

Discover Financial Services  
 Form 424B2  
 September 12, 2016

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Preliminary Pricing Supplement dated September 12, 2016

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Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 26 - Dated Monday, September 12, 2016 (to: Prospectus dated June 26, 2015 and Prospectus Supplement Dated: September 8, 2015)

| Selling Price | Gross Concession | Net Proceeds | Coupon Type | Coupon Rate | Coupon Frequency | Day Count Basis | Maturity Date | 1st Coupon Date | 1st Coupon Amount | Survivor Option | s | FI |
|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|---|----|
| 100.00 %      | 1.450 %          | \$           | Fixed       | 3.000 %     | Semi-Annual      | 30/360          | 09/15/2023    | 3/15/2017       | \$14.42           | Yes             |   | N  |

**Callable in whole or in part, at any time on or after 6/15/2023.**

Discover Financial Services may, at its option, at any time on or after 06/15/2023, redeem these Discover Financial Services InterNotes in whole or in part on no less than 10 nor more than 30 days prior notice delivered to the holders of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes. These Discover Financial Services InterNotes will be redeemable at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest. If fewer than all of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes are to be redeemed, the Trustee will select the Notes for redemption on a pro rata basis, by lot or by such other method in accordance with the DTC's procedures. These Discover Financial Services InterNotes will be redeemed in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. If these Discover Financial Services InterNotes are to be redeemed, the Trustee will state the portion to be redeemed. Unless Discover Financial Services defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the date of redemption on these Discover Financial Services InterNotes or the portions of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes called for redemption.

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|----------|---------|----|-------|---------|-------------|--------|------------|-----------|---------|-----|--|---|
| 100.00 % | 2.000 % | \$ | Fixed | 3.500 % | Semi-Annual | 30/360 | 09/15/2028 | 3/15/2017 | \$16.82 | Yes |  | N |
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**Redemption Information: Callable in whole or in part, at any time on or after 6/15/2028.**

Optional Redemption: Discover Financial Services may, at its option, at any time on or after 06/15/2028, redeem these Discover Financial Services InterNotes in whole or in part on no less than 10 nor more than 30 days prior notice delivered to the holders of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes. These Discover Financial Services InterNotes will be redeemable at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest. If fewer than all of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes are to be redeemed, the Trustee will select the Notes for redemption on a pro rata basis, by lot or by such other method in accordance with the DTC's procedures. These Discover Financial Services InterNotes will be redeemed in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. If these Discover Financial Services

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InterNotes are to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption will state the portion to be redeemed. Unless Discover Financial Services defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on these Discover Financial Services InterNotes or the portions of these Discover Financial Services InterNotes called for redemption.

Trade Date: Monday, September 19, 2016 @ 12:00 PM ET Discover Financial Services

Settlement Date: Thursday, September 22, 2016 Discover Financial Services InterNotes

Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00 Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 26 - Dated Monday, September 12, 2016

Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only (to: Prospectus dated June 26, 2015 and Prospectus Supplement Dated: September 8, 2015)

Lead Manager: Incapital LLC

Agents: BofA Merrill Lynch, Citigroup, Morgan Stanley, RBC Capital Markets, Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

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