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AMENDMENT NO. 2

TO

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REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NNG, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction of (Primary Standard Industrial (I.R.S. Employee incorporation or organization) Classification Code Number) Identification Number) Delaware

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective and upon consummation of the offer to purchase or exchange described in the enclosed prospectus.

If the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box. [_]

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [_]

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [_]

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until this registration statement shall become effective on such date as the commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

This Amendment No. 2 to this Registration Statement on Form S-4 contains amendments to and supplements certain information contained in the offer to purchase or exchange filed by NNG, Inc. on February 1, 2001 and amended on March 5, 2001, including the following:

- . the section entitled "The Offer—Source and Amount of Funds" on page 32 has been amended to delete the reference to the 364-day term credit facility with an aggregate principal amount of \$1,000,000,000 and supplemented by adding a new paragraph at the end of that section describing a recent debt offering by Northrop Grumman, the proceeds of which will be used to fund the acquisition of a portion of the shares of Litton preferred stock and Litton common stock in the offer;
- . the section entitled "Additional Information" on page 83 has been amended to reflect additional filings made by Northrop Grumman and Litton with the Securities and Exchange Commission since February 1, 2001 and to delete references to certain filings that have been superseded by these later filings;
- . the pro forma financial information included in this offer to purchase or exchange has been updated to reflect pro forma information through December 31, 2000, as opposed to through September 30, 2000 for Northrop Grumman and through October 31, 2000 for Litton, as previously presented in the offer to purchase or exchange filed by NNG, Inc. on February 1, 2001 and amended March 5, 2001;
- . market price information for Northrop Grumman common stock, Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock has been updated to March 26,

2001; and

. information as to the expiration date of the offer has been updated.

Offer to Purchase or Exchange
Each Outstanding Share of Common Stock
(together with associated rights)

of

LITTON INDUSTRIES, INC.

for

any of the following, at the election of tendering holders of common stock \$80.00 net per share, in cash, not subject to proration

or

\$80.25 in market value (determined as described below) of shares of NNG, Inc. Common Stock, subject to proration

or

0.80 shares of NNG, Inc. Series B Preferred Stock, subject to proration and

Each Outstanding Share of Series B \$2 Cumulative Preferred Stock

of

LITTON INDUSTRIES, INC.

for

\$35.00 net per share, in cash, not subject to proration

bу

NNG, INC., a wholly-owned subsidiary $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NNG}}$

of

NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORPORATION

NNG, Inc. (the initials stand for "New Northrop Grumman") is a newly-organized corporation which will become the parent holding company for Northrop Grumman Corporation immediately prior to the purchase of Litton shares in the offer. At such time, NNG, Inc. will change its name to "Northrop Grumman Corporation" and the present Northrop Grumman Corporation will change its name to "Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation."

The offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 12:00 Midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, March 29, 2001 unless extended. Shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the offer and, unless previously accepted for purchase or exchange pursuant to the offer, may also be withdrawn at any time after Tuesday, March 6, 2001.

The offer is made pursuant to an Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 23, 2001 (referred to as the "amended merger agreement"), among Northrop Grumman Corporation, Litton Industries, Inc., NNG, Inc. and LII Acquisition Corp. The board of directors of Litton has approved and deemed advisable the amended merger agreement, the offer and the merger of LII Acquisition with and into Litton (referred to as the "Litton merger"), determined that the offer is fair to, and in the best interests of, holders of Litton common stock and recommends that holders of Litton common stock accept the offer and tender their Litton common stock pursuant to the offer. The Litton board of directors makes no recommendation with respect to the tender of

the Litton preferred stock.

The number of shares of NNG common stock to be exchanged for each share of Litton common stock for which a tendering holder elects to receive NNG common stock will be determined by dividing \$80.25 by the average of the closing prices of Northrop Grumman common stock on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") for the five consecutive trading days ending prior to the open of the second full trading day before the expiration of the offer.

There is no limit on the number of shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock that may be exchanged for cash in the offer and consequently the cash consideration offered will not be subject to proration. Subject to NNG's option (described below) to substitute cash for shares of NNG common stock in certain circumstances, the maximum number of shares of NNG common stock that will be issued in the offer is 13,000,000 (referred to as the "maximum common stock consideration"), and the maximum number of shares of NNG preferred stock that will be issued in the offer is 3,500,000 (referred to as the "maximum preferred stock consideration"). Therefore, elections to receive NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock will be subject to proration if holders of Litton common stock request in the aggregate more than the maximum amount of such consideration available. Holders of Litton preferred stock may exchange their Litton preferred stock only for cash.

The offer is subject to the conditions listed under "The Offer—Conditions of the Offer," including, that there be validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer a total of at least 25,646,399 shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock (referred to as the "minimum tender condition"). After the consummation of the offer, NNG common stock will trade on the NYSE under the symbol "NOC." NNG will seek to list the NNG preferred stock on the NYSE if there are enough holders to satisfy NYSE listing requirements. The Litton common stock and the Litton preferred stock currently trade on the NYSE and the Pacific Exchange under the symbols "LIT" and "LIT.B," respectively.

See "Important Considerations Concerning Elections to Receive NNG Stock" beginning on page 11 for a discussion of certain factors that holders of Litton common stock should consider in connection with the offer.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this offer to purchase or exchange. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this offer to purchase or exchange is March 27, 2001

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This offer to purchase or exchange incorporates by reference important business and financial information about Northrop Grumman and Litton. That information is available without charge to Litton stockholders upon request. For information regarding Northrop Grumman, Litton stockholders must address their requests to: Investor Relations, Northrop Grumman Corporation, 1840 Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067 (310) 201-3423. For information regarding Litton, Litton stockholders must address their request to: Investor Relations, Litton Industries, Inc., 21240 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, California 91367 (818) 598-2026.

SUMMARY

The following summary highlights selected information from this offer to purchase or exchange. This summary may not contain all of the information that is important to Litton stockholders. To better understand the offer and the other proposed transactions, Litton stockholders should read this entire document carefully, as well as the additional documents to which this offer to purchase or exchange refers. See "Additional Information" on page 83.

The Amended Merger Agreement

Northrop Grumman and Litton entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger on December 21, 2000 which provided for the original offer to purchase all of the outstanding Litton common stock for \$80.00 in cash per share and all of the outstanding Litton preferred stock for \$35.00 in cash per share by a subsidiary of Northrop Grumman. The original offer commenced on January 5, 2001. On January 23, 2001, the original Agreement and Plan of Merger was amended and restated to provide that the original offer be amended to become an offer by NNG to exchange NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock for a portion of the Litton common stock on a tax-free basis, in addition to the cash consideration in the original offer. NNG is making the offer pursuant to the amended merger agreement.

The Companies

Northrop Grumman Corporation. Northrop Grumman is a Delaware corporation with its principal executive offices located at 1840 Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067. Its telephone number is (310) 553-6262. Northrop Grumman is an advanced technology company operating in the Integrated Systems Sector, or "ISS", Electronic Systems and Sensor Sector, or "ES3" and Information Technology, or "Logicon" segments of the broadly defined aerospace and defense industry. The ISS segment includes the design, development and manufacture of aircraft and aircraft subassemblies. The ES3 segment includes the design, development, manufacturing and integration of electronic systems and components for military and commercial use. Logicon, Northrop Grumman's information technology segment, includes the design, development, operation and support of computer systems for scientific and management information.

Litton Industries, Inc. Litton is a Delaware corporation with its principal executive offices located at 21240 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, California 91367. Its telephone number is (818) 598-5000. According to Litton's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2000, Litton designs, builds and overhauls surface ships for government and commercial customers worldwide and is a provider of defense and commercial electronics technology, components and materials for customers worldwide. In addition, Litton is a prime contractor to the U.S. government for information technology and provides specialized information technology services to commercial customers in local and foreign jurisdictions.

Litton's businesses are divided into four business segments: Advanced Electronics, Information Systems, Ship Systems, and Electronic Components and Materials. The Advanced Electronics group is a major supplier and integrator of electronic systems and related services to the U.S. and international military and commercial

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markets. The Information Systems group designs, develops, integrates and supports computer-based information systems and provides information technology and services primarily for government customers. The Ship Systems group builds non-nuclear ships for the U.S. Navy and designs, builds and overhauls surface ships for government and commercial customers worldwide. The Electronic Components and Materials group designs, manufactures and produces a broad range of high-tech materials and products integral to the telecommunications and computer markets including complex many-layered backplanes and assemblies, specialty brushless motors, slip rings, high density electronic and fiber optic connectors, cylindrical connectors, microelectronic attachment materials including solder spheres, precision wires and pastes, laser crystals, gallium arsenide substrates and microwave components for primarily commercial markets worldwide.

NNG, Inc. NNG is a newly-formed Delaware corporation that is wholly-owned by Northrop Grumman. Its principal executive offices are located at 1840 Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067 and its telephone number is (310) 553-6262. NNG was incorporated on January 16, 2001 in preparation for the offer and the Northrop reorganization described below and has not conducted any business activities to date. As a result of the Northrop reorganization and after the consummation of the offer, Northrop Grumman and Litton will become subsidiaries of NNG. Accordingly, the business of NNG will consist of the business currently conducted by Litton and Northrop Grumman.

The Northrop Reorganization

Immediately prior to NNG purchasing Litton common stock and Litton preferred

stock in the offer, Northrop Grumman will be reorganized. Currently, NNG has two wholly-owned subsidiaries, NGC Acquisition Corp. and LII Acquisition Corp., as illustrated below:

[GRAPHIC APPEARS HERE]

NGC Acquisition Corp. and LII Acquisition Corp. are newly-formed corporations which were organized for the purpose of the transactions described herein.

