# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

# FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) May 4, 2020

# WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-3932 (Commission File Number) 38-1490038 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2000 North M-63,

Benton Harbor, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

49022-2692 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (269) 923-5000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Soliciting material pursuant to rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Dere-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Dere-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered		on which registered
Common stock, par value \$1.00 per share	WHR	Chicago Stock Exchange	and	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Contract

On May 7, 2020, Whirlpool Corporation (the "Company"), closed its offering of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 (the "Notes"), in a public offering pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-224381), and a preliminary prospectus supplement and prospectus supplement related to the offering of the Notes, each as previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The proceeds from the Notes offering, in combination with the Company's recently executed 364-day revolving credit facility, have boosted the Company's already strong liquidity position by \$1 billion; such Notes offering proceeds will be used to repay outstanding borrowing amounts under the Company's revolving credit facility.

The Notes were issued under an indenture (the "Indenture"), dated March 20, 2000, between the Company, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.), as trustee, as supplemented by a Certificate of Designated Officers establishing the terms and providing for the issuance of the Notes, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 hereto. The sale of the Notes was made pursuant to the terms of an Underwriting Agreement, dated May 4, 2020 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), among the Company, as issuer, and BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Mizuho Securities USA LLC, MUFG Securities Americas Inc. and SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters in connection with the offering and sales of the Notes.

As provided above, the Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes to repay outstanding borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility, as amended and restated, dated as of August 6, 2019, among the Company, certain other borrowers, the lenders referred to therein, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as administrative agent and Citibank, N.A., as syndication agent.

Kirkland & Ellis LLP, U.S. counsel to the Company, has issued an opinion to the Company, dated May 7, 2020, regarding certain legal matters with respect to the Notes. A copy of this opinion is filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto. On May 5, 2020, the Company filed a pricing supplement with the Commission relating to the Notes.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement and Certificate of Designated Officers does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of each of the foregoing, which are filed with this report as Exhibits 1.1 and 4.1, respectively. Each of the foregoing documents is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation of a Registrant.

The information set forth under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
Exhibit 1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated May 4, 2020, among the Company, BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Mizuho Securities USA LLC, MUFG Securities Americas Inc. and SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.
Exhibit 4.1	Certificate of Designated Officers of Whirlpool Corporation, dated May 7, 2020.
Exhibit 5.1	Opinion of Kirkland & Ellis LLP.
Exhibit 23.1	Consent of Kirkland & Ellis LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).
Exhibit 104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

#### Website Disclosure

We routinely post important information for investors on our website, whirlpoolcorp.com, in the "Investors" section. We also intend to update the Hot Topics Q&A portion of this webpage as a means of disclosing material, non-public information and for complying with our disclosure obligations under Regulation FD. Accordingly, investors should monitor the Investors section of our website, in addition to following our press releases, SEC filings, public conference calls, presentations and webcasts. The information contained on, or that may be accessed through, our webpage is not incorporated by reference into, and is not a part of, this document.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 7, 2020 WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

By: <u>/s/ JAMES W. PETERS</u>

Name: James W. Peters

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# \$500,000,000 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

#### **Underwriting Agreement**

May 4, 2020

BNP Paribas Securities Corp. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Mizuho Securities USA LLC MUFG Securities Americas Inc. SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.

As representatives of the several Underwriters

c/o BNP Paribas Securities Corp. 787 Seventh Avenue New York, New York 10019

> Citigroup Global Markets Inc. 388 Greenwich Street New York, New York 10013

> Mizuho Securities USA LLC 1271 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10020

Ladies and Gentlemen:

MUFG Securities Americas Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas 6th Floor New York, NY 10020

SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. 277 Park Avenue New York, NY 10172

Whirlpool Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes to issue and sell to the several underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "Underwriters"), acting severally and not jointly, the respective amounts set forth in Schedule 1 hereto of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 (the "Securities") and BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Mizuho Securities USA LLC, MUFG Securities Americas Inc. and SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. have agreed to act as representatives of the several Underwriters (in such capacity, the "Representatives") in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities. The Securities will be issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of March 20, 2000 (the "Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.), as trustee (the "Trustee").

1. <u>Registration Statement</u>. The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Securities Act"), a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-224381), including a prospectus (the "Base

Prospectus"), relating to the debt securities to be issued from time to time by the Company, including the Securities. The Company has also filed, or proposes to file, with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act a prospectus supplement specifically relating to the Securities (the "Prospectus Supplement"). The registration statement, as amended at the time it becomes effective, including the exhibits thereto and the information, if any, deemed pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act to be part of the registration statement at the time of its effectiveness, is referred to herein as the "Registration Statement," and as used herein, the term "Prospectus" means the Base Prospectus as supplemented by the Prospectus Supplement specifically relating to the Securities in the form first used to confirm sales (or made available upon request of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the Securities Act) of the Securities together with the Base Prospectus. Any references herein to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus Any references herein to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus Any references herein to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act prior to 4:50 P.M. New York City time on May 4, 2020 (the "Time of Sale"). The terms "supplement," "amendment" and "amend" as used herein with respect to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed by the Company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (the "Exchange Act") subsequent to the Time of Sale which are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein. For purposes of this Underwriting Agreement, the term "Effective Time" means each effective date of the Registration Statement wi

2. <u>Purchase of the Securities by the Underwriters</u>. (23) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Securities to the several Underwriters named in Schedule 1 hereto, and each Underwriter, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective principal amount of the Securities set forth opposite such Underwriter's name in Schedule 1 hereto at purchase prices equal to 97.682% of the principal amount of the Securities, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 7, 2020 to the Closing Date. The Company will not be obligated to deliver any of the Securities except upon payment for all the Securities to be purchased as provided herein.

(a) Payment for and delivery of the Securities shall be made at the offices of Mayer Brown LLP, Chicago, Illinois at 9:00 A.M., Chicago time, on May 7, 2020, or at such other time or place on the same or such other date, not later than the fifth business day thereafter, as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing. The time and date of such payment and delivery is referred to herein as the "Closing Date."

(b) Payment for the Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account specified by the Company to the Representatives against delivery to the nominee of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depositary"), for the account of the Underwriters, of one or more global notes representing the Securities (collectively, the "Global Note"), with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of the Securities duly paid

by the Company. The Global Note will be made available for inspection by the Representatives not later than 12:00 P.M., Chicago time, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

(c) The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriters named in the Underwriting Agreement are acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty to the Company with respect to any offering of Securities contemplated hereby (including in connection with determining the terms of the offering) and not as a financial advisor or a fiduciary to, or an agent of, the Company or any other person. Additionally, no such Underwriter is advising the Company or any other person as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting or regulatory matters in any jurisdiction. The Company shall consult with its own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making its own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and such Underwriters shall have no responsibility or liability to the Company with respect thereto. Any review by such Underwriters named in the Underwriting Agreement of the Company, the transactions contemplated thereby or other matters relating to such transactions will be performed solely for the benefit of the Underwriters and shall not be on behalf of the Company.

#### 3. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Company</u>. The Company represents and warrants to each Underwriter that:

Registration Statement and Prospectus. The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the (a) Securities Act. The Registration Statement is an "automatic shelf registration statement" as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act that has been filed with the Commission not earlier than three years prior to the date hereof; and no notice of objection of the Commission to the use of such registration statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act has been received by the Company. No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued by the Commission and, to the Company's knowledge, no proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act against the Company or related to the offering has been initiated or threatened by the Commission; as of the Effective Time, the Registration Statement complied in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Trust Indenture Act"), and did not or will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and as of the date of the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto and as of the Closing Date, the Prospectus did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that the Company makes no representation and warranty as to (i) that part of the Registration Statement that constitutes the Statement of Eligibility (Form T-1) of the Trustee under the Trust Indenture Act or (ii) the information contained in or omitted from the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company, by or on behalf of any or all the Underwriters, through the Representatives specifically for inclusion therein.

