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Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM S-4

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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The E.W. Scripps Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

2711

31-1223339

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

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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 is declared effective and all other conditions to the transactions contemplated by the Master Transaction Agreement, dated as of July 30, 2014, described in the enclosed Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus have been satisfied or waived.

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.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer   
(do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

If applicable, place an "X" in the box to designate the appropriate rule provision relied upon in conducting this transaction.

Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)

Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer)

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class to be so registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price per unit	Amount of Registration Fee
Class A Common shares, \$.01 par value	26,475,459 (1)(2)	\$257,870,971 (3)	\$29,965 (4)

The number of shares of the Registrant being registered represents the estimated maximum number of shares of the (1) Registrant to be issuable in connection with the broadcast merger described in the enclosed joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The estimated maximum number of shares to be issued in connection with the broadcast merger is based upon the product obtained by multiplying (x) 51,150,422, the maximum number of shares of common stock ("Journal Common Stock"), \$.01 par value per share, of Journal Communications, Inc. ("Journal"), estimated to be outstanding immediately prior to the broadcast merger described herein (calculated as the sum of (1) 45,196,343, the number of shares of Class A common stock, \$.01 par value per share, of Journal ("Journal Class A Common Stock") (2) outstanding as of October 31, 2014, plus (2) 5,716,538, the number of shares of Class B common stock, \$.01 par value per share, of Journal ("Journal Class B Common Stock") outstanding as of October 31, 2014, plus (3) 237,541, the number of shares of Journal Class A Common Stock issuable in respect of Journal performance units outstanding as of October 31, 2014, by (y) 0.5176, based on the exchange ratio of 0.5176:1 in the broadcast merger.

Pursuant to Rule 457(f)(1) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price is equal (3) to the product obtained by multiplying (x) \$9.74 (the average of the high and low prices of shares of Journal Class A Common Stock on November 17, 2014) by (y) 26,475,459 Class A Common shares of the Registrant to be received by the holders of shares of Journal Common Stock in the broadcast merger as described in Note (2).

(4) Calculated in accordance with Section 6(b) of the Securities Act, by multiplying the proposed maximum aggregate offering price of securities to be registered by 0.0001162.

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 or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION

PRELIMINARY JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2014

Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This joint proxy statement/prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale is not permitted.

To the shareholders of The E. W. Scripps Company and Journal Communications, Inc.:

On July 30, 2014, The E. W. Scripps Company ("Scripps") and Journal Communications, Inc. ("Journal"), together with various of their respective subsidiaries, entered into a Master Transaction Agreement providing for (1) first the spin-offs and subsequent combination of their newspaper businesses and (2) then the combination of their broadcast businesses through the merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps. The spin-offs and mergers are expected to create two industry-focused companies positioned for success. Scripps, based in Cincinnati, will own and operate television and radio stations serving 27 markets and reaching 18 percent of U.S. television households, making it the fifth-largest independent TV group in the country. Journal Media Group, Inc. ("Journal Media Group"), a newly formed public newspaper publishing entity owning the former Scripps and Journal newspapers, will be headquartered in Milwaukee and operate in 14 markets in the U.S. Scripps class A common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "SSP".

Under the terms of the Master Transaction Agreement, Scripps and Journal will, through a series of transactions, (1) separate Journal's newspaper business pursuant to a spin-off of a subsidiary (Journal Spinco) to the shareholders of Journal, (2) separate Scripps' newspaper business pursuant to a spin-off of a subsidiary (Scripps Spinco) to the shareholders of Scripps, (3) combine these two spun-off newspaper businesses through two mergers, resulting in each of Journal Spinco and Scripps Spinco becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of the new company, Journal Media Group and (4) then, as the last step, merge Journal with and into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps, thereby effecting the acquisition by Scripps of Journal's broadcast business. Upon consummation, the transactions will result in two separate, public companies: one, Journal Media Group, continuing the combined newspaper businesses of Journal and Scripps; and the other, Scripps, continuing the combined broadcast businesses of Journal and Scripps. Upon completion of the transactions, each share of Journal class A and class B common stock outstanding on the share exchange record date will receive 0.5176 class A common shares of Scripps and 0.1950 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group; and each Scripps class A common share and common voting share outstanding on the share exchange record date will receive 0.2500 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group. Immediately following the completion of the transactions, holders of Journal's common stock will own approximately 41% of the common shares of Journal Media Group and approximately 31% of the common shares of Scripps, in the form of Scripps class A common shares, with the remaining common shares of each entity owned by the Scripps shareholders. Pursuant to the Master Transaction Agreement, prior to the completion of the transactions, Journal will contribute to Journal Spinco \$10.0 million in cash (this cash will become an asset of Journal Media Group upon completion of the transactions), and Scripps will distribute a special cash dividend in the aggregate amount of \$60.0 million to the holders of its common shares (and certain common share equivalents held by Scripps directors and employees). The transactions are intended to be tax-free at both the shareholder and corporate levels at each of Scripps and Journal, with the exceptions of the distribution of Journal Spinco to Journal shareholders, which will be taxable at the Journal corporate level, and the distribution of the \$60.0 million dividend by Scripps, which may be taxable to the shareholders of Scripps. Each of Scripps and Journal will hold a special meeting of its shareholders to consider and vote on matters necessary to complete the transactions. Information about the special meetings, the proposals to be voted on at each company's

special meeting, the proposed transactions and other related matters is contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, which we urge you to read carefully and in its entirety, including the annexes and exhibits and the information incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

In particular, you should consider the matters discussed under “Risk Factors” beginning on page \_\_\_ of this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Your vote is very important, regardless of the number of shares you own. To ensure your representation at your company’s special meeting, please complete and submit your proxy in accordance with the instructions contained herein.

The Board of Directors of Scripps has approved and adopted the Master Transaction Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, and recommends that the holders of common voting shares of Scripps vote “FOR” the approval of each of the proposals to be voted on by them at the Scripps special meeting, as described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

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The Board of Directors of Journal has approved and adopted the Master Transaction Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, and recommends that the Journal shareholders vote “FOR” the approval of each of the proposals to be voted on by them at the Journal special meeting, as described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Boehne  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer  
The E. W. Scripps Company

Sincerely,

Steven J. Smith  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Journal Communications, Inc.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the spin-offs or mergers or the securities issuable in connection therewith, or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus is dated \_\_\_\_\_, and is first being mailed or otherwise delivered to shareholders of Scripps and Journal on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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THE E. W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

Scripps Center  
312 Walnut Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE E. W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

To be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE E. W. SCRIPPS COMPANY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the shareholders of The E. W. Scripps Company, an Ohio corporation (“Scripps”), will be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, local time, at the Scripps Center, 10<sup>th</sup> floor conference center, 312 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the following purposes:

1. to consider and vote on a proposal to amend the articles of incorporation of Scripps to enable Scripps to issue in connection with the spin-off of its newspaper business the same class of common shares of the entity to be spun off to each holder of class A common shares and common voting shares of Scripps; and
2. to consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of class A common shares pursuant to the merger of Journal Communications, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (“Journal”) into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps.

The approval of the foregoing proposals by the holders of common voting shares of Scripps is required in order to complete the spin-off of the Scripps newspaper business and combination thereof with the Journal newspaper business and the subsequent merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps by means of which we will combine the broadcast business of Journal with our broadcast business. The proposals are described in more detail in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, which you should read carefully in its entirety before you submit a proxy or otherwise vote your shares.

The holders of class A common shares of Scripps are receiving this notice for informational purposes and are not entitled to vote their shares on the proposals being submitted at the special meeting.

The Scripps Board of Directors has established \_\_\_\_\_, as the record date for the special meeting. If you were a holder of record of common voting shares at the close of business on the record date, you are entitled to attend and to vote your shares at the special meeting. If you are present at the special meeting, you may vote in person even though you have previously returned a proxy card or submitted a proxy or voting instructions in another manner.

All Scripps shareholders are invited to attend the special meeting, whether they are entitled to vote at the meeting or not.

Shareholders will not have dissenters' rights under Ohio law with respect to either the spin-off of the Scripps newspapers and the subsequent merger thereof with the Journal newspapers or the acquisition by Scripps of the Journal broadcast business through the merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps following the newspaper spin-off.

The Board of Directors of Scripps has approved the spin-off of its newspaper business and combination of that business with the Journal newspaper business, the merger of Journal into a subsidiary of Scripps and the issuance of class A common shares pursuant to such merger, and recommends that you vote “FOR” the approval of each of the proposals described above.

Thank you for being a Scripps shareholder. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

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By the Order of the Board of Directors,

Richard A. Boehne  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
333 West State Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

To be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS:

We invite you to attend a special meeting of the shareholders of Journal Communications, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation ("Journal"), to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, Central Time, at \_\_\_\_\_. As we describe in the accompanying joint proxy statement/prospectus, our shareholders will be voting on the following matters:

1. a proposal to approve the spin-off of our newspaper business to our shareholders and the subsequent merger of the entity that will hold such newspaper business with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation;

2. a proposal to approve the merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of The E. W. Scripps Company, an Ohio corporation ("Scripps"), following the spin-off of our newspaper business;

3. a non-binding, advisory proposal to approve the compensation that may be paid or become payable to our named executive officers in connection with the transactions; and

4. a proposal to approve the adjournment or postponement of the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes at the time of the special meeting to approve the proposals set forth in items 1 and 2 above.

Journal will transact no other business at the special meeting other than any such business that may be properly brought before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

The approval of the proposals set forth in items 1 and 2 above by the holders of our common stock is required in order to (1) complete the spin-off of our newspaper business and combination thereof with the Scripps newspaper business (via the merger of the entity that will hold our newspaper business with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group) and (2) consummate the merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps by means of which Scripps will combine our broadcast business with its broadcast business. The approval of the proposals set forth in items 3 and 4 is not required to complete the transactions. The proposals are described in more detail in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, which you should read carefully in its entirety before you submit a proxy or otherwise vote your shares.

