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- o In May, 2001 Valero Energy and Ultramar Diamond Shamrock agreed to a part-cash/part-stock merger in which Valero would exchange all of the shares of UDS for consideration with a value representing a 31.3% premium to UDS' stock price, based on the average closing price of UDS for the 10 day period prior to April 26th.
  - o The total consideration equates to \$27.50 in cash and a fixed exchange ratio of 0.614 Valero shares for each outstanding share of UDS common stock, representing an aggregate consideration of approximately \$2 billion in cash plus approximately 44.4 million Valero shares (subject to possible adjustment as described below).
  - o A UDS stockholder can elect to receive consideration in the form of cash, Valero stock or a combination. Whatever the form, the mechanism is designed such that the per-share consideration will have the same value, based on the average price of Valero common stock during a 10 day measurement period ending 3 days before closing, regardless of the form of consideration. That per-share value, whether paid in the form of stock or cash, will be the sum of (a) \$27.50 and (b) the average value of 0.614 Valero shares during the measurement period.
  - o The elections will be subject to proration, as the total number of Valero shares to be issued and the total amount of cash to be paid in the merger to UDS stockholders as a group are each fixed except that Valero may add more stock, valued at the measurement period value and in lieu of an equivalent amount of cash, if needed to maintain the tax-free treatment of the merger. If stock is oversubscribed, then UDS stockholders who have elected stock will nevertheless receive cash for some of their UDS shares, on a pro rata basis, and vice versa if cash is oversubscribed. Also, if based on the average price of Valero stock during the measurement period the limit on the percentage of UDS shares that may be converted to stock consideration is greater than 50%, Valero at its option, may reduce that limit to 50%.

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EQUALIZATION MECHANISM  
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TRANSACTION STRUCTURE

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Total UDS Shares 72.3

CASH PORTION (VALUE OF \$55.00 OFFER AT 50%)

STOCK PORTION (

Cash Offer per Share

\$27.50

Stock Exchange

Cash Offered in Transaction (\$27.50 x 72.3 Shares) \$1,988

Number of Valero

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VALERO SHARE PRICE	CASH VALUE AT 50%	EXCHANGE RATIO AT 50%	STOCK VALUE AT 50%	BLENDED TRANSACTION VALUE PER UDS SHARE	TOTAL CASH OFFERED BY VALERO	TOTAL VALUE OF STOCK OFFERED BY VALERO	TOTAL CONSIDERATION OFFERED BY VALERO	PERCENT OF UDS SHARES PURCH. CASH	TOTAL SHARES OFFERED BY VALERO
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
\$25.00	\$27.50	0.614x	\$15.35	[\$42.85]	\$1,766	\$1,332	\$3,098	57.0%	53.3
30.00	27.50	0.614x	18.42	[45.92 ]	1,892	1,428	3,320	57.0%	47.6
33.73*	27.50	0.614x	20.71	[48.21]	1,988	1,498	3,486	57.0%	44.4
35.00	27.50	0.614x	21.49	[48.99]	1,988	1,554	3,542	56.1%	44.4
40.00	27.50	0.614x	24.56	[52.06]	1,988	1,776	3,764	52.8%	44.4
45.00	27.50	0.614x	27.63	[55.13]	1,988	1,998	3,986	49.9%	44.4
50.00	27.50	0.614x	30.70	[58.20]	1,988	2,220	4,208	47.3%	44.4
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NOTES:

- o Assumes at least 43% of the consideration will be required to be paid in Valero stock in order to maintain the tax free status of the transaction with

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respect to the stock consideration. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, the minimum percentage required to be paid in stock will not be determined until closing and may be higher or lower than the assumption made for this example.

- o \$33.73 represents the breakeven price below which additional stock may be issued to preserve tax-free treatment.

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INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS THAT WILL BE SENT TO VALERO AND UDS STOCKHOLDERS REGARDING THE PROPOSED MERGER, WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE, BECAUSE IT WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS WILL BE FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION BY VALERO AND UDS. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS MAY OBTAIN A FREE COPY OF THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS, WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED BY VALERO AND UDS WITH THE COMMISSION AT THE COMMISSION'S WEB SITE AT WWW.SEC.GOV. THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND THESE OTHER DOCUMENTS MAY ALSO BE OBTAINED, WHEN AVAILABLE, FREE OF CHARGE FROM VALERO AND UDS. STOCKHOLDERS SHOULD READ THE DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING A DECISION CONCERNING THE MERGER.

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