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In the Northrop reorganization, immediately prior to the purchase of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer, NGC Acquisition will merge with and into Northrop Grumman. As a result, Northrop Grumman will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of NNG. NNG will change its name to "Northrop Grumman Corporation," and Northrop Grumman will be renamed "Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation." All of Northrop Grumman's capital stock will be converted into capital stock of NNG. The outstanding shares of Northrop Grumman common stock will automatically be deemed to be outstanding shares of NNG common stock with no exchange of certificates and the NNG common stock will have the same rights, preferences and privileges as the Northrop Grumman common stock. The NNG common stock will be publicly traded and listed on the NYSE. The following chart illustrates the resulting corporate structure:

[GRAPHIC APPEARS HERE]

The Litton Merger

Following NNG's purchase of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer, LII Acquisition will merge with and into Litton. At the effective time of the Litton merger, each outstanding share of Litton common stock, except for shares held by dissenting Litton stockholders, NNG, Litton or their subsidiaries, will be converted into the right to receive \$80.00 in cash, and each outstanding share of Litton preferred stock will remain outstanding without any change.

Choices Available to Litton Stockholders

Holders of Litton common stock who desire to tender their shares in the offer may select one of the following forms of payment for each of their shares of Litton common stock:

- . \$80.00 cash;
- . \$80.25 in market value (as described below) of NNG common stock, subject to proration; and
- . 0.80 of a share of NNG preferred stock, subject to proration.

The number of shares of NNG common stock to be issued in exchange for each share of Litton common stock will be determined by dividing \$80.25 by the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending prior to the open of the second full trading day before expiration of the offer. The final exchange ratio will be set prior to 9:00 a.m. New York City time on the second full trading day before the expiration of the offer. For example, if the offer expired at Midnight, New York City time, on a Friday, the final exchange ratio would be set prior to 9:00 a.m. New York City time on the immediately preceding Thursday. No fractional shares of NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock will be issued. Cash will be delivered in lieu of fractional shares of NNG common stock or NNG

preferred stock.

Holders of Litton preferred stock who desire to tender their shares in the offer will receive \$35.00 in cash for each share.

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The exchange ratios for the consideration to be offered in exchange for shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer were determined through arm's-length negotiations between Litton and Northrop Grumman. Merrill Lynch & Co. acted as Litton's financial advisor and Salomon Smith Barney Inc. acted as Northrop Grumman's financial advisor in these negotiations.

For more information on the NNG common stock exchange ratio, see "The Offer" beginning on page 20.

Elections and Proration

Elections by Tendering Stockholders

There is no limit on the number of shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock that may be exchanged for cash in the offer. There is a limit on the number of shares of NNG common stock and the number of shares of NNG preferred stock that may be issued in exchange for Litton common stock in the offer. The maximum number of shares of NNG common stock that will be issued in the offer is 13,000,000, and the maximum number of shares of NNG preferred stock that will be issued in the offer is 3,500,000. It is possible that the maximum common stock consideration could be reduced, as described under "Reduction in Number of Shares of NNG Common Stock" below. Elections for the NNG common stock and the NNG preferred stock will be subject to pro rata reduction if Litton stockholders request more than the maximum common stock consideration or the maximum preferred stock consideration, as the case may be.

In addition to deciding whether to receive cash, NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock, or a combination of this consideration, tendering Litton common stockholders who elect to receive NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock must choose among the available alternatives described below for the treatment of any shares of Litton common stock not exchanged by reason of proration for the class of NNG stock they have elected to receive:

Alternative A. A tendering Litton common stockholder may make an Alternative A election with respect to Litton common stock which is tendered for either NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock. If the total number of NNG common stock elections (including the deemed elections referred to in the next sentence) exceeds the NNG common stock available, the Alternative A elections will first be reduced, pro rata, to the extent necessary so that the total number of shares of NNG common stock required for common stock elections does not exceed the maximum common stock consideration. If the tendering stockholder elects to receive NNG preferred stock, any shares subject to the Alternative A election which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be deemed subject to an Alternative A common stock election.

The stockholder's agreement among Northrop Grumman, NNG and Unitrin provides, in substance, that Unitrin and certain of its subsidiaries will accept NNG common stock in exchange for all of their shares of Litton common stock which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock in the offer. However, Unitrin and its subsidiaries agreed to accept NNG common stock only to the

extent that other Litton stockholders do not elect to receive the available NNG common stock. Pursuant to the stockholder's agreement, Unitrin will specify Alternative A for all of the Litton common stock tendered by it. While Alternative A may be selected by any holder of Litton common stock, it is expected that Litton stockholders other than Unitrin will likely find it in their interests to select either:

- . Alternative B, if they wish to maximize the NNG common stock received in the offer; or
- . Alternative C, if they wish to receive only NNG preferred stock or cash.

The stockholder's agreement is described below under "Other Agreements--The Stockholder's Agreement".

Alternative B. A tendering Litton common stockholder may make an Alternative B election with respect to Litton common stock which is tendered for either NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock. In the event

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that proration of elections to receive of NNG common stock is still required after the elimination of shares in accordance with Alternative A elections, holders of shares of Litton common stock who elect Alternative B will have their elections to receive NNG common stock reduced pro rata based on the number of shares covered thereby. If the tendering Litton common stockholder elects to receive NNG preferred stock, any shares subject to the Alternative B election which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be deemed subject to an Alternative B common stock election.

Alternative C. An Alternative C election is only available for those Litton common stockholders who elect to receive NNG preferred stock in exchange for tendered Litton shares. Any such shares which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be exchanged for \$80.00 in cash per share.

If no election among the three alternatives described above is made in connection with a tender of Litton common stock in exchange for NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock, the tendering stockholder will be deemed to have elected Alternative B.

Pro Rata Reduction of Elections for NNG Stock

If holders tendering Litton common stock elect to receive more than the maximum common stock consideration or the maximum preferred stock consideration, elections will be subject to pro rata reduction as described below.

Elections to receive NNG preferred stock will be reduced, pro rata in accordance with the numbers of shares covered thereby, until all of the shares subject to the elections remaining can be exchanged for NNG preferred stock. Shares of Litton common stock which are not so exchanged by reason of proration will be exchanged for:

- . \$80.00 per share in cash, if Alternative C is selected by the tendering stockholder; or
- . NNG common stock (subject to further proration, if required) in all other cases.

Elections to receive NNG common stock will also be subject to pro rata

reduction, in accordance with the numbers of shares covered thereby, until all the shares subject to the elections remaining can be exchanged for the maximum common stock consideration. As described above, shares subject to Alternative A elections will be reduced before any shares subject to Alternative B elections. Shares of Litton common stock which are not so exchanged for NNG common stock by reason of proration will be exchanged for \$80.00 in cash per share.

NNG Option to Reduce the Maximum Common Stock Consideration

If the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for any five consecutive trading days ending not later than two full trading days before expiration of the offer is less than \$75.00, NNG may irrevocably elect to substitute cash for all or a portion of the NNG common stock at the rate of \$80.00 per share of Litton common stock. In such event, NNG promptly will publicly announce the amount of cash to be substituted for NNG common stock and the amount of the new maximum common stock consideration and the offer will be extended, if necessary, in accordance with the applicable rules of the SEC to allow Litton stockholders to consider the information.

The NNG Preferred Stock

The NNG preferred stock will have the following principal terms:

Conversion Right. Subject to approval by the stockholders (the "Stockholder Approval") of Northrop Grumman (if prior to the purchase of Litton shares in the offer) or by the stockholders of NNG (if thereafter) of the issuance of the shares of NNG common stock into which the NNG preferred stock is

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convertible, shares of NNG preferred stock will be convertible into shares of NNG common stock at a conversion price equal to 127% of the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending prior to the open of the second full trading day before expiration of the offer (including the date the offer expires). The initial conversion price is subject to adjustment under certain circumstances, as described in "Description of NNG Capital Stock-Series B Preferred Stock."

- Dividend Rate. Holders of shares of NNG preferred stock will be entitled to cumulative cash dividends, payable quarterly in April, July, October and January of each year. If the NNG preferred stock is issued prior to the 2001 annual meeting of stockholders of Northrop Grumman (currently scheduled for May 16, 2001), the initial dividend rate per share will be \$7.00 per year. Commencing after the dividend payment date in October 2001, the dividend rate per share will be \$7.00 per year if the Stockholder Approval has been obtained or \$9.00 per year if it has not been obtained. If the NNG preferred stock is issued after the 2001 Northrop Grumman annual meeting, the initial dividend rate per share will be \$7.00 per year if the Stockholder Approval has been obtained and \$9.00 per year if it has not been obtained. If the dividend rate per share is set at \$9.00 per year, it will be reduced from \$9.00 to \$7.00 per year after the Stockholder Approval is obtained.
- . Redemption.
 - . Mandatory Redemption For Cash After Twenty Years. Each share of NNG preferred stock will be subject to mandatory redemption for cash, in an amount equal to the liquidation value of \$100.00 per share of NNG preferred stock plus accrued but unpaid dividends, whether or

not declared, to the mandatory redemption date. The mandatory redemption date will be 20 years and one day from the date of issuance. In the event that Stockholder Approval has not occurred by the mandatory redemption date, the amount payable for each share of NNG preferred stock will be the greater of (a) the liquidation value of \$100.00 per share of NNG preferred stock plus accrued but unpaid dividends to the redemption date, whether or not declared, and (b) the current market price on the redemption date of the number of shares of NNG common stock which would be issued upon conversion of a share of NNG preferred stock into NNG common stock on the redemption date pursuant to the provision for conversion.

