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## Alcentra announces successful completion of warranted loan investment in CorpAcq plc

London, 27 August, 2013 – Sub-investment grade corporate credit specialist Alcentra Limited, part of BNY Mellon, has invested in CorpAcq plc, a South Manchester-based company committed to the acquisition and investment in established, strong asset backed, profitable and cash generative owner-managed enterprises.

Headquartered in Altrincham and founded in 2006, CorpAcq has grown its business to manage eight portfolio companies representing more than £70m in revenues in the year ending December 2012.

The warranted loan investment transaction was underwritten by Alcentra and co-arranged with privatedebt fund Prefequity LLP. Graeme Delaney-Smith and Frédéric Méreau of the European Direct Lending and Mezzanine Investments team will represent Alcentra on the company's Board of Directors.

**Graeme Delaney-Smith**, **Head of European Direct Lending and Mezzanine Investments** at **Alcentra** said: "Our investment will allow CorpAcq plc to pursue its strategy through new acquisitions and add-ons to its existing portfolio. The transaction is consistent with our investment strategy based on strong downside protection combined with the ability to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns through warrants. We will also consider follow-on funding.

"The deal follows investments in LM Funerals, Kedleston and Parabis and is another example of our commitment to a UK direct lending strategy."

Alcentra has been sourcing and arranging financing to middle market businesses since its launch in 2003. To date the company has invested over €1.7bn in 81 middle market transactions across senior debt, second lien, mezzanine and equity co-investments.

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Notes to editors:

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