automotive dealers and their retail customers. We operate as a financial holding company and a bank holding company. Our banking subsidiary, Ally Bank, is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Ally Financial Inc. and a leading franchise in the growing direct (internet, telephone, mobile, and mail) banking market, with total assets of \$111.3 billion and deposits of \$66.2 billion as of December 31, 2015.

Our principal executive offices are located at 200 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48265, and our telephone number is (866) 710-4623.

Our Business

Our Dealer Financial Services operations offer a wide range of financial services and insurance products to automotive dealerships and their customers. We have deep dealer relationships that have been built throughout our history of over 95 years, and we are leveraging competitive strengths to expand our dealer footprint. Our dealer-focused business model encourages dealers to use our broad range of products through incentive programs like our Ally Dealer Rewards program, which rewards individual dealers based on the depth and breadth of our relationship. Our automotive finance services include providing retail installment sales contracts, loans, and leases; offering term loans to dealers, financing dealer floorplans and other lines of credit to dealers; fleet financing, and vehicle remarketing services. We also offer retail vehicle service contracts and commercial insurance primarily covering dealers wholesale vehicle inventories. We are a leading provider of vehicle service contracts, guaranteed asset protection and maintenance coverage.

Ally Bank, our direct banking platform, is focused on the continued prudent expansion of assets while gaining a stable deposit base and deepening relationships with its 1.1 million primary customers driven by its compelling brand and strong value proposition. Ally Bank raises deposits directly from customers through direct banking via internet, telephone, mobile and mail channels. Ally Bank offers a full spectrum of deposit product offerings including savings and money market accounts, certificates of deposit, interest-bearing checking accounts, trust accounts, and individual retirement accounts. We continue to expand the deposit product offerings and accessibility in our banking platform in order to meet customer needs. At December 31, 2015, approximately 70% of our total assets were funded at Ally Bank. Additionally, during 2015, the deposit base at Ally Bank grew \$8.4 billion, an increase of over 14% from December 31, 2014. Ally Bank s assets and operating results are divided between our Automotive Finance operations, Mortgage operations and Corporate Finance business based on its underlying business activities.

For more information about our lines of business, please refer to Item 1. Business of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, as well as any descriptions of our business in our subsequent Current Reports on Form 8-K, which are incorporated by reference herein.

Recent Development

Concurrently with this offering of the notes, we are offering \$ aggregate principal amount of our 5.750% Subordinated Notes due 2025 (the Concurrent Offering). The Concurrent Offering is being conducted as a separate public offering by means of a separate prospectus supplement. This offering of notes is not contingent upon the completion of the Concurrent Offering, and the Concurrent Offering is not contingent upon the completion of this offering of the notes.

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

Our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011 were 1.55, 1.43, 1.10, 1.13 and 0.96, respectively. See Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.

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Summary of the Notes

The summary below describes the principal terms of the notes. Certain of the terms and conditions described below are subject to important limitations and exceptions. The Description of Notes section of this prospectus supplement contains more detailed descriptions of the terms and conditions of the notes.

For a description of certain considerations that should be taken into account in connection with an investment in the notes, see Risk Factors beginning on page S-8.

Issuer	Ally Financial Inc.
Notes Offered	\$ aggregate principal amount of % Senior Notes due .
Maturity Date	The notes will mature on , .
Interest	The notes will bear interest at a rate of arrears, on and of each year, commencing on , 2016.
Ranking	The notes will constitute unsubordinated unsecured indebtedness of Ally.
	The notes will:
	rank equally in right of payment with all of Ally s existing and future unsubordinated unsecured indebtedness;
	rank senior in right of payment to all of Ally s existing and future indebtedness that by its terms is expressly subordinated to such notes;
	be effectively subordinated to Ally s existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness; and
	be structurally subordinated to all of the existing and future

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subsidiaries.

indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables and lease obligations and, in the case of Ally Bank, its deposits) of Ally s subsidiaries to the extent of the value of the assets of such

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As of December 31, 2015, the Company had approximately \$75.6 billion in principal amount of total debt outstanding, consisting of \$25.6 billion and \$50.0 billion in principal amount of unsecured and secured debt, respectively.

Redemption

The notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

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Certain Covenants

The indenture governing the notes contains covenants that, among other things,

limit Ally s ability to:

grant liens on its assets to secure indebtedness without equally and ratably securing such notes; and

merge or consolidate, or transfer or dispose of all or substantially all of its assets; and

require Ally to provide certain periodic and interim reports to the holders of such notes.

The notes will contain covenants that will, among other things:

limit the ability of Ally and its subsidiaries to make payments to holders of such notes in return for a consent, waiver or amendment to the terms of such notes; and

require Ally to provide certain additional financial information to the holders of such notes and to prospective investors, upon their request, under certain circumstances, as described in the last sentence of Description of Notes Certain Covenants SEC Reports and Reports to Holders.

No Prior Market

The notes will be new securities for which there is no market. Although the underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the notes, they are not obligated to do so, and any market making with respect to such notes may be discontinued without notice. We do not intend to list the notes on any securities exchange. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that a liquid market for the notes will develop or be maintained.

Use of Proceeds

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include the redemption of our outstanding shares of Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A. See Use of Proceeds.

Considerations for Benefit Plan Investors

For a discussion of certain prohibited transactions and fiduciary duty issues pertaining to purchases by or on behalf of an employee benefit plan, see Certain Benefit Plan and IRA Considerations.

Risk Factors

For a discussion of risks that you should consider carefully before making an investment in the notes, please read Risk Factors.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$\), after deducting the underwriting discount and before estimated offering expenses payable by us. We estimate that our expenses, other than the underwriting discount, will be approximately \$\).

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include the redemption of our outstanding shares of Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A.

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RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

Our consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges were as follows for the periods presented:

		Year ended December 31,			
	2015(a)	2014(a)	2013(a)	2012(a)	2011(a)
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges(b)	1.55	1.43	1.10	1.13	0.96

- (a) During 2013 and 2012, certain disposal groups met the criteria to be presented as discontinued operations. For all periods presented, the operating results for these operations have been removed from continuing operations. We report these businesses separately as discontinued operations in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Refer to Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of our discontinued operations. All reported periods of the calculation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges exclude discontinued operations.
- (b) The ratio indicates a less than one-to-one coverage for the year ended December 31, 2011. Earnings available for fixed charges for the year ended December 31, 2011 were inadequate to cover fixed charges. The deficient amount for the ratio was \$183 million for the years ended December 31, 2011.