Our Board of Directors has established \_\_\_\_\_, as the record date for the special meeting. If you were a holder of record of our common stock at the close of business on the record date, you are entitled to attend and to vote your shares at the special meeting. If you are present at the special meeting, you may vote in person even though you have previously returned a proxy card or submitted a proxy in another manner.

The Board of Directors of Journal has approved (1) the spin-off of our newspaper business and combination of our newspaper business with the Scripps newspaper business (via the merger of the entity that will hold our newspaper business with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group) and (2) the merger of Journal into a subsidiary of Scripps, and recommends that you vote "FOR" the approval of each of the proposals described above.



We have enclosed a proxy card along with the accompanying joint proxy statement/prospectus. Your vote is important, no matter how many shares you own. Even if you plan to attend the special meeting, please complete, date and sign the enclosed proxy card and promptly return it by mail using the postage-paid envelope we have provided. Alternatively, you may vote by calling the toll-free number or using the Internet as described in the instructions provided on the enclosed proxy card. If you attend the special meeting, then you may revoke your proxy and vote your shares in person if you would like.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at the special meeting.

By the Order of the Board of Directors,

Steven J. Smith  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The E. W. Scripps Company (“Scripps”) has filed a registration statement on Form S-4 of which this joint proxy statement/prospectus is a part. This joint proxy statement/prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement or in the exhibits to the registration statement.

The joint proxy statement/prospectus also incorporates by reference important business and financial information about Scripps and Journal Communications, Inc. (“Journal”) from documents previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) that are not included in or delivered with this joint proxy statement/prospectus. In addition, Scripps and Journal may file additional annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other business and financial information with the SEC.

The registration statement of which this joint proxy statement/prospectus is a part and the exhibits thereto, the information incorporated by reference herein, and the other information filed by Scripps and Journal with the SEC are available for you to review at the SEC’s Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549. You can obtain these documents through the SEC’s website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), on Scripps’ website at [www.scripps.com](http://www.scripps.com) in the Investor Relations section and on Journal’s website at [www.journalcommunications.com](http://www.journalcommunications.com) in the Investor Relations section. By referring to Scripps’ website, Journal’s website, and the SEC’s website, Scripps and Journal do not incorporate any such website or its contents into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

You can also obtain the documents by requesting them in writing or by telephone from Scripps or Journal at the following address and telephone number:

The E. W. Scripps Company  
312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202  
(513) 977-3000  
Attention: Carolyn P. Micheli, Vice President,  
Corporate  
Communications and Investor Relations

Journal Communications, Inc.  
333 West State Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203  
(414) 224-2000  
Attention: Ashley DeYoung  
Financial and Investor Analyst

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE TIMELY DELIVERY OF THESE MATERIALS, YOU MUST MAKE REQUESTS NO LATER THAN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING FOR YOUR COMPANY.

You may also obtain these documents at no charge by requesting them in writing or by telephone from Journal’s proxy solicitor, MacKenzie Partners, Inc., 105 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016 (telephone number: (212) \_\_\_\_\_). See “Where You Can Find More Information” beginning on page \_\_\_\_ for more information about the documents referenced in this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

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In addition, if you have any questions about the transactions described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, or about voting your shares, or would like additional copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, or need to obtain proxy cards or other information related to the proxy solicitation, you may contact:

IF YOU ARE A SCRIPPS SHAREHOLDER:

IF YOU ARE A JOURNAL SHAREHOLDER:

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The E. W. Scripps Company  
312 Walnut Street, 28th Floor  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202  
(513) 977-3732  
Attention: Julie L. McGehee, Corporate Secretary

Journal Communications, Inc.  
333 West State Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203  
(414) 224-2000  
Attention: Mary Hill Taibl, General Counsel, Secretary  
and Chief Compliance Officer

Journal Media Group, Inc. (“Journal Media Group”), which will own the Scripps newspaper business and the Journal newspaper business following completion of the transactions discussed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, plans to file a registration statement on Form S-1/S-4 for shares of its common stock to be issued to Scripps and Journal shareholders pursuant to those transactions. The prospectus that will be included in Journal Media Group’s registration statement will contain financial and other information about the combined newspaper businesses it will operate following completion of the

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transactions. This joint proxy statement/prospectus contains substantially the same information as will be contained in the prospectus of Journal Media Group. If the Scripps and Journal shareholders approve the necessary proposals submitted to them at their respective special meetings, Scripps and Journal will set the record date and distribution date for the spin-offs of the Scripps and Journal newspaper businesses as well as the closing date for all of the transactions discussed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. You will be able to obtain copies of such prospectus and the registration statement in which it will be included at or from the sources identified above. Journal Media Group intends to mail copies of its prospectus to shareholders of record of Scripps and Journal as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015 prior to the completion of the transactions.

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ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

Scripps has supplied all information contained in or incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus relating to Scripps and Journal has supplied all information contained in or incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus relating to Journal. Scripps and Journal have both contributed information relating to Journal Media Group and the transactions.

This joint proxy statement/prospectus forms part of a registration statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_) filed by Scripps with the SEC to register with the SEC class A common shares of Scripps to be issued in connection with the transactions. It constitutes a prospectus of Scripps under Section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules thereunder, with respect to the class A common shares of Scripps to be issued to Journal shareholders. It also constitutes a proxy statement under Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder, and a notice of meeting and actions to be taken at the Scripps and Journal special meetings.

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETINGS

The following are brief answers to common questions that you may have regarding the Master Transaction Agreement, which we refer to as the “master agreement” and which is attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus as Annex A, the proposed transactions, the special meetings and the consideration to be received in the proposed transactions. The questions and answers in this section may not address all questions that may be important to you as a shareholder of Scripps or Journal. To better understand these matters, and for a description of the legal terms governing the proposed transactions, we urge you to read carefully and in its entirety this joint proxy statement/prospectus, including the annexes to, and the documents incorporated by reference in, this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See “Where You Can Find More Information” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

Q: What are the proposed transactions?

A: Scripps and Journal and certain of their subsidiaries entered into the master agreement on July 30, 2014. The master agreement provides for the combination of the newspaper businesses of Scripps and Journal and the combination of the broadcast businesses of Scripps and Journal by means of a multi-step spin-off and merger process. As a result of the transactions contemplated by the master agreement, the newspaper businesses of the two companies will be owned and operated by a new holding company, which we refer to as “Journal Media Group,” shares of which we expect to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) and initially owned by the shareholders of Scripps and Journal. As a further result of the transactions contemplated by the master agreement, following execution of the steps necessary for the combination of the newspaper businesses of Scripps and Journal, Scripps will combine the broadcast business of Journal by merging Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps and issuing class A common shares of Scripps to Journal shareholders in exchange for their shares in Journal. We sometimes refer to the spin-offs and mergers and the other transactions contemplated by the master agreement, taken as a whole, as the “transactions”; to the spin-offs of the Scripps and Journal newspaper businesses, as the “Scripps newspaper spin-off”, “Journal newspaper spin-off”, or together the “newspaper spin-offs”; to the steps constituting the combination of the newspaper businesses of Scripps and Journal, as the “Scripps newspaper merger”, the “Journal newspaper merger”, or together the “newspaper mergers”; and to the combination of the broadcast businesses of Scripps and Journal, as the “broadcast merger.”

Q: Why am I receiving this document?

A: In order to complete the transactions, the shareholders of Journal must approve (1) the spin-off of its newspaper business, and subsequent combination thereof with the Scripps newspaper business and (2) the subsequent merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps, and the holders of common voting shares of Scripps must approve (i) an amendment to Scripps’ articles of incorporation to facilitate the spin-off of its newspaper business with one class of common stock and (ii) the issuance of class A common shares of Scripps pursuant to the broadcast merger. Journal is also seeking the approval of its shareholders, on an advisory basis, of the compensation that may be paid or become payable to its named executive officers in connection with the transactions, but such approval is not required to complete the transactions. Scripps and Journal will hold separate special shareholders’ meetings to obtain these approvals. We are sending you these materials to help you decide how to vote your shares with respect to the matters to be considered at the special meetings. This joint proxy statement/prospectus contains important information about the transactions, including the special meetings of the shareholders of Scripps and Journal. You should read it carefully and in its entirety. The enclosed proxy cards allow you to authorize the voting of your shares without attending your company’s special meeting.

Your vote is important regardless of how many shares you own. We encourage you to submit a proxy as soon as possible.

Q: What will Scripps shareholders receive in the transactions?

A: As a result of the spin-off of the Scripps newspaper business and the combination thereof with the Journal newspaper business, each Scripps class A common share will automatically be converted into 0.2500 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group, and each Scripps common voting share will automatically be converted into 0.2500 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group. Additionally, holders of Scripps class A common shares (and unvested restricted stock units) and common voting shares of Scripps will receive their pro rata share of an aggregate \$60.0 million dividend, which we refer to as the “Scripps special dividend,” payable immediately prior to the completion of the broadcast merger. Scripps shareholders will not receive any shares in connection with the broadcast merger, but will retain their existing shares in Scripps.

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Q: What will Journal shareholders receive in the transactions?

A: As a result of the spin-off of the Journal newspaper business and the combination thereof with the Scripps newspaper business, each share of Journal class A common stock and each share of Journal class B common stock will automatically be converted into 0.1950 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group. As a result of the broadcast merger, each share of Journal class A common stock and each share of Journal class B common stock will automatically be converted into 0.5176 class A common shares of Scripps. The Scripps special dividend will not be paid on Scripps class A common shares issued to Journal shareholders in the broadcast merger. Thus, Journal shareholders will receive 0.1950 shares of Journal Media Group and 0.5176 class A common shares of Scripps for each share of Journal common stock held on the share exchange record date.

Q: When do you expect the transactions to be completed?

