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April 3, 2012

#### Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Navigant Consulting, Inc., which will be held at The Chicago Club, 81 East Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60605 on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., Central time. I look forward to greeting as many of our shareholders as possible.

Details of the business to be conducted at the meeting are given in the attached Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement.

Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, it is important that your shares be represented and voted at the meeting. Therefore, I urge you to sign and date the enclosed proxy card and promptly return it in the enclosed envelope so that your shares will be represented at the meeting. You may also vote your shares by telephone or over the Internet. If you so desire, you may withdraw your proxy and vote in person at the meeting.

We look forward to meeting those of you who will be able to attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

William M. Goodyear

**Executive Chairman** 

#### PRELIMINARY COPY SUBJECT TO COMPLETION

#### NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC.

30 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3550

Chicago, Illinois 60606

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

To the Shareholders of Navigant Consulting, Inc.:

We will hold the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Navigant Consulting, Inc. (the Company) at The Chicago Club, 81 East Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605 on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., Central time. The purposes of the meeting are to:

- 1. Elect the three nominees identified in the Proxy Statement to our Board of Directors to serve for terms of three years;
- 2. Adopt the restatement of our Certificate of Incorporation to declassify our Board of Directors;
- 3. Approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan;
- 4. Approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan;
- 5. Approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to the Company s named executive officers, as disclosed in the Proxy Statement:
- 6. Ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012; and
- 7. Transact any other business properly brought before the meeting, or any adjournments or postponements of the meeting. If you were a shareholder of record at the close of business on March 26, 2012, you are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the annual meeting.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Whether or not you expect to attend the annual meeting, we urge you to vote your shares as soon as possible. You may sign, date and otherwise complete the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the envelope provided. No postage is required if mailed in the United States. You may also vote by telephone or over the Internet by following the instructions on the enclosed proxy card. Sending in your proxy will not prevent you from attending and personally voting your shares at the annual meeting because you have the right to revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted.

We have also enclosed the Proxy Statement and 2011 Annual Report to Shareholders, which includes our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, with this Notice of Annual Meeting.

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| Secretary         |  |  |  |  |
| Chicago, Illinois |  |  |  |  |

By Order of the Board of Directors,

April 3, 2012

# IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 22, 2012

The Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement are available on our website at www.navigant.com/2012proxy. The 2011 Annual Report to Shareholders is available on our website at www.navigant.com/2011annualreport.

PRELIMINARY PROXY STATEMENT DATED MARCH 16, 2012

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT.

#### PLEASE VOTE YOUR PROXY BY TELEPHONE (800-690-6903)

## OR OVER THE INTERNET BY VISITING www.proxyvote.com

OR

#### MARK, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN YOUR PROXY CARD BY MAIL

#### WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING

NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC.

30 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3550

Chicago, Illinois 60606

#### PROXY STATEMENT

This Proxy Statement is being mailed or otherwise furnished to our shareholders on or about April 3, 2012 in connection with the solicitation of proxies by our Board of Directors for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Navigant Consulting, Inc. being held on May 22, 2012. The words we, us, our and the Company used throughout this Proxy Statement refer to Navigant Consulting, Inc.

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

| Q: | What is a proxy?   |
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| A: | A proxy is a document, also referred to as a proxy card, on which you authorize someone else to vote for you in the way that you want to vote. You may also choose to abstain from voting. <b>The proxies for our 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are being solicited by our Board of Directors.</b> |
| Q: | What is a proxy statement?   |
| A: | A proxy statement is a document, such as this one, required by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) that, among other things, explains the items on which you are asked to vote on the proxy card.   |
| Q: | What am I voting on at the annual meeting?   |
| A: | At the annual meeting, our shareholders are asked to:  |
|    | elect the three nominees identified in this Proxy Statement to our Board of Directors for three-year terms (see page 4);   |
|    | adopt the restatement of our Certificate of Incorporation to declassify our Board of Directors (see page 46);  |
|    | approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan (see page 47);   |
|    | approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan (see page 55);   |
|    | approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to the Company s named executive officers, as disclosed in this Proxy Statement (see page 57);  |
|    | ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012 (see page 59); and   |
|    | transact any other business properly brought before the meeting or any adjournments or postponements of the meeting.   |
| Q: | Who is entitled to vote?   |

Only holders of our common stock as of the close of business on the record date, March 26, 2012, are entitled to vote at the annual meeting. Each outstanding share of our common stock has one vote. There were [ ] shares of our common stock outstanding as of the close of business on March 26, 2012.

#### Q: How do I cast my vote?

A: If you hold your shares directly in your own name, you are a *registered shareholder* and may vote in person at the annual meeting or may complete and submit a proxy by mail or telephone or over the Internet. If your shares are registered in the name of a broker or other nominee, you are a *street-name shareholder* and will receive instructions from your broker or other nominee describing how to vote your shares.