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RISK FACTORS

Your decision whether to acquire any notes will involve risk. The risks described below are intended to highlight risks that are specific to the notes being offered, but are not the only risks we face.

You should be aware of, and carefully consider, the following risk factors, along with all of the risks and other information provided or referred to in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein, including the discussion in our periodic and current reports including all of the risks discussed in the Risk Factors section thereof, before deciding whether to participate in the offering of the notes. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. If any of those risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition and results of operations would suffer. The risks discussed below also include forward-looking statements and our actual results may differ substantially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements. See Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements in this prospectus supplement.

Risks Relating to the Notes

Our substantial level of indebtedness could materially adversely affect our ability to generate sufficient cash to fulfill our obligations under the notes, our ability to react to changes in our business and our ability to incur additional indebtedness to fund future needs.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness, which requires significant interest and principal payments. As of December 31, 2015, we had approximately \$75.6 billion in principal amount of indebtedness outstanding. We may incur additional indebtedness from time to time. If we do so, the risks related to our high level of indebtedness could be increased.

Our substantial level of indebtedness could have important consequences to holders of the notes, including the following:

making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to our indebtedness, including the notes;

requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing funds available for other purposes;

increasing our vulnerability to adverse economic and industry conditions, which could place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have relatively less indebtedness;

limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industries in which we operate; and

limiting our ability to borrow additional funds, or to dispose of assets to raise funds, if needed, for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, research and development and other corporate purposes.

In addition, a breach of any of the restrictions or covenants in our debt agreements could cause a cross-default under other debt agreements. A significant portion of our indebtedness then may become immediately due and payable. We are not certain whether we would have, or be able to obtain, sufficient funds to make these accelerated payments. If any of our indebtedness is accelerated, our assets may not be sufficient to repay in full such indebtedness and our other indebtedness.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, including the notes.

Our ability to make scheduled payments of principal and interest or to satisfy our obligations in respect of our indebtedness, to refinance our indebtedness or to fund capital expenditures will depend on our future

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operating performance. Prevailing economic conditions (including interest rates), regulatory constraints, including, among other things, on distributions to us from our subsidiaries and required capital levels with respect to certain of our banking and insurance subsidiaries, and financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control, will also affect our ability to meet these needs. We may not be able to generate sufficient cash flows from operations, or obtain future borrowings in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness, or to fund our other liquidity needs. We may need to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness on or before maturity. We may not be able to refinance any of our indebtedness when needed on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

Our subsidiaries will not guarantee the notes and will not be restricted under the indenture for the notes. Your right to receive payments on the notes is effectively subordinated to the indebtedness and other liabilities of our subsidiaries.

Our subsidiaries will not guarantee the notes and will not be restricted under the indenture for the notes. Accordingly, in the event of a bankruptcy or insolvency, the claims of creditors of our subsidiaries would also rank effectively senior to the notes, to the extent of the assets of those subsidiaries. None of our subsidiaries, or any of their respective subsidiaries, has any obligation to pay any amounts due on the notes or to provide us with funds for our payment obligations, whether by dividends, distributions, loans or other payments. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any of our subsidiaries, holders of their liabilities, including trade creditors, will generally be entitled to payment of their claims from the assets of those subsidiaries before any assets are made available for distribution to us. The notes and the indenture will permit us to sell our interests in (through merger, consolidation or otherwise) our subsidiaries, or sell all or substantially all of the assets of any of our subsidiaries, in each case, without the consent of the holders of the notes in certain circumstances.

Our less than wholly owned subsidiaries may also be subject to restrictions on their ability to distribute cash to us in their financing or other agreements. As a result, we may not be able to access their cash flows to service our debt obligations, including obligations in respect of the notes.

The notes will be effectively subordinated to our existing and future secured indebtedness which is secured by a lien on certain of our assets.

As of December 31, 2015, we had approximately \$50.0 billion in aggregate principal amount of secured indebtedness outstanding. The notes will not be secured by any of our assets. As a result, our existing and future secured indebtedness will rank effectively senior to the indebtedness represented by the notes, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. In the event of any distribution or payment of our assets in any foreclosure, dissolution, winding-up, liquidation or reorganization, or other bankruptcy proceeding, our secured creditors will have a superior claim to the applicable collateral. If any of the foregoing occurs, we cannot assure you that there will be sufficient assets to pay amounts due on the notes. The existing and future liabilities of our subsidiaries will be structurally senior to the indebtedness represented by the notes to the extent of the value of the assets of such subsidiaries.

In addition, if we default under any of our existing or future secured indebtedness, the holders of such indebtedness could declare all of the funds borrowed thereunder, together with accrued interest, immediately due and payable. If we are unable to repay such indebtedness, the holders of such indebtedness could foreclose on the pledged assets to the exclusion of the holders of the notes, even if an event of default exists under the indenture governing the notes at such time. In any such event, because the notes will not be secured by any of our assets, it is possible that there would be no assets remaining from which your claims could be satisfied or, if any assets remained, they might be insufficient to satisfy your claims in full.

Your ability to transfer the notes may be limited by the absence of an active trading market, and there is no assurance that any active trading market will develop for the notes.

The notes are an issue of securities for which there is no established public market. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the notes, as permitted by applicable laws and regulations; however, the underwriters are not obligated to make a market in the notes and they may discontinue their market-

making activities at any time without notice. Therefore, an active market for the notes may not develop or, if developed, it may not continue. The liquidity of any market for the notes will depend upon, among other things, the number of holders of such notes, our performance, the market for similar securities, the interest of securities dealers in making a market in such notes and other factors. A liquid trading market may not develop for the notes. If a market develops for the notes, the notes could trade at prices that may be lower than the initial offering price of the notes. If an active market does not develop or is not maintained, the price and liquidity of the notes may be adversely affected. Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt securities has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of securities similar to the notes. The market, if any, for the notes may not be free from similar disruptions and any such disruptions may adversely affect the prices at which you may sell your notes.