A: As of the date of this joint proxy statement/prospectus, the transactions are expected to close in the first half of 2015. The closing of the transactions is subject to various conditions, including the approval of the Scripps amendment proposal (defined below) and the Scripps share issuance proposal (defined below) by the holders of common voting shares of Scripps, and the approval of the Journal spin-off proposal (defined below) and the Journal merger proposal (defined below) by the Journal shareholders, as well as necessary regulatory consents and approvals. No assurance can be provided as to when or if the transactions will be completed, and it is possible that factors outside the control of Scripps and Journal could result in the transactions being completed at a later time, or not at all. See “The Master Transaction Agreement - Other Covenants and Agreements - Efforts to Consummate the Transactions” beginning on page \_\_\_ and “The Master Transaction Agreement - Conditions to the Transactions” beginning on page \_\_\_.

Q: When and where will the special meetings be held?

A: The Scripps special meeting will be held at Scripps Center, 10<sup>th</sup> floor conference center, 312 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, at \_\_\_\_\_, Eastern Time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

The Journal special meeting will be held at \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, Central time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

Q: What are the proposals on which holders of common voting shares of Scripps are being asked to vote and what is the recommendation of the Board of Directors of Scripps with respect to each proposal?

A: At the Scripps special meeting, the holders of Scripps common voting shares are being asked to:

1. Consider and vote on a proposal to amend the articles of incorporation of Scripps to allow Scripps to effect the spin-off of its newspaper business through the issuance of the same class of common shares of the entity that will own such business (which we refer to as “Scripps Spinco”) to each holder of class A common shares and each holder of common voting shares of Scripps, which we refer to as the “Scripps amendment proposal.” The proposed amendment to Scripps’ articles of incorporation is shown in Annex B attached hereto.

2. Consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of class A common shares of Scripps pursuant to the broadcast merger, which we refer to as the “Scripps share issuance proposal.”

The Board of Directors of Scripps unanimously recommends a vote “FOR” each of the proposals referred to above.

Scripps will transact no other business at the special meeting other than any such business that may be properly brought before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Q: What vote is required to approve the proposals being presented at the special meeting of Scripps shareholders?

A: Assuming a quorum is present, to be approved at the special meeting, the Scripps amendment proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of all common voting shares of Scripps outstanding on the record date for the special meeting, and the Scripps share issuance proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of all votes cast at the special meeting by holders of common voting shares of Scripps.

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Q: Will the Scripps shareholders holding common voting shares of Scripps be asked to vote on the Scripps share issuance proposal and the Scripps amendment proposal at the special meeting if the Board of Directors has changed its recommendations for such proposals?

A: Yes, if Journal so requests. The Scripps board may change its recommendation with respect to these proposals only if it decides that a third party acquisition proposal for control of Scripps is superior to the transactions.

Q: What are the proposals on which the Journal shareholders are being asked to vote and what is the recommendation of the Board of Directors of Journal with respect to each proposal?

A: At the Journal special meeting, Journal shareholders are being asked to vote on the following matters:

A proposal to approve the spin-off of the Journal newspaper business and the subsequent merger of the entity that will hold such newspaper business (which we refer to as “Journal Spinco”) with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group, which we refer to as the “Journal spin-off proposal;”

2. A proposal to approve the broadcast merger, which we refer to as the “Journal merger proposal;”

A non-binding, advisory proposal to approve the compensation that may be paid or become payable to Journal’s named executive officers in connection with the transactions, as disclosed in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, which we refer to as the “Journal compensation proposal;” and

A proposal to approve the adjournment or postponement of the Journal special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes at the time of the Journal special meeting to approve both the Journal spin-off proposal and the Journal merger proposal, which we refer to as the “Journal adjournment proposal.”

The Board of Directors of Journal unanimously recommends a vote “FOR” each of the proposals referred to above.

Journal will transact no other business at the special meeting other than any such business that may be properly brought before the Journal special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Q: What vote is required to approve the proposals being presented at the special meeting of Journal shareholders?

A: Assuming a quorum is present, to be approved at the Journal special meeting, the Journal spin-off proposal and the Journal merger proposal each requires the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the voting power of all outstanding shares of Journal class A common stock and Journal class B common stock entitled to vote at the special meeting, voting together as a single class. If you mark “abstain” or fail to vote with respect to the Journal spin-off proposal and/or the Journal merger proposal, it will have the same effect as a vote “AGAINST” such proposals.

Assuming a quorum is present, the approval of the Journal compensation proposal requires that the number of votes cast for the Journal compensation proposal exceed the number of votes cast against it. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted as present in determining whether there is a quorum; however they will not constitute a vote for or against the non-binding proposal and will be disregarded in the calculation of votes cast.

Whether or not a quorum is present, the Journal adjournment proposal requires that the number of votes cast for the Journal adjournment proposal exceed the number of votes cast against it. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted as present in determining whether there is a quorum; however they will not constitute a vote for or against the proposal and will be disregarded in the calculation of votes cast.

Q: Will the Journal shareholders be asked to vote on the Journal spin-off proposal and the Journal merger proposal at the special meeting if the Board of Directors has changed its recommendations for such proposals?

A: Yes, if Scripps so requests. The Journal board may change its recommendation with respect to these proposals only if it decides that a third party acquisition proposal for control of Journal is superior to the transactions.

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Q: What is the effect if these proposals are not approved at the special meetings?

A: If the Scripps amendment proposal or the Scripps share issuance proposal is not approved by the requisite vote at the special meeting of Scripps shareholders, or if the Journal spin-off proposal or the Journal merger proposal is not approved by the requisite vote at the special meeting of Journal shareholders, then the transactions will not occur.

Q: Who is entitled to vote at the special meetings?

A: The Board of Directors of each of Scripps and Journal have fixed \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, as the record date for each of the special meetings. If you were a holder of common voting shares of Scripps or a holder of shares of class A or class B common stock of Journal at the close of business on the record date, you are entitled to receive notice of, and vote at, your company's special meeting.

Q: If I am a Scripps shareholder, how many votes do I have?

A: If you are a Scripps shareholder, on each of the proposals that will be voted upon at the Scripps special meeting, you will be entitled to one vote per share of Scripps common voting shares that you owned as of the record date. As of the close of business on the record date, there were 11,932,722 common voting shares outstanding and entitled to vote. As of that date, all outstanding common voting shares were held by, or for the benefit of, descendants of the founder of Scripps.

If you are a holder of class A common shares of Scripps, you will not be entitled to vote on either of the proposals being presented at the Scripps special meeting, but you may attend the meeting.

Q: If I am a Journal shareholder, how many votes do I have?

A: If you are a holder of Journal class A common stock, on each of the proposals that will be voted upon at the Journal special meeting, you will be entitled to one vote per share of Journal class A common stock that you owned as of the record date. As of the close of business on the record date, there were \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Journal class A common stock outstanding and entitled to vote. These shares represented \_\_\_ votes as of the record date.

If you are a holder of Journal class B common stock, on each of the proposals that will be voted upon at the Journal special meeting, you will be entitled to ten votes for each share of Journal class B common stock that you owned as of the record date. As of the close of business on the record date, there were \_\_\_\_\_ shares of Journal class B common stock outstanding and entitled to vote. These shares represented \_\_\_ votes as of the record date.

Holders of Journal class A common stock and class B common stock will vote together as a single class on all matters at the Journal special meeting.

Q: Are any Scripps shareholders already committed to vote in favor of the Scripps amendment proposal or the Scripps share issuance proposal?

A: No.

Q: Are any Journal shareholders already committed to vote in favor of the Journal spin-off proposal or the Journal merger proposal?

A: No.

Q: What constitutes a quorum for each special meeting?

A: Holders of a majority of the outstanding Scripps common voting shares, represented in person or by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the Scripps special meeting.

Holders of a majority of the voting power of the outstanding Journal class A common stock and Journal class B common stock, taken together, in each case represented in person or by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the Journal special meeting.

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Q: Who can attend each special meeting?

A: If you held Scripps class A common shares or common voting shares, or Journal class A common stock or class B common stock, as of the record date, you may attend your company's special meeting. If you are a beneficial owner of stock held in "street name," you must provide evidence of your ownership of such stock, which you can obtain from your broker, bank or other nominee, in order to attend your company's special meeting.

Q: What if my bank, broker or other nominee holds my shares in "street name"?

A: If a bank, broker or other nominee holds your shares for your benefit but not in your own name, such shares are in "street name." In that case, your bank, broker or other nominee will send you a voting instruction form to use in order to instruct the vote of your shares. The availability of telephone and internet voting instruction depends on the voting procedures of your bank, broker or other nominee. Please follow the instructions on the voting instruction form they send you. If your shares are held in the name of your bank, broker or other nominee and you wish to attend or vote in person at your company's special meeting, you must contact your bank, broker or other nominee and request a document called a "legal proxy." You must bring this legal proxy to the special meeting in order to vote in person. Your bank, broker or other nominee will not vote your shares unless you provide instructions on how to vote.

Q: If I am a Scripps shareholder holding common voting shares, how do I vote?

A: After reading and carefully considering the information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please submit a proxy or voting instructions for your Scripps common voting shares as promptly as possible so that your shares will be represented at the Scripps special meeting. If you are a holder of record of Scripps common voting shares as of the close of business on the record date, you may submit your proxy before the Scripps special meeting by marking, signing and dating your proxy card and returning it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided.

In lieu of submitting a proxy, holders of common voting shares may vote in person at the Scripps special meeting. For additional information on voting procedures, see "The Scripps Special Meeting - How to Vote" beginning on page \_\_\_.

After reading and carefully considering the information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please submit your proxy or voting instructions as soon as possible, whether or not you plan to attend the Scripps special meeting.

Q: Do the holders of Scripps class A common shares have the right to vote on the proposals?

A: No. The holders of Scripps class A common shares are receiving this joint proxy statement/prospectus for informational purposes only and are not entitled to vote their class A common shares of Scripps on any proposals being submitted at the Scripps special meeting.

Q: If I am a Journal shareholder, how do I vote?

A: After reading and carefully considering the information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please submit a proxy for your shares as promptly as possible so that your shares will be represented at the Journal special meeting. If you are a shareholder of record of Journal as of the close of business on the record date, you may submit your proxy before the Journal special meeting by marking, signing and dating your proxy card and returning it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided.