- . Optional Redemption For Common Stock After Seven Years. NNG has the option to redeem all but not less than all of the shares of NNG preferred stock at any time after seven years from the initial issuance date for a number of shares of NNG common stock equal to the liquidation value of \$100.00 per share plus accrued but unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, to the redemption date, divided by the current market price of a share of NNG common stock on the redemption date. In the event that Stockholder Approval has not occurred by the redemption date, the number to be divided in the above calculation will be the greater of the amount described above and the current market price on the redemption date of the number of shares of NNG common stock which would be issued upon conversion of a share of NNG preferred stock into NNG common stock on the redemption date pursuant to the provision for conversion.
- Liquidation. In any liquidation of NNG, each share of NNG preferred stock will be entitled to a liquidation preference of \$100.00 plus accrued but unpaid dividends, whether or not declared, before any distribution may be made on the NNG common stock or any other class or series of NNG stock which is junior to the NNG preferred stock. In any liquidation of NNG, no distribution may be made on any NNG stock ranking on a parity with the NNG preferred stock, unless the holders of NNG preferred stock participate ratably in the distribution along with the holders of any NNG stock that ranks on a parity with the NNG preferred stock. In the event the Stockholder Approval has not occurred at the time of liquidation, the amount payable on liquidation will be the greater of the amount described above and the amount that would be distributed if such share of NNG preferred stock had been converted into NNG common stock pursuant to the provision for conversion.

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Change of Control. For a period of not less than 20 business days following any merger, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all of NNG's assets, liquidation or recapitalization of the NNG common stock in which more than one-third of the previously outstanding NNG common stock is changed into or exchanged for cash, property or securities other than capital stock of NNG or another corporation, holders of shares of NNG preferred stock may exchange any and all such shares for shares of NNG common stock. Each share of NNG preferred stock so exchanged shall be exchanged for that number of shares of NNG common stock determined by dividing the liquidation value of \$100.00 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends as of the exchange date by the current market price of a share of NNG common stock. In the event the Stockholder Approval has not occurred by the exchange date, the number to be divided in the above calculation will be the greater of the amount described above and the current market price on the exchange date of the number of shares of NNG common stock which would be issued if such shares of NNG preferred stock

were converted into NNG common stock on the exchange date pursuant to the provision for conversion.

. Voting Rights. Holders of shares of NNG preferred stock generally will have no voting rights, except that approval of the holders of two-thirds of the NNG preferred stock will be required for certain actions that would adversely affect the rights of such holders. If NNG fails to pay or declare and set aside funds for six or more quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive), the holders of shares of NNG preferred stock will have the right to elect two directors of NNG.

See "Description of NNG Capital Stock--Series B Preferred Stock--Voting Rights" on page 72 for a more detailed description of the voting and other rights and preferences of the NNG preferred stock.

Conditions to the Offer

The offer is subject to conditions, including, but not limited to:

- . the satisfaction of the minimum tender condition;
- . the expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (referred to in this offer to purchase or exchange as the "HSR Act") or under Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 of the Council of the European Union;
- . the Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to register the issuance of the NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock (of which this offer to purchase or exchange is a part) in the offer will have become effective and not be the subject of any stop order or proceeding seeking a stop order; and
- . the shares of NNG common stock to be issued in the offer will have been approved for listing on the NYSE.

These conditions and the other conditions to the offer are discussed in greater detail in "The Offer--Conditions of the Offer" beginning on page 29.

Litton's Support of the Offer and the Litton Merger

Litton's board of directors has determined that the offer is fair to, and in the best interests of, holders of Litton common stock, and recommends that holders of Litton common stock accept the offer and tender their shares of Litton common stock in the offer. Litton's board of directors makes no recommendation regarding whether holders of Litton preferred stock should accept the offer and tender their shares of Litton preferred stock in the offer. Litton's board of directors has approved and declared advisable the amended merger agreement and the Litton merger. Information about the recommendation of Litton's board is more fully set forth in Litton's Amended Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9, which is being mailed to Litton stockholders together with this offer to purchase or exchange.

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Fairness Opinion

Litton has received an opinion from Merrill Lynch & Co., dated January 23, 2001, substantially to the effect that, as of January 23, 2001, the aggregate consideration to be received by holders of Litton common stock other than

Northrop Grumman and its affiliates pursuant to the offer and the Litton merger is fair from a financial point of view to the holders of Litton common stock. The opinion is attached as an annex to Litton's Schedule 14D-9.

Agreement With Litton's Largest Stockholder

Unitrin and certain of its subsidiaries, who collectively owned approximately 27.8% of the outstanding shares of Litton common stock as of January 23, 2001, have agreed to tender all of their shares of Litton common stock in the offer and elect to receive no fewer than 3,000,000 shares of NNG preferred stock and, as to the remainder, NNG common stock pursuant to the stockholder's agreement described in greater detail in "Other Agreements—The Stockholder's Agreement" on page 59.

Litton Stockholder Approval of the Litton Merger

The Litton merger will require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock outstanding on the record date for the meeting to approve the Litton merger, unless 90% or more of the outstanding shares of Litton common stock and 90% or more of the outstanding shares of Litton preferred stock are acquired in the offer, in which case the Litton merger can be accomplished without a meeting or vote of the Litton stockholders. If the minimum tender condition is satisfied and NNG purchases the tendered Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock, approval of the merger by Litton stockholders will be assured because NNG will own over 50% of the outstanding voting stock of Litton.

Appraisal Rights

There are no appraisal rights available in connection with the offer. After the offer and subject to Delaware state law, appraisal rights will be available to holders of Litton common stock, and may be available (depending on circumstances at the time) to holders of Litton preferred stock who do not vote in favor of the Litton merger. See "Summary of Certain Statutory Provisions—Appraisal Rights" beginning on page 79.

Tendering Litton Shares

To tender Litton shares, Litton stockholders should do the following:

- . If the Litton shares are held in the stockholder's own name, the stockholder should complete and sign the enclosed letter of transmittal and return it with the Litton share certificates to EquiServe Trust Company, the depositary for the offer, at the applicable address on the back cover of this offer to purchase or exchange.
- . If the Litton shares are held in uncertificated form in the stockholder's name, the stockholder should complete and sign the enclosed letter of transmittal and return it to EquiServe Trust Company at the applicable address printed on the back cover of this offer to purchase or exchange.
- . If the Litton shares are held in "street name" through a broker, the stockholder will need to ask its broker to tender its Litton shares.

For more information on the timing of the offer, extensions of the offer period and Litton stockholders' rights to withdraw previously tendered Litton shares from the offer, see "The Offer" beginning on page 20, or call the information agent, Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc., toll-free at (800) 223-2064.

Litton Stockholders Who Already Tendered Their Shares

Litton stockholders who have already tendered shares of Litton common stock in the original offer need take no action if they still wish to receive \$80.00 in cash per share. If any such holder wishes to elect to receive consideration other than cash, such holder must submit a new letter of transmittal (or agent's message, if applicable), properly completed to indicate such election, and clearly identifying the shares previously tendered.

Litton stockholders who have already tendered shares of Litton preferred stock need take no action if they still wish to tender such shares for \$35.00 in cash per share.

Shares previously tendered will not be returned unless withdrawn as described herein or upon expiration of the offer if not accepted for payment or exchange. For information concerning the status of previously tendered Litton shares, please call the information agent, Georgeson Shareholder Communications, Inc., toll free at (800) 223-2064.

Tax Consequences of the Receipt of Cash, NNG Common Stock and NNG Preferred Stock

If the offer and the Litton merger are consummated as contemplated, for federal income tax purposes:

- . Litton stockholders who receive only cash for their Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock will recognize any gain or loss;
- . Litton stockholders who receive solely NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock for their Litton common stock will recognize neither gain nor loss; and
- . Litton stockholders who receive a combination of cash, NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock for their Litton common stock will not recognize any loss and will recognize any gain in an amount not to exceed the cash received.

The federal income tax consequences of the offer and the Litton merger will also depend on each Litton stockholder's particular circumstances. For a more detailed discussion of the potential federal income tax consequences, see "Material Federal Income Tax Consequences" beginning on page 39. Litton stockholders also should consult their tax advisors and other financial advisors for a full understanding of these and other tax consequences.

Extension of the Offer Period

The offer is currently scheduled to expire at Midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, March 29, 2001.

The amended merger agreement provides that NNG may, without Litton's consent:

- from time to time extend the offer for successive periods of up to five business days until each of the conditions to the offer have been satisfied or waived; or
- . extend the offer for any period required by any rule, regulation, interpretation or position of the SEC.

If the offer is extended for any reason, NNG will promptly publicly announce the extension no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date. During any extension of the offer, all Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock previously tendered and not withdrawn will remain subject to the offer, subject to the holder's right to withdraw. See "The Offer--Withdrawal Rights" beginning on page 25 and "The Amended Merger Agreement" beginning on page 43 for more details.

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Delay; Termination; Waiver; Amendment

Subject to the SEC's rules and regulations and the terms of the amended merger agreement, NNG also reserves the right, in its sole discretion, at any time or from time to time:

- . to delay acceptance for payment or exchange of any shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock pursuant to the offer if any of the conditions of the offer have not been satisfied; and
- . to waive any condition (other than the minimum tender condition)

by giving oral or written notice of the delay, termination or amendment to the depositary and by making a public announcement as promptly as practicable after the delay, termination or amendment. Subject to applicable law (including Rules 14d-4(d) and 14d-6(c) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), which require that any material change in the information published, sent or given to stockholders in connection with the offer be promptly sent to stockholders in a manner reasonably designed to inform stockholders of such change) and without limiting the manner in which NNG may choose to make any public announcement, NNG assumes no obligation to publish, advertise or otherwise communicate any such public announcement other than by making a release to the Dow Jones News Service.

Withdrawal Rights

Tenders of shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the offer and at any time after Tuesday, March 6, 2001, unless NNG previously has accepted the shares for payment.