A court could deem the issuance of the notes to be a fraudulent conveyance and void all or a portion of the obligations represented by the notes.

In a bankruptcy proceeding by Ally, a trustee, debtor in possession, or someone else acting on behalf of the bankruptcy estate may seek to recover transfers made or void obligations incurred prior to the bankruptcy proceeding on the basis that such transfers and obligations constituted fraudulent conveyances. Fraudulent conveyances are generally defined to include transfers made or obligations incurred for less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration when the debtor was insolvent, inadequately capitalized or in similar financial distress or that rendered the debtor insolvent, inadequately capitalized or unable to pay its debts as they become due, or transfers made or obligations incurred with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding current or future creditors. A trustee or such other parties may recover such transfers and avoid such obligations made within two years prior to the commencement of a bankruptcy proceeding. Furthermore, under certain circumstances, creditors may generally recover transfers or void obligations outside of bankruptcy under applicable fraudulent transfer laws, within the applicable limitation period, which are typically longer than two years. In bankruptcy, a representative of the estate may also assert such claims. If a court were to find that Ally issued the notes under circumstances constituting a fraudulent conveyance, the court could void all or a portion of the obligations under the notes. In addition, under such circumstances, the value of any consideration holders received with respect to the notes could also be subject to recovery from such holders and possibly from subsequent transferees.

Therefore, a note could be voided, or claims in respect of a note could be subordinated to all other debts of Ally, if Ally at the time it incurred the indebtedness evidenced by the notes received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the issuance of such notes, and:

was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of such issuance or incurrence;

was engaged in a business or transaction for which Ally s remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or

intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay those debts as they mature. The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, a debtor would be considered insolvent if:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than all of its assets at fair valuation;

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or

it could not pay its debts as they become due.

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We cannot assure you as to what standard a court would apply in determining whether Ally would be considered to be insolvent. If a court determined that Ally was insolvent after giving effect to the issuance of the new securities, it could void the notes, or potentially impose other forms of damages.

With respect to certain actions under the indenture governing the notes, holders of notes will vote together as a single class with holders of all other debt securities issued under the indenture governing the notes that are adversely affected by such actions; therefore the voting interest of a holder of notes under the indenture with respect to such actions will be diluted.

For purposes of the indenture governing the notes, the notes offered hereby and all other debt securities issued thereunder will generally constitute a single class of debt securities. Therefore, any action under the indenture governing the notes other than those actions affecting only a particular series of notes will require the consent of the holders of not less than $66^2/_3\%$ in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities issued thereunder that are affected thereby. See Description of Notes Modification of the Indenture. Consequently, any action requiring the consent of holders of notes under the indenture governing the notes may also require the consent of holders of a significant portion of the remaining debt securities issued thereunder, and the individual voting interest of each holder of such notes may be accordingly diluted with respect to such actions. In addition, holders of debt securities could vote in favor of certain actions under the indenture that holders of the notes vote against, and the requisite consent to such action could be received nonetheless. We also may, from time to time, issue additional debt securities under the indenture governing the notes which could further dilute the individual voting interest of each holder of the notes with respect to such actions.

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CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth on a consolidated basis:

the actual capitalization of Ally as of December 31, 2015; and

the adjusted capitalization of Ally as of December 31, 2015 on an as adjusted basis to reflect the issuance of the notes. This table should be read in conjunction with the Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes that are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement.

	Actual	ecember 31, 2015 As Adjusted in millions)
Cash and cash equivalent	\$ 6,380	\$
Short-term debt:	4.640	
Secured	4,648	
Unsecured	3,453	
Total short-term debt	8,101	
Long-term debt:		
Secured		
Due within one year	9,427	
Due after one year(1)	35,841	
Total secured long-term debt	45,268	
Total secured long-term debt	45,208	
Unsecured		
Due within one year	1,829	
Due after one year(2)	19,137	
New % Senior Notes due	(3)	
Total unsecured long-term debt	20,966	
Total long-term debt	66,234	
Total equity	13,439	
-		
Total capitalization	\$ 79,673	\$

Totals may not add up due to rounding.

⁽¹⁾ Balance includes \$(3) million of fair value adjustments that was unallocated on December 31, 2015, which is required to balance total debt.

⁽²⁾ Balance includes \$334 million of fair value adjustments that was unallocated on December 31, 2015, which is required to balance total debt.

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(3) Reflects the issuance of the notes offered hereby at their issue price.

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SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following tables set forth selected historical financial information for Ally on a consolidated basis. The consolidated statement of income data for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 and the consolidated balance sheet data at December 31, 2015 and 2014 are derived from, and qualified by reference to, our audited consolidated financial statements, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and should be read in conjunction with those consolidated financial statements and notes thereto. The consolidated statement of income data for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 and the consolidated balance sheet data at December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements, which are not incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement.

The selected historical financial information should be read in conjunction with Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our financial statements and the corresponding notes, which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

	At and for the year ended December 31,				
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Financial statement data			(\$ in millions)		
Statement of income data: Total financing revenue and other interest income	\$ 8.397	\$ 8,391	\$ 8,093	\$ 7,342	\$ 6,671
Interest expense	2,429	- /	3,319	4,052	4,606
Depreciation expense on operating lease assets	2,429		1,995	1,399	941
Depreciation expense on operating lease assets	2,249	2,233	1,993	1,399	941
Net financing revenue	3,719	3,375	2,779	1,891	1,124
Total other revenue	1,142	1,276	1,484	2,574	2,288
Total other revenue	1,142	1,270	1,404	2,374	2,200
Total net revenue	4,861	4,651	4,263	4,465	3,412
Provision for loan losses	707	457	501	329	161
Total noninterest expense	2,761	2,948	3,405	3,622	3,428
Total Hollings on penso	2,701	2,> .0	5,.55	0,022	2,.20
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income tax expense					
(benefit)	1,393	1,246	357	514	(177)
Income tax expense (benefit) from continuing operations	496	321	(59)	(856)	42
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	897	925	416	1,370	(219)
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Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	392	225	(55)	(174)	62
meome (1988) from discontinued operations, not of tax	372	223	(33)	(17.1)	02
Net income (loss)	\$ 1.289	\$ 1.150	\$ 361	\$ 1.196	\$ (157)
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Balance sheet data:					
Total assets	\$ 158,581	\$ 151,631	\$ 150,908	\$ 181,978	\$ 183,543
Long-term debt	\$ 66,234		\$ 69,230	\$ 74,223	\$ 92,406
Total equity	\$ 13,439	. ,	\$ 14,208	\$ 19,898	\$ 19,280
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DESCRIPTION OF NOTES

In this description, references to Ally, we, our, and us refer only to Ally Financial Inc. and not to any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries affiliates, except as otherwise indicated.

