

## Private and confidential

The Directors **NetIQ Limited** The Lawn 22-30 Old Bath Road Newbury Berkshire **RG14 1QN** 

13 September 2017

Dear Sirs,

## Statement of Reasons connected with ceasing to hold office as Auditors

In accordance with Section 519 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"), we set out below the reasons connected with PricewaterhouseCoopers, registered auditor number A1223671, ceasing to hold office as auditors of NetIQ Limited, registered no: 03498397 (the "Company") effective from 13 September 2017.

The reason we are ceasing to hold office is that the ultimate parent undertaking of the Company, Micro Focus International plc, has recently undertaken a competitive tender process for the position of statutory auditor and wishes to appoint a new auditor. Prior to this tender process, we had mutually agreed with Micro Focus International plc that we would not participate in the tender given the existence of a joint business relationship between certain PricewaterhouseCoopers member firms and Hewlett Packard Enterprise, whose software division Micro Focus International plc had agreed to acquire. Accordingly, we are also ceasing to hold office as auditors of the Company.

There are no reasons or other matters connected with our ceasing to hold office as auditors of the Company that we consider need to be brought to the attention of the Company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully,

PricewaterhouseCoopers

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