Reasons for the Proposed Transactions

NNG and Northrop Grumman are proposing the offer and the Litton merger because they believe that the offer and the Litton merger will significantly benefit Northrop Grumman's stockholders and customers. Northrop Grumman believes that the offer and the Litton merger will provide access to new product areas, increase diversification into new markets, increase market presence and opportunities and increase operating efficiencies. See "Background of the Amended Merger Agreement—Reasons for the Offer and the Litton Merger" beginning on page 37.

Accounting Treatment

NNG will account for the Litton merger as a "purchase" transaction for accounting and financial reporting purposes, in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles. Accordingly, NNG will make a determination of the fair value of Litton's assets and liabilities and allocate the purchase price on its books to the acquired assets.

Material Differences in Rights of Stockholders

The governing documents of NNG and Litton vary, and to that extent, holders of Litton common stock will have different rights as NNG stockholders. The differences are described in more detail under "Comparison of Stockholders' Rights" beginning on page 74.

Questions About the Offer and the Litton Merger

If you have any questions about the offer or the Litton merger, please call our information agent, Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc., toll-free at $(800)\ 223-2064$.

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IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS CONCERNING ELECTIONS TO RECEIVE NNG STOCK

In deciding whether to tender shares of Litton stock pursuant to the offer, Litton stockholders should read this offer to purchase or exchange and the accompanying Schedule 14D-9 of Litton carefully. Litton common stockholders also should carefully consider the following factors before electing to receive NNG stock in the offer.

Elections to Receive NNG Stock are Subject to Pro Rata Reduction Because of the Limited Numbers of Shares Available

Only 13,000,000 shares of NNG common stock and 3,500,000 shares of NNG preferred stock are available for exchange in the offer. The maximum common stock consideration could be reduced as described below under "--The Amount of NNG Common Stock Offered in Exchange for Litton Common Stock is Subject to Possible Reduction." If Litton common stockholders elect to receive more than the available number of shares of either class of NNG stock, their elections will be subject to pro rata reduction. Several alternative elections are available to Litton common stockholders for treatment of any shares of Litton common stock not exchanged by reason of proration for the class of NNG stock they have elected to receive. Litton common stockholders who are considering such elections should carefully consider the information provided herein under "The Offer--Possible Pro Rata Reductions of Elections for NNG Stock."

The Trading Market for NNG Preferred Stock May Be Limited

The total number of NNG preferred shares to be issued in the offer is limited to 3,500,000, with each share having a liquidation preference of \$100.00. As the result, the total initial liquidation value of the issue will be no more than \$350,000,000, and the liquidity of those shares may be limited. Of course, the actual market value of the NNG preferred stock may be more or less than \$100.00 per share depending on circumstances over time.

Resales of NNG Common Stock Following the Offer May Adversely Affect the Market Value of Such Shares

The issuance of 13,000,000 new shares of NNG common stock in the offer could lead to a significant redistribution of the new shares following their initial issuance. Resales of a large number of the new NNG shares could adversely affect the market price for NNG common stock.

The Exchange Ratio for NNG Common Stock in the Offer, and the Conversion Price for the NNG Preferred Stock, Will Not be Known Until Two Full Trading Days Prior to Expiration of the Offer

The exact number of NNG common shares to be exchanged for each Litton common share will be determined by dividing \$80.25 by the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending prior to the open of the second full trading day before expiration of the offer (including the date the offer expires). Accordingly, Litton stockholders will not be able to know the NNG common stock exchange ratio until immediately prior to the open of the last two trading days during which the offer is open. Further, the exchange ratio which results may not reflect the actual market price for NNG common stock following completion of the offer.

The conversion price for NNG preferred stock will be 127% of the average of the closing prices of the Northrop Grumman common stock used to set the NNG common stock exchange ratio. Accordingly, the conversion price for NNG preferred stock will also not be known until two full trading days prior to the expiration of the offer.

The Amount of NNG Common Stock Offered in Exchange for Litton Common Stock is Subject to Possible Reduction

If the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for any five consecutive trading days ending not later than two full trading days before expiration of the offer is less than

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\$75.00, NNG will have the irrevocable option to reduce the number of shares of NNG common stock available for exchange in the offer and substitute cash at the rate of \$80.00 per share of Litton common stock. If this should occur, a public announcement of the fact will be made and the offer will be extended, if necessary, in accordance with the applicable rules of the SEC to allow Litton stockholders to consider the information.

Convertibility of the NNG Preferred Stock is Subject to a Vote of Northrop Grumman Stockholders Which Will Not Occur Until the 2001 Meeting of Northrop Grumman Stockholders

The issuance of NNG common stock upon conversion of the NNG preferred stock is conditioned upon the approval of stockholders of Northrop Grumman (if such vote occurs prior to the issuance of shares in the offer) or NNG (if the vote occurs thereafter). The matter will be voted on at the 2001 annual meeting of stockholders, currently scheduled for May 16, 2001, which is expected to be after expiration of the offer. As the result, Litton stockholders who elect to receive NNG preferred stock must recognize that such shares may not be convertible into common stock. See "Description of NNG Capital Stock--Series B Preferred Stock."

The Indebtedness of NNG Following the Offer Will be Much Higher Than the Existing Indebtedness of Northrop Grumman

The indebtedness of Northrop Grumman as of December 31, 2000 was approximately \$1.615 billion. NNG's pro forma indebtedness as of December 31, 2000 giving effect to the offer and the Litton merger and assuming the Minimum Equity Issuance (as described in "Selected Consolidated Financial Data" below), is approximately \$5.961 billion. As a result of the increase in debt, demands on the cash resources of Northrop Grumman will increase after the Litton merger, which could have important effects on the investment in NNG's common stock and NNG's preferred stock. For example, the increased levels of indebtedness could:

. reduce funds available for investment in research and development and

capital expenditures; or

. create competitive disadvantages compared to other companies with lower debt levels.

Successful Integration of the Northrop Grumman and Litton Businesses is not Assured

Integrating and coordinating the operations and personnel of Northrop Grumman and Litton will involve complex technological, operational and personnel-related challenges. This process will be time-consuming and expensive, and may disrupt the business of the companies. The integration of the companies may not result in the benefits expected by the companies. The difficulties, costs and delays that could be encountered may include:

- unanticipated issues in integrating the information, communications and other systems;
- negative impacts on employee morale and performance as a result of job changes and reassignments;
- . loss of customers;
- unanticipated incompatibility of systems, procedures and operating methods;
- . inability to obtain necessary consents of third parties;
- . unanticipated costs in termination or relocation of facilities and operations, and
- . the effect of complying with any government imposed organizational $conflict\mbox{-}of\mbox{-}interest\mbox{ rules}.$

Risks Relating to the Businesses of Northrop Grumman and Litton

Results of operation of NNG will be subject to numerous risks affecting the businesses of Northrop Grumman and Litton, many of which are beyond the companies' control. Many of these risks are identified under "Forward-Looking Statements" on page 85

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SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following is a summary of selected historical consolidated financial data of Northrop Grumman for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2000 and selected unaudited pro forma combined financial data of Northrop Grumman and Litton for the year ended December 31, 2000. Litton stockholders should read this summary together with the financial statements referred to below and incorporated by reference and their accompanying notes and in conjunction with management's discussion and analysis of operations and financial conditions of Northrop Grumman and Litton contained in such reports.

The historical consolidated financial data of Northrop Grumman for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2000 are derived from the audited financial statements of Northrop Grumman contained in its Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed on March 1, 2001 and subsequently amended on March 2, 2001, and March 8, 2001. The historical consolidated financial data for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997 are derived from the audited financial statements contained in its Current Report on Form 8-K as filed on August 8,

2000, which is incorporated by reference in this offer to purchase or exchange. The historical consolidated financial data for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1996 are derived from the audited financial statements of Northrop Grumman.

The selected unaudited pro forma combined financial data of Northrop Grumman and Litton were derived from Northrop Grumman's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2000, and Litton's audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2000. In addition, the unaudited financial statements of Litton contained in Litton's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the periods ended January 31, 2001 and 2000 have been used to bring the financial reporting periods of Litton to within 31 days of those of Northrop Grumman.

The selected unaudited pro forma combined financial data give effect to the offer and the Litton merger as if they had occurred on the dates referenced under "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information" beginning on page 65. The selected unaudited pro forma combined financial data do not include the realization of any cost savings from operating efficiencies, synergies or other restructurings resulting from the offer and the Litton merger. Two pro forma transaction scenarios are presented: Minimum Equity Issuance and Maximum Equity Issuance. The Minimum Equity Issuance scenario is based upon the assumption that Unitrin tenders its shares of Litton common stock for NNG stock as described in "Other Agreements--The Stockholder's Agreement," beginning on page 59 and all other stockholders tender their shares for cash. The Maximum Equity Issuance scenario is based upon the assumption that the maximum number of shares of NNG common stock (i.e. 13,000,000) and maximum number of shares of NNG preferred stock (i.e. 3,500,000) are issued, with the remainder of the consideration in the offer paid in cash. The selected unaudited pro forma combined financial data do not purport to represent what NNG's results of operations or financial position actually would have been if the transactions referred to therein had been consummated on the date or for the periods indicated or what such results will be for any future date or any future period. Litton stockholders should read this summary together with "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information" beginning on page 65 and the accompanying notes.