General

Ally will issue % Senior Notes due (the notes), under the indenture dated as of July 1, 1982 (as amended by the first supplemental indenture dated as of April 1, 1986, the second supplemental indenture dated as of June 15, 1987, the third supplemental indenture dated as of September 30, 1996, the fourth supplemental indenture dated as of January 1, 1998, and the fifth supplemental indenture dated as of September 30, 1998, and together with such supplemental indentures, the Indenture) among Ally and The Bank of New York Mellon (successor to Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York), as trustee (the Trustee). The notes will constitute a separate series of notes from those series previously issued under such Indenture. Those terms of a series of notes that differ from or that are in addition to the terms of the Indenture will be set forth in the resolution or resolutions of the board of directors or the executive committee of Ally authorizing the issuance of the applicable series of notes. For the purposes of amending or modifying the Indenture, the holders of the notes will generally vote as a single class with the holders of debt securities of all other series at the time outstanding under the Indenture (together with the notes, the Debt Securities).

The following description is a summary of certain provisions of the Indenture and the notes. It does not restate the Indenture or the notes in their entirety and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such documents. You may request copies of the Indenture at Ally s address set forth under Incorporation by Reference; Where You Can Find More Information.

The notes will be issued in fully registered book-entry form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$2,000 principal amount and integral multiples of \$1,000 above that amount. The notes will be issued in the form of global notes. Global notes will be registered in the name of a nominee of DTC, New York, New York, as described under Book-Entry, Delivery and Form of Notes.

The notes offered hereby will be issued on or about , 2016.

Principal Amount; Maturity and Interest

Ally will issue the notes offered by this prospectus supplement in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$. The notes will mature on

The notes will be denominated in U.S. dollars and all payments of principal and interest thereon will be paid in U.S. dollars.

The notes will bear interest at a rate of % per year. Interest on the notes will be payable semi-annually, in cash in arrears, on and of each year, beginning on , 2016, to the persons in whose name the notes are registered at the close of business on the date that is one calendar day immediately preceding such interest payment date. Interest on the notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The regular record date for payments is the calendar day immediately preceding the relevant interest payment date.

Interest on the notes will accrue from and including the date the notes are issued (the issue date) or from and including the most recent interest payment date (whether or not such interest payment date was a business day) for which interest has been paid or provided for with respect to the notes to but excluding the relevant interest payment date.

If an interest payment date falls on a day that is not a business day, the interest payment will be postponed to the next succeeding business day, with the same force and effect as if made on the date such payment was due, and no interest will accrue as a result of such delay.

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No Guarantees

None of Ally s subsidiaries will guarantee the notes.

Ranking

The notes will rank equally in right of payment with all existing and future unsubordinated unsecured indebtedness of Ally, including all Debt Securities, and senior in right of payment to existing and future indebtedness of Ally that by its terms is expressly subordinated to such notes. The notes will be effectively subordinated to any secured indebtedness of Ally to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt. As of December 31, 2015, Ally and its direct and indirect subsidiaries on a consolidated basis had approximately \$75.6 billion in principal amount of total debt outstanding, consisting of \$25.6 billion and \$50.0 billion in principal amount of unsecured and secured debt, respectively.

The notes will be structurally subordinated to all of the existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables and lease obligations and, in the case of Ally Bank, its deposits) of subsidiaries of Ally to the extent of the value of the assets of such subsidiaries.

Redemption

The notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity, and there is no sinking fund for the notes.

Certain Covenants

Limitation on Liens

The Indenture provides that Ally will not pledge or otherwise subject to any lien any of its property or assets unless the notes are secured by such pledge or lien equally and ratably with any and all other obligations and indebtedness secured thereby so long as any such other obligations and indebtedness shall be so secured. This covenant does not apply to:

the pledge of any assets to secure any financing by Ally of the exporting of goods to or between, or the marketing thereof in, foreign countries (other than Canada), in connection with which Ally reserves the right, in accordance with customary and established banking practice, to deposit, or otherwise subject to a lien, cash, securities or receivables, for the purpose of securing banking accommodations or as the basis for the issuance of bankers acceptances or in aid of other similar borrowing arrangements;

the pledge of receivables payable in foreign currencies (other than Canadian dollars) to secure borrowings in foreign countries (other than Canada);

any deposit of assets of Ally with any surety company or clerk of any court, or in escrow, as collateral in connection with, or in lieu of, any bond on appeal by Ally from any judgment or decree against it, or in connection with other proceedings in actions at law or in equity by or against Ally;

any lien or charge on any property, tangible or intangible, real or personal, existing at the time of acquisition of such property (including acquisition through merger or consolidation) or given to secure the payment of all or any part of the purchase price thereof or to secure any indebtedness incurred prior to, at the time of, or within 60 days after, the acquisition thereof for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price thereof; and

any extension, renewal or replacement (or successive extensions, renewals or replacements), in whole or in part, of any lien, charge or pledge referred to in the foregoing four clauses of this paragraph; provided, however, that the amount of any and all obligations and indebtedness secured thereby shall not exceed the amount thereof so secured immediately prior to the time of

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extension, renewal or replacement and that such extension, renewal or replacement shall be limited to all or a part of the property which secured the charge or lien so extended, renewed or replaced (plus improvements on such property).