In addition, holders of record of class A common stock and class B common stock may vote in person at the Journal special meeting or by mail or through the internet. For additional information on voting procedures, see "The Journal

Special Meeting - How to Vote” beginning on page \_\_\_.

After reading and carefully considering the information contained in this joint proxy statement/prospectus, please submit your proxy as soon as possible whether or not you plan to attend the Journal special meeting.

Q: What do I do if I receive more than one set of voting materials?

A: You may receive more than one set of voting materials, including multiple copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards. For example, if you hold your shares in more than one brokerage account, you will receive a separate instruction card for each brokerage account in which you hold shares. If you are a holder of record and your shares are held in more than one name, you will receive more than one proxy card. You may also receive multiple

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copies of this joint proxy statement/prospectus if you are a shareholder of both Scripps and Journal. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card and voting instruction card you receive, or, if you are a shareholder of Journal, you may submit a proxy by telephone or internet by following the instructions on each proxy card.

Q: How will my proxy be voted?

A: If you submit a proxy or voting instructions by completing, signing, dating and mailing your proxy card or voting instruction card, or, if you are a Journal shareholder, by submitting your proxy by internet or by telephone, your shares will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If you are a shareholder of record as of the record date and you sign, date, and return your proxy card but do not indicate how you want to vote on any particular proposal and do not indicate that you wish to abstain with respect to that proposal, Scripps common voting shares represented by your proxy will be voted as recommended by the Scripps Board of Directors with respect to that proposal, and the Journal class A common stock or class B common stock represented by your proxy will be voted as recommended by the Journal Board of Directors with respect to that proposal.

Q: What if I mark “abstain” when voting, or do not vote on the proposals?

A: If you fail to vote in person or by proxy any shares for which you are the record owner as of the record date or fail to instruct your broker or other nominee on how to vote the shares you hold in street name, your shares will not be counted in determining whether a quorum is present at your company’s special meeting. If you mark abstain when voting, your shares will be counted in determining whether a quorum is present at your company’s special meeting.

If you are a Scripps shareholder, because the Scripps amendment proposal requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of all outstanding Scripps common voting shares, failing to vote or abstaining from voting on such proposal will have the effect of a vote “AGAINST” such proposal. Failing to vote or abstaining from voting on the Scripps share issuance proposal will not constitute a vote for or against such proposal and will be disregarded in the calculation of the votes cast.

If you are a holder of Journal class A common stock or Journal class B common stock, because the Journal spin-off and merger proposals require the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the voting power of all outstanding Journal class A common stock and Journal class B common stock, voting together as a single class, your failure to vote or abstain with respect to either Journal proposal will have the effect of a vote “AGAINST” such proposal. Failing to vote or abstaining from voting on the Journal compensation proposal or the Journal adjournment proposal will not constitute a vote for or against such proposals and will be disregarded in the calculation of the votes cast.

Q: Can I change my vote after I have submitted a proxy or voting instruction card?

A: Yes. If you are a shareholder of record as of the record date, you can change your proxy at any time before it is voted at your company’s special meeting. You can do this in one of three ways:

• you can send a signed notice of revocation to the Secretary of Scripps or Journal, as appropriate;

• you can submit a revised proxy bearing a later date by mail, or, if you are a Journal shareholder, by internet or telephone; or

• you can attend your company’s special meeting and vote in person, which will automatically cancel any proxy previously given, though your attendance alone will not revoke any proxy that you have previously given.

Q: If I am a Scripps shareholder, will I be required to exchange my shares in connection with the newspaper spin-offs, newspaper mergers or the broadcast merger?

A: No. You will not be required to exchange your certificates or “book-entry” securities representing common shares of Scripps. Upon completion of the broadcast merger, certificates and “book-entry” securities representing common shares of Scripps prior to the transactions will represent an equal number of common shares of Scripps following such merger. Upon completion of the newspaper spin-offs and the newspaper mergers, you will receive “book-entry” securities representing shares of Journal Media Group common stock.



Q: If I am a Journal shareholder, will I be required to exchange my shares in connection with the newspaper spin-offs, newspaper mergers or the broadcast merger?

A: You will not be required to exchange your certificates or book-entry securities representing shares of common stock of Journal in connection with the newspaper spin-offs or the newspaper mergers. Upon completion of those transactions, you will receive book-entry securities representing your shares of Journal Media Group common stock. Similarly, you will not be required to exchange your book-entry securities representing shares of common stock of Journal in connection with the broadcast merger. Upon completion of the broadcast merger, your Journal book-entry shares will be converted into book-entry Scripps class A common shares. However, if you have certificates representing shares of Journal class A common stock, then you will be required to exchange such certificates in connection with the broadcast merger. Following completion of the broadcast merger, the exchange agent will send you a letter of transmittal to be used to exchange your certificated shares of Journal class A common stock for book-entry Scripps class A common shares.

Q: If I am a Journal shareholder and have class A stock certificates, should I send in my certificates now?

A: No. If you hold certificates representing Journal class A common stock, the exchange agent will send you written instructions informing you how to exchange your shares in connection with the broadcast merger.

Q: Are there any risks that I should consider?

A: Yes. There are risks associated with all spin-offs and business combinations, including the proposed transactions. There are also risks associated with the broadcast business of Scripps following the broadcast merger, the newspaper business of Journal Media Group, the ownership of class A common shares of Scripps following the broadcast merger and the ownership of common stock of Journal Media Group. We have described certain of these risks and other risks in more detail under “Risk Factors” beginning on page \_\_\_.

Q: Are Scripps or Journal shareholders entitled to dissenters' rights?

A: Scripps shareholders are not entitled to dissenters' rights in connection with the transactions.

Holdings of Journal class A common stock are not entitled to dissenters' rights in connection with the transactions.

Holdings of Journal class B common stock may assert dissenters' rights in connection with the broadcast merger to the extent such rights are available under Wisconsin law with respect to their Journal class B common stock and, if such rights are properly exercised, such shareholders will be entitled to receive payment of the “fair value” of such shares in accordance with Wisconsin law instead of receiving the merger consideration payable in respect of such shares in the broadcast merger.

In order to preserve any dissenters' rights that a Journal class B shareholder may have, in addition to otherwise complying with the applicable provisions of Wisconsin law, such shareholder must have given Journal notice of his, her or its intent to demand payment of the fair value of the shares if the transactions are consummated and must demand payment in writing after receiving from Journal a notice specifying the procedure for demanding payment. For additional information on dissenters' rights, see “Dissenters' Rights” beginning on page \_\_\_.

Q: What are the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the transactions to holders of Scripps common shares and Journal common stock?

A: Subject to the limitations and qualifications described in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions,” for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (i) no gain or loss will be recognized by, or be includible in the income of, a U.S. Holder of Scripps common shares as a result of the Scripps newspaper contribution, Scripps newspaper spin-off, Scripps newspaper merger, or broadcast merger, except with respect to any cash received by Scripps shareholders in lieu of fractional shares of Journal Media Group, and (ii) no gain or loss will be recognized by, or be includible in the income of, a U.S. Holder of Journal common stock as a result of the Journal newspaper contribution, Journal newspaper spin-off, Journal newspaper merger, or broadcast merger, except with respect to any cash received by (a) Journal shareholders in lieu of fractional shares of Journal Media Group or Scripps or (b) holders of Journal class B common stock in connection with the exercise of dissenters’ rights. The treatment of any cash received by a U.S. Holder of Scripps common shares or Journal common stock is discussed in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions.” The cash received by a Scripps shareholder in the Scripps special dividend with respect to a Scripps common share generally will be treated in the following manner:

first as a taxable dividend to the extent of the pro rata share of Scripps' current and accumulated earnings and profits that is allocable to the Scripps common share, if any (as of September 30, 2014, Scripps had no current or accumulated earnings and profits, and Scripps is excepted not to have any current or accumulated earnings or profits for the taxable year in which the distribution is made);

then as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of such shareholder's tax basis in the Scripps share; and

thereafter as capital gain with respect to any remaining value.

The obligation of Scripps to complete the transaction is conditioned upon the receipt by Scripps of an opinion from Baker & Hostetler LLP, counsel to Scripps, to the effect that for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) the SMI newspaper contribution and the SMI newspaper distribution will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Sections 368(a)(1)(D) and 355 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"); (ii) the SMI newspaper distribution will qualify as a distribution described in Section 355 of the Code; (iii) with respect to the SMI newspaper distribution, the Scripps Spinco common stock will be treated as "qualified property" for purposes of Section 361(c)(2) of the Code; (iv) the Scripps newspaper contribution and the Scripps newspaper spin-off will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Sections 368(a)(1)(D) and 355 of the Code; (v) the Scripps newspaper spin-off will qualify as a distribution described in Section 355 of the Code; (vi) with respect to the Scripps newspaper spin-off, the Scripps Spinco common stock will be treated as "qualified property" for purposes of Section 361(c)(2) of the Code; (vii) the exchange of Scripps Spinco common stock for Journal Media Group common stock pursuant to the Scripps newspaper merger will qualify as an exchange described in Section 351 of the Code and/or a reorganization described in Sections 368(a)(1)(B) and/or 368(a)(2)(E) of the Code; and (viii) the broadcast merger will qualify as a reorganization described in Section 368(a) of the Code.

The obligation of Journal to complete the transactions is conditioned upon the receipt by Journal of an opinion from Foley & Lardner LLP, counsel to Journal, to the effect that for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) the Journal newspaper contribution and the Journal newspaper spin-off will qualify as a reorganization within the meaning of Sections 368(a)(1)(D) and 355 of the Code; (ii) the Journal newspaper spin-off will qualify as a distribution described in Section 355 of the Code; (iii) the exchange of Journal Spinco common stock for Journal Media Group common stock pursuant to the Journal newspaper merger will qualify as an exchange described in Section 351 of the Code and/or a reorganization described in Sections 368(a)(1)(B) and/or 368(a)(2)(E) of the Code; and (iv) the broadcast merger will qualify as a reorganization described in Section 368(a) of the Code. As a result of the application of Section 355(e), at the corporate level Journal will recognize gain but not loss on the distribution of shares of Journal Spinco common stock to the extent the fair market value of such shares exceeds Journal's tax basis in such shares.