(b) <u>The Indenture</u>. The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company, is duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act and constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights and general equity principles relating to enforceability (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions").

(c) <u>No Consents Required</u>. No consent, approval, authorization or order of any court or governmental agency or body is required for the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein except such as have been obtained under the Securities Act and such as may be required under the blue sky laws of any jurisdiction in connection with the sale of the Securities as contemplated by this Underwriting Agreement and such other approvals as have been obtained.

(d) <u>Disclosure Package</u>. The term "Disclosure Package" shall mean (i) the Preliminary Prospectus dated May 4, 2020, (ii) the issuer free writing prospectuses as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act, if any, identified in Schedule 2 hereto and (iii) the term sheet attached as Schedule 4 hereto. As of the Time of Sale, the Disclosure Package (i) conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and (ii) did not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from the Disclosure Package based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein.

Issuer Free Writing Prospectus. (1) The Company (including its agents and representatives, other than the (e) Underwriters in their capacity as such) has not made, used, prepared, authorized, approved or referred to and will not prepare, make, use, authorize, approve or refer to any "written communication" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) that constitutes an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy the Securities (each such communication by the Company or its agents and representatives (other than a communication referred to in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) below) an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus") other than (i) any document not constituting a prospectus pursuant to Section 2(a)(10)(a) of the Securities Act or Rule 134 under the Securities Act, (ii) the Preliminary Prospectus, (iii) the Prospectus, (iv) the documents listed on Schedule 2 hereto, (v) the investor presentation identified on Schedule 3 hereto and (vi) any other electronic road show or other written communications including the investor presentation listed on Annex C hereto, in each case approved in writing in advance by the Representatives. To the extent required pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act, any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the public offer and sale of the Securities, complies or will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and has been, or will be filed with the Commission in accordance with the Securities Act (to the extent required pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act); and (2) each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the public offer and sale of the Securities under this Agreement or until any earlier date that the Company notified or notifies the

Representatives as described in the next sentence, did not, does not and will not include any information that conflicted, conflicts or will conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus. If at any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus there occurred or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus conflicted or would conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, the Company has promptly notified or will promptly notify the Representatives and has promptly amended or supplemented or will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to eliminate or correct such conflict; provided, that, the Company makes no representation and warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus.

(f) Incorporated Documents. The documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Disclosure Package, when they were filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of such documents contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Disclosure Package, when such documents become effective or are filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(g) <u>Status Under the Securities Act.</u> The Company was a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (A) at the time of filing the Registration Statement, (B) at the time of the most recent amendment to the Registration Statement for the purpose of complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act (whether such amendment was by post-effective amendment, by a report incorporated by reference therein filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or by form of prospectus filed pursuant to the Securities Act), and (C) at the time the Company or any person acting on its behalf (within the meaning, for this clause only, of Rule 163(c) under the Securities Act) made any offer relating to the Securities in reliance on the exemption of Rule 163 under the Securities Act; and the Company was not an "ineligible issuer" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act at the earliest time after the filing of the Registration Statement that the Company or any Underwriter made a bona fide offer (within the meaning of Rule 164(h)(2) under the Securities Act) of the Securities.

(h) <u>Financial Statements</u>. The financial statements and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and present fairly the financial position of the Company

and its subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the results of their operations and the changes in their cash flows for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby (except as disclosed therein), and the supporting schedules included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement present fairly the information required to be stated therein; the other financial information included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement present fairly the information statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus has been derived from the accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries and presents fairly the information shown thereby; and any <u>pro forma</u> financial information and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus have been prepared in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the assumptions underlying such <u>pro forma</u> financial information Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus presents fairly the information called for in all material respects and is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(i) <u>No Material Adverse Effect</u>. Since the date of the most recent financial statements of the Company included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, (i) neither the Company nor any of the Company's Significant Subsidiaries has sustained any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, order or decree, that is material to the Company, and its subsidiaries, considered as a whole and (ii) there has not been any material change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company and any of its subsidiaries, considered as a whole, or any material adverse change, or any development involving an impending material adverse change, in the general affairs, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, except in each case as otherwise disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. "Significant Subsidiaries" means, collectively, each of 1900 Holdings Corporation, a Delaware corporation, KitchenAid Delaware, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Whirlpool S.A., a Brazilian company, and Whirlpool EMEA S.p.A., an Italian company.

(j) <u>Organization and Good Standing</u>. The Company and each of its Significant Subsidiaries has been duly organized and is a validly existing entity in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, with corporate power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which it owns or leases properties and where the failure to so qualify would have a material adverse effect on the business, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole (a "Material Adverse Effect").

(k) <u>The Securities</u>. The Securities have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(1) <u>Due Authorization</u>. This Underwriting Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(m) <u>No Violation or Default</u>. None of the execution or delivery of this Underwriting Agreement by the Company, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the execution and delivery of the Indenture and the issue and sale of the Securities by the Company, or compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of this Underwriting Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities will conflict with or result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, encumbrance or charge upon any property or asset of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries under, (i) the certificate of incorporation or by-laws of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries, (ii) any loan agreement, indenture, mortgage, deed of trust or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries is a party or by which any of them is bound or to which any of their respective properties is subject, or (iii) any law or any rule, regulation, order or decree of any governmental agency or body or court having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any of their respective properties, except in each case for such breaches, violations, creations or impositions as would not have a Material Adverse Effect.

(n) Legal Proceedings. Except as described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries is a party or to which any property of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries is subject other than litigation or other proceedings which, in the opinion of the Company, will not in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect; and, to the knowledge of the Company's officers, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities; and (i) there are no current or pending legal, governmental or regulatory actions, suits or proceedings that are required under the Act to be described in the Registration Statement that are not so described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and (ii) there are no statutes, regulations or contracts or other documents that are required under the Act to be filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement or described in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus that are not so filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement or described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(o) <u>Independent Accountants</u>. Ernst & Young LLP, who have certified certain financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries within the applicable rules and

regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act.

(p) <u>Properties</u>. The principal manufacturing and service facilities referred to in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 under the caption "Properties" are either owned or leased by the Company or one of its subsidiaries and, if owned, are held under good title, subject to no defects or encumbrances which would materially interfere with the conduct of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries considered as a whole and, if leased, are held under valid and enforceable leases with no exceptions which would materially interfere with such conduct.

(q) <u>Disclosure Controls</u>. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain an effective system of "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) that is designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, including controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company and its subsidiaries have carried out evaluations of the effectiveness of their disclosure controls and procedures as required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act.

(r) Accounting Controls. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain systems of "internal control over financial reporting" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that comply with the requirements of the Exchange Act and have been designed by, or under the supervision of, their respective principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including, but not limited to internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no material weaknesses in the Company's internal controls.

(s) <u>Sarbanes-Oxley Act</u>. There is and has been no failure on the part of the Company or any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(t) <u>Compliance with Environmental Laws</u>. (i) Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, and the Disclosure Package, and in the case of each of (a), (b) and

(c) below, excluding any failure to comply, or failure to receive required permits, licenses or other authorizations or approvals, and excluding any cost or liability for investigation or remediation that, individually or in the aggregate, would not have a Material Adverse Effect, the Company and its subsidiaries (a) are in compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, rules, regulations, requirements, decisions and orders relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"); (b) have received and are in compliance with all permits, licenses, certificates or other authorizations or approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses; and (c) have not received notice of any actual or potential liability for the investigation or remediation of any disposal or release of hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, and (ii) except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, and the Disclosure Package, there are no material costs or liabilities associated with Environmental Laws of or relating to the Company or its subsidiaries.