#### Q: How do I vote by telephone or through the Internet?

A: If you are a registered shareholder, you may vote by telephone or over the Internet by following the instructions on your proxy card. If you are a street-name shareholder, your broker or other nominee will provide a voting instruction card for you to use in directing your broker or other nominee how to vote your shares.

#### O: Who will count the votes?

A: A representative of Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., an independent tabulator, will count the votes and act as the inspector of election for the annual meeting.

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#### Q: Can I change my vote after I have voted?

A: A subsequent vote by any means will change your prior vote. For example, if you voted by telephone, a subsequent Internet vote will change your vote. If you wish to change your vote by mail, you may do so by requesting, in writing, a new proxy card from our corporate secretary at Navigant Consulting, Inc., 30 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3550, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Attention: Corporate Secretary. The last vote received prior to the annual meeting will be the one counted. If you are a registered shareholder, you may also change your vote by voting in person at the annual meeting. Street-name shareholders wishing to change their votes after returning voting instructions to their broker or other nominee should contact their broker or other nominee directly.

#### Q: Can I revoke a proxy?

A: Yes, registered shareholders may revoke a properly executed proxy at any time before the polls close for the annual meeting by submitting a letter addressed to and received by the corporate secretary at the address listed in the answer to the previous question. Street-name shareholders cannot revoke their proxies in person at the annual meeting if the actual registered shareholders, the brokers or other nominees, are not present.

#### Q: What does it mean if I get more than one proxy card?

A: It indicates that your shares are registered differently and are in more than one account. Sign and return all proxy cards, or vote each account by telephone or through the Internet, to ensure that all your shares are voted. We encourage you to register all your accounts in the same name and address. To do so, registered shareholders may contact our transfer agent, Computershare, 480 Washington Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07310-1900. Street-name shareholders holding their shares through a broker or other nominee should contact their broker or other nominee and request consolidation of their accounts.

#### Q: What shares are included on my proxy card?

A: Your proxy card represents all shares of our common stock registered in the same social security number and address, including any full and fractional shares you own under the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan. We refer to this plan as the 401(k) Plan. If you hold shares of our common stock through the 401(k) Plan, your proxy card will instruct the 401(k) Plan trustee how to vote the shares held in your 401(k) Plan account.

#### Q: What happens if I submit a proxy card without giving specific voting instructions?

A: If you are a registered shareholder and you submit your proxy card with an unclear voting designation or with no voting designation at all, the proxies will vote your shares in accordance with the Board of Directors recommendations. If you hold shares of our common stock through the 401(k) Plan and do not vote those shares by 11:59 p.m., Eastern time, on Thursday, May 17, 2012 (or if you submit your proxy card with an unclear voting designation or with no voting designation at all), then the 401(k) Plan trustee will not vote the shares held in your 401(k) Plan account.

#### Q: What makes a quorum?

A:

A majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting, constitutes a quorum. A quorum is necessary to conduct business at the annual meeting. Abstentions from voting on a particular matter, and shares held in street name by brokers or other nominees that are not voted (so-called broker non-votes), including because the broker or other nominee does not have discretionary authority to vote those shares as to a particular matter, are counted as shares present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present but will not otherwise be included in vote totals.

Q: How does the voting work?

A: For each proposal, voting works as follows:

**Proposal 1:** A nominee for director will be elected if the total votes cast for the nominee s election exceed the total votes cast against the nominee s election.

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**Proposal 2:** The proposed restatement of our Certificate of Incorporation to declassify our Board of Directors will be adopted by our shareholders if the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of our common stock vote for the proposal.

**Proposal 3:** The Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan will be approved by our shareholders if a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting, vote for the proposal.

**Proposal 4:** The Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan will be approved by our shareholders if a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting, vote for the proposal.

**Proposal 5:** The compensation paid to our named executive officers, as disclosed in this Proxy Statement, will be approved, on an advisory basis, by our shareholders if a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting, vote for the proposal.

**Proposal 6:** The appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012 will be ratified if a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting, vote for the proposal.

Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the election of directors, as they will not be counted as votes either for or against a nominee s election. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have the effect of a vote against the remaining proposals.

If you are a street-name shareholder and you do not instruct your broker or other nominee how to vote your shares, your broker or other nominee may, in its discretion, leave your shares unvoted or vote your shares on routine matters. The proposal to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2012 is the only routine matter being voted on at the annual meeting and, therefore, may be voted by your broker or other nominee in its discretion.

#### Q: Who may attend the annual meeting?

A: Any shareholder as of the close of business on March 26, 2012 may attend the annual meeting. Seating and parking are limited and admission is on a first-come basis. Each shareholder may be asked to present valid picture identification (for example, a driver s license or passport). Street-name shareholders will need to bring a copy of a brokerage statement, proxy or letter from their broker or other nominee confirming ownership of our common stock as of the close of business on March 26, 2012.

