STERIS plc Completes Acquisition of Synergy Health

LONDON, U.K. – November 2, 2015 – STERIS plc (NYSE: STE) ("STERIS") announced today that is has completed the previously announced combination of STERIS Corporation and Synergy Health plc ("Synergy"). As a result of the transaction, STERIS Corporation and Synergy are now combined under STERIS. The ordinary shares of STERIS will begin trading on the New York Stock Exchange under STERIS Corporation's historical ticker symbol, "STE" beginning tomorrow, November 3, 2015.

"This combination marks a significant milestone for STERIS, creating a stronger global leader in infection prevention and sterilization, better-positioned to provide comprehensive solutions to medical device companies, pharmaceutical companies, hospitals and other healthcare facilities around the world," said Walt Rosebrough, President and CEO of STERIS.

On Friday, October 30, 2015 the U.S. Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") announced that it has decided to not pursue further administrative proceedings challenging the combination between STERIS Corporation and Synergy, and the FTC has formally dismissed the administrative complaint.

Lazard acted as financial advisor and Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz and Jones Day acted as legal advisors to STERIS in connection with the combination. Investec Bank plc acted as financial advisor and DLA Piper acted as legal counsel for Synergy.

About STERIS

STERIS's mission is to help our Customers create a healthier and safer world by providing innovative healthcare and life science product and service solutions around the globe. For more information, visit <u>www.steris.com</u>.

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treated as a domestic corporation for United States federal tax purposes, (g) the potential for increased pressure on pricing or costs that leads to erosion of profit margins, (h) the possibility that market demand will not develop for new technologies, products or applications or services, or business initiatives will take longer, cost more or produce lower benefits than anticipated, (i) the possibility that application of or compliance with laws, court rulings, certifications, regulations, regulatory actions, including without limitation those relating to FDA warning notices or letters, government investigations, the outcome of any pending FDA requests, inspections or submissions, or other requirements or standards may delay, limit or prevent new product introductions, affect the production and marketing of existing products or services or otherwise affect STERIS'sperformance, results, prospects or value, (j) the potential of international unrest, economic downturn or effects of currencies, tax assessments, adjustments or anticipated rates, raw material costs or availability, benefit or retirement plan costs, or other regulatory compliance costs, (k) the possibility of reduced demand, or reductions in the rate of growth in demand, for STERIS's products and services, (1) the possibility that anticipated growth, cost savings, new product acceptance, performance or approvals, or other results may not be achieved, or that transition, labor, competition, timing, execution, regulatory, governmental, or other issues or risks associated with STERIS's businesses, industry or initiatives including, without limitation, those matters described in STERIS Corporation's Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2015 and other securities filings, may adversely impact STERIS's or Synergy's performance, results, prospects or value, (m) the possibility that anticipated financial results or benefits of recent acquisitions, including the transaction, or of STERIS's restructuring efforts will not be realized or will be other than anticipated and (n) the effects of the contractions in credit availability, as well as the ability of STERIS's Customers and suppliers to adequately access the credit markets when needed.