(u) <u>Investment Company</u>. The Company is not, and after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(v) <u>No Stabilization</u>. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates nor any person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Underwriters, as to whom the Company makes no representation) has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to cause or that constituted or that might reasonably be expected to cause or constitute, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(w) <u>No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments</u>. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or controlled affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is aware of, or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "FCPA") that would be material in the context of this transaction, including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA; and the Company and its subsidiaries have conducted their businesses in compliance in all material respects therewith and have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance in all material respects therewith.

(x) <u>No Conflict with OFAC Laws</u>. None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee or controlled affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by

the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("OFAC"), and the Company will not knowingly, directly or indirectly, use the proceeds of the offering of the Securities hereunder, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC.

(y) <u>No Conflict with Money Laundering Laws</u>. The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in material compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries that would be material in the context of this transaction with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened.

#### 4. Further Agreements of the Company. The Company covenants and agrees with each Underwriter that:

(a) <u>Filings with the Commission</u>. The Company will file the Prospectus in a form approved by the Underwriters with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act not later than the close of business on the second business day following the date of determination of the public offering price of the Securities or, if applicable, such earlier time as may be required by Rule 424(b) and Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act. The Company will file any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (including the Term Sheet in the form of Schedule 4 to the Underwriting Agreement) to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act; and the Company will furnish copies of the Prospectus to the Underwriters in New York City prior to 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on the second day succeeding the date of this Underwriting Agreement in such quantities as the Representatives may reasonably request. If at any time when Securities remain unsold by the Underwriters the Company receives from the Commission a notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) or otherwise ceases to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration statement form, the Company will (i) promptly notify the Underwriters and (ii) subject to paragraph (c), promptly take such action as shall be necessary to permit the public offering and sale of the Securities to continue as soon as practicable after receipt of such notice.

(b) <u>Delivery of Copies</u>. The Company will deliver, without charge to the Underwriters and counsel for the Underwriters (i) copies of the Registration Statement (including exhibits thereto); (ii) copies of the Preliminary Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto, and the Company hereby consents to the use of such copies for purposes permitted by the Securities Act; and (iii) during the Prospectus Delivery Period, such number of copies of the Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto as such Underwriter may reasonably request. As used herein, the term "Prospectus Delivery Period" means such period of time after the first date of the public offering of the Securities as in the opinion of counsel for the

Underwriters a prospectus relating to the Securities is required by law to be delivered (or required to be delivered but for Rule 172 under the Securities Act) in connection with sales of the Securities by any Underwriter or dealer.

(c) <u>Amendments or Supplements; Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses</u>. Before making, preparing, using, authorizing, approving, referring to or filing any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and before filing any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Disclosure Package, the Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters a copy of the proposed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, amendment or supplement for review and will not make, prepare, use, authorize, approve, refer to or file any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representatives reasonably object.

(d) <u>Notice to the Representatives</u>. The Company will advise the Representatives promptly, and confirm such advice in writing, (i) when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective; (ii) when any supplement to the Prospectus or any amendment to the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus has been filed; (iii) of any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or the receipt of any comments from the Commission relating to the Registration Statement or any other request by the Commission for any additional information; (iv) of the issuance by the Commission of any order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act; (v) of the occurrence of any event within the Prospectus Delivery Period as a result of which the Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; and (vi) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or suspending any such qualification of the Securities and, if any such order is issued, will obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

(e) <u>Disclosure Package</u>. If at any time prior to the Closing Date (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Disclosure Package as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Disclosure Package to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriters thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission (to the extent required) and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate, such amendments

or supplements to the Disclosure Package as may be necessary so that the statements in the Disclosure Package as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances, be misleading or so that the Disclosure Package will comply with law.

(f) <u>Ongoing Compliance</u>. If during the Prospectus Delivery Period (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Underwriters thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate, such amendments or supplements to the Prospectus as may be necessary so that the statements in the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Prospectus will comply with law.

(g) <u>Blue Sky Compliance</u>. The Company will arrange, if necessary, for the qualification of the Securities for sale under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may reasonably designate, will maintain such qualifications in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities, will arrange for the determination of the legality of the Securities for purchase by institutional investors and will pay any fee of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., in connection with its review of the offering; <u>provided</u>, that, in no event shall the Company be obligated to qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it is not now so qualified or to take any action that would subject it to service of process in suits, other than those arising out of the offering or sale of the Securities, in any jurisdiction where it is not now so subject.

(h) <u>Book-Entry</u>. The Company will cooperate with the Underwriters and use its reasonable best efforts to permit the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary.

(i) <u>Clear Market</u>. The Company will not during the period from the date hereof through and including the Closing Date, without the prior written consent of the Representatives, offer, sell, contract to sell, grant any other option to purchase or otherwise dispose of (or enter into any transaction which is designed to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition (whether by actual disposition or effective economic disposition due to cash settlement or otherwise) by the Company or any affiliate of the Company or any person in privity with the Company or any affiliate of the Company), directly or indirectly, or announce the offering of, any debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Company (other than the Securities, borrowings under its revolving credit agreements and lines of credit and issuances of its commercial paper).

(j) <u>No Stabilization</u>. The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would constitute or that might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(k) <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The Company will use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Securities in the manner specified in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Use of Proceeds."

(1) <u>No Downgrade</u>. Subsequent to the earlier of (A) the Time of Sale and (B) the execution and delivery of this Underwriting Agreement, and prior to the Closing Date, the Company will promptly notify the Representatives by telephone or telecopy of (i) any decrease in the rating of the Securities or any other debt securities of the Company by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc., Fitch Ratings Inc. or if such entities no longer are providing such ratings, any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act) or (ii) any written notice received from Moody's Investors Service, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc., Fitch Ratings Inc. or if such entities no longer are providing the ratings referred to in (i), any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act) of any intended or contemplated decrease in any such rating or fa possible change in any such rating that does not indicate the direction of the possible change.

(m) <u>Earning Statement</u>. As soon as practicable, the Company will make generally available to its security holders, and to the Representatives, an earning statement or statements of the Company and its subsidiaries which satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

(n) <u>Filing of Exchange Act Documents</u>. The Company will file promptly all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the Prospectus Delivery Period.

(o) <u>Record Retention</u>. The Company will, pursuant to reasonable procedures developed in good faith, retain copies of each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that is not filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 433 under the Securities Act.

5. <u>Certain Agreements of the Underwriters</u>. Each Underwriter hereby represents and agrees that:

(a) It has not and will not use, authorize use of, refer to, or participate in the planning for use of, any "free writing prospectus," as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (which term includes use of any written information furnished to the Commission by the Company and not incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement and any press release issued by the Company) other than (i) a free writing prospectus that, solely as a result of use by such Underwriter, would not trigger an obligation to file such free writing prospectus with the Commission or is not required to be retained by the Company pursuant to Rule 433, (ii) a term sheet substantially in the form of Schedule 4, (iii) any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed on Schedule 2 or prepared pursuant to Section 3(e) or Section 4(c) above (including any electronic road show), or (iv) any free writing prospectus referred to in clauses (i) or (iv), an "Underwriter Free Writing Prospectus").

(b) It is not subject to any pending proceeding under Section 8A of the Securities Act with respect to the offering (and will promptly notify the Company if any such proceeding against it is initiated during the Prospectus Delivery Period).