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NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORPORATION

SELECTED HISTORICAL AND UNAUDITED PRO FORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL DATA (In millions, except per share data)

	Pro F	orma					
		Maximum Equity Issuance		Histor	ical Dat	.a	
	Year ended December 31,		Ye	ar ended	Decembe	er 31,	
	2000	2000	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996
Operating data: Net sales	\$13 , 244	\$13 , 244	\$ 7,618	\$7,616	\$7 , 367	\$7 , 798	\$ 7,667
Operating margin	1,482	1,482	1,098	954	752	741	752

<pre>Interest expense (net) Income from continuing operations before</pre>	(474)	(438)	(146)	(206)	(221)	(240)	(261)
accounting changes Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations before	653	676	625	474	193	318	330
accounting change Balance sheet data:	\$ 7.83	\$ 7.59	\$ 8.82	\$ 6.80	\$ 2.78	\$ 4.67	\$ 5.18
Total assets Net working capital Total debt Shareholders' equity Other data:	435	\$16,812 435 5,491 5,063	\$ 9,622 (162) 1,615 3,919	329 2 , 225	\$9,536 666 2,831 2,850	221 2,791	\$ 9,645 106 3,378 2,282
Net cash from operations	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	\$ 1,010 10,106	\$1,207 8,499		•	\$ 743 10,451
amortization Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	648	648	381	352	360	381	342
(EBITDA) (a)	2,169	2,169	1,502	1,305	890	1,133	1,081

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SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA OF LITTON

The following is a summary of selected consolidated financial data of Litton for each of the fiscal years in the five-year period ended July 31, 2000 and the six-month periods ended January 31, 2001 and January 31, 2000. The operating results for the six months ended January 31, 2001 are not necessarily indicative of results for the full fiscal year ending July 31, 2001. This information is derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Litton contained in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2000 and from the unaudited consolidated financial statements of Litton contained in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended January 31, 2001, which are incorporated by reference in this offer to purchase or exchange, and is qualified in its entirety by such documents. See "Additional Information" on page 83. You should read this summary together with the financial statements to which we refer and their accompanying notes and in conjunction with management's discussion and analysis of operations and financial conditions of Litton contained in such reports.

⁽a) EBITDA was calculated by adding back net interest expense and depreciation and amortization expense to income from continuing operations before taxes and accounting change. Since all companies do not calculate EBITDA or similarly titled financial measures in the same manner, disclosures by other companies may not be comparable with EBITDA as defined herein. EBITDA is a financial measure used by analysts to value companies. Therefore, Northrop Grumman's management believes that the presentation of EBITDA provides relevant information to investors. EBITDA should not be construed as an alternative to operating income or cash flows from operating activities as determined in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") or as a measure of liquidity. Amounts reflected as EBITDA are not necessarily available for discretionary use as a result of restrictions imposed by applicable law upon the payment of dividends or distributions, among other things.

LITTON INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(In millions, except per share data)

	6 Months Ended January 31,				Year Ended July 31,					
		2001		2000				1998		1996
Operating data: Sales and service										
revenues Total segment operating	\$	2 , 758	\$	2 , 720	\$5	, 588	\$4,828	\$4,400	\$4,176	\$3,612
profit		245		238		562	339	410	370	320
<pre>accounting change Diluted earnings per share before</pre>		95		90		221	121	181	162	151
accounting change	\$	2.03	\$	1.93	\$	4.80	\$ 2.58	\$ 3.82	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.15
Balance sheet data: Total assets Net working capital Total debt Total stockholders' investment		597 1,477		321 1,690	1	500 ,399	295 1,033	164 1,046	163 680	107 787
Other data: Net cash from										
operations Depreciation and	\$	20	\$	(16)	\$	250	\$ 244	\$ 228	\$ 223	\$ 70
amortization Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization		92		96		190	161	148	138	114
(EBITDA) (a)		304		302		683	441	502	452	381

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⁽a) EBITDA was calculated by adding back net interest expense and depreciation and amortization expense to income before taxes and accounting change. Since all companies do not calculate EBITDA or similarly titled financial measures in the same manner, disclosure by other companies may not be comparable with EBITDA as defined herein. EBITDA is a financial measure used by analysts to value companies. Therefore, Northrop Grumman's management believes that the presentation of EBITDA provides relevant information to investors. EBITDA should not be construed as an alternative to operating income or cash flows from operating activities as determined in accordance with GAAP or as a measure of liquidity. Amounts reflected as EBITDA are not necessarily available for discretionary use as a result of restrictions imposed by applicable law upon the payment of dividends or distributions, among other things.

COMPARATIVE PER SHARE INFORMATION

The following table summarizes unaudited per share information for Northrop Grumman and Litton on a historical, pro forma combined and equivalent pro forma combined basis. The following information should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Northrop Grumman and Litton, the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Northrop Grumman and Litton, and the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information included elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this offer to purchase or exchange. The pro forma information is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the operating results or financial position that would have occurred if the offer, the Litton merger and the Northrop reorganization had been consummated as of the beginning of the respective periods presented, nor is it necessarily indicative of the future operating results or financial position of the combined companies. The historical book value per share is computed by dividing total stockholders' equity by the number of common shares outstanding at the end of the period. The pro forma per share earnings from continuing operations is computed by dividing the pro forma income from continuing operations by the pro forma weighted average number of shares outstanding. The pro forma combined book value per share is computed by dividing total pro forma stockholders' equity by the pro forma number of common shares outstanding at the end of the period. Litton's equivalent pro forma combined per share amounts are calculated by multiplying Northrop Grumman's pro forma combined per share amounts by 0.9121, the percentage of a share of NNG common stock that would be exchanged for each share of Litton common stock in the offer, based upon the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending on March 21, 2001 (\$87.986).

	Year ended December 31, 2000
NORTHROP GRUMMAN Historical per common share data: Basic earnings per share. Diluted earnings per share. Book value per common share. Dividends declaredCommon. Dividends declaredPreferred.	\$ 8.86 8.82 55.29 1.60
Pro Forma combined per common share data: Minimum Equity Issued Basic earnings per share	7.83 57.95 1.60(a)
Maximum Equity Issued Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share Book value per common share Dividends declaredCommon Dividends declaredPreferred	7.59 59.68 1.60(a)

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	Year ended December 31, 2000
LITTON	
Historical per common share data: Basic earnings per share. Diluted earnings per share. Book value per common share. Dividends declaredCommon. Dividends declaredPreferred.	\$ 4.95 4.90 35.01 2.00
Equivalent Pro Forma combined per common share data:	
Minimum Equity Issued	
Basic earnings per share	\$ 7.25
Diluted earnings per share	7.14
Book value per common share	52.85
Dividends declaredCommon	1.46
Dividends declaredPreferred	8.21
Maximum Equity Issued	
Basic earnings per share	\$ 7.03
Diluted earnings per share	6.92
Book value per common share	54.43
Dividends declaredCommon	1.09
Dividends declaredPreferred	8.21

(a) Pro forma dividends declared per common share assumes consistent rate maintained for additional shares issued in the offer and actual shares.

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MARKET PRICES AND DIVIDENDS

Northrop Grumman common shares currently are listed and principally traded on the NYSE and the Pacific Exchange under the symbol "NOC." After the consummation of the offer, the NNG common stock will trade on the NYSE under the symbol "NOC," and NNG will seek to list the NNG preferred stock on the NYSE if there are enough holders to satisfy the NYSE minimum listing requirements. The Litton common stock and the Litton preferred stock are listed and principally traded on the NYSE under the symbols, "LIT" and "LIT.B" respectively.

The last reported sale price for Northrop Grumman common stock on March 26, 2001 was \$86.50 and the last reported sale prices for Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock on March 26, 2001 were \$79.85 and \$34.89 respectively.

The following table sets forth, for the calendar quarters ended on the dates indicated, the high and low last reported sale prices per share of Northrop Grumman common stock, Litton common stock and preferred stock, in each case as

reported on the NYSE Composite Transaction Tape. The following tables also set forth the cash dividends declared per share of Northrop Grumman common stock, Litton common stock and preferred stock for the corresponding periods.

	Co		ock			
	High Low Dividend		High	Low	Dividend	
1998 March 31, 1998 June 30, 1998 September 30, 1998 December 31, 1998	\$139.00 109.69 108.00	\$103.50 99.00 59.63	\$0.40	\$62.88 63.44 61.81	\$55.88 56.06 47.56	
1999 March 31, 1999 June 30, 1999 September 30, 1999 December 31, 1999	73.25 73.31 75.69 62.31	57.75 59.94	0.40	64.50 73.88 72.44 55.50	54.94	
2000 March 31, 2000 June 30, 2000 September 30, 2000 December 31, 2000	55.19 80.25 91.81 92.50	52.44 65.63	0.40	50.81 45.69 58.47 79.88	41.00	
2001 Quarter through March 26, 2001	97.54	79.81	0.40	79.85	78.69	

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		Prefer	red Stock
	High	Low	Dividend
1998 March 31, 1998 June 30, 1998 September 30, 1998 December 31, 1998	\$35.50 33.75 33.25	\$32.00 30.00 30.00	\$0.50
1999 March 31, 1999 June 30, 1999 September 30, 1999 December 31, 1999	32.50 31.50	30.00 28.75 27.50 25.25	\$0.50 \$0.50
2000 March 31, 2000. June 30, 2000. September 30, 2000. December 31, 2000.	26.50 25.50	24.75 23.50 23.00 23.25	\$0.50 \$0.50

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Exchange of Litton Shares; Exchange Ratio

Litton stockholders who tender shares of Litton common stock in the offer may elect to receive any of the following in exchange for each share of Litton common stock:

- . \$80.00 in cash;
- . \$80.25 in market value of shares of NNG common stock, determined by dividing \$80.25 by the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending on the second trading day before expiration of the offer; or
- . 0.80 of a share of NNG preferred stock.

Litton stockholders who tender shares of Litton preferred stock in the offer will receive \$35.00 in cash in exchange for each share of Litton preferred stock. Holders of Litton preferred stock cannot exchange their Litton preferred stock for NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock, only cash.

Each form of consideration paid in the offer will be paid net of any required withholding of taxes and without the payment of interest.

