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The following is a press release issued by the Company on December 26, 2018:

**HS SPINCO, INC. FILES REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH U.S. SECURITIES & EXCHANGE  
COMMISSION FOR SPIN-OFF OF HENRY SCHEIN'S ANIMAL HEALTH BUSINESS AND  
SUBSEQUENT MERGER WITH VETS FIRST CHOICE**

**MELVILLE, N.Y. December 26, 2018** Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC), the world's largest provider of health care products and services to office-based dental, animal health and medical practitioners, announced today that HS Spinco, Inc. ( Spinco ) has filed a registration statement on Form S-4/S-1 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) relating to the planned spin-off of the Henry Schein Animal Health business and the subsequent merger with Vets First Choice. Spinco intends to list its common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol CVET and the new standalone company will be named Covetrus. Investors may find an electronic copy of Spinco's registration statement at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

**Additional Information and Where to Find It**

A registration statement on Form S-1/S-4 relating to this transaction has been filed with the SEC, but has not yet become effective. The number of shares to be offered and distribution ratios have not been determined. **Investors and security holders are urged to carefully read the registration statement and preliminary prospectus (including any amendments or supplements thereto and any documents incorporated by reference therein) and any other relevant documents filed with the SEC when they become available, because they will contain important information about the parties and the proposed transaction.** The registration statement, preliminary prospectus and other relevant documents that are filed with the SEC, when available, can be obtained free of charge from the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). These documents, when available, can also be obtained free of charge from Henry Schein, Inc. upon written request to Carolynne Borders at Henry Schein, Inc., 135 Duryea Road, Melville, NY 11747. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. The proposed offering will be made only by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

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In accordance with the Safe Harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the parties provide the following cautionary remarks regarding important factors that, among others, could cause future results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, expectations and assumptions expressed or implied herein.

These statements are identified by the use of such terms as may, could, expect, intend, believe, plan, estimate, forecast, project, anticipate or other comparable terms. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about the benefits of the transaction, including future financial and operating results, plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. All statements that address operating performance, events or developments that we expect or anticipate will occur in the future including statements relating to anticipated synergies and the expected timetable for completing the proposed transaction are forward-looking statements.

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### **About Henry Schein, Inc.**

Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC) is a health solutions network powered by people and technology. With more than 22,000 Team Schein Members serving more than 1 million customers globally, the Company is the world's largest provider of Business, Clinical, Technology, and Supply Chain solutions to enhance the efficiency of office-based dental, animal health, and medical practitioners. The Company also serves dental laboratories, government and institutional health care clinics, and other alternate care sites.

A Fortune 500® Company and a member of the S&P 500® and the Nasdaq 100® indexes, Henry Schein's network of trusted advisors provides health care professionals with the valued solutions they need to improve operational success and clinical outcomes. The Company offers customers exclusive, innovative products and solutions, including practice management software, e-commerce solutions, specialty and surgical products, as well as a broad range of financial services. Henry Schein operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, with a selection of more than 120,000 branded products and Henry Schein private-brand products in stock, as well as more than 180,000 additional products available as special-order items.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein has operations or affiliates in 34 countries. The company's sales reached a record \$12.5 billion in 2017, and have grown at a compound annual rate of approximately 15 percent since Henry Schein became a public company in 1995. For more information, visit Henry Schein at [www.henryschein.com](http://www.henryschein.com), [Facebook.com/HenrySchein](https://www.facebook.com/HenrySchein), and [@HenrySchein on Twitter](https://twitter.com/HenrySchein).

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