#### Q: Who bears the expense of this Proxy Statement?

A: We will bear all expenses of the solicitation of proxies, including expenses of preparing and mailing or otherwise furnishing this Proxy Statement. We have retained MacKenzie Partners, Inc. to act as a proxy solicitor in connection with the annual meeting and have agreed to pay that firm a fee not to exceed \$25,000, plus expenses, for its services. In addition, our officers, directors and employees may solicit proxies in person or by telephone, facsimile or other means of communication. They will not receive any additional compensation for, but they may be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with, that solicitation. We will furnish copies of our proxy materials to brokerage firms, nominees, fiduciaries and custodians to forward to our street-name shareholders and will reimburse those brokerage firms and other nominees for their reasonable expenses in forwarding our solicitation materials to our street-name shareholders.

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. PLEASE RETURN YOUR MARKED, SIGNED AND DATED PROXY CARD PROMPTLY BY MAIL, OR VOTE BY TELEPHONE OR THROUGH THE INTERNET, SO YOUR SHARES ARE REPRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, EVEN IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING IN PERSON.

#### PROPOSAL 1

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Our Board of Directors (the Board ) is currently divided into three classes, with a class of directors elected each year for a three-year term. Thomas A. Gildehaus, Cynthia A. Glassman and Peter B. Pond have been nominated for election to the Board at the annual meeting. If elected at the annual meeting, they will serve for three-year terms and until their successors are elected and qualified. Their terms will expire at our annual meeting of shareholders to be held in 2015.

We have no reason to believe that any of the nominees for director would be unable or unwilling to serve if elected. However, if any nominee becomes unable or unwilling to serve, proxies will be voted for the election of another person designated by the Board.

The Board unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the election of each of Ms. Glassman and Messrs. Gildehaus and Pond. The persons named as proxies will vote for each of Ms. Glassman and Messrs. Gildehaus and Pond for election to the Board unless your proxy card is marked otherwise.

Under our by-laws, each director must be elected to the Board by a majority of the votes cast with respect to such director s election (in other words, the number of votes cast for a director s election must exceed the number of votes cast against that director s election, with abstentions are broker non-votes not counted as a vote either for or against the director s election) in uncontested elections, where the number of nominees for director does not exceed the number of directors to be elected. If an incumbent director is not elected, the director is required to promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board. The nominating and governance committee (or another committee designated by the Board) will then make a recommendation to the Board as to whether to accept or reject the resignation of the director, or whether other action should be taken. The Board will act on the resignation and publicly disclose (in the manner provided in our by-laws) its decision regarding the tendered resignation and the rationale behind the decision within 90 days following certification of the election results. The Board may extend that 90-day period by an additional period of up to 90 days if it determines that the extension is in the best interests of the Company and our shareholders. The director who has tendered his or her resignation may not participate in the recommendation of the nominating and governance committee or the decision of the Board with respect to his or her resignation. If the incumbent director is resignation is not accepted by the Board, the director will continue to serve until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

Certain biographical information for each of our nominees for director and our other directors whose terms will continue after the annual meeting is set forth below. Also set forth below is a description of the specific experience, qualifications, attributes and skills of each nominee for director and continuing director that were considered by the Board, in light of the Company s current business needs and long-term operating strategy, in concluding that these individuals should serve on the Board.

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Nominees for Election at This Annual Meeting for Terms Expiring at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Thomas A. Gildehaus

Age 71

Director since October 2000

1998, and President and Chief Executive Officer of UNR Industries, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois from July 1992 to April 1997. From 1982 to 1992, Mr. Gildehaus served as Executive Vice President of Deere & Company in Moline, Illinois. In the 1970s, Mr. Gildehaus was Vice President of Temple, Barker & Sloane, a consulting firm in Lexington, Massachusetts. He is a director of Genesis Health Systems Inc. and a trustee of the Figge Art Museum. Mr. Gildehaus is a graduate of Yale University and received a Master s degree in Business Administration, with Distinction, from Harvard University.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Gildehaus served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Northwestern Steel and Wire Company of Sterling, Illinois from April 1997 to November

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Mr. Gildehaus spent ten years building a significant consulting company, Temple, Barker & Sloane (now Oliver Wyman), and has served in leadership positions in several industrial companies. He has significant accounting expertise and knowledge relevant to the evolving dynamics of the consulting industry. As audit committee chairman during the Company s implementation of the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and thereafter, Mr. Gildehaus possesses extensive public company audit committee experience. Mr. Gildehaus provides substantial input into the growth and acquisition strategies which are an inherent part of our business model.