The exchange ratios for the consideration to be offered in exchange for shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer were determined through arm's-length negotiations between Litton and Northrop Grumman. Merrill Lynch & Co. acted as Litton's financial advisor and Salomon Smith Barney Inc. acted as Northrop Grumman's financial advisor in these negotiations.

Elections by Tendering Stockholders

There is no limit on the number of shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock that may be exchanged for cash in the offer. There is a limit on the number of shares of NNG common stock and the number of shares of NNG preferred stock that may be issued in exchange for Litton common stock in the offer. The maximum number of shares of NNG common stock that will be issued in the offer is 13,000,000, and the maximum number of shares of NNG preferred stock that will be issued in the offer is 3,500,000. It is possible that the maximum common stock consideration could be reduced. Elections for the NNG common stock and the NNG preferred stock will be subject to pro rata reduction if Litton common stockholders request more than the maximum common stock consideration or the maximum preferred stock consideration, as the case may be.

In addition to deciding whether to receive cash, NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock, or a combination of this consideration, tendering stockholders who elect to receive NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock must choose among the available alternatives described below for the treatment of any shares of Litton common stock not exchanged, by reason of proration, for the class of NNG stock they have elected to receive:

Alternative A. A tendering Litton stockholder may make an Alternative A

election with respect to Litton common stock which is tendered for either NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock. If the total number of NNG common stock elections (including the deemed elections referred to in the next sentence) exceeds the NNG common stock available, the Alternative A elections will first be reduced, pro rata, to the extent necessary so that the total number of shares of NNG common stock required for common stock elections does not exceed the maximum common stock consideration. If the tendering stockholder elects to receive NNG preferred stock, any shares subject to the Alternative A election which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be deemed subject to an Alternative A common stock election.

The stockholder's agreement provides, in substance, that Unitrin and certain of its subsidiaries will accept NNG common stock in exchange for all of their shares of Litton common stock which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock in the offer. However, Unitrin and its subsidiaries agreed to accept NNG common stock only to the extent that other Litton stockholders do not elect to receive the available NNG common stock. Pursuant to the stockholder's agreement, Unitrin will specify Alternative A for all of the Litton common stock

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tendered by it. While Alternative A may be selected by any holder of Litton common stock, it is expected that Litton stockholders other than Unitrin will likely find it in their interests to select either:

- . Alternative B, if they wish to maximize the NNG common stock received in the offer (for any shares not exchanged, by reason of proration, for NNG preferred stock, or otherwise); or
- . Alternative C, if they wish to receive only NNG preferred stock or cash.

The stockholder's agreement is described below under "Other Agreements—The Stockholder's Agreement."

Alternative B. A tendering Litton stockholder may make an Alternative B election with respect to Litton common stock which is tendered for either NNG common stock or NNG preferred stock. In the event that proration of elections to receive shares of NNG common stock is still required after the elimination of shares in accordance with Alternative A elections, holders of shares of Litton common stock who elect Alternative B will have their elections to receive NNG common stock reduced pro rata based on the number of shares covered thereby. If the tendering stockholder elects to receive NNG preferred stock, any shares subject to the Alternative B election which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be deemed subject to an Alternative B common stock election.

Alternative C. An Alternative C election is only available for those Litton common stockholders who elect to receive NNG preferred stock in exchange for tendered Litton shares. Any such shares which are not exchanged for NNG preferred stock by reason of proration will be exchanged for \$80.00 in cash per share.

If no election among the three alternatives described above is made in connection with a tender of Litton common stock in exchange for NNG common or preferred stock, the tendering stockholder will be deemed to have elected Alternative B.

Pro Rata Reduction of Elections for NNG Stock

If holders tendering Litton common stock elect to receive more than the maximum common stock consideration or the maximum preferred stock

consideration, elections will be subject to pro rata reduction as described below.

Elections to receive NNG preferred stock will be reduced, pro rata in accordance with the numbers of shares covered thereby, until all of the shares subject to the elections remaining can be exchanged for NNG preferred stock. Shares of Litton common stock which are not so exchanged by reason of proration will be exchanged for:

- . \$80.00 per share in cash, if Alternative C is selected by the tendering stockholder; or
- . NNG common stock (subject to further proration, if required) in all other cases.

Elections to receive NNG common stock will also be subject to pro rata reduction, in accordance with the numbers of shares covered thereby, until all the shares subject to the elections remaining can be exchanged for the maximum common stock consideration. As described above, shares subject to Alternative A elections will be reduced before any shares subject to Alternative B elections. Shares of Litton common stock which are not so exchanged for NNG common stock by reason of proration will be exchanged for \$80.00 in cash per share.

Reduction in Number of Shares of NNG Common Stock

Pursuant to the amended merger agreement, if the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE is less than \$75.00 for any five consecutive trading days ending not later than two full trading days before expiration of the offer, NNG will have the option to irrevocably elect to reduce the number of shares of NNG common stock available for exchange in the offer and substitute cash at the rate of \$80.00 per share of Litton common stock. If this should occur, NNG will promptly publicly announce the

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amount of cash to be substituted and the new maximum common stock consideration and will extend the offer, if necessary, in accordance with the applicable rules of the SEC to allow Litton stockholders to consider the information.

Illustrative Table of NNG Common Stock Exchange Ratios at Specified Average Closing Prices

The following table illustrates the number of shares of NNG common stock that would be issued for one share of Litton common stock at each of the average Northrop Grumman trading prices presented in the table.

Average Closing	
Prices of	
Northrop Grumman	NNG Common Stock
Common Stock	Exchange Ratio
\$70.00	1.1464
\$75.00	1.0700
\$80.00	1.0031
\$85.00	.9441
\$90.00	.8917

The values of Northrop Grumman common stock used in the table above are for purposes of illustration only. The average closing prices used in calculating the NNG common stock exchange ratio may be higher or lower than these numbers, depending on what the average of the closing prices of Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE actually is for the five consecutive trading days ending two full trading days before expiration of the offer.

More Information about NNG Common Stock Exchange Ratio

The exchange ratios for the consideration to be offered in exchange for shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock in the offer were determined through arm's-length negotiations between Litton and Northrop Grumman. Merrill Lynch & Co. acted as Litton's financial advisor and Salomon Smith Barney Inc. acted as Northrop Grumman's financial advisor in these negotiations.

NNG will notify Litton stockholders by issuing a press release announcing the final NNG common stock exchange ratio and filing the press release with the SEC. Litton stockholders may also call the information agent, Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc., at any time toll-free at (800) 223-2064 to request information about the NNG common stock exchange ratio, including the average trading price of shares of Northrop Grumman common stock used to calculate the number of shares of NNG common stock issuable per share of Litton common stock in the offer.

Stockholder Rights Plans

The offer to acquire Litton common stock is also an offer to acquire the associated preferred stock purchase rights issued pursuant to the rights agreement dated as of August 17, 1994 between Litton and The Bank of New York as amended as of December 21, 2000 and January 23, 2001. All references to Litton common stock include the associated rights to purchase preferred stock. Under no circumstances will additional consideration be paid for those rights.

The shares of NNG common stock to be issued in the offer include the associated NNG preferred stock purchase rights pursuant to the rights agreement between NNG and ChaseMellon Shareholder Services to be entered into prior expiration of the offer. The NNG rights agreement will be on the same terms and conditions as Northrop Grumman's current rights agreement dated as of September 23, 1998 between Northrop Grumman and ChaseMellon Shareholder Services. However, provisions will be added to permit the acquisition by Unitrin of NNG common stock (and NNG common stock issuable upon conversion of the NNG preferred stock) as contemplated by the offer and the stockholder's agreement described under "Other Agreements—The Stockholder's Agreement" on page 59. All references to shares of NNG common stock in this offer to purchase or exchange are also references to the associated NNG preferred stock purchase rights.

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Stockholders List

NNG has relied on Litton's stockholders list and security position listings to communicate with Litton stockholders and to distribute the offer. NNG will send this offer to purchase or exchange, related letter of transmittal and other relevant materials to Litton stockholders and to brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and similar persons whose names, or the names of whose nominees, appear on Litton's stockholders list or, if applicable, who are listed as participants in a clearing agency's security position listing.

Extension; Termination; Amendment

The offer is currently scheduled to expire at Midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, March 29, 2001.

Subject to the terms of the amended merger agreement, NNG may extend the period of time during which the offer remains open without Litton's consent by giving oral or written notice of such extension to the depositary. If the offer is extended for any reason, NNG will make an announcement to that effect no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date. The amended merger agreement, subject to certain exceptions, allows NNG to extend the offer for successive periods of up to five business days until all conditions have been satisfied or waived. Northrop Grumman has agreed to cause NNG to extend the offer for the shortest time periods which it reasonably believes are necessary until the consummation of the offer if the conditions of the offer have not been satisfied or waived. During any such extension, all shares of Litton stock previously tendered and not withdrawn will remain subject to the offer, subject to each tendering stockholder's right to withdraw its Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock. Litton stockholders should read the discussion under the caption "The Offer--Withdrawal Rights" beginning on page 25 for more details about withdrawal rights.

Subject to the SEC's applicable rules and regulations and subject to the terms of the amended merger agreement, NNG also reserves the right, in its sole discretion, at any time or from time to time to waive any condition (other than the minimum tender condition) or otherwise amend the offer by giving oral or written notice of such delay or amendment to the depositary and by making a public announcement. NNG will follow any amendment or delay as promptly as practicable with a public announcement. Subject to applicable law (including Rules 14d-4(d) and 14d-6(c) under the Exchange Act, which require that any material change in the information published, sent or given to stockholders in connection with the offer be promptly sent to stockholders in a manner reasonably designed to inform stockholders of such change) and without limiting the manner in which NNG may choose to make any public announcement, NNG assumes no obligation to publish, advertise or otherwise communicate any such public announcement other than by making a release to the Dow Jones News Service.