Merger and Consolidation

The Indenture provides that Ally will not merge or consolidate with another corporation or sell or convey all or substantially all of Ally s assets to another person, firm or corporation unless either Ally is the continuing corporation or the new corporation shall expressly assume the interest and principal (and premium, if any) due under the Debt Securities and the performance and observance of all applicable conditions and covenants. In either case, the Indenture provides that neither Ally nor a successor corporation may be in default of performance immediately after such merger or consolidation or sale or conveyance. Additionally, the Indenture provides that in the case of any such merger or consolidation or sale or conveyance, the successor corporation may continue to issue securities under the Indenture.

SEC Reports and Reports to Holders

Ally will be required to file with the Trustee within fifteen days after Ally is required to file the same with the SEC, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the SEC may from time to time by rules and regulations prescribe) which Ally may be required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act; or, if Ally is not required to file information, documents or reports pursuant to either of such sections, then to file with the Trustee and the SEC, in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the SEC, such of the supplementary and periodic information, documents and reports which may be required pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act in respect of a security listed and registered on a national securities exchange as may be prescribed from time to time in such rules and regulations. In addition, Ally will be required to file with the Trustee and the SEC, in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the SEC, such additional information, documents and reports with respect to compliance by Ally with the conditions and covenants provided for in the Indenture as may be required from time to time by such rules and regulations. Ally has also agreed that, for so long as any notes remain outstanding during any period when it is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, or otherwise permitted to furnish the SEC with certain information pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) of the Exchange Act, it will furnish to the holders of the notes and to prospective investors, upon their request, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Payments for Consent

Ally will not, and will not permit any of its subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, pay or cause to be paid any consideration, whether by way of interest, fee or otherwise, to any holder of any notes for or as an inducement to any consent, waiver or amendment of any of the terms or provisions of the Indenture or such notes unless such consideration is offered to be paid or agreed to be paid to all holders of the notes which so consent, waiver or agree to amend in the time frame set forth in solicitation documents relating to such consent, waiver or agreement.

Modification of the Indenture

The Indenture contains provisions permitting Ally and the Trustee to modify or amend the Indenture or any supplemental indenture or the rights of the holders of the Debt Securities issued, with the consent of the holders of not less than $66^2/_3\%$ in aggregate principal amount of the Debt Securities which are affected by such modification or amendment, voting as one class, provided that, without the consent of the holder of each Debt Security so affected, no such modification shall:

extend the fixed maturity of any Debt Securities, or reduce the principal amount thereof, or premium, if any, or reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of interest thereon, without the consent of the holder of each Debt Security so affected; or

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reduce the aforesaid percentage of Debt Securities, the consent of the holders of which is required for any such modification, without the consent of the holders of all Debt Securities then outstanding under the Indenture.

The Indenture contains provisions permitting Ally and the Trustee to enter into indentures supplemental to the Indenture, without the consent of the holders of the Debt Securities at the time outstanding, for one or more of the following purposes:

to evidence the succession of another corporation to Ally, or successive successions, and the assumption by any successor corporation of certain covenants, agreements and obligations;

to add to the covenants such further covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions as Ally s board of directors and the Trustee shall consider to be for the protection of the holders of Debt Securities;

to permit or facilitate the issuance of Debt Securities in coupon form, registrable or not registrable as to principal, and to provide for exchangeability of such securities with securities issued thereunder in fully registered form;

to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision contained therein or in any supplemental indenture which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision contained therein or in any supplemental indenture; to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to or with the Trustee; or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the Indenture as shall not adversely affect the interests of the holders of any Debt Securities of any series; or

to evidence and provide for the acceptance and appointment by a successor trustee.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, holders of the notes shall vote as a separate class with respect to amendments, modifications or waivers affecting only the notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to amendments to or waivers of the following covenants that will be set forth in the notes: the covenant described in the last sentence under Certain Covenants SEC Reports and Reports to Holders and the covenant described under Certain Covenants Payments for Consent, and all such covenants and provisions hereinafter referred to as, the Additional Covenants) and the holders of other Debt Securities shall not have any voting rights with respect to such matters as they relate to the notes.

Events of Default

An event of default with respect to the notes is defined in the Indenture as being (the Indenture Events of Default):

default in payment of any principal or premium, if any with respect to the notes;

default for 30 days in payment of any interest with respect to the notes;

default in the performance of any other covenant in the Indenture or the notes for 30 days after notice by the Trustee or holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the notes at the time outstanding; or

certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization with respect to Ally.

In case any of the first, second or third Indenture Events of Default above shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Debt Securities affected thereby then outstanding may declare the principal amount of all of the Debt Securities affected thereby to be due and payable. In case an event of default as set out in the fourth Indenture Event of Default above shall occur and

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be continuing, the Trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of all the Debt Securities then outstanding, voting as one class, may declare the principal of all outstanding Debt Securities to be due and payable. Any Event of Default may be waived and a declaration of acceleration of payment rescinded by the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the notes, or of all the outstanding Debt Securities, as the case may be, if sums sufficient to pay all amounts due (with interest, if any) other than amounts due upon acceleration are provided to the Trustee and all defaults are remedied. For such purposes, if the principal of all series of Debt Securities shall have been declared to be payable, all series will be treated as a single class. Ally is required to file with the Trustee annually an officers certificate as to the absence of certain defaults under the terms of the Indenture. The Indenture provides that the Trustee may withhold notice to the securityholders of any default, except in payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest, if it considers it in the interest of the securityholders to do so.

The holders of the notes shall vote as a separate class from the holders of the other Debt Securities with respect to any defaults or events of default or remedies relating thereto as a result of any covenants, obligations or provisions affecting only the notes and no other series of Debt Securities.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee in case an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the securityholders, unless such securityholders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred.

Subject to such provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and to certain other limitations, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the Debt Securities affected shall 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.

Satisfaction and Discharge

The Indenture shall cease to be of further effect with respect to the notes if at any time (a) Ally shall have delivered to the Trustee for cancellation all notes theretofore authenticated (other than any notes which shall have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which shall have been replaced or paid), or (b) all such notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation shall have become due and payable, or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year or are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption, and Ally shall deposit or cause to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds the entire amount (other than moneys repaid by the Trustee or any paying agent to Ally) sufficient to pay at maturity or upon redemption all notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, including principal (and premium, if any) and interest due or to become due to such date of maturity or date fixed for redemption, as the case may be, and if in either case Ally shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable under the Indenture by Ally with respect to such notes.