For a more detailed summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the mergers and for definitions of certain terms used above, see "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions" beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

Q: Who will serve as the exchange agent?

A: Computershare. As exchange agent, it will (i) credit to Scripps and Journal shareholders their shares in Journal Media Group in connection with the newspaper spin-offs and the newspaper mergers; (ii) credit to Journal shareholders who hold their shares in book-entry form their Scripps class A common shares to which they are entitled in connection with the broadcast merger; and (iii) credit to Journal shareholders who hold their shares of Journal class A common stock in certificated form Scripps class A common shares in book-entry form to which they are entitled in connection with the broadcast merger upon submission of properly completed letters of transmittal and certificates for Journal class A common stock.

Q: Whom should I contact if I have any questions about voting?

A: If you have any questions about the proxy materials or if you need assistance submitting your proxy or voting your shares or need additional copies of this document or the enclosed proxy card, the contacts are as follows:

If you are a Journal shareholder, you should contact MacKenzie Partners, Inc., the proxy solicitation agent for Journal, at 105 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016, (212) \_\_\_\_\_ or by email at \_\_\_\_\_.  
Banks and brokerage firms should contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ or by email at \_\_\_\_\_.

If you are a Scripps shareholder, you should contact Julie McGehee at Scripps, at (513) 977-3000 or by email at [julie.mcgehee@scripps.com](mailto:julie.mcgehee@scripps.com) with any questions.

## SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information contained elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and may not contain all the information that may be important to you. Accordingly, we encourage you to read this joint proxy statement/prospectus carefully and in its entirety, including its annexes and the documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Page references have been included in this summary to direct you to a more complete description of the topics summarized below. See “Where You Can Find More Information” beginning on page —.

References to “Scripps” are references to The E. W. Scripps Company. References to “Journal” are references to Journal Communications, Inc. References to “we” or “our” and other first person references in this joint proxy statement/prospectus refer to Scripps or Journal, as the case may be, before completion of the transactions. References to the “transactions,” unless the context requires otherwise, mean the transactions contemplated by the master agreement, taken as a whole.

### Terminology

In this proxy statement/prospectus, we refer to the:

contribution by Journal to Journal Spinco of \$10.0 million in cash prior to the Journal newspaper spin-off as the “Journal cash contribution”;

contribution by Scripps Media to Scripps Spinco of all of the issued and outstanding membership interests of Scripps Newspapers LLC as the “SMI newspaper contribution”;

distribution by Scripps Media to Scripps of all of the issued and outstanding common stock of Scripps Spinco as the “SMI newspaper distribution”;

contribution by Scripps to Scripps Spinco of Scripps newspaper assets and the assumption by Scripps Spinco of the Scripps newspaper liabilities as the “Scripps newspaper contribution”;

contribution by Journal to Journal Spinco of the Journal cash contribution and all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each of Journal Sentinel, Inc. and Journal Community Publishing Group, Inc. as the “Journal newspaper contribution”;

distribution of the stock of Scripps Spinco (as defined below in “Parties to the Transactions”), as the “Scripps newspaper spin-off”;

distribution of the stock of Journal Spinco (as defined below in “Parties to the Transactions”), as the “Journal newspaper spin-off”;

the Scripps newspaper spin-off and the Journal newspaper spin-off together, as the “newspaper spin-offs”;

the merger of Scripps Spinco with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group, as the “Scripps newspaper merger”;

the merger of Journal Spinco with a wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group, as the “Journal newspaper merger”;

the Scripps newspaper merger and the Journal newspaper merger together, as the “newspaper mergers”;

the merger of Journal into a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps, as the “broadcast merger”; and

the aggregate \$60.0 million dividend to be paid by Scripps to its shareholders immediately prior to completion of the broadcast merger, as the “Scripps special dividend.”

#### Parties to the Transactions

The E. W. Scripps Company. The E.W. Scripps Company, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, serves audiences and businesses through a portfolio of television, print and digital media brands. Scripps owns 21 local television stations as well as

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daily newspapers in 13 markets across the United States. It also runs an expanding collection of local and national digital journalism and information businesses. Following completion of the transactions, Scripps will own and operate television and radio stations serving twenty-seven markets and reaching 18% of U.S. television households, making it the fifth largest independent television group in the country.

Scripps class A common shares are traded on the NYSE under the trading symbol “SSP.” Scripps’ principal executive office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Additional information about Scripps and its subsidiaries is included in the documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See “Where You Can Find More Information” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

Journal Communications, Inc. Journal Communications, Inc., headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is a diversified media company with operations in television and radio broadcasting, newspaper publishing and digital media. Journal owns and operates or provides services to 14 television stations and 35 radio stations in 11 states. In addition, Journal publishes the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, which serves as the only major daily newspaper for the metro-Milwaukee area, and several community newspapers in Wisconsin.

Journal class A common stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol “JRN.” Journal’s headquarters are located at 333 West State Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203 (telephone number: (414) 224-2000).

Additional information about Journal and its subsidiaries is included in the documents incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See “Where You Can Find More Information” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

Journal Media Group. Incorporated originally as Boat NP Newco, Inc., Journal Media Group is a Wisconsin corporation currently owned equally by Scripps and Journal. Journal Media Group has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Journal Media Group will be the parent company of Scripps Spinco, which will operate what is now the Scripps newspaper business, and Journal Spinco, which will operate what is now the Journal newspaper business. Scripps shareholders will hold 59%, and Journal shareholders 41%, of the outstanding capital stock of Journal Media Group at the completion of the transactions. The common stock of Journal Media Group is expected to be listed for trading on the NYSE under the symbol “JMG.” Journal Media Group’s office is located at 333 West State Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203 (telephone number: (414) 224-2000).

Scripps Media, Inc. Scripps Media, Inc., which we sometimes refer to as “Scripps Media,” is a Delaware corporation and a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps. Scripps Media owns and operates all of our broadcast television stations and all but two of our newspapers. The newspapers that are not operated by Scripps Media are owned by subsidiaries that are majority owned by Scripps. Following the completion of the transactions, Scripps Media will continue to be a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps and will continue to own the broadcast television stations that it currently owns. Scripps Media’s office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Desk Spinco, Inc. Desk Spinco, Inc., which we sometimes refer to as “Scripps Spinco” is a Wisconsin corporation and a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps Media. Scripps Spinco has been formed solely to effect the spin-off of the newspaper business of Scripps and facilitate the subsequent combination of the newspaper businesses of Scripps and Journal. Scripps Spinco has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Scripps Spinco will be a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group owning and operating what is now the Scripps newspaper business. Scripps Spinco’s office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Scripps NP Operating, LLC. Scripps NP Operating, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company (formerly known as Desk NP Operating, LLC), which we sometimes refer to as “Scripps Newspapers LLC,” is a wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps Media. Scripps Newspapers LLC was formed solely to facilitate the spin-off of the Scripps newspaper business. Following the completion of the transactions, Scripps Newspapers LLC will continue to be a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps Spinco. Scripps Newspapers LLC has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Scripps Newspapers LLC’s office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Desk BC Merger, LLC. Desk BC Merger, LLC, which we sometimes refer to as “Scripps Broadcast Merger Sub,” is a Wisconsin limited liability company and wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps. Scripps Broadcast Merger Sub was formed solely to effect the combination of the broadcast businesses of Scripps and Journal through the merger of Journal into Scripps



Broadcast Merger Sub following the spin-offs and combination of the newspaper businesses of Scripps and Journal. Scripps Broadcast Merger Sub has not carried out any activities to date, except activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Scripps Broadcast Merger Sub will be a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Scripps owning and operating what is now the Journal broadcast business. Scripps Broadcast Merger Sub's office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Boat Spinco, Inc. Boat Spinco, Inc., which we sometimes refer to as "Journal Spinco," is a Wisconsin corporation that is a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Journal. Journal Spinco has been formed to effect the spin-off of Journal's newspaper business and facilitate the subsequent combination of the Scripps and Journal newspaper businesses. Journal Spinco has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Journal Spinco will be a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group and will operate what is now the Journal newspaper business. Journal Spinco's office is located at 333 West State Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203 (telephone number: (414) 224-2000).

Desk NP Merger Co. Desk NP Merger Co., which we sometimes refer to as "Scripps Newspaper Merger Sub," is a Wisconsin corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group. Scripps Newspaper Merger Sub was formed solely to effect the combination of the Scripps and Journal newspaper businesses. Scripps Newspaper Merger Sub has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Scripps Newspaper Merger Sub will cease to exist. Scripps Newspaper Merger Sub's office is located at 312 Walnut Street, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (telephone number: (513) 977-3000).

Boat NP Merger Co. Boat NP Merger Co., which we sometimes refer to as "Journal Newspaper Merger Sub," is a Wisconsin corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Journal Media Group. Journal Newspaper Merger Sub was formed solely to effect the combination of the Scripps and Journal newspaper businesses. Journal Newspaper Merger Sub has not carried out any activities to date, except for activities incidental to its formation or the transactions contemplated by the master agreement. Following completion of the transactions, Journal Newspaper Merger Sub will cease to exist. Journal Newspaper Merger Sub's office is located at 333 West State Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203 (telephone number: (414) 224-2000).

The Transactions (Page \_\_\_\_)

On July 30, 2014, Scripps and Journal entered into the master agreement with Scripps Media, Inc., Desk Spinco, Inc., Scripps NP Operating, LLC, Desk BC Merger, LLC, Boat Spinco, Inc., Boat NP Newco, Inc., Desk NP Merger Co., and Boat NP Merger Co.