Subject to the terms of the amended merger agreement, if NNG makes a material change in the terms of the offer or the information concerning the offer (including any election to substitute cash for NNG common stock), or if NNG waives a material condition of the offer, NNG will extend the offer to the extent required under the Exchange Act. If, prior to the expiration date, NNG changes the consideration offered for Litton shares, that change will apply to all holders whose Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock are accepted for purchase or exchange pursuant to the offer. If at the time notice of that change is first published, sent or given to Litton stockholders, the offer is scheduled to expire at any time earlier than the tenth business day from and including the date that such notice is first published, sent or given, NNG will extend the offer in accordance with the applicable rules of the SEC to allow Litton stockholders to consider the information. For purposes of the offer, a "business day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or federal holiday and consists of the time period from 12:01 a.m. through 12:00 Midnight, New York City time.

Purchase and Exchange of Litton Stock; Delivery of NNG Stock

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the offer, including the terms and conditions of any extension or amendment of the offer, NNG will accept, and will purchase or exchange, shares of Litton common stock (in accordance with the elections of tendering Litton stockholders) or Litton preferred stock

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validly tendered and not properly withdrawn as promptly as practicable after the expiration date. In addition, subject to applicable rules of the SEC and the terms of the amended merger agreement, NNG expressly reserves the right to delay acceptance of Litton stock in order to comply with any applicable law. In all cases, purchases and exchanges of Litton stock tendered and accepted for exchange will be made only after timely receipt by the depositary of:

- certificates for the shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock tendered (if such certificates were ever issued) or a confirmation of a book-entry transfer of those shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock in the depositary's account at The Depository Trust Company, referred to as the "DTC";
- . a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or a facsimile of that document) or agent's message if applicable; and
- . any other required documents.

For purposes of the offer, NNG will be deemed to have accepted for purchase and exchange shares of Litton stock tendered when NNG notifies the depositary of its acceptance of those shares. The depositary will deliver cash, NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock in exchange for Litton stock pursuant to the offer. The depositary will act as agent for tendering stockholders for the purpose of receiving cash and shares of NNG stock (including cash to be paid instead of fractional shares) from NNG and transmitting such cash and NNG stock to tendering Litton stockholders. NNG will not pay interest on any amount payable in the offer or the Litton merger, regardless of any delay in making payment.

If NNG does not accept any Litton stock tendered in the offer for any reason, or if stock certificates are submitted for more shares of Litton stock than are tendered, NNG will return certificates for such tendered or untendered Litton stock, as the case may be, without expense to the tendering stockholder or, in the case of Litton stock tendered by book-entry transfer into the depositary's account at DTC pursuant to the procedures set forth below under the discussion entitled "The Offer--Procedures for Tendering," those shares of Litton stock will be credited to an account maintained within DTC, as soon as practicable following expiration or termination of the offer.

If NNG increases the consideration offered to Litton stockholders in the offer prior to the expiration date, such increased consideration will be given to all stockholders whose Litton shares are tendered pursuant to the offer, whether or not such Litton shares were tendered or accepted for exchange prior to such increase in consideration.

Cash Instead of Fractional Shares of NNG Stock

NNG will not issue certificates representing fractional shares of NNG stock pursuant to the offer. Instead, each tendering stockholder who would otherwise be entitled to a fractional share of NNG stock will receive cash in an amount equal to such fraction (expressed as a decimal and rounded to the nearest 0.01 of a share) multiplied by (i) the average of the closing prices for Northrop Grumman common stock on the NYSE for the five consecutive trading days ending on the second trading day before expiration of the offer, in the case of NNG common stock, or (ii) \$100.00 in the case of NNG preferred stock, in each case minus any required withholding of taxes and without payment of interest.

Transfer Charges

Litton stockholders who tender Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock in the offer, will not be obligated to pay any charges or expenses of the depositary. Except as set forth in the instructions to the letter of transmittal, transfer taxes on tenders will be paid by NNG or on NNG's behalf. Record owners of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock who tender shares in the offer will not have to pay brokerage fees or incur similar expenses. Holders who own Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock through a broker or

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other nominee, and whose broker or other nominee exchanges such Litton stock on the holder's behalf, may be subject to a charge from the broker or nominee for doing so. Litton stockholders should consult their broker or nominee to determine whether any charges will apply.

Interest

NNG will not pay interest on any amount payable in the offer or the Litton merger, regardless of any delay in making payment.

Withdrawal Rights

All tenders of Litton stock in the offer are irrevocable, except that Litton stock previously tendered may be withdrawn at any time prior to expiration of the offer, and, unless previously accepted for purchase or exchange pursuant to the offer, may also be withdrawn at any time after Tuesday, March 6, 2001.

For a withdrawal to be effective, the depositary must receive a written, telegraphic, telex or facsimile transmission notice of withdrawal at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this offer to purchase or exchange, and such notice must include the tendering stockholder's name, the number of shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock to be withdrawn and the name of the registered holder, if it is different from that of the person who tendered the shares of Litton stock being withdrawn.

A financial institution must quarantee all signatures on the notice of withdrawal. Most banks, savings and loan associations and brokerage houses are able to effect these signature quarantees. The financial institution must be a participant in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the NYSE Medallion Signature Program or the Stock Exchange Medallion Program, any of which is an "eligible institution," unless the Litton shares have been tendered for the account of any eligible institution. If Litton shares have been tendered pursuant to the procedures for book-entry transfer discussed under the caption entitled "Procedures for Tendering," any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account at DTC to be credited with the withdrawn Litton shares and must otherwise comply with DTC's procedures. If certificates have been delivered or otherwise identified to the depositary, the name of the registered holder and the serial numbers of the particular certificates evidencing the shares of Litton stock being withdrawn must also be furnished to the depositary, prior to the physical release of such certificates. NNG will decide all questions as to the form and validity (including time of receipt) of any notice of withdrawal, in NNG's sole discretion, and NNG's decision will be final and binding. Neither NNG, the depositary, the information agent nor any other person has any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in any notice of withdrawal or will incur any liability for failure to give any such notification. Any shares of Litton stock properly withdrawn will be deemed not to have been validly tendered for purposes of the offer. However, a Litton stockholder may retender withdrawn shares of Litton stock by following one of the procedures discussed

in the section entitled "The Offer--Procedures for Tendering" below at any time prior to expiration of the offer.

If a holder withdraws any shares of Litton common stock, such holder automatically withdraws the associated rights to purchase preferred stock. A holder may not withdraw the rights to purchase preferred stock unless the associated shares of Litton common stock are also withdrawn.

Procedures for Tendering

To validly tender Litton shares pursuant to the offer, before expiration of the offer, a Litton stockholder must transmit a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or manually executed facsimile of that document), along with any required signature guarantees, an agent's message in connection with a book-entry transfer, and any other required documents to the depositary at one of its addresses set forth on the back cover of this offer to purchase or exchange, and certificates for Litton stock being tendered must be received by the depositary at such address. Shares of Litton stock held in book-entry form must be tendered pursuant to the procedures for book-entry exchange set forth below and a confirmation of receipt of such tender (we refer to

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this confirmation below as a "book-entry confirmation") must be received by the depository. In the alternative, Litton stockholders may comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth below.

The term "agent's message" means a message, transmitted by DTC to the depositary and forming a part of a book-entry confirmation, which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant exchanging the Litton shares which are the subject of such book-entry confirmation, that the participant has received and agrees to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal and that NNG may enforce that agreement against such participant.

The depositary will establish accounts with respect to the Litton stock at DTC for the offer within two business days after the date of this offer to purchase or exchange, and any financial institution that is a participant in DTC may make book-entry delivery of Litton stock by causing DTC to transfer such stock into the depositary's account in accordance with DTC's procedure for such transfer. However, although delivery of Litton stock may be effected through book-entry at DTC, the letter of transmittal (or facsimile thereof), with any required signature guarantees, or an agent's message in connection with a book-entry transfer, and any other required documents, must be transmitted to the depositary at the applicable address set forth on the back cover of this offer to purchase or exchange prior to the expiration date, or the guaranteed delivery procedures described below must be followed.

Signatures on all letters of transmittal must be guaranteed by an eligible institution, except in cases in which Litton stock is tendered either by a registered holder of Litton stock who has not completed either the box entitled "Special Payment Instructions" or the box entitled "Special Delivery Instructions" on the letter of transmittal or for the account of an eligible institution.

If the certificates for Litton stock are registered in the name of a person other than the person who signs the letter of transmittal, or if certificates for untendered Litton shares are to be issued to a person other than the registered holder(s), the certificates must be endorsed or accompanied by appropriate stock powers, in either case signed exactly as the name of the registered owner appears on the certificates, with the signature(s) on the

certificates or stock powers guaranteed in the manner described above.

The method of delivery of Litton share certificates and all other required documents, including delivery through DTC, is at the tendering stockholder's option and risk, and delivery will be deemed made only when actually received by the depositary. If delivery is by mail, NNG recommends registered mail with return receipt requested, properly insured. In all cases, holders must allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery.

To prevent backup federal income tax withholding with respect to any cash received in the offer, the depositary must be provided with the tendering stockholder's correct taxpayer identification number and certification whether the tendering stockholder is subject to backup withholding of federal income tax by means of the substitute Form W-9 included in the letter of transmittal. Some stockholders (including, among others, all corporations and some foreign individuals) are not subject to backup withholding and reporting requirements. In order for a foreign individual to qualify as an exempt recipient, the stockholder must submit a Form W-8, signed under penalties of perjury, attesting to that person's exempt status.