Dr. Glassman was appointed by President Bush as Under Secretary for Economic Affairs at the U.S. Department of Commerce from 2006 to 2009 and as Commissioner of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission from 2002 to 2006 including Acting Chairman during the summer of 2005. Dr. Glassman has spent over 35 years in the public and private sectors focusing on financial services regulatory and public policy issues, including 12 years at the Federal Reserve and 15 years in financial services consulting. Dr. Glassman is a director of Discover Financial Services and a member of its audit committee, a trustee of the SEC Historical Society, a Senior Research Scholar at the Institute for Corporate Responsibility at the George Washington University Business School and an Honorary Fellow of Lucy Cavendish College, University of Cambridge, England. Dr. Glassman received a Master of Arts degree and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Wellesley College.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Dr. Glassman holds a Ph.D. in economics and served as the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs at the U.S. Department of Commerce which enable her to provide insights that are specifically beneficial to our economics business segment. In addition, Dr. Glassman served as a Commissioner at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and brings a thorough and unique perspective to regulatory and corporate governance issues. She has also served as a consultant practitioner for over 15 years, with particular focus on issues facing the financial services industry and

Cynthia A. Glassman, Ph.D.

Age 64

Director since October 2009

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Peter B. Pond

Age 67

Director since November 1996

risk management, and brings a keen understanding of the Company s business model and retention strategies. In addition, she has deep experience in strategic issues and possesses the ability to identify market trends and specific business development opportunities and contacts of importance to us.

Mr. Pond is the founder and General Partner of Alta Equity Partners, a venture capital firm, where for the last 12 years, he has been involved in venture capital investing in numerous areas, including the specialty consulting field. He served as the Midwest Head of Investment Banking for Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation from June 1991 to March 2000, and in that capacity ran the firm s Information Technology Advisory Practice and participated in numerous mergers and acquisitions, initial public offerings and capital raising efforts. Mr. Pond is the Chairman of the Board of Maximus, Inc., a business process outsourcing firm in the state and local health and human services areas. He is also Chairman of the Maximus audit committee and sits on the boards of several charities. Mr. Pond received a Bachelor s of Science degree in Economics, with honors, from Williams College and a Master s degree in Business Administration in Finance from the University of Chicago.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Mr. Pond has spent over 40 years in investment banking, specializing in capital market strategies and mergers and acquisitions. He brings a deep understanding of the consulting business model as well as significant experience in and perspectives with respect to the capital markets. Mr. Pond has a strong financial acumen and is a successful business and civic leader on a national level. Throughout his tenure on the Board, Mr. Pond has provided thought leadership in our strategic positioning efforts.

#### Directors Whose Terms Continue Until the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Samuel K. Skinner

Age 73

Director since December 1999

Mr. Skinner is currently Of Counsel to the law firm of Greenberg & Traurig, LLP. From 2000 to 2003, Mr. Skinner was Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of U.S. Freightways Corporation. He formerly served as Co-Chairman of Hopkins & Sutter, a Chicago law firm, and as President of Commonwealth Edison Company and its holding company, Unicom Corporation (now Exelon Corporation). Prior to joining Commonwealth Edison, he served as Chief of Staff to former President George H.W. Bush. Prior to his White House service, Mr. Skinner served in the President s cabinet for nearly three years as U.S. Secretary of Transportation. From 1977 to 1989, Mr. Skinner practiced law as a senior partner in the Chicago law firm of Sidley & Austin (now Sidley Austin LLP). From 1984 to 1988, while practicing law full time, he was appointed by President Reagan as Vice Chairman of the President's Commission on Organized Crime. From 1968 to 1975, Mr. Skinner served in the office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois and in 1977, President Ford appointed him United States Attorney, one of the few career prosecutors ever to hold such position. He is currently a member of the boards of directors of APAC Customer Services, Inc., CBOE Holdings, Inc., Echo Global Logistics, Inc., Express Scripts, Inc. and MedAssets, Inc. During the past five years, Mr. Skinner also served as a director at Diamond Management &

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Technology Consultants, Inc. and Dade Behring Inc. Mr. Skinner received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Illinois and a J.D. from DePaul University Law School.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Mr. Skinner has served in key leadership positions in industry and in government. Mr. Skinner also has significant experience in the law-firm channel and is a former prosecutor. Mr. Skinner brings a deep understanding of the legal and regulatory environment in which the Company provides services. Further, Mr. Skinner has served on the boards of several public companies over the last 20 years and brings a wealth of experience regarding board processes and the need for independent assessment of the Company and management.

Governor Thompson served as Chairman of the Chicago law firm of Winston & Strawn LLP from January 1993 to September 2006. He now serves as Senior Chairman. He joined the law firm in January 1991 as Chairman of its Executive Committee after serving four terms as Governor of the State of Illinois from 1977 until 1991. Prior to his terms as Governor, he served as U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois from 1971 to 1975. Governor Thompson served as the Chief of the Department of Law Enforcement and Public Protection in the Office of the Attorney General of Illinois, as an Associate Professor at Northwestern University School of Law, and as an Assistant State s Attorney of Cook County, Illinois. He is a former Chairman of the President s Intelligence Oversight Board and was a member of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks upon the United States. Governor Thompson is currently a member of the boards of directors of Maximus, Inc. and John Bean Technologies Corp. He also serves as Chairman for the Public Review Board UNITE HERE and as Chairman for the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority. During the past five years, Governor Thompson also served as a director at FMC Technologies, Inc. and FMC Corporation. Governor Thompson attended the University of Illinois and Washington University and received a J.D. from Northwestern University.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Governor Thompson has over 50 years of legal, political and management experience. He served as Governor of the State of Illinois for 14 years and has practiced law in various capacities, from the U.S. Attorney s office to leading a major law firm. Governor Thompson has significant experience navigating the complex regulatory and legal landscape that exists today and provides critical business and strategic advice to the Company.