Newspaper Mergers. Following certain internal contributions and distributions by Scripps and Journal, which are discussed in more detail in this joint proxy statement/prospectus at "The Master Transaction Agreement - Scripps Internal Transactions" and "- Journal Internal Transactions" at page \_\_\_\_, and which are illustrated in detail in Annex C to this joint proxy statement/prospectus, Scripps will spin-off Scripps Spinco to its shareholders, and Journal will spin-off Journal Spinco to its shareholders. Pursuant to the master agreement, the shares of Scripps Spinco and Journal Spinco will not be distributed to Scripps shareholders or Journal shareholders, but will be held by the exchange agent for the benefit of Scripps and Journal shareholders until those shares are exchanged for shares of common stock of Journal Media Group in connection with the newspaper mergers. In the Scripps newspaper merger, each share of common stock of Scripps Spinco will automatically be converted into 0.2500 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group. In the Journal newspaper merger, each share of Journal Spinco common stock will be converted into 0.1950 shares of common stock of Journal Media Group.

Each share of Journal Media Group stock will be issued in accordance with, and subject to the rights and obligations set forth in the articles of incorporation of Journal Media Group. For a comparison of the rights and privileges of a holder of stock of Journal Media Group to the rights and privileges of a holder of Scripps class A common shares or common voting shares and a holder of Journal class A or class B common stock, please see “Comparison of Shareholder Rights” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

Upon completion of the newspaper mergers, Journal Media Group common stock is expected to be listed for trading on the NYSE under ticker symbol, “JMG.” The former Scripps shareholders will hold approximately 59%, and the former Journal shareholders will hold approximately 41%, of the outstanding common stock of Journal Media Group, calculated on a fully-diluted basis, immediately following the newspaper mergers. The structure of the newspaper spin-offs and the newspaper mergers is depicted below.

Pre-Spin Structure

Spin-Offs of Scripps Spinco and Journal Spinco

Mergers of Scripps Spinco and Journal Spinco  
Structure Following Newspaper Mergers

Broadcast Transaction. In the broadcast merger, each share of class A and class B common stock of Journal will automatically be converted into 0.5176 class A common shares of Scripps. Each class A common share of Scripps will be issued to Journal shareholders in accordance with, and subject to the rights and obligations set forth in, the articles of incorporation of Scripps. For a comparison of the rights and privileges of a holder of Scripps class A common shares to the

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rights and privileges of a holder of class A and class B common stock of Journal or Scripps common voting shares, please see “Comparison of Shareholder Rights” beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_. The structure of the broadcast merger is depicted below.

Merger of Journal into a Scripps Subsidiary

Scripps Structure Following Broadcast Merger

Scripps’ Reasons for the Transactions and Recommendation of Scripps’ Board of Directors (Page \_\_\_\_)

Scripps’ Board of Directors has determined that the transactions contemplated by the master agreement are advisable, fair to and in the best interests of Scripps and its shareholders, and has unanimously approved the master agreement and related agreements. The Scripps Board of Directors considered many factors in making its determination. For a discussion of these factors, see “The Transactions - Scripps’ Reasons for the Transactions and Recommendation of Scripps’ Board of Directors” beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_. The Scripps Board of Directors unanimously recommends that holders of common voting shares vote “FOR” the Scripps amendment proposal and “FOR” the Scripps share issuance proposal.

Journal’s Reasons for the Transactions and Recommendation of Journal’s Board of Directors (Page \_\_\_\_)

Journal’s Board of Directors has determined that the transactions contemplated by the master agreement are advisable, fair to and in the best interests of Journal and its shareholders, and has unanimously approved the master agreement and related

agreements. The Journal Board of Directors considered many factors in making its determination. For a discussion of these factors, see “The Transactions - Journal’s Reasons for the Transactions and Recommendation of Journal’s Board of Directors” beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_. The Journal Board of Directors unanimously recommends that holders of Journal class A common stock and Journal class B common stock vote “FOR” the Journal spin-off proposal, “FOR” the Journal merger proposal, “FOR” the Journal compensation proposal and “FOR” the Journal adjournment proposal.

Opinions of Scripps’ Financial Advisor (Page \_\_\_\_)

On July 30, 2014, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, which we refer to as “Wells Fargo Securities”, delivered written opinions to the Board of Directors of Scripps to the effect that, as of July 30, 2014, and based on and subject to various assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken by Wells Fargo Securities in connection with the opinions, the experience of its investment bankers and other factors it deemed relevant, (i) the broadcast exchange ratio pursuant to the master agreement was fair, from a financial point of view, to Scripps and (ii) the Scripps newspaper exchange ratio in connection with the Scripps newspaper merger pursuant to the master agreement was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of Scripps common shares who receive shares of Scripps Spinco common stock pursuant to the Scripps newspaper spin-off.

The full text of the written opinions of Wells Fargo Securities sets forth, among other things, assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken by Wells Fargo Securities in connection with such opinions. The written opinions are attached as Annex D to this joint proxy statement/prospectus and are incorporated by reference in their entirety into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. Wells Fargo Securities provided its opinions for the information and use of the Board of Directors of Scripps in connection with its evaluation of the transactions. Wells Fargo Securities’ opinions only address the fairness, from a financial point of view, (i) to Scripps of the broadcast exchange ratio pursuant to the master agreement and (ii) to holders of Scripps common shares who receive shares of Scripps Spinco common stock pursuant to the Scripps newspaper spin-off of the Scripps newspaper exchange ratio in connection with the Scripps newspaper merger pursuant to the master agreement, in each case, to the extent expressly specified in its opinions, and does not address any other terms or aspects of the transactions. Wells Fargo Securities’ opinions do not address the merits of the underlying decision by Scripps to enter into the master agreement or the relative merits of the transactions or contemplated financings compared with other business strategies or transactions available or that have been or might be considered by the management or the Board of Directors of Scripps or in which Scripps might engage. Wells Fargo Securities’ opinions did not and do not constitute a recommendation as to how any holder of Scripps common voting shares should vote with respect to the issuance of Scripps class A common shares in the broadcast merger pursuant to the transactions and the master agreement or any other matter. You are encouraged to read the opinions in their entirety, which are attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus as Annex D, and the description thereof in the section titled “The Transactions - Opinions of Scripps’ Financial Advisor.”

Opinion of Journal’s Financial Advisor (Page \_\_\_\_)

In connection with the transactions, Journal’s financial advisor, Methuselah Advisors, which we refer to as “Methuselah,” delivered an opinion, dated July 30, 2014, to Journal’s Board of Directors as to the fairness, from a financial point of view and as of such date, of the Journal newspaper exchange ratio and the broadcast exchange ratio provided for in the newspaper mergers and the broadcast merger, viewed as a single integrated transaction, to holders of Journal common stock collectively as a group. The full text of Methuselah’s written opinion is attached to this joint proxy statement/prospectus as Annex E and sets forth, among other things, the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered and qualifications and limitations on the scope of review undertaken by Methuselah in connection with its opinion. Methuselah’s engagement and its opinion were for the benefit of Journal’s Board of Directors (in its capacity as such) and Methuselah’s opinion was rendered to Journal’s Board of Directors in connection with its evaluation of the newspaper mergers and the broadcast merger from a financial point of view and did not address any other aspects of the newspaper mergers or the broadcast merger. Methuselah’s opinion did not address the

merits of the underlying decision of Journal to engage in the newspaper mergers, the broadcast merger or related transactions or alternative business strategies in which Journal might engage. Methuselah's opinion was not intended to and does not constitute a recommendation to any shareholder as to how such shareholder should vote or act with respect to the newspaper mergers, the broadcast merger, any related transactions or any other matter.

Key Provisions of the Master Transaction Agreement (Page \_\_\_)

Conditions to the Closing of the Transactions. As more fully described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and as set forth in the master agreement, the closing of the transactions depends on a number of conditions being satisfied or waived. These conditions include:

• receipt of shareholder approval of the Scripps amendment proposal and the Scripps share issuance proposal;

• receipt of shareholder approval of the Journal spin-off proposal and the Journal merger proposal;

• the expiration of the waiting period, which we refer to as the “HSR waiting period,” under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, which we refer to as the “HSR Act,” with respect to which the United States Federal Trade Commission provided notice of early termination of such waiting period on September 2, 2014;

• the grant by the Federal Communications Commission, which we refer to as the “FCC,” of consent to the transfer of control to Scripps of broadcast licensee subsidiaries of Journal, which we refer to as the “FCC consent;”

• receipt of consents to assignment for certain material contracts; and

• receipt by each of Scripps and Journal of written opinions from its respective legal counsel with respect to certain federal income tax matters related to the transactions.

No Solicitation. As more fully described in this joint proxy statement/prospectus and as set forth in the master agreement, Scripps and Journal and their respective subsidiaries and representatives may not solicit competing acquisition proposals.

If, prior to the approval of the Journal spin-off proposal and Journal merger proposal by the Journal shareholders, Journal receives a bona fide unsolicited written acquisition proposal not resulting from a violation of the master agreement, and if the Board of Directors of Journal concludes in good faith that, (i) after consultation with outside legal counsel and a nationally recognized financial advisor that such proposal constitutes or is reasonably likely to result in a superior proposal for Journal and (ii) after consulting with its outside counsel, failing to take the following actions would be reasonably likely to be inconsistent with the Board of Directors’ fiduciary duties to Journal shareholders under applicable law, it may: (i) furnish information with respect to Journal and its subsidiaries to the person making such proposal and such person’s representatives and potential financing sources (subject to execution of a confidentiality agreement); and (ii) negotiate with such person regarding its proposal.

If, prior to approval of the Scripps amendment proposal and the Scripps share issuance proposal by the Scripps shareholders, Scripps receives a bona fide unsolicited written acquisition proposal not resulting from a violation of the master agreement, and if the Board of Directors of Scripps concludes in good faith that, (i) after consultation with outside legal counsel and a nationally recognized financial advisor that such proposal constitutes or is reasonably likely to result in a superior proposal for Scripps and (ii) after consulting with its outside counsel, failing to take the following actions would be reasonably likely to be inconsistent with the Board of Directors’ fiduciary duties to Scripps shareholders under applicable law, it may: (i) furnish information with respect to Scripps and its subsidiaries to the person making such proposal and such person’s representatives and potential financing sources (subject to execution of a confidentiality agreement); and (ii) negotiate with such person regarding its proposal.