All such moneys deposited with the Trustee shall be held in trust and applied by it to the payment, either directly or through any paying agent (including Ally acting as its own paying agent), to the holders of the notes for the payment or redemption of which such moneys have been deposited with the Trustee, of all sums due and to become due thereon for principal and interest (and premium, if any).

Further Issues

Ally may from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the registered holders of the notes, create and issue further notes ranking equally with the notes offered by this prospectus supplement in all respects, or in all respects except for the issue date and price to public, payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such further notes or except for the first payment of interest following the issue date of such further notes. Such further notes may be consolidated and form a single series with the notes offered by this prospectus supplement

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and have the same terms as to status, redemption or otherwise as the notes offered by this prospectus supplement, *provided* that if such additional notes are not fungible with the original notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, such additional notes will have a separate CUSIP number.

Concerning the Trustee

The Trustee for the notes will be designated by Ally as the initial paying agent, transfer agent and registrar with respect to the notes. The Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is currently located at 101 Barclay Street, Floor 7W, New York, N.Y. 10286, U.S.A., Attention: Corporate Trust Administration.

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default of the notes and after the curing of all such Events of Default of the notes which may have occurred, undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in the Indenture. If any such Event of Default has occurred (which has not been cured) with respect to the notes, the Trustee will use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise of the rights and powers vested in it by the Indenture as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs. The Indenture also provides that the Trustee or any agent of Ally or the Trustee, in their individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of notes with the same rights it would have if it were not the Trustee provided, however, that all moneys received by the Trustee or any paying agent shall, until used or applied as provided in the Indenture, be held in trust thereunder for the purposes for which they were received and need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

Governing Law and Consent to Jurisdiction

The Indenture is and the notes will be governed by and will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

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BOOK-ENTRY, DELIVERY AND FORM OF NOTES

Except as set forth below, the notes will be issued in registered global form (the Global Notes) without interest coupons in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The Global Notes will be deposited upon issuance with the Trustee, as custodian for DTC, in New York, New York, and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee, in each case for credit to an account of a direct or indirect participant in DTC as described below.

Except as set forth below, the Global Notes may be transferred, in whole and not in part, only to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Global Notes may not be exchanged for notes in certificated form except in the limited circumstances described below. See Exchange of Book-Entry Notes for Certificated Notes. Except in the limited circumstances described below, owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Certificated Notes (as defined below). Transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will be subject to the applicable rules and procedures of DTC and its direct or indirect participants (including, if applicable, those of Euroclear and Clearstream), which may change from time to time.

Initially, the Trustee will act as paying agent and registrar. The notes may be presented for registration of transfer and exchange at the offices of the registrar.

Certain Procedures

The following description of the operations and procedures of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream are provided solely as a matter of convenience. These operations and procedures are solely within the control of the respective settlement systems and are subject to changes by them from time to time. We and the Trustee take no responsibility for these operations and procedures and urge investors to contact the system or their participants directly to discuss these matters.

DTC has advised us that DTC is a limited-purpose trust company created to hold securities for its participating organizations (collectively, the Participants) and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions in those securities between Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its Participants. The Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to DTC s system is also available to other entities such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Participant, either directly or indirectly (collectively, the Indirect Participants).

Persons who are not Participants may beneficially own securities held by or on behalf of DTC only through the Participants or the Indirect Participants. The ownership interests in, and transfers of ownership interests in, each security held by or on behalf of DTC are recorded on the records of the Participants and Indirect Participants.

DTC has also advised us that, pursuant to procedures established by it, ownership of interests in the Global Notes will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to the Participants) or by the Participants and the Indirect Participants (with respect to other owners of beneficial interest in the Global Notes).

The laws of some states require that certain persons take physical delivery in definitive form of securities that they own. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to such persons will be limited to that extent. Because DTC can act only on behalf of Participants, which in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants and certain banks, the ability of a person having beneficial interests in a Global Note to pledge such interests to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise take actions in respect of such interests, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate evidencing such interests.

Except as described below, owners of interests in the Global Notes will not have notes registered in their names, will not receive physical delivery of notes in certificated form and will not be considered the registered owners or holders thereof under the indenture governing such notes for any purpose.

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Payments in respect of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on a Global Note registered in the name of DTC or its nominee will be payable to DTC in its capacity as the registered holder under the indenture governing the notes. Under the terms of the indenture governing the notes, we and the Trustee will treat the persons in whose names the notes, including the Global Notes, are registered as the owners thereof for the purpose of receiving such payments and for any and all other purposes whatsoever. Consequently, none of us, the Trustee or any of our or the Trustee s agents has or will have any responsibility or liability for (i) any aspect of DTC s records or any Participant s or Indirect Participant s records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interest in the Global Notes, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of DTC s records or any Participant s or Indirect Participant s records relating to the beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes or (ii) any other matter relating to the actions and practices of DTC or any of its Participants or Indirect Participants. DTC has advised us that its current practice, upon receipt of any payment in respect of securities such as the notes (including principal and interest), is to credit the accounts of the relevant Participants with the payment on the payment date, in amounts proportionate to their respective holdings in the principal amount of beneficial interest in the relevant security as shown on the records of DTC unless DTC has reason to believe it will not receive payment on such payment date. Payments by the Participants and the Indirect Participants to the beneficial owners of notes will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices and will be the responsibility of the Participants or the Indirect Participants and will not be the responsibility of DTC, the Trustee or us. Neither we nor the Trustee will be liable for any delay by DTC or any of its Participants in identifying the beneficial owners of any notes, and we and the Trustee may conclusively rely on and will be protected in relying on instructions from DTC or its nominee for all purposes.

Except for trades involving only Euroclear and Clearstream participants, interests in the Global Notes are expected to be eligible to trade in DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System, and secondary market trading activity in such interests will, therefore, settle in immediately available funds, subject in all cases to the rules and procedures of DTC and its Participants. See Same-Day Settlement and Payment. Subject to the transfer restrictions set forth under Transfer Restrictions, transfers between Participants in DTC will be effected in accordance with DTC s procedures, and will be settled in same-day funds, and transfers between participants in Euroclear or Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Crossmarket transfers between the Participants in DTC, on the one hand, and Euroclear or Clearstream participants, on the other hand, will be effected through DTC in accordance with DTC s rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by its respective depositary; however, such cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in such system in accordance with the rules and procedures and within the established deadlines of such system. Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in the relevant Global Note in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Euroclear and Clearstream participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositaries for Euroclear or Clearstream.

DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of notes only at the direction of one or more Participants to whose account DTC has credited the interests in the Global Notes and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of such notes as to which such Participant or Participants has or have given such direction. However, if there is an Event of Default under the notes, DTC reserves the right to exchange the Global Notes for legended notes in certificated form and to distribute such notes to its Participants.

Neither we nor the Trustee nor any of our or their respective agents will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its Participants or Indirect Participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

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Exchange of Book-Entry Notes for Certificated Notes

A Global Note is exchangeable for definitive notes in registered certificated form (Certificated Notes) if (i) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for the Global Notes and we thereupon fail to appoint a successor depositary within 90 days or (ii) we at any time determine not to have the notes represented by the Global Notes. In addition, beneficial interests in a Global Note may be exchanged for Certificated Notes upon request, but only upon prior written notice given to the Trustee by or on behalf of DTC in accordance with the indenture governing the notes, and in accordance with the certification requirements set forth in the indenture governing the notes. In all cases, Certificated Notes delivered in exchange for any Global Note or beneficial interests therein will be registered in the names, and issued in any approved denominations, requested by or on behalf of DTC (in accordance with its customary procedures) and will bear the applicable restrictive legend referred to in Transfer Restrictions, unless we determine otherwise in compliance with applicable law.

Same-Day Settlement and Payment

Payments in respect of any notes represented by the Global Notes (including principal, premium, if any, and interest) will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the Global Note holder. With respect to any notes in certificated form, we will make all payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the holders thereof or, if no such account is specified, by mailing a check to each such holder s registered address. Any notes represented by the Global Notes are expected to trade in DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System, and any permitted secondary market trading activity in such notes will, therefore, be required by DTC to be settled in immediately available funds. We expect that secondary trading in any Certificated Notes will also be settled in immediately available funds.

Because of time zone differences, the securities account of a Euroclear or Clearstream participant purchasing an interest in a Global Note from a Participant in DTC will be credited, and any such crediting will be reported to the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream participant, during the securities settlement processing day (which must be a business day for Euroclear and Clearstream) immediately following the settlement date of DTC. DTC has advised us that cash received in Euroclear or Clearstream as a result of sales of interests in a Global Note by or through a Euroclear or Clearstream participant to a Participant in DTC will be received with value on the settlement date of DTC, but will be available in the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream cash account only as of the business day for Euroclear or Clearstream following DTC s settlement date.

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CERTAIN BENEFIT PLAN AND IRA CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of certain considerations associated with the purchase of any notes offered by this prospectus supplement, holding and, to the extent relevant, disposition of such notes by an employee benefit plan subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA), a plan described in Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), including an individual retirement account (IRA) or a Keogh plan, a plan subject to provisions under applicable federal, state, local, non-U.S. or other laws or regulations that are similar to the provisions of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (Similar Laws) and any entity whose underlying assets include plan assets by reason of any such employee benefit or retirement plan s investment in such entity (each of which we refer to as a Plan).

General Fiduciary Matters. ERISA and the Code impose certain duties on persons who are fiduciaries of a Plan subject to Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (an ERISA Plan) and prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan with its fiduciaries or other interested parties. In general, under ERISA and the Code, any person who exercises any discretionary authority or control over the administration of such an ERISA Plan or the management or disposition of the assets of such an ERISA Plan, or who renders investment advice for a fee or other compensation to such an ERISA Plan, is generally considered to be a fiduciary of the ERISA Plan. Employee benefit plans that are governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA or Section 4975(g)(3) of the Code) and non-U.S. plans (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA) are not subject to the requirements of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (but may be subject to similar prohibitions under Similar Laws).

In considering the purchase, holding and, to the extent relevant, disposition of any notes with a portion of the assets of a Plan, a fiduciary should determine whether the investment is in accordance with the documents and instruments governing the Plan and the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code or any Similar Law relating to a fiduciary s duties to the Plan including, without limitation, the prudence, diversification, delegation of control and prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA, the Code and any other applicable Similar Laws.

Prohibited Transaction Issues. Section 406 of ERISA prohibits ERISA Plans from engaging in specified transactions involving plan assets with persons or entities who are parties in interest, within the meaning of Section 3(14) of ERISA, and Section 4975 of the Code imposes an excise tax on certain disqualified persons, within the meaning of Section 4975 of the Code, who engage in similar transactions, in each case unless an exemption is available. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a non-exempt prohibited transaction may be subject to excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code. In addition, the fiduciary of an ERISA Plan that engages in such a non-exempt prohibited transaction may be subject to penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code. In the case of an IRA, the occurrence of a prohibited transaction could cause the IRA to lose its tax-exempt status.

The purchase and/or holding of any notes by an ERISA Plan with respect to which Ally or the underwriters (or certain of our or their affiliates) is considered a party in interest or a disqualified person may constitute or result in a direct or indirect prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, unless the investment is acquired and is held in accordance with an applicable statutory, class or individual prohibited transaction exemption. In this regard, the U.S. Department of Labor has issued prohibited transaction class exemptions, or PTCEs, that may apply to the acquisition and holding of such notes. These class exemptions include, without limitation, PTCE 84-14 respecting transactions determined by independent qualified professional asset managers, PTCE 90-1 respecting insurance company pooled separate accounts, PTCE 91-38 respecting bank collective investment funds, PTCE 95-60 respecting life insurance company general accounts and PTCE 96-23 respecting transactions determined by in-house asset managers. In addition, Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code each provides a limited exemption, commonly referred to as the service provider exemption, from the prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code for certain transactions between an ERISA Plan and a person that is a party in interest and/or a disqualified person (other than a fiduciary or an affiliate that, directly or indirectly, has or

exercises any discretionary authority or control or renders any investment advice with respect to the assets of any ERISA Plan involved in the transaction) solely by reason of providing services to the Plan or by relationship to a service provider, provided that the ERISA Plan pays no more or receives no less than adequate consideration in connection with the transaction. There can be no assurance that all of the conditions of any such exemptions will be satisfied at the time that such notes are acquired by a purchaser, or thereafter, if the facts relied upon for utilizing a prohibited transaction exemption change.