6. <u>Conditions of Underwriters' Obligations</u>. The obligation of each Underwriter to purchase Securities on the Closing Date as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) <u>Registration Compliance</u>; No Stop Order. No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall be in effect, and no proceeding for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act shall be pending before or threatened by the Commission, and no notice of objection of the Commission to use the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act shall have been received; the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been timely filed with the Commission under the Securities Act and in accordance with Section 4(a) hereof; and all requests by the Commission for additional information shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of the Representatives.

(b) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of the Company contained herein shall be true and correct in all material respects on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date; and the statements of the Company and its officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date.

(c) <u>No Material Adverse Effect</u>. Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Underwriting Agreement, or, if earlier, the date of the latest financial statements included in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there has been no material adverse change in the condition (financial or other), earnings, business or properties of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the effect of which is, in the judgment of the Representatives, so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to market the Securities as contemplated by this Underwriting Agreement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(d) <u>Officers' Certificate</u>. The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of the Company, signed by the chairman of the board, any president or vice president (whether or not designated by a number or word added before or after the title vice president) and the principal financial or accounting officer of the Company to the effect that the signers of such certificate have carefully examined the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and, that, (i) the representations and warranties set forth in Section 3 hereof are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date and the Company has substantially complied with all agreements and substantially satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date and (ii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (a) and (c) above.

(e) <u>Comfort Letters</u>. On the date of this Underwriting Agreement and on the Closing Date, Ernst & Young LLP shall have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives containing statements and information of the type customarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; <u>provided</u>, that, the letter delivered on the Closing Date shall use a "cut-off" date no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date.

(f) <u>Opinion of In-House Counsel for the Company</u>. Scott J. Dorfman, Senior Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary of the Company, shall have furnished to the Underwriters, at the request of the Company, her written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, to the effect set forth in Annex A hereto.

(g) <u>Opinion of Counsel for the Company</u>. The Company shall have furnished to the Underwriters the opinion and negative assurance letter of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, as counsel for the Company, dated the Closing Date, to the effect set forth in Annex B hereto.

(h) <u>Opinion of Counsel for the Underwriters</u>. The Underwriters shall have received from Mayer Brown LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, such opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date, with respect to the issuance and sale of the Securities, the Indenture, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, the Disclosure Package and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably require, and the Company shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they reasonably request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.

(i) <u>Clearance</u>. The Securities shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary.

(j) <u>Additional Documents</u>. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Company shall have furnished to the Representatives such further information, documents, certificates and opinions of counsel as the Representatives may reasonably request.

If any of the conditions specified in this Section 6 shall not have been fulfilled when and as provided in this Underwriting Agreement, or if any of the opinions and certificates mentioned above or elsewhere in this Underwriting Agreement shall not be in all material respects reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Underwriters and their counsel, this Underwriting Agreement and all obligations of any Underwriter hereunder may be canceled at any time by such Underwriter. Notice of such cancellation shall be given to the Company in writing or by telephone or telegraph confirmed in writing.

The documents required to be delivered by this Section 6 shall be delivered at the offices of Mayer Brown LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, at 71 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606, on the date hereof.

#### 7. Indemnification and Contribution.

Indemnification of the Underwriters. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its (a) affiliates, directors, officers or employees and each person, if any, who controls such Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which each Underwriter, its affiliates, directors, officers or employees and each person, if any, who controls such Underwriter may become subject under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or other Federal or state statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement as originally filed or in any amendment thereof, or in the Disclosure Package (or any part thereof), the Prospectus or any preliminary Prospectus, or in any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and agrees to reimburse as incurred each such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; provided, however, that the Company will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon any such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made therein in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for use in connection with the preparation thereof. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have. If the Company shall default in its obligations to deliver the Securities, the Company shall indemnify and hold each Underwriter harmless against any loss, claim or damage arising from or as a result of such default by the Company.

(b) Indemnification of the Company. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of its employees and directors, each of its officers who signs the Registration Statement and each person who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to each Underwriter, but only with reference to written information relating to such Underwriter furnished to the Company by the Representatives on behalf of such Underwriter specifically for use in the preparation of the documents referred to in the foregoing indemnity. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which each Underwriter may otherwise have. The Company acknowledges that the following constitute the only information furnished in writing by or on behalf of the Underwriters for inclusion in the documents referred to in the foregoing indemnity: (i) the names of the Underwriters set forth on page S-27 of the Prospectus; (ii) the part of the second sentence beginning with "to certain dealers", and the third and fourth sentences in the third paragraph related to concessions and reallowances on page S-28 and second paragraph related to penalty bids on page S-28 of the Prospectus and the Representatives confirm that such statements are correct.

Notice and Procedures. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 7 of notice of the (c) commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under this Section 7, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party (i) will not relieve it from liability which it may have to any indemnified party. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party, and it notifies the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate therein, and to the extent that it may elect by written notice delivered to the indemnified party promptly after receiving the aforesaid notice from such indemnified party, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party; provided, however, that if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party. the indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties. Upon receipt of notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense of such action and approval by the indemnified party of counsel, the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under this Section 7 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof unless (i) the indemnified party shall have employed separate counsel in connection with the assertion of legal defenses in accordance with the proviso to the next preceding sentence (it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be liable for the expenses of more than one separate counsel and an additional local counsel, if needed, approved by the Representatives in the case of paragraph (a) of this Section 7, representing the indemnified parties under such paragraph (a) who are parties to such action), (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action, (iii) the indemnifying party has authorized the employment of counsel for the indemnified party at the expense of the indemnifying party or (iv) the use of counsel chosen by the indemnifying party to represent the indemnified party would present such counsel with a conflict of interest; and except that, if clause (i) or (iii) is applicable, such liability shall be only in respect of the counsel referred to in such clause (i) or (iii). An indemnifying party will not, without the prior written consent of the indemnified parties, settle or compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to any pending or threatened claim, action, suit or proceeding in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified parties are actual or potential parties to such claim or action) unless such settlement, compromise or consent (i) includes an unconditional release of each indemnified party from all liability arising out of such claim, action, suit or proceeding and (ii) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(d) <u>Contribution and Limitation on Liability</u>. In order to provide for just and equitable contribution in circumstances in which the indemnification provided for in paragraph (a) or (b) of this Section 7 is due in accordance with its terms, but is held by a court to be unavailable or insufficient in whole or in part to hold harmless an indemnified party for any reason, the Company

and each Underwriter agree to contribute to the aggregate losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending same) (collectively, "Losses") to which the Company and one or more Underwriters may be subject in such proportion so that each Underwriter is responsible for that portion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and each Underwriter from the offering of the Securities from which such Losses arise; provided, however, that in no case shall any Underwriter be responsible for any amount in excess of the commissions received by such Underwriter in connection with the Securities from which such Losses arise. If the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is unavailable for any reason, the Company and each Underwriter shall contribute in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company and of each Underwriter in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such Losses as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. Benefits received by the Company shall be deemed to be equal to the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) of the Securities from which such Losses arise, and benefits received by each Underwriter shall be deemed to be equal to the total commissions received by such Underwriter in connection with the Securities from which such Losses arise. Relative fault shall be determined by reference to whether any alleged untrue statement or omission relates to information provided by the Company or any Underwriter. The Company and each Underwriter agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution were determined by pro rata allocation or any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph (d), no person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. For purposes of this Section 7, each person who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act and each director, officer and employee of any Underwriter shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter and each person who controls the Company within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, each officer of the Company who shall have signed the Registration Statement and each director, officer and employee of the Company shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company, subject in each case to the applicable terms and conditions of this paragraph (d). Any party entitled to contribution will, promptly after receipt of notice of commencement of any action, suit or proceeding against such party in respect of which a claim for contribution may be made against another party or parties under this paragraph (d), notify such party or parties from whom contribution may be sought, but the omission to so notify such party or parties shall not relieve the party or parties from whom contribution may be sought from other obligation it or they may have hereunder or otherwise than under this paragraph (d).

