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ARI Network Services, Inc. Files Additional Proxy Materials

Milwaukee, Wis., December 19, 2016 – ARI Network Services (NASDAQ: ARIS) has filed a Proxy Contest Q&A with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as well an Institutional Shareholder Services Presentation in connection with the Company’s upcoming 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on January 5, 2017.

A link to the Proxy Contest Q&A on the SEC website can be found at the following link:

<https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/879796/000089271216002050/aridefa14a.htm>

A link to the Institutional Shareholder Services Presentation on the SEC website can be found at the following link:

<https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/879796/000089271216002047/aridefa14a.htm>

Important Additional Information

ARI has filed a definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A (the Proxy Statement) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in connection with its Board of Directors’ solicitation of proxies to vote in favor of the directors nominated by the Board and to vote on the other matters described therein and any other matters that properly come before the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. On November 28, 2016, ARI commenced the mailing of the Proxy Statement and a WHITE proxy card to each ARI shareholder entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. ARI has engaged Morrow Sodali (Morrow) to assist it in soliciting proxies from its shareholders. ARI has agreed to pay customary compensation to Morrow for such services and to indemnify Morrow and certain related persons against certain liabilities relating to or arising out of the engagement. Directors and certain officers of ARI may solicit proxies, although they will receive no additional compensation for such services. Information regarding securities ownership by the Board of Directors and certain members of management as of October 28, 2016, is contained in the Proxy Statement. ARI shareholders should read the Proxy Statement (including any amendments or supplements thereto) because these documents contain (or will contain) important information. The Proxy Statement and other public filings made by ARI with the SEC are available without charge from the SEC’s website at sec.gov and from ARI at <http://investor.arinet.com>.

About ARI

ARI Network Services, Inc. (ARI) (NASDAQ: ARIS) offers an award-winning suite of SaaS, software tools, and marketing services to help dealers, equipment manufacturers and distributors in selected vertical

markets Sell More Stuff!™ – online and in-store. Our innovative products are powered by a proprietary data repository of enriched original equipment and aftermarket electronic content spanning more than 17 million active part and accessory SKUs and 750,000 equipment models. Business is complicated, but we believe our customers' technology tools don't have to be. We remove the complexity of selling and servicing new and used vehicle inventory, parts, garments and accessories (PG&A) for customers in the automotive tire and wheel aftermarket, powersports, outdoor power equipment, marine, home medical equipment, recreational vehicles and appliance industries. More than 23,500 equipment dealers, 195 distributors and 3,360 brands worldwide leverage our web and eCatalog platforms to Sell More Stuff!™ For more information on ARI, visit investor.arinet.com.

Additional Information

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