Termination of the Master Transaction Agreement. The master agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the completion of the transactions by mutual written agreement of Scripps and Journal, or by either Scripps or Journal if (i) shareholders of either shall not have approved the proposals to be voted on at their special meetings; (ii) a court

order has been issued permanently prohibiting the transactions; or (iii) the closing of the transactions does not occur on or before September 30, 2015, which we refer to as the “end date.” The end date may be extended to December 31, 2015, at the request of either Journal or Scripps if the only condition not satisfied is the termination of the HSR waiting period or the receipt of the FCC consent. Additionally, either Scripps or Journal may terminate the master agreement if the other breaches its obligation not to solicit competing acquisition proposals or changes its board recommendation in favor of or accepts a superior proposal.

Termination Fee. Scripps or Journal, as the case may be, will be required to pay the other a termination fee of approximately \$15.8 million, plus expenses up to \$7.5 million if (i) the other breaches its obligations not to solicit competing acquisition proposals or changes its board recommendation; (ii) shareholders of the other do not approve the transactions and



within one year the other agrees to or completes a sale of its businesses to a third party whose acquisition proposal was pending at the time of the shareholder vote; or (iii) the other accepts or recommends to its shareholders a superior proposal. In certain circumstances, Scripps or Journal, as the case may be, must pay a termination fee equal only to expenses up to \$7.5 million, including where shareholders do not approve the transactions at the time of their special meeting and no competing proposal was pending.

For more information about termination rights and fees, see “The Master Transaction Agreement,” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

#### Amendment of Scripps Credit Facility and Termination of Journal Credit Facility (Page \_\_\_\_)

Scripps is a party to a \$275 million revolving credit and term loan agreement, which we refer to as the “Scripps credit facility.” Journal is a party to a revolving credit and term loan agreement with an initial capacity of \$350 million, which we refer to as the “Journal credit facility.”

Upon the closing of the transactions, Scripps expects the Scripps Credit Facility will be amended to (i) add incremental facilities consisting of a \$25 million increase in the revolving facility (resulting in a revolving facility of \$100 million after such increase) and a \$200 million incremental term loan, (ii) allow Scripps to complete the transactions, and (iii) make covenant modifications favorable to Scripps. The incremental term loan will be used to pay off the obligations under the Journal credit facility, which will be terminated at the closing of the transactions.

#### Regulatory Approvals (Page \_\_\_\_)

The closing of the transactions is conditioned on the expiration of the HSR waiting period, and receipt of the FCC consent. For additional information relating to regulatory approvals, see “The Transactions - Regulatory Approvals” beginning on page \_\_\_\_, and “The Master Transaction Agreement - Other Covenants and Agreements - Efforts to Consummate the Transactions” beginning on page \_\_\_\_.

#### Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions (Page \_\_\_\_)

Subject to the limitations and qualifications described in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions,” for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (i) no gain or loss will be recognized by, or be includible in the income of, a U.S. Holder (as defined in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions”) of Scripps common shares as a result of the Scripps newspaper contribution, Scripps newspaper spin-off, Scripps newspaper merger, or broadcast merger, except with respect to any cash received by Scripps shareholders in lieu of fractional shares of Journal Media Group, and (ii) no gain or loss will be recognized by, or be includible in the income of, a U.S. Holder of Journal common stock as a result of the Journal newspaper contribution, Journal newspaper spin-off, Journal newspaper merger, or broadcast merger, except with respect to any cash received by (a) Journal shareholders in lieu of fractional shares of Journal Media Group or Scripps and (b) holders of Journal class B common stock in connection with the exercise of dissenters’ rights.

A U.S. Holder of Scripps common shares or Journal common stock who receives cash in lieu of a fractional share will be treated as having sold such fractional share for the amount of cash received and generally will recognize capital gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of such cash received and such shareholder’s adjusted tax basis in the fractional share. That gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the shareholder’s holding period for its Scripps common shares or Journal common stock, as relevant, exceeds one year.

A holder of Journal class B common stock who receives cash in connection with the exercise of dissenters’ rights will recognize capital gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of such cash received and such

shareholder's adjusted tax basis in its class B common stock. That gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the shareholder's holding period for its Journal class B common stock exceeds one year.

The cash received by a Scripps shareholder in the Scripps special dividend with respect to a Scripps common share generally will be treated in the following manner:

first as a taxable dividend to the extent of the pro rata share of Scripps' current and accumulated earnings and profits that is allocable to the Scripps common share, if any (as of September 30, 2014, Scripps had no current or accumulated earnings and profits, and Scripps is excepted not to have any current or accumulated earnings or profits for the taxable year in which the distribution is made);

then as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of such shareholder's tax basis in the Scripps share; and thereafter as capital gain with respect to any remaining value.

Subject to the limitations and qualifications described in "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Transactions," no gain or loss will be recognized by, or includible in the income of, Scripps or Scripps Spinco as a result of the Scripps newspaper contribution, Scripps newspaper spin-off, Scripps newspaper merger, or broadcast merger. No gain or loss will be recognized by, or includible in the income of, Journal or Journal Spinco as a result of the Journal newspaper contribution, Journal newspaper merger, or broadcast merger. As a result of the application of Section 355(e), in the Journal newspaper spin-off, at the corporate level, Journal will recognize gain but not loss on the distribution of shares of Journal Spinco common stock to the extent the fair market value of such shares exceeds Journal's tax basis in such shares.

#### Officers and Directors of Journal Media Group and Scripps after the Transactions (Page \_\_\_)

Upon the closing of the transactions:

the Board of Directors of Journal Media Group is expected to consist of seven members including Mary Ellen Stanek and Jonathan Newcomb, each of whom are current non-employee independent directors of Journal, and Stuart Aitken, a new independent director;

Steven J. Smith, currently Chairman and CEO of Journal, will become the non-executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of Journal Media Group;

Timothy E. Stautberg, currently Senior Vice President, Newspapers of Scripps, will become the President and Chief Executive Officer of Journal Media Group and a member of the Board of Directors of Journal Media Group;

Jason R. Graham, currently Senior Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Journal, will become Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Journal Media Group;

Elizabeth F. Brenner, currently Chief Operating Officer of Journal Publishing Group and an Executive Vice President of Journal, will become Vice President, Regional Publisher of Journal Media Group and President and Publisher of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel; and

Marty V. Ozolins, currently Vice President and Corporate Controller of Journal, will become Vice President and Controller of Journal Media Group.

For a further description of the governance of Journal Media Group following the closing of the transactions, see "Description of Capital Stock of Journal Media Group" beginning on page \_\_\_, "Comparison of Shareholders Rights" beginning on page \_\_\_ and "The Master Transaction Agreement - Directors and Officers of Journal Media Group" beginning on page \_\_\_.

Upon the closing of the transactions, the officers and directors of Scripps will continue in their current positions, with the exception of Mr. Stautberg, and no officer or director of Scripps or member of the Scripps family will be an officer or director of Journal Media Group.

#### Interests of Scripps' Directors and Officers in the Transactions (Page \_\_\_)

Scripps shareholders should be aware that the directors and executive officers of Scripps, including Timothy E. Stautberg, may have interests in the transactions that are different from, or are in addition to, the interests of Scripps shareholders generally. Mr. Stautberg is Scripps' Senior Vice President, Newspapers and will become the President and Chief Executive Officer of Journal Media Group and a member of the Board of Directors of Journal Media Group following completion of the transactions. For a description of the treatment of equity compensation held by directors and executive officers of Scripps in the transactions, see "The Master Transaction Agreement - Treatment of Stock Options and Other Stock-Based Awards" beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_. For additional information on the interests of Scripps' directors and executive officers in the transactions, see "The Transactions - Interests of Scripps' Directors and Officers in the Transactions" beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_. The Scripps Board of Directors was aware of these interests during its deliberations on the merits of the transactions and in deciding to recommend that Scripps shareholders vote for the Scripps amendment proposal and the Scripps share issuance proposal.

Interests of Journal's Directors and Officers in the Transactions (Page \_\_\_)

Journal shareholders should be aware that some of the directors and executive officers of Journal and Steven J. Smith, as both an executive officer and director of Journal, may have interests in the transactions that are different from, or are in addition to, the interests of Journal shareholders generally. These interests include designation as a director or executive officer of Journal Media Group following the completion of the transactions, and, in the case of certain executive officers, eligibility for certain severance or "change in control" payments. In addition, some of the non-employee independent directors of Journal may have an interest in designation or potential designation as directors of Journal Media Group. For a description of the treatment of equity awards held by directors and executive officers of Journal in the transactions, see "The Master Transaction Agreement - Treatment of Stock Options and Other Stock-Based Awards" beginning on page \_\_\_. For additional information on the interests of Journal's directors and officers in the transactions, see "The Transactions - Interests of Journal's Directors and Officers in the Transactions." The Journal Board of Directors was aware of these interests during its deliberations on the merits of the transactions and in deciding to recommend that Journal shareholders vote for the Journal spin-off proposal and the Journal merger proposal.

Voting by Scripps' Directors and Executive Officers (Page \_\_\_)

As of \_\_\_\_\_, certain directors of Scripps beneficially owned, in the aggregate, \_\_\_\_\_ common voting shares, representing approximately \_\_\_% of the outstanding common voting shares. No other director or any officer of Scripps owns any common voting shares. For additional information regarding the votes required to approve the proposals to be voted on at the Scripps special meeting, see "The Scripps Special Meeting - Vote Required" beginning on page \_\_. These directors have informed Scripps that they currently intend to vote all of their common voting shares "FOR" the Scripps amendment proposal and "FOR" the Scripps share issuance proposal.