A stockholder who wishes to tender shares of Litton stock in the offer and whose stock certificates are not immediately available or who cannot deliver the certificates and all other required documents to the depositary prior to the expiration date or cannot complete the procedure for book-entry transfer on a timely basis, may nevertheless tender Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock, so long as all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) tender is made by or through an eligible institution;

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- (b) a properly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery, substantially in the form made available by NNG, is received by the depositary as provided below on or prior to the expiration date; and
- (c) the certificates for all shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock to be tendered (or a confirmation of a book-entry transfer of such securities into the depositary's account at DTC as described above), in proper form for transfer, together with a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or facsimile thereof), with any required signature guarantees (or, in the case of a book-entry transfer, an agent's message) and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal are received by the depositary within three NYSE trading days after the date the notice of guaranteed delivery is executed.

The notice of guaranteed delivery may be delivered to the depositary by hand or transmitted by telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or mail. A guarantee by an eligible institution in the form set forth in that notice must be provided.

In all cases, NNG will exchange shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock tendered and accepted for exchange only after timely receipt by the depositary of certificates for such shares (or timely confirmation of a book-entry transfer of such securities into the depositary's account at DTC as described above), properly completed and duly executed letter(s) of transmittal (or facsimile(s) thereof), or an agent's message in connection with a book-entry transfer, and any other required documents. Accordingly, holders may be paid at different times depending upon when the depositary actually receives the certificates for their Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock or confirmations of book-entry transfers of those shares.

If a holder's shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock were never issued in certificated form, the holder must follow all of the requirements for tendering shares other than the requirement to deliver the share certificates for the tendered shares. A holder who has lost a share certificate, must contact the Bank of New York, the transfer agent for the Litton stock, at (800) 432-0140 and receive a replacement certificate in order to tender the Litton shares represented by the lost share certificate. Receiving a replacement certificate may take time, so Litton stockholders who have lost their share certificate and want to tender Litton shares in the offer should contact the transfer agent to request a replacement certificate as soon as possible.

By executing a letter of transmittal as set forth above, a tendering Litton stockholder irrevocably appoints NNG's designees as the holder's attorneys-infact and proxies, each with full power of substitution, to the full extent of the holder's rights with respect to the Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock tendered in the offer and any other Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock and other securities issued or issuable in respect of the Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock on or after February 1, 2001. That appointment is effective, and voting rights will be affected, when and only to the extent that NNG deposits with the depositary cash, the shares of NNG common stock and NNG preferred stock for the Litton common stock tendered. All such proxies shall be considered coupled with an interest and are not revocable. Upon the effectiveness of such appointment, all prior proxies of the tendering stockholder will be revoked, and any subsequent proxies will not be deemed effective. NNG's designees will be empowered, among other things, to exercise all of the tendering stockholder's voting and other rights as they, in their sole discretion, deem proper at any annual, special or adjourned meeting of Litton's stockholders or otherwise. NNG reserves the right to require that, in order for shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock to be deemed validly tendered, NNG must be able to exercise full voting rights to the extent permitted under applicable law with respect to such shares immediately upon acceptance of such shares for purchase or exchange.

NNG will determine questions as to the validity, form, eligibility, including time of receipt, and acceptance for exchange of any tender of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock, in its sole discretion, and NNG's determination shall be final and binding. NNG reserves the absolute right to reject any tenders of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock that NNG determines are not in proper form or the acceptance for exchange of or exchange for which may, in the opinion of NNG's counsel, be unlawful. NNG also reserves the

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absolute right to waive any of the conditions of the offer (other than the minimum tender condition) or any defect or irregularity in the tender of any shares of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock. No tender of Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock will be deemed to have been validly made until all defects and irregularities have been cured or waived. Neither NNG, the depositary, the information agent nor any other person is under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in the tender of any Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock or will incur any liability for failing to give any such notification. NNG's interpretation of the terms and conditions of the offer, including the letter of transmittal and instructions thereto will be final and binding.

The tender of shares of Litton stock pursuant to any of the procedures described above will constitute a binding agreement between NNG and the tendering stockholder upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the

offer.

Purpose of the Offer; The Litton Merger

NNG is making the offer in order to acquire control of, and ultimately the entire common equity interest in, Litton. The offer is the first step in NNG's acquisition of Litton, and is intended to facilitate the acquisition of all Litton shares. Litton stockholders do not have appraisal rights in connection with the offer. As soon as practicable after consummation of the offer, NNG intends to merge LII Acquisition, its wholly-owned subsidiary, with and into Litton. The purpose of the Litton merger is to acquire all shares of Litton common stock not exchanged in the offer. At the effective time of the Litton merger, each share of Litton common stock, except for Litton common stock held by Litton, NNG or their subsidiaries, will be converted into the right to receive the same amount of cash as is paid per share of Litton common stock in the offer, subject to appraisal rights that may be available to Litton stockholders under Delaware law and minus any required withholding of taxes and without interest. Each share of Litton preferred stock not tendered or accepted for payment in the offer will remain outstanding, without change, as a share of Series B \$2 Cumulative Preferred Stock of Litton, the corporation surviving the Litton merger.

If two-thirds or more of the shares of Litton preferred stock are tendered for purchase in the offer and NNG acquires such percentage of the Litton preferred stock, NNG will have sufficient voting power to amend the terms of the Litton preferred stock in accordance with the provisions set forth in Litton's Restated Certificate of Incorporation. If, after the offer, there are less than 300 registered holders of Litton preferred stock remaining, NNG currently anticipates that it will deregister and delist the Litton preferred stock from the NYSE, Northrop Grumman and NNG do not intend to redeem any shares of Litton preferred stock that are not tendered and accepted by NNG for purchase in the offer. However, following the Litton merger, NNG may seek to acquire the shares of Litton preferred stock that remain outstanding for cash at a price or prices not exceeding \$35.00 per share through open market transactions, an amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of Litton, a subsequent merger or otherwise.

See "Summary of Certain Statutory Provisions--Appraisal Rights" for information concerning appraisal rights in the Litton merger.

Rule 13e-3 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Exchange Act would require, among other things, that some financial information concerning Litton, and some information relating to the fairness of the Litton merger and the consideration offered to Litton stockholders, be filed with the SEC and disclosed to Litton stockholders prior to consummation. Rule 13e-3 will not apply to the Litton merger if it occurs within one year after the consummation of the offer.

NNG reserves the right to acquire additional Litton stock through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, a tender offer or exchange offer, or otherwise following the consummation or termination of the offer, upon such terms and at such prices as NNG decides, which may be more or less favorable than those of the offer. NNG and its affiliates also reserve the right to dispose of any or all shares of Litton stock acquired pursuant to the offer or otherwise, upon such terms and at such prices as NNG determines.

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Upon consummation of the offer, NNG intends to take appropriate actions to optimize and rationalize the combined entities' assets, operations, management, personnel, general and administrative functions and corporate structure. Other

than the Litton merger, NNG currently does not have any plans or proposals that would result in an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation, or sale of a material amount of assets, involving Litton or any of its subsidiaries, or any material changes in Litton's corporate structure or business.

Upon the purchase of Litton common stock in the offer, NNG may also elect or seek the election of nominees of its choice to Litton's board of directors. Pursuant to the amended merger agreement, until the merger is completed, Litton has agreed to use its best efforts to ensure that at least three members of Litton's board of directors as of January 23, 2001 remain members of Litton's board of directors. See "The Amended Merger Agreement—The Litton Board."

Conditions of the Offer

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the offer relating to NNG's obligation to accept for payment or exchange any tendered Litton common stock or Litton preferred stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the amended merger agreement and any applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, including Rule 14e-1(c) under the Exchange Act, NNG shall not be required to accept for payment or exchange or pay for or exchange any shares of Litton stock, if:

- (i) fewer than 25,646,399 shares of Litton common stock and Litton preferred stock, which represent a majority of the total outstanding common stock and preferred stock on a fully diluted basis, have been tendered pursuant to the offer by the expiration of the offer and not withdrawn;
- (ii) any applicable waiting period under the HSR Act or Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 of the Council of the European Union shall not have expired or been terminated prior to the expiration of the offer;
- (iii) the registration statement relating to the offer shall not have become effective under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or shall be the subject of any stop order or proceeding seeking a stop order;
- (iv) the shares of NNG common stock to be issued in the offer shall not have been approved for listing on the NYSE, subject to official notice of issuance; or

at any time on or after the date of the amended merger agreement and prior to the expiration of the offer, any of the following conditions shall have occurred and continued to exist:

(a) there shall have been any statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order or injunction enacted or entered and which shall remain in effect by any state or U.S. government or governmental authority or by any state, U.S. or European Union court or any agency or authority of the European Union, other than the routine application to the offer, the Northrop reorganization and the Litton merger or other subsequent business combination of waiting periods under the HSR Act or Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 of the Council of the European Union, that has the effect of (i) making the acceptance for payment of, or the payment for, some or all of the Litton shares illegal or otherwise prohibiting consummation of the offer, (ii) imposing limitations on the ability of NNG or Northrop Grumman to acquire or hold or to exercise effectively all rights of ownership of the Litton shares, or to control effectively the business, assets or operations of Northrop Grumman, Litton and their subsidiaries, of such magnitude as would have a material adverse effect on the business, assets, long-term earning capacity or financial condition of Northrop Grumman,

Litton and their subsidiaries, taken as a whole;

- (b) a Company Material Adverse Effect, as defined in the amended merger agreement, shall have occurred and continued to exist;
- (c) there shall have occurred and continued to exist (i) any general suspension of trading in, or limitation on prices for, securities on the NYSE (excluding any coordinated trading halt triggered solely as

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a result of a specified decrease in a market index and suspensions or limitations resulting from physical damage to or interference with such exchange not related to market conditions), (ii) the declaration of a banking moratorium or any suspension of payments in respect of banks in the United States (whether or not mandatory), (iii) the commencement of a war,