Mr. Tipsord is Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of the State Farm Insurance Companies. Mr. Tipsord has served in various capacities with State Farm since 1988, and has been an officer or trustee of various affiliates since 2001. Prior to assuming his current position in 2011, Mr. Tipsord served as Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer of State Farm from 2005 to 2010. Currently, Mr. Tipsord is trustee of the State Farm Associates Funds Trust, the State Farm Mutual Fund Trust and the State Farm Variable Product Trust and serves on the Board of Trustees of Illinois Wesleyan University and Brookings Institution. He also is a

Governor James R. Thompson

Age 75

Director since August 1998

Michael L. Tipsord

Age 52

Director since July 2009

member of the Dean's Advisory Board for the University of Illinois College of Law. Mr. Tipsord received a Bachelor's degree from Illinois Wesleyan University and a law degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

As the Chief Operating Officer (and formerly, the Chief Financial Officer) of State Farm, a major insurance company, Mr. Tipsord brings deep financial and regulatory expertise as well as a critical understanding of the financial services industry, which is one of the key industries to which we provide our services. He also provides management and the Board with real time capital markets perspectives. In addition, Mr. Tipsord has broad experience in accounting and financial risk controls and management.

Directors Whose Terms Continue Until the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

William M. Goodyear

Age 63

Director since December 1999

Mr. Goodyear has served as Chairman of the Board since May 2000 and was our Chief Executive Officer from May 2000 through February 2012. Prior to December 1999, he served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Bank of America Illinois and was President of Bank of America s Global Private Bank. From 1972 to 1999, Mr. Goodyear held a variety of assignments with Continental Bank, subsequently Bank of America, including corporate finance, corporate lending, trading and distribution. During this 28-year period, Mr. Goodyear was stationed in London for five years (1986 to 1991) to manage Continental Bank s European and Asian Operations. He was Vice Chairman and a member of the Board of Directors of Continental Bank prior to the 1994 merger between Continental Bank and BankAmerica Corporation. Mr. Goodyear is a trustee and member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees for the Museum of Science and Industry and a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Notre Dame and serves on the Rush University Medical Center Board, where he is Vice Chairman and a member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Finance Committee. During the past five years, Mr. Goodyear was a trustee of Equity Office Properties Trust, where he chaired the Audit Committee, prior to the sale of the company in 2007. Mr. Goodyear received a Master s degree in Business Administration, with Honors, from the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, and a Bachelor s degree in Business Administration, with Honors, from the University of Notre Dame.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Mr. Goodyear has 30 years of commercial banking experience, both domestic and international. Within the context of that experience, he also has had significant exposure to litigation and regulatory matters. Mr. Goodyear brings significant experience in management and financial controls to the Company, along with business acumen related to multiple industries with strategic importance to the Company. He provides a deep understanding of the strategies necessary to run and grow our business.

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Julie M. Howard

Age 49

Director since March 2012

Stephan A. James

Age 65

Director since January 2009

Ms. Howard was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Company in March 2012 and has served as the Company s President since 2006 and the Company s Chief Operating Officer since 2003. From 2001 to 2003, Ms. Howard was the Company s Vice President and Human Capital Officer. Prior to 2001, Ms. Howard held a variety of consulting and operational positions with several professional services firms. Ms. Howard is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Kemper Corporation (formerly Unitrin, Inc.) and a member of the Foundation Board for Children s Memorial Hospital. Ms. Howard is a founding member of the Women s Leadership and Mentoring Alliance (WLMA). Ms. Howard is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance. She has also completed several post-graduate courses within the Harvard Business School Executive Education program, focusing in Finance and Management.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Ms. Howard has 25 years of professional services experience and has held a broad array of senior management roles overseeing Navigant s consulting businesses as well as key administrative functions. She was also a critical architect of the Company s strategic plans announced in 2009. Ms. Howard brings significant experience and insights to the Board in the areas of strategic market analysis and planning, targeted business and client development, operating model and profitability enhancements, consultant compensation and retention, client channel alignment and integrated brand management. Additionally, Ms. Howard brings outside management and governance perspectives based on her business and civic board memberships.