8. <u>Termination</u>. This Underwriting Agreement shall be subject to termination in the absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice given to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Underwriting Agreement and prior to the Closing Date (i) there shall have occurred, any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the business or properties of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, the effect of which is, in the judgment of the Representatives, so material and adverse as to make it impractical to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities, (ii) there shall have been, any decrease in the rating

of any of the Company's debt securities by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc., Fitch Ratings Inc. or if such entities no longer are providing such ratings, any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act) or any formal notice given of any intended or contemplated decrease in any such rating, (iii) trading in the Company's Common Stock shall have been suspended by the Commission or the New York Stock Exchange or trading in securities generally on the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended by the Commission or the New York Stock Exchange or trading in securities generally on the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited or minimum prices shall have been established on such Exchange, (iv) a material disruption shall have been declared either by Federal or New York State authorities or (vi) there shall have occurred any material outbreak or material escalation of hostilities, declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war or other calamity or crisis, the effect of which on financial markets is such as to make it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impracticable to proceed with the offering or delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus (exclusive of any amendment or supplement subsequent to such event).

9. Defaulting Underwriter. (23) If, on the Closing Date, any Underwriter defaults on its obligation to purchase the Securities that it has agreed to purchase hereunder, the non-defaulting Underwriters may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Securities by other persons satisfactory to the Company on the terms contained in this Underwriting Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Underwriter, the non-defaulting Underwriters do not arrange for the purchase of such Securities, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase such Securities on such terms. If other persons become obligated or agree to purchase the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter, either the non-defaulting Underwriters or the Company may postpone the Closing Date for up to five full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Company or counsel for the Underwriters may be necessary in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus or in any other document or arrangement, and the Company agrees to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement and the Prospectus that effects any such changes. As used in this Underwriting Agreement, the term "Underwriter" includes, for all purposes of this Underwriting Agreement unless the context otherwise requires, any person not listed in this Underwriting Agreement that, pursuant to this Section 9, purchases Securities that a defaulting Underwriter agreed but failed to purchase.

(a) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the principal amount of Securities that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder plus such Underwriter's <u>pro rata</u> share (based on the principal amount of Securities that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Securities of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in paragraph (b) above, then this Underwriting Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Underwriters. Any termination of this Underwriting Agreement pursuant to this Section 9 shall be without liability on the part of the Company, except that the Company will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in Section 10 hereof and except that the provisions of Section 7 hereof shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

(c) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter of any liability it may have to the Company or any non-defaulting Underwriter for damages caused by its default.

Payment of Expenses. (23) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Underwriting Agreement are 10. consummated or this Underwriting Agreement is terminated, the Company will pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder, including without limitation, (i) the copying and distribution of the Indenture and the preparation of the certificates representing the Securities: (ii) the costs incident to the preparation, printing and filing under the Securities Act of the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus (including all exhibits, amendments and supplements thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the printing (or reproduction) and delivery (including postage, air freight charges and charges for counting and packaging) of such copies of any Preliminary Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and all amendments or supplements to either of them, as may, in each case, be reasonably requested for use in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities; (iv) the preparation, printing, authentication, issuance and delivery of certificates for the Securities, including any stamp or transfer taxes in connection with the original issuance and sale of the Securities; (v) the printing (or reproduction) and delivery of this Underwriting Agreement and all other agreements or documents printed (or reproduced) and delivered in connection with the offering of the Securities; (vi) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification and determination of eligibility for investment of the Securities under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may designate (including filing fees) and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters); (vii) the transportation and other expenses incurred by or on behalf of Company representatives in connection with presentations to prospective purchasers of the Securities; (viii) the fees and expenses of the Company's accountants and the fees and expenses of counsel (including local and special counsel) for the Company; (ix) any fees charged by securities rating services for rating the Securities; (x) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any agent of the Trustee, including any paying agent, and the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the Indenture and the Securities; (xi) all expenses and application fees incurred in connection with any filing with, and clearance of any offering by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; and (xii) all other costs and expenses incurred by the Company incident to the performance by the Company of its obligations hereunder. It is understood, however, that except

as provided in this Section 10 and Section 7, the Underwriters will pay all of their own costs and expenses, including the fees of their counsel.

(a) If (i) this Underwriting Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 8, (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Securities for delivery to the Underwriters or (iii) the Underwriters decline to purchase the Securities for any reason permitted under this Underwriting Agreement, the Company agrees to reimburse the Underwriters for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in connection with this Underwriting Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.

11. <u>Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement</u>. This Underwriting Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers and directors and any controlling persons referred to herein, and the affiliates of each Underwriter referred to in Section 7 hereof. Nothing in this Underwriting Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Underwriting Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Securities from any Underwriter shall be deemed to be a successor merely by reason of such purchase.

12. <u>Survival</u>. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company and the Underwriters contained in this Underwriting Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company or the Underwriters pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Securities and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Underwriting Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company or the Underwriters.

13. <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Underwriting Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term "business day" means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or required to be closed in New York City and (c) the term "subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

14. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. (23) <u>Authority of the Representatives</u>. Any action by the Underwriters hereunder may be taken by the Representatives on behalf of the Underwriters, and any such action taken by the Representatives shall be binding upon the Underwriters.

(a) <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Underwriters shall be given to the Representatives at BNP Paribas Securities Corp., 787 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York 10019, Attention: High Grade Syndicate (\*\*\*\*\*); Citigroup Global Markets Inc., 388 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10013, Attention: General Counsel (fax no. \*\*\*\*\*); Mizuho Securities USA LLC, 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020, Attention: Debt Capital Markets Desk (fax no. \*\*\*\*\*) and MUFG Securities Americas Inc., 1221 Avenue of the

Americas, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10020, Attn: Capital Markets Group, Facsimile: \*\*\*\*\*; SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. 277 Park Avenue New York, NY 10172 Tel: \*\*\*\*\*, Attention: Debt Capital Markets. Notices to the Company shall be given to it at 2000 North M-63, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022-2692, (email: \*\*\*\*\*); Attention: Treasurer, or if different, to the address set forth in this Underwriting Agreement.

(b) <u>Governing Law; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. This Underwriting Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The Company and the Underwriters hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

(c) <u>Amendments or Waivers</u>. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Underwriting Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

(d) <u>Headings</u>. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Underwriting Agreement.

(e) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Underwriting Agreement may be executed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

#### (f) <u>Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes</u>.

(i) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Underwriting Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Underwriting Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Underwriting Agreement, and any such interest and obligation, were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

(ii) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Underwriting Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Underwriting Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

As used in this Section 14(g):

"BHC Act Affiliate" has the meaning assigned to the term "affiliate" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k).

"Covered Entity" means any of the following: (i) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b); (ii) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or (iii) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

"Default Right" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"U.S. Special Resolution Regime" means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please indicate your acceptance of this Underwriting Agreement by signing in the space provided below.

Very truly yours,

#### WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

By: <u>/s/ JENNIFER L. POWERS</u> Name: Jennifer L. Powers Title: Vice President and Treasurer

BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES CORP. CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC. MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC MUFG SECURITIES AMERICAS INC. SMBC NIKKO SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

#### By: BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES CORP.

By: MUFG SECURITIES AMERICAS INC.