Because of the foregoing, the notes should not be acquired or held by any person investing plan assets of any Plan, unless such acquisition and holding will not constitute a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or similar violation of any applicable Similar Laws.

Representation. Each purchaser and holder of any notes will be deemed to have represented and warranted that either (i) it is not a Plan, such as an IRA, and no portion of the assets used to acquire or hold such notes constitutes assets of any Plan or (ii) the purchase and holding of a note will not constitute a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code or a violation under any applicable Similar Laws.

The foregoing discussion is general in nature and is not intended to be all-inclusive. Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties that may be imposed upon persons involved in non-exempt prohibited transactions, it is particularly important that fiduciaries or other persons considering purchasing notes on behalf of, or with the assets of, any Plan, consult with their counsel regarding the potential applicability of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and any Similar Laws to such investment and whether an exemption would be applicable to the purchase and holding of the notes. The sale of any notes to any Plan is in no respect a representation by us or any of our affiliates or representatives that such an investment meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by such Plans generally or any particular plan, or that such an investment is appropriate for Plans generally or any particular Plan.

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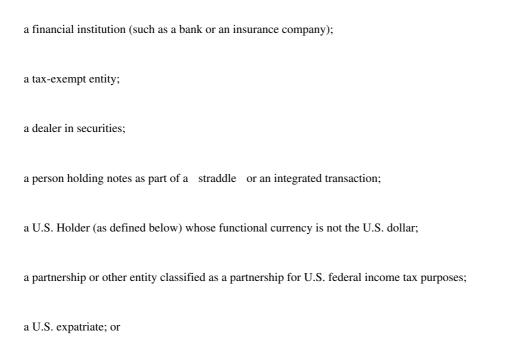
U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following summary describes material U.S. federal income tax consequences of ownership and disposition of the notes. This discussion applies only to notes that:

are purchased in this offering by initial investors at the issue price, which will equal the first price to the public (not including bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of the notes is sold for money; and

are held as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code.

This discussion does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to you in light of your particular circumstances or if you are subject to special rules, such as:



a person subject to the alternative minimum tax.

If you are a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of your partners will generally depend upon your activities and the status of the partners. If you are a partner in a partnership holding notes, you are urged to consult your tax adviser as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences of holding and disposing of the notes.

This summary is based on the Code, administrative pronouncements, judicial decisions and final, temporary and proposed Treasury regulations, changes to any of which after the date of this prospectus supplement may affect the tax consequences described herein, possibly on a retroactive basis.

This summary does not discuss unearned income Medicare contribution taxation under Section 1411 of the Code, any aspect of state, local, or non-U.S. taxation, or any U.S. federal tax considerations other than income taxation (such as estate or gift taxation).

If you are considering the purchase of notes, you are urged to consult your tax adviser with regard to the application of the U.S. federal tax laws to your particular situation as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdiction.

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Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders

This section applies to you if you are a U.S. Holder. You are a U.S. Holder if you are a beneficial owner of a note that is for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a citizen or individual resident of the United States;

an entity taxable as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia; or

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an estate or trust the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source.

Payments of Interest

Interest paid on a note will be taxable to you as ordinary interest income at the time it accrues or is received, in accordance with your method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. It is expected, and this discussion assumes, that the notes will be issued without original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Sale, Retirement or Other Disposition

Upon the sale, retirement or other disposition of a note, you will generally recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, retirement or other disposition and your tax basis in the note (generally, its cost). For these purposes, the amount realized does not include any amount attributable to accrued interest, which is treated as interest, as described under Payments of Interest above.

Gain or loss realized on the sale, retirement or other disposition of a note will generally be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if at the time of sale, retirement or other disposition, the note has been held for more than one year. If you are a non-corporate U.S. Holder, any long-term capital gain you recognize is subject to a reduced rate of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

Information returns may be filed with the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) in connection with payments on the notes and the proceeds from a sale, retirement or other disposition of the notes. You will be subject to U.S. backup withholding on these payments if you fail timely to provide your correct taxpayer identification number to the paying agent and comply with certain certification procedures or otherwise establish an exemption from backup withholding. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to you will be allowed as a credit against your U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle you to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

This section applies to you if you are a Non-U.S. Holder. You are a Non-U.S. Holder if you are a beneficial owner of a note that is for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a nonresident alien individual;

a foreign corporation; or

a foreign estate or trust.

Subject to the discussion below concerning effectively connected income, backup withholding and FATCA withholding:

Payments of interest on the notes will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax (including 30% U.S. federal withholding tax), provided that:

you do not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of Ally entitled to vote and are not a controlled foreign corporation related, directly or indirectly, to Ally through stock ownership; and

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you have fulfilled the certification requirement described below.

You will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on gain realized on the sale, retirement or other disposition of a note, unless (i) the gain is effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or

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business in the United States, in which case you will be subject to tax as and to the extent described below, or (ii) you are an individual who is present in the United States for a period or periods aggregating 183 or more days in the taxable year of the disposition and certain other conditions are met, in which case you will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such gain (net of certain U.S.-source capital losses) at a rate of 30% (or a lower applicable treaty rate).

The certification requirement described above generally will be satisfied if you certify on an appropriate IRS Form W-8 (or other appropriate form), under penalties of perjury, that you are not a U.S. person.

If you are engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if income or gain on the note is effectively connected with the conduct of that trade or business, (i) that income or gain, although exempt from the withholding tax referred to above, will generally be subject to tax in the same manner as income or gain realized by a U.S. Holder (see Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders above), subject to an applicable income tax treaty providing otherwise, and (ii) you will generally be required to provide a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI (or other appropriate form) in order to receive payments free of withholding. In that event, you should consult your tax adviser with respect to other U.S. tax consequences of owning and disposing of notes, including, if you are a foreign corporation, the possible imposition of a branch profits tax on your effectively connected earnings and profits at a rate of 30% (or a lower treaty rate).

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

Information returns will