Mr. James is the former Chief Operating Officer of Accenture Ltd., and served as Vice Chairman and a member of the Board of Directors of Accenture Ltd. from 2001 to 2004. He also served in the advisory position of International Chairman of Accenture from August 2004 until August 2006. During his more than 35 years at Accenture, Mr. James held several senior management roles, including Managing Partner for the Central U.S., Managing Partner for the North American Financial Services Practice and Managing Partner for the Global Financial Services Operating Group. He is currently a member of the boards of directors of BMC Software Inc. and Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. and serves as a member of the University of Texas McCombs School of Business Advisory Board. During the past five years, Mr. James also served as a director at CDW Corporation and Metavante Technologies, Inc. Mr. James received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration, concentrating in Industrial Management and Labor Relations, from the University of Texas.

Key experience, qualifications, attributes and skills:

Mr. James has had multiple leadership roles related to global business and technology consulting, including as Chief Operating Officer of Accenture Ltd. Mr. James provides key insights into managing professional services workforces, both domestic and international. He has a deep understanding of corporate governance needs, and understands successful strategies for running global consulting firms.

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#### Committees of the Board of Directors

The following table sets forth the current members of each of the committees of the Board.

|                             |                    |                           |                        | Nominating and          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
|                             | Audit<br>Committee | Compensation<br>Committee | Executive<br>Committee | Governance<br>Committee |
| Thomas A. Gildehaus*        | Chair              | X                         |                        |                         |
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman*   |                    | X                         |                        | X                       |
| William M. Goodyear         |                    |                           | X                      |                         |
| Julie M. Howard             |                    |                           |                        |                         |
| Stephan A. James*           | X                  | Chair                     |                        |                         |
| Peter B. Pond*              | X                  |                           |                        | Chair                   |
| Samuel K. Skinner*          |                    |                           | X                      |                         |
| Governor James R. Thompson* |                    |                           | Chair                  | X                       |
| Michael L. Tipsord*         | X                  | X                         |                        |                         |

<sup>\*</sup> Independent director (see Corporate Governance Independence Determinations )

Lead Director (see Board Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight )

Charters for the audit committee, compensation committee and nominating and governance committee are available on our website at www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance.

Audit Committee. The audit committee monitors the integrity of our financial statements, financial reporting process and systems of internal controls regarding finance and accounting; monitors our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; monitors the qualifications, independence and performance of our independent public accountants; monitors the performance of our internal audit function; provides an avenue of communication among the independent public accountants, internal audit function, management and the Board; and monitors significant litigation and financial risk exposure. Each of the members of the audit committee is independent as defined by the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and applicable SEC rules. The Board has determined that each of the members of the audit committee meets the financial literacy requirements of the NYSE and that each of Mr. Gildehaus and Mr. Tipsord qualifies as an audit committee financial expert as defined by applicable SEC rules. None of the members of the audit committee serves on more than three public company audit committees. The audit committee met five times during 2011.

Compensation Committee. The compensation committee reviews and monitors matters related to management development and succession; reviews and approves executive compensation policies and pay for performance criteria, including corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer; reviews and approves base salary, annual incentive bonus and long-term incentive awards for all of our executive officers; makes recommendations to the Board regarding new or amended incentive compensation and equity-based compensation plans and administers and exercises all powers of the Board under such plans (other than the power to amend those plans); reviews and provides input on such other matters concerning our employee compensation and benefit plans as the committee deems appropriate; reviews and assesses the risks arising from our compensation policies and practices; evaluates and recommends to the Board the form and amount of director compensation; and otherwise carries out the responsibilities that have been delegated to the compensation committee under the Company s various compensation and benefit plans. The compensation committee also reviews and discusses with management the compensation discussion and analysis and prepares the compensation committee report included in our annual proxy statement. Each of the members of the compensation committee is independent as defined by the listing standards of the NYSE, a non-employee director as defined by applicable SEC rules and an outside director for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ). The compensation committee met 12 times during 2011.

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Nominating and Governance Committee. The nominating and governance committee identifies and evaluates individuals qualified to become members of the Board and recommends that the Board appoint those individuals as directors or nominate them for election at our next annual meeting of shareholders. The nominating and governance committee also develops and make recommendations to the Board regarding our corporate governance guidelines and reviews and approves our Code of Business Standards and Ethics (each of which is posted on our website at <a href="https://www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance">www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance</a>). Each of the members of the nominating and governance committee is independent as defined by the listing standards of the NYSE. The nominating and governance committee met five times during 2011.

*Executive Committee.* The executive committee can act in lieu of the Board when necessary between meetings as permitted by Delaware law. The executive committee met once during 2011.

#### **Board Meetings; Annual Meetings of Shareholders**

The Board met 16 times during 2011. Each of our directors attended over 90 percent of the meetings of the Board and the Board committees on which he or she served that were held during 2011. Our non-management directors meet in regularly scheduled executive sessions and have selected Governor Thompson to serve as our Lead Director. While we have no formal policy regarding attendance by our directors at our annual meetings of shareholders, we encourage all of our directors to attend. All of our directors attended our 2011 annual meeting of shareholders.