By: <u>/s/ RAFAEL RIBEIRO</u>
Name: Rafael Ribeiro
Title: Director

By: CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

By:		
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By: SMBC NIKKO SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

By:	
Name:	
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By: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

By: MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

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By: CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

By: SMBC NIKKO SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

By:\_\_\_\_\_

By: <u>/s/ BRIAN D. BEDNARKSI</u> Name: Brian D. Bednarksi Title: Managing Director

By: MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

Name: Title:

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By: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

By: MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC

By: <u>/s/ JOSEPH SANTANIELLO</u> Name: Joseph Santaniello Title: Vice President

For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

By: CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

## By: MUFG SECURITIES AMERICAS INC.

By: <u>/s/ RICHARD TESTA</u> Name: Richard Testa Title: Managing Director

By: SMBC NIKKO SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

By: MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC

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For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

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By: MIZUHO SECURITIES USA LLC

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For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

Title:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: SMBC NIKKO SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

By: <u>/s/ OMAR F. ZAMAN</u> Name: Omar F. Zaman Title: Managing Director

Name:

## <u>Schedule 1</u>

Principal Amount of 2050 Notes
\$95,000,000
\$95,000,000
\$95,000,000
\$95,000,000
\$95,000,000
\$25,000,000
\$500,000,000

Schedule 1-1

## Schedule 2

The term sheet set forth in Schedule 4 hereto.

Schedule 2-1

# Schedule 3

The investor presentation dated May 4, 2020.

Schedule 3-1

Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, dated May 4, 2020 Supplementing the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated May 4, 2020 (To Prospectus dated April 20, 2018)



\$500,000,000 4.600% Notes due 2050 Pricing Term Sheet

May 4, 2020

Issuer:	Whirlpool Corporation	
Expected Ratings:*	Baa1/BBB/BBB (Stable/Negative/Negative) (Moody's/S&P/Fitch)	
Trade Date:	May 4, 2020	
Settlement Date:**	May 7, 2020 (T+3)	
Joint Book-Running Managers:	BNP Paribas Securities Corp. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Mizuho Securities USA LLC MUFG Securities Americas Inc. SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. ING Financial Markets LLC	
Title:	4.600% Senior Notes due 2050	
Principal Amount:	\$ 500,000,0	000
Maturity Date:	May 15, 2050	
Coupon (Interest Rate):		4.6%
Interest Payment Dates:	May 15 and November 15, commencing November 15, 2020	
Benchmark Treasury:	UST 2.375% due November 15, 2049	
Benchmark Treasury Price and Yield:	126-18; 1.290%	
Spread to Benchmark Treasury:	+340 bps	
Yield to Maturity:	4.690%	
Price to Public:	98.557%	
Make-Whole Call:	Prior to November 15, 2049, at a discount rate of the Adjusted Treasury Rate plus 50 basis points	
Par Call:	On and after November 15, 2049	
Change of Control Offer to Purchase:	If Whirlpool experiences a Change of Control Repurchase Event (as defined in the preliminary prosper supplement dated May 4, 2020), it will be required, unless it has exercised the right to redeem the not offer to purchase the notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued a unpaid interest to the repurchase date.	tes, to
CUSIP:	963320AX4	
ISIN:	US963320AX45	

Schedule 4-1

#### \* Note: A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

\*\* Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in two business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the Notes prior to the second business day prior to the settlement date will be required, because the Notes initially will settle in T+3, to specify an alternate settlement cycle at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement. If you wish to trade the Notes prior to the second business day prior to the settlement date, you should consult your own advisors.

The issuer has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at <u>www.sec.gov</u>. Alternatively, the issuer, any underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling BNP Paribas Securities Corp. at 1 (800) 854-5674, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. toll-free at (800) 831-9146, Mizuho Securities USA LLC toll-free at (866) 271-7403, MUFG Securities Americas Inc. at 1-877-649-6848 or SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. at 1-888-868-6856.

Schedule 4-2

[Provided under separate cover]

Annex A-1

Annex A-2

[Provided under separate cover]

Annex B-1

Electronic (Netroadshow) investor presentation of the Company made available on May 4, 2020.

Annex C-1

### WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

#### **CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATED OFFICERS**

May 7, 2020

Pursuant to Sections 2.1, 2.3 and 11.5 of the Indenture, dated as of March 20, 2000 (the "**Indenture**"), between Whirlpool Corporation (the "**Company**") and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.), as Trustee (the "**Trustee**"), and pursuant to resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company on April 21, 2015 and April 16, 2018 (the "**Company Resolutions**"), the undersigned officers of the Company do hereby certify that there is hereby approved and established pursuant to the Indenture, \$500,000,000 aggregate amount of the Company's 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 (the "**Securities**") and under the Indenture whose terms shall be as set forth in Annex A, attached hereto.

The undersigned officers (i) have read the applicable provisions of the Indenture, (ii) have reviewed the form and terms of the Securities, (iii) in the opinion of the undersigned, have made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable the undersigned to express an informed opinion as to whether or not the applicable conditions precedent under the Indenture have been complied with, (iv) hereby certify that the applicable conditions precedent under the Indenture have been complied with and (v) hereby certify that the form and terms of the Securities comply with the Indenture.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Indenture.

[Signature Page Follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has signed this certificate.

Dated: May 7, 2020

 By: /s/ JAMES W. PETERS

 Name:
 James W. Peters

 Title:
 Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

By: <u>/s/ JENNIFER L. POWERS</u> Name: Jennifer L. Powers Title: Vice President and Treasurer

Certificate of Designated Officers

### 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050

1. The title of the Securities shall be the "4.600% Senior Notes due 2050" (the "Notes").

2. The aggregate principal amount of the Notes which may be authenticated and delivered under the Indenture is initially limited to \$500,000,000 (except for such Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Section 2.8, 2.9, 2.11 or 12.3 of the Indenture). Additional Notes ranking equally with the Notes in all respects (or in all respects other than the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such further Notes or except for the first payment of interest following the issue date of such further Notes) may be authenticated and delivered under the Indenture from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the registered Holders of the Notes, *provided* that if such further Notes to be issued under a CUSIP number that is different from the CUSIP number printed on the Notes. Such further Notes may be consolidated and form a single series with the Notes and have the same terms as to status, redemption or otherwise as the Notes.

3. The Notes shall be offered at an offering price equal to 98.557% of their principal amount, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 7, 2020 to the date of delivery, and in payment for which the Company shall receive 97.682% of their principal amount, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 7, 2020 to the date of delivery, after a discount to the underwriters of the Notes of 0.875% of their principal amount.

4. The stated maturity of the principal of the Notes shall be May 15, 2050.

5. The Notes will bear interest at a fixed rate of 4.600% per annum.

Interest on the Notes will accrue from May 7, 2020, or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for, but excluding the relevant interest payment date. The Company will make interest payments on the Notes semiannually in arrears on May 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning on November 15, 2020, to the person in whose name such Notes are registered at the close of business on the immediately preceding May 1 or November 1, as applicable. Interest on the Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

If an interest payment date for the Notes falls on a day that is not a Business Day, the interest payment shall be postponed to the next succeeding Business Day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after such interest payment date.

6. The Notes will be redeemable at the option of the Company on the terms described in the body of the Note. Other than with respect to a Change of Control Repurchase Event (as defined in the body of the Note), the Notes will not be repayable at the option of the Holders prior to its stated maturity date. The Notes will not be subject to any sinking fund.

7. The Notes will be issued in registered, book-entry form only without interest coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

8. The Notes shall be in such form or forms as may be approved by the authorized officers of the Company as provided in the Company Resolutions, such approval to be evidenced by the authorized officers' manual or facsimile signature on the Notes, *provided* that such form or forms of the Notes are not inconsistent with the requirements of the Indenture or the Company Resolutions and are substantially in the form or forms attached hereto as Exhibit A-1.