Voting by Journal's Directors and Executive Officers (Page \_\_\_)

As of \_\_\_\_\_, the directors and executive officers of Journal beneficially owned, in the aggregate, \_\_\_\_\_ shares (or approximately \_\_\_%) of the Journal class A common stock and \_\_\_\_\_ shares (or approximately \_\_\_%) of the Journal class B common stock, representing approximately \_\_\_% of the voting power on all matters submitted to a vote of the holders of Journal class A and its class B common stock. For additional information regarding the vote required to approve the proposals to be voted on at the Journal special meeting, see "The Journal Special Meeting" beginning on page \_\_. The directors and executive officers of Journal have informed Journal that they currently intend to vote all of their Journal class A common stock and Journal class B common stock "FOR" the Journal spin proposal, "FOR" the Journal merger proposal and "FOR" the Journal compensation proposal and "FOR" the Journal adjournment proposal.

Dissenters' Rights (Page \_\_\_)

Scripps. Scripps shareholders will not have dissenters' rights with respect to the transactions.

Journal. Holders of Journal class B common stock have dissenters' rights with respect to the broadcast merger. Holders of Journal class A common stock do not have any dissenters' rights with respect to the transactions.

## SUMMARY SELECTED HISTORICAL AND PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF SCRIPPS AND JOURNAL

We are providing the following summary selected financial data of Scripps and Journal as well as pro forma financial data of Scripps to help you in your analysis of the financial aspects of the transactions. We derived this information from the audited and unaudited financial statements of Scripps and Journal and from the condensed combined pro forma financial statements of Scripps included elsewhere in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. You should read this information in conjunction with the other financial information and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in this joint proxy statement/prospectus. See also "Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information" and "Index to Newspaper Carve-Out Financial Statements."

### THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY SELECTED HISTORICAL FINANCIAL DATA

Set forth below are selected consolidated financial data for Scripps for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2013. The selected financial data as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 are derived from consolidated financial statements of Scripps, audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, included in the Scripps Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The selected financial data for Scripps as of September 30, 2014 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, are derived from Scripps' unaudited interim condensed financial statements contained in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The selected financial data for Scripps as of September 30, 2013 is derived from unaudited financial statements of Scripps not incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The financial statement data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 are derived from the audited financial statements of Scripps previously filed by Scripps with the SEC.

The financial data provided below is only a summary, and you should read it in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements of Scripps and the related notes contained in Scripps' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus, Scripps' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus, and within the annual reports and the other information that Scripps has previously filed with the SEC. See "Where You Can Find More Information."

(in millions, except per share data)	Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2014 (1)	2013 (1)	
<b>Summary of Operations</b>			
Operating revenues:			
Television	\$339	\$308	
Newspapers	275	281	
Syndication and other	9	7	
Total operating revenues	\$623	\$596	
Segment profit (loss):			
Television	\$79	\$66	
Newspapers	15	15	
Syndication and other	(1	) —	
Shared services and corporate	(39	) (38	)
Depreciation and amortization of intangibles	(37	) (36	)
Gains (losses), net on disposals of property, plant and equipment	3	—	
Defined benefit pension plan expense	(9	) (7	)
Acquisition and related integration costs	(9	) —	
Separation and restructuring costs	—	(4	)
Interest expense	(6	) (8	)
Miscellaneous, net	(1	) (4	)
Benefit for income taxes	—	7	
Loss from continuing operations	\$(5	) \$(8	)
Per Share Data			
Loss from continuing operations - diluted	\$(0.09	) \$(0.15	)
Cash dividends	\$—	\$—	
Balance Sheet Data			
Total assets	\$978	\$964	
Long-term debt (including current portion)	199	184	
Equity	537	505	

Certain totals may not foot since each amount is rounded independently.

#### Notes to Selected Financial Data

Operating revenues and segment profit (loss) represent the revenues and the profitability measures used to evaluate the operating performance of our business segments in accordance with GAAP.

- (1) On June 16, 2014, we acquired the two television stations group owned by Granite Broadcasting Corporation. Operating results are included for period after the acquisition.

(in millions, except per share data)	For the years ended December 31,				
	2013 (1)	2012 (1)	2011 (1)	2010 (1)	2009 (1)
<b>Summary of Operations (3)</b>					
<b>Operating revenues:</b>					
Television	\$423	\$494	\$301	\$321	\$255
Newspapers	385	399	414	435	455
Syndication and other	10	10	14	21	22
Total operating revenues	\$817	\$903	\$729	\$777	\$732
<b>Segment profit (loss):</b>					
Television	\$100	\$160	\$52	\$77	\$26
Newspapers	28	28	26	56	62
Syndication and other	—	—	(1	) (2	) —
Shared services and corporate	(53	) (40	) (30	) (33	) (26
Depreciation and amortization of intangibles	(48	) (49	) (40	) (45	) (44
Impairment of goodwill, indefinite and long-lived assets (2)	—	—	(9	) —	(216
(Losses) gains, net on disposals of property, plant and equipment	—	—	—	(1	) —
Defined benefit pension plan expense	(9	) (9	) (8	) (7	) (21
Acquisition and related integration costs (2)	—	(6	) (3	) —	—
Separation and restructuring costs	(5	) (9	) (10	) (13	) (10
Interest expense	(10	) (12	) (2	) (4	) (3
Miscellaneous, net (2)	(12	) (5	) (1	) 2	1
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	8	(17	) 10	(1	) 32
(Loss) income from continuing operations	\$(1	) \$40	\$(16	) \$29	\$(199
<b>Per Share Data</b>					
(Loss) income from continuing operations - diluted	\$(0.01	) \$0.69	\$(0.27	) \$0.45	\$(3.69
Cash dividends	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>					
Total assets	\$966	\$1,031	\$971	\$828	\$786
Long-term debt (including current portion)	200	196	212	—	36
Equity	548	540	517	592	433

Certain totals may not foot since each amount is rounded independently.



Notes to Selected Financial Data

Operating revenues and segment profit (loss) represent the revenues and the profitability measures used to evaluate the operating performance of our business segments in accordance with GAAP.

- (1) On December 30, 2011, we acquired the television station group owned by McGraw-Hill Broadcasting, Inc. Operating results are included for periods after the acquisition.

- (2) 2013 — A \$4.5 million non-cash loss was recorded on disposition of certain investments and to reduce the carrying value of certain investments. A \$4.6 million non-cash charge was recorded to write-off unamortized deferred loan fees and costs as a result of the debt refinance in the fourth quarter.

2012 — A \$6 million non-cash charge was incurred to terminate the McGraw-Hill stations' national representation agreement.

2011 — A \$9 million non-cash charge was recorded to reduce the carrying value of long-lived assets at four of our newspapers.

2009 — A \$216 million non-cash charge was recorded to reduce the carrying value of our television segment's goodwill and indefinite-lived assets.

- (3) The five-year summary of operations excludes the operating results of the following entities and the gains (losses) on their divestiture as they are accounted for as discontinued operations:

2010 — Completed the sale of United Feature Syndicate, Inc. character licensing business for \$175 million in cash. We recorded a \$162 million pre-tax gain which is included in discontinued operations.

2009 — Closed the Rocky Mountain News in 2009. Under the terms of an agreement with MediaNews Group (MNG), we transferred our interests in the Denver JOA to MNG in the third quarter of 2009. We recorded no gain or loss on the transfer of our interest in the Denver JOA to MNG.

JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
SELECTED HISTORICAL FINANCIAL DATA

Set forth below are selected consolidated financial data for Journal for each of the five years in the period ended December 29, 2013. The selected financial data as of December 29, 2013 and December 30, 2012 and for the years ended December 29, 2013, December 30, 2012 and December 25, 2011 are derived from consolidated financial statements of Journal, audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, included in Journal's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 24, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus.

The selected financial data as of and for the three quarters ended September 28, 2014 are derived from unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Journal included in Journal's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 28, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus. The financial statement data as of December 25, 2011, December 26, 2010 and December 27, 2009 and for the years ended December 26, 2010, and December, 27, 2009 are derived from the financial statements of Journal previously filed by Journal with the SEC, and the financial statement data as of September 29, 2013 are derived from unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Journal previously filed by Journal with the SEC.

The financial data provided below is only a summary, and you should read it in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements of Journal and the related notes contained in Journal's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 28, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus and Journal's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 24, 2014, which is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement/prospectus, and within the annual reports and the other information that Journal has previously filed with the SEC. See "Where You Can Find More Information."

(in thousands, except per share data)	Three Quarters Ended	
	September 28, 2014	September 29, 2013
<b>Summary of Operations</b>		
Operating revenues:		
Total operating revenues	\$306,449	\$289,901
Operating costs and expenses	262,878	258,509
Operating earnings	43,571	31,392
Total other income and (expense)	(4,656)	(6,117)
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes	38,915	25,275
Provision for income taxes	15,259	10,104
Earnings from continuing operations	\$23,656	\$15,171
<b>Per Share Data</b>		
Class A and B earnings from continuing operations - diluted	\$0.59	\$0.30
<b>Cash dividends</b>		
Class A	\$—	\$—
Class B	\$—	\$—
<b>Segment Data</b>		
Revenue		
Television	\$140,868	\$121,478
Radio	57,021	56,288
Publishing	108,920	112,717
Corporate	(360)	(582)
Total Segment Data	\$306,449	\$289,901
<b>Operating earnings (loss)</b>		
Television	\$36,010	\$20,501
Radio	10,246	9,736
Publishing	5,823	7,141
Corporate	(8,508)	(5,986)
Total Segment Data	\$43,571	\$31,392
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Total assets	\$569,172	\$608,511
Long-term debt (including current portion)	143,789	221,095
Equity	282,045	223,546

(in thousands, except per share data)	2013 (1)	2012 (1)	2011 (1)	2010 (1)	2009 (1)
<b>Summary of Operations</b>					
<b>Operating revenues:</b>					
Revenue	\$397,267	\$393,118	\$351,452	\$370,942	\$360,079
Operating costs and expenses	345,951	332,771	311,175	318,726	329,837