#### **Board Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight**

Effective March 1, 2012, the Board appointed Ms. Howard as our Chief Executive Officer, succeeding Mr. Goodyear who remains with the Company as Executive Chairman of the Board. Mr. Goodyear has served as our Chairman since 2000. The Board believes the recent separation of these roles is optimal for the Company at the present time because it provides the Board with consistent leadership and allows our new Chief Executive Officer to focus on the Company s business operations. Although the Board believes that this leadership structure is appropriate at this time, the Board has no policy with respect to the separation of the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman. The Board believes that the leadership structure of the Board is a matter that should be evaluated and determined by the Board from time to time, based on all of the then-relevant facts and circumstances.

The Board is responsible for overseeing our risk management process. The Board receives regular reports from our Chief Executive Officer regarding strategic and operating risks facing the Company. In addition, the Company has an enterprise risk management committee (which reports directly to the audit committee) to evaluate risks affecting our business. The company s internal audit function conducts an annual risk assessment and also reports directly to the audit committee.

Our corporate governance guidelines require that the Board appoint an independent lead or presiding director. Governor Thompson serves as our Lead Director. Management, as well as the internal audit function and the enterprise risk management committee, have unfettered access to his counsel. Our corporate governance guidelines also provide that the Board meet in regularly scheduled executive sessions without management, and in the performance of his role as Lead Director, Governor Thompson leads all executive sessions of the Board. He also serves as the Chairman of the executive committee. Further, he offers an independent view of the Company and serves as the conduit for our non-management directors to relay any issues or concerns or agenda items for upcoming meetings of the Board.

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#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The nominating and governance committee monitors and reviews new SEC rules and NYSE corporate governance standards as they are proposed, adopted and revised. The nominating and governance committee has developed corporate governance guidelines that are intended to ensure compliance with the SEC rules and NYSE listing standards.

In February 2012, in connection with its annual corporate governance review and based on feedback received from our shareholders, the nominating and governance committee recommended that the Board amend and restate our Certificate of Incorporation to provide for a phased-in elimination of the classification of our Board of Directors and the annual election of all of the members of the Board. Based upon this recommendation, the Board has approved and declared advisable, and is recommending that at the annual meeting our shareholders adopt, an amendment and restatement of our Certificate of Incorporation to declassify the Board (see Proposal 2 Adoption of Restated Certificate of Incorporation to Declassify Our Board of Directors ).

#### **Independence Determinations**

On an annual basis, the nominating and governance committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Board as to whether individual directors are independent for purposes of the applicable SEC rules and NYSE listing standards relating to corporate governance. The nominating and governance committee s review is based on all relevant facts and circumstances, as well as criteria set forth in the applicable SEC rules and NYSE listing standards. In addition, the nominating and governance committee considers certain categorical standards approved by the Board to assist it in making independence recommendations. These categorical standards describe certain relationships that are considered immaterial and do not preclude a finding of independence.

Under our Standards for Director Independence, the following relationships are considered immaterial and therefore do not preclude a finding of independence:

- 1. The director is affiliated with or employed by a company, partnership or other entity that receives payments from us for services in an amount which, in the current fiscal year, does not exceed the greater of (a) \$1 million or (b) two percent of such other company s consolidated gross revenues, provided, however, that solely for purposes of determining audit committee independence, a director may not accept, directly or indirectly, a consulting, advisory or other compensatory fee from us in any amount (other than director and committee fees).
- 2. The director is an employee, officer or director of a foundation, university or other non-profit organization to which we give directly, or indirectly through the provision of services, less than \$250,000 during the year in question.
- 3. In any cases where payments are made by us indirectly to an immediate family member, as for example fees paid to a law firm in which such immediate family member is a partner, if such immediate family member disclaims and does not accept any share of payments, the Board will not consider that such payments preclude the director from being considered independent for all purposes, including service on the audit committee.

A copy of these categorical standards is posted on our website at www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance.

Based on the review and recommendation of the nominating and governance committee, the Board affirmed that all of our current directors, except for Mr. Goodyear and Ms. Howard, are independent within the meaning of the NYSE listing standards and our Standards for Director Independence, and that all of the members of the audit committee meet the SEC s more stringent standards for audit committee independence.

#### **Shareholder Rights Plan Policy**

The Board has adopted a policy stating that we will submit the adoption or extension of any shareholder rights plan to a shareholder vote, unless the Board, in an exercise of its fiduciary responsibilities, believes that it is in the best interests of the Company and our shareholders to adopt or extend (for one year) a shareholder rights plan without the delay that would come from the time required to seek a shareholder vote. A copy of our shareholder rights plan policy is posted on our website at <a href="https://www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance">www.navigant.com/about\_nci/corporate\_governance</a>.