9. The Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more Global Securities registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company or its nominee, to be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York.

10. Payments of principal of, interest on, and any other amounts payable with respect to the Notes are to be denominated in Dollars.

11. The Notes are not issuable in Tranches.

12. The Notes are not convertible into Securities of any other Series.

13. Both Section 10.1(B)(ii) and Section 10.1(B)(iii) of the Indenture apply to the Notes.

14. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this certificate or any document to be signed in connection with this certificate, including by the Trustee, shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery

thereof or the use of a paperbased recordkeeping system, as the case may be, and the parties hereto consent to conduct the transactions contemplated hereunder by electronic means. For the avoidance of doubt, this certificate shall be deemed to amend the (1) first paragraph of Section 2.5 of the Indenture (i) to permit electronic signatures of the Securities by the officers specified therein and (ii) to remove the requirement that the corporate seal be affixed to the signature page of the Securities, and (2) to amend the first paragraph of Section 2.6 of the Indenture to permit a certificate of authentication by the Trustee to be executed by manual, electronic or facsimile signature and that any Note executed, authenticated and delivered in such manner shall be valid and obligatory for all purposes under the Indenture and entitled to the benefits thereunder.

## [FORM OF FACE OF NOTE]

THIS NOTE IS A GLOBAL NOTE WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF. THIS NOTE MAY NOT BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR A NOTE REGISTERED, AND NO TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE IN WHOLE OR IN PART MAY BE REGISTERED, IN THE NAME OF ANY PERSON OTHER THAN SUCH DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF, EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC"), A NEW YORK CORPORATION, TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL IN AS MUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

### Whirlpool Corporation

### 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 (the "Notes")

No. 1 CUSIP NO. 963320AX4 \$500,000,000

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), which term includes any successor under the Indenture hereinafter referred to on the reverse hereof, for value received, promises to pay to CEDE & CO., or its registered assigns, the principal sum of FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$500,000,000) or such other amount as indicated on the Schedule of Increases or Decreases in Global Note attached hereto, on May 15, 2050.

Interest Rate: 4.600% per annum

Interest Payment Dates: May 15 and November 15 of each year, commencing November 15, 2020

Record Dates: May 1 and November 1, as applicable, of each year

Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Note set forth on the reverse hereof, which will for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed.

## WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Name: James W. Peters Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Jennifer L. Powers Title: Vice President and Treasurer

Dated: May 7, 2020

This is one of the Securities of the Series designated herein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

Dated: May 7, 2020

U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.), as Trustee

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

#### [FORM OF REVERSE OF NOTE]

#### **Whirlpool Corporation**

#### 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050

### Interest

The Company promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at the rate per annum set forth above. Interest on the Notes will accrue from May 7, 2020 or from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for, but excluding the relevant interest payment date. If an interest payment date falls on a day that is not a Business Day, the interest payment date shall be postponed to the next succeeding Business Day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after such interest payment date.

The Company will pay interest semi-annually in arrears on May 15 and November 15 of each year, commencing November 15, 2020, to the person in whose name this Note is registered at the close of business on the immediately preceding May 1 and November 1, respectively. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

#### **Optional Redemption of Notes**

The Company may, at its option, redeem the Notes in whole or from time to time in part prior to November 15, 2049 (the "**Par Call Date**") at a redemption price equal to the greater of: (1) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed and (2) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the Notes being redeemed that would be due if the Notes being redeemed matured on the Par Call Date (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued as of the date of redemption), discounted to the redemption date (the "**Redemption Date**") on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate (as defined below) plus 50 basis points plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

On or after the Par Call Date, the Company may redeem the Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, installments of interest on the Notes that are due and payable on interest payment dates falling on or prior to a Redemption Date will be payable on the interest payment date to the registered Holders as of the close of business on the relevant record date according to terms hereof and the Indenture.

The Company will mail, or otherwise provide, notice of any redemption at least 10 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each Holder of the Notes to be redeemed. Once notice of redemption is mailed or otherwise given, the Notes called for redemption will become due and payable on the Redemption Date and at the applicable redemption price, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

"Adjusted Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, the rate per year equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for that Redemption Date.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by the Quotation Agent as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Notes to be redeemed (assuming, for this purpose, that the Notes matured on the Par Call Date) that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of those Notes (assuming, for this purpose, that the Notes matured on the Par Call Date).

"Comparable Treasury Price" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that Redemption Date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the Quotation Agent obtains fewer than four Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so received.

"Quotation Agent" means the Reference Treasury Dealer appointed by the Company.

"**Reference Treasury Dealer**" means any one of the four primary U.S. Government securities dealers in the United States of America selected by the Company.

"**Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations**" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Quotation Agent, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Quotation Agent by that Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding that Redemption Date.

On and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the Notes or any portion of the Notes called for redemption (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest). On or before the redemption date, the Company will deposit with a paying agent or the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on the Notes to be redeemed on that date. If less than all of the Notes are to be redeemed, the Notes

to be redeemed shall be selected by the Trustee by a method the Trustee deems to be fair and appropriate.

### Repurchase Upon Change of Control Repurchase Event

If a Change of Control Repurchase Event (as defined below) occurs, unless the Company has exercised its right to redeem the Notes as set forth above under "*Optional Redemption of Notes*," the Company will make an offer (the "**Change of Control Offer**") to each Holder to repurchase all or any part (in integral multiples of \$1,000) of that Holder's Notes at a repurchase price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes repurchased plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes repurchased to, but excluding, the date of repurchase (the "**Change of Control Payment**"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Repurchase Event, or, at the Company's option, prior to any Change of Control (as defined below), but after the public announcement of the Change of Control, the Company shall mail a notice to each Holder, with a copy to the Trustee, describing the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control Repurchase Event and offering to repurchase Notes on the date specified in the notice, which date will be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the "**Change of Control Payment Date**"). The notice shall, if mailed prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Repurchase Event occurring on or prior to the payment date specified in the notice.

The Company will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder, to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Repurchase Event. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Repurchase Event provisions of the Notes, the Company will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Repurchase Event provisions of the Notes by virtue of such conflicts.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Company shall, to the extent lawful:

(a) accept for payment all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Company's Change of Control Offer;

(b) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered; and

(c) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes or portion of Notes being purchased by the Company.

The Paying Agent will promptly mail to each Holder of properly tendered Notes the purchase price for the Notes, and the Trustee will promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book-entry) to each Holder a new Security equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of any Notes surrendered; provided, that each new Security will be in a principal amount of \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 above that amount.

The Company will not be required to make an offer to repurchase the Notes upon a Change of Control Repurchase Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by the Company and such third party purchases all Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer.

"Below Investment Grade Rating Event" means the rating on the Notes are lowered and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by any two of the three Rating Agencies on any date from the date of the public notice of an arrangement that could result in a Change of Control until the end of the 60-day period following public notice of the occurrence of the Change of Control (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for possible downgrade below investment grade by any of the Rating Agencies); provided that a Below Investment Grade Rating Event otherwise arising by virtue of a particular reduction in rating shall not be deemed to have occurred in respect of a particular Change of Control (and thus shall not be deemed a Below Investment Grade Rating Event for purposes of the definition of Change of Control Repurchase Event) if the Rating Agencies making the reduction in rating to which this definition would otherwise apply do not announce or publicly confirm or inform the Trustee in writing at the Company's request that the reduction was the result, in whole or in part, of any event or circumstance comprised of or arising as a result of, or in respect of, the applicable Change of Control (whether or not the applicable Change of Control shall have occurred at the time of the Below Investment Grade Rating Event).

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following:

- the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the properties or assets of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole to any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) other than the Company or one of its subsidiaries;
- the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section

13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) becomes the "beneficial owner," (as that term is defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the then outstanding number of shares of the Company's voting stock; or

• the first day on which a majority of the members of the Company's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction will not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (i) the Company becomes a wholly owned subsidiary of a holding company that has agreed to be bound by the terms of the Notes and (ii) the holders of the voting stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Company's voting stock immediately prior to that transaction.

"Change of Control Repurchase Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Below Investment Grade Rating Event.

"Continuing Directors" means, as of any date of determination, members of the Board of Directors of the Company who (i) were members of such Board of Directors on the date of the issuance of the Notes; or (ii) were nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the continuing directors under clause (i) or (ii) of this definition who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Company's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Fitch" means Fitch Ratings, Inc.

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB– (or the equivalent) by S&P and Fitch and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any replacement rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Company.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Rating Agencies" means (1) each of Fitch, Moody's and S&P; and (2) if Fitch, Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Notes or fails to make a rating of the Notes publicly available for reasons outside of the Company's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act, selected by the Company (as certified by a resolution of the Company's Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Fitch, Moody's or S&P, or any of them, as the case may be.

"S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc., and its successors.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries. For the purposes of this definition, "voting stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

### Paying Agent

Initially, U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.) (the "**Trustee**") will act as paying agent. The Company may change any paying agent without notice to the Holders.

### Indenture; Defined Terms

This Note is one of the 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 issued under an Indenture, dated as of March 20, 2000, between the Company and the Trustee (as originally executed and delivered or, if amended or supplemented as therein provided, as so amended or supplemented or both, and including the forms and terms of particular Series of Securities established as contemplated thereunder, the "Indenture").

Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms herein are used as defined in the Indenture. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S.C. Sections 77aaa-77bbbb) (the "**Trust Indenture Act**"), as in effect on the date of the Indenture until such time as the Indenture is qualified under the Trust Indenture Act, and thereafter as in effect on the date on which the Indenture is qualified under the Trust Indenture Act. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders of Notes are referred to the Indenture and the Trust Indenture Act for a statement of them. To the extent the terms of the Indenture and this Note are inconsistent, the terms of the Indenture shall govern.

### Denominations; Transfer; Exchange

The Notes are in registered form, without coupons, in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. A Holder shall register the transfer or exchange of Notes in accordance with the Indenture.

## Amendment; Supplement; Waiver

Subject to certain exceptions, the Notes and the provisions of the Indenture relating to the Notes may be amended or supplemented and any existing default or Event of Default or compliance with certain provisions may be waived with the written consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of each Series (including the Notes) under the Indenture that are affected by such amendment, supplement or waiver (voting as one class). Without notice to or consent of any Holder, the parties thereto may

amend or supplement the Indenture and the Notes to, among other things, cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency or comply with any requirements of the Commission in connection with the qualification of the Indenture under the TIA, or make any other change that does not materially and adversely affect the rights of any Holder of a Note.

### **Defaults and Remedies**

If an Event of Default under the Indenture occurs with respect to the Notes and shall not have been remedied or waived, unless the principal of all the Notes shall have already become due and payable, then either the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount at maturity of the Notes then Outstanding, by written notice to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by such Holders), may declare the principal of all the Notes then Outstanding to be due and payable immediately, together with all accrued and unpaid interest thereon. Holders of Notes may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture. The Trustee is not obligated to enforce the Indenture or the Notes unless it has received indemnity as it reasonably requires. The Indenture permits, subject to certain limitations therein provided, Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then Outstanding to direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Notes by the Indenture. The Trustee may withhold from Holders of Notes notice of certain continuing defaults or Events of Default if it determines in good faith that withholding notice is in their interest.

### Authentication

This Note shall not be valid until the Trustee manually signs the certificate of authentication on this Note.

### Abbreviations and Defined Terms

Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder of a Note or an assignee, such as: TEN COM (= tenants in common), TEN ENT (= tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (= joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (= Custodian), and U/G/M/A (= Uniform Gifts to Minors Act).

#### **CUSIP** Numbers

Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures, the Company has caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Notes as a convenience to the Holders of the Notes. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers as printed on the Notes and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed hereon.

### Further Issuances

The Company may create and issue additional notes pursuant to the Indenture, *provided* that if such additional notes are not fully fungible with the Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Company will cause such additional notes to be issued under a CUSIP number that is different from the CUSIP number printed on the Notes.

## Governing Law

The laws of the State of New York shall govern the Indenture and this Note.

### ASSIGNMENT FORM

To assign this Note, fill in the form below:

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I or we assign and transfer this Note to:

(Print or type assignee's name, address and zip code)

(Insert assignee's soc. sec. or tax I.D. No.)

and irrevocably appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ agent to transfer this Note on the books of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Your Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

Signature Guarantee:\_\_\_

(Signature must be guaranteed)

Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.

The signature(s) should be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution (banks, stockbrokers, savings and loan associations and credit unions with membership in an approved signature guarantee medallion program), pursuant to SEC Rule 17Ad-15.

Signature

Signature Guarantee:

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# SCHEDULE OF INCREASES OR DECREASES IN GLOBAL NOTE

## The following increases or decreases in this Global Note have been made:

Date

Amount of decrease in Principal Amount of this Global Note Amount of increase in Principal Amount of this Global Note Principal Amount of this Global Note following such decrease or increase

Signature of authorized signatory of Trustee or Notes Custodian

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are issuing this opinion letter in our capacity as legal counsel to Whirlpool Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance and sale by the Company of \$500,000,000 of 4.600% Senior Notes due 2050 (the "Notes") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

In that connection, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such documents, corporate records and other instruments as we have deemed necessary for the purposes of this opinion, including (i) the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Company, (ii) the registration statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-224381) (as amended, the "Registration Statement") to which this letter is an exhibit, (iii) the indenture, dated as of March 20, 2000, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Citibank, N.A.) (the "Indenture"), and (iv) copies of the Notes.

For purposes of this opinion, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies and the authenticity of the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies. We have also assumed the genuineness of the signatures of persons signing all documents in connection with which this opinion is rendered, the authority of such persons signing on behalf of the parties thereto, and the due authorization, execution and delivery of all documents by the parties thereto. As to any facts material to the opinions expressed herein that we have not independently established or verified, we have relied upon statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Company.

Our opinion expressed below is subject to the qualifications that we express no opinion as to the applicability of, compliance with, or effect of (i) any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent transfer, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar law affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principals of equity (regardless of whether

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enforcement is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), and (iii) public policy considerations that may limit the rights of parties to obtain certain remedies.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing qualifications, assumptions and limitations and the further limitations set forth below, we are of the opinion that the Notes have been duly authorized and are binding obligations of the Company.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the heading "Legal Matters" in the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Our advice on every legal issue addressed in this letter is based exclusively on the internal law of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

This opinion is limited to the specific issues addressed herein, and no opinion may be inferred or implied beyond that expressly stated herein. This opinion speaks only as of the date hereof and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion.

We have also assumed that the execution and delivery of the Indenture and the Notes and the performance by the Company of its obligations thereunder do not and will not violate, conflict with or constitute a default under any agreement or instrument to which the Company is bound.

This opinion is furnished to you in connection with the filing of the Registration Statement and in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K promulgated under the Securities Act, and is not to be used, circulated, quoted or otherwise relied upon for any other purposes.

Sincerely,

/s/ KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP

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