#### **Director Nomination Procedures**

Due to the fact that two of the three members of the nominating and governance committee (Ms. Glassman and Mr. Pond) were standing for reelection at the 2012 annual meeting, the evaluation and determination of the nominees for director at the 2012 annual meeting were made by the independent directors of the Board. Ms. Glassman and Mr. Pond recused themselves from voting on these matters. In making this evaluation and determination, the independent directors of the Board followed the same director nomination procedures (which are described in detailed below) that otherwise would have been followed by the nominating and governance committee. After considering the evaluation criteria outlined below, the independent directors of the Board determined that Ms. Glassman and Messrs. Gildehaus and Pond be nominated for election to the Board, each to serve a term of three years.

Except in the case of the nominees for director at the 2012 annual meeting, the nominating and governance committee is generally tasked with evaluating and recommending to the Board nominees for election to the Board at each annual meeting. The nominating and governance committee works with the Board to determine the appropriate characteristics, skills, and experiences for individual directors and for the Board as a whole with the objective of having a board of directors with diverse backgrounds and experience. In considering the qualifications of incumbent directors as well as future candidates for election to the Board, the nominating and governance committee considers all relevant factors, including judgment, character, reputation, education and experience, in relation to the qualifications of any alternate candidates and the particular needs of the Board, its committees and the Company as they exist at the time of the candidate s consideration. Characteristics expected of all our directors include independence, integrity, high personal and professional ethics, sound business judgment and the ability and willingness to commit sufficient time to the Board. Although the Company does not have a formal policy on diversity, the Company seeks directors who represent a mix of backgrounds and experiences. The nominating and governance committee discusses each candidate s diversity of background and experience in the context of the Board as a whole, with the objective of recommending a candidate for nomination to the Board who can best perpetuate the success of our business and represent our shareholders interests through the exercise of sound judgment. The nominating and governance committee evaluates each incumbent director to determine whether he or she should be nominated to stand for reelection, based on the types of criteria outlined above as well as the director s contributions to the Board during their current term. The nominating and governance committee also considers each candidate s relationships, if any, with the Company and its directors, officers, employees and shareholders, as well as any applicable criteria set forth in SEC rules, NYSE listing standards and Delaware law.

The nominating and governance committee and/or the Board will consider nominees for director recommended by our shareholders, provided that the shareholder nominations are received by our corporate secretary within the time frame established by our by-laws (see the section entitled Shareholder Proposals for the 2013 Proxy Statement below). All candidates for director, including those who have been properly nominated by a shareholder, are evaluated using the same criteria as described above. The Company has received a notice from a holder of 100 shares of our common stock that he intends to nominate three directors for election at the annual meeting.

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#### AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The audit committee has reviewed and discussed with management the audited financial statements of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011 (the Audited Financial Statements ). In addition, the audit committee has discussed with KPMG LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, Communications with Audit Committees, as amended (AICPA Professional Standards, Vol. 1. AU Section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board in Rule 3200T. The audit committee also has received the written disclosures and the letter from KPMG LLP required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding its communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with KPMG LLP its independence from the Company and management. The audit committee also has discussed with management, the Company s internal audit function and KPMG LLP such other matters, and has received such assurances from them, as it deemed appropriate. Based on the foregoing review and discussions and relying thereon, the audit committee has recommended to the Board (and the Board has approved) the inclusion of the Audited Financial Statements in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thomas A. Gildehaus, Chairman

Stephan A. James

Peter B. Pond

Michael L. Tipsord

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#### COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section contains a discussion and analysis of the compensation program in place for our named executive officers, or NEOs. The compensation committee determines and approves the compensation of our NEOs. For 2011, our NEOs were:

William M. Goodyear, our current Executive Chairman and former Chief Executive Officer ( CEO );

Julie M. Howard, our current CEO and former President and Chief Operating Officer;

Thomas A. Nardi, our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer ( CFO ); and

Monica M. Weed, our Vice President and General Counsel.

#### **Leadership Transition**

In February 2012, as part of the Company s succession plan, we announced the appointment of Ms. Howard to the position of CEO, effective March 1, 2012. Ms. Howard succeeds Mr. Goodyear, who remains with the Company on a full-time basis, serving as Executive Chairman of the Board. In connection with this transition, we amended each of the employment agreements with Ms. Howard and Mr. Goodyear (see Executive Compensation Employment Agreements), and the compensation committee also approved other changes to each executive s compensation, as described in the section entitled 2012 Compensation Decisions below.

Except where noted, throughout this Compensation Discussion and Analysis and in the compensation tables that follow, we refer to the title of each NEO as was in effect on the last day of fiscal year 2011.

#### **Executive Summary**

In 2011, the Company continued to focus on executing its long-term strategy and achieving the benefits of both the strategic investments and the re-alignment of its core practices that were made in 2010. The Company's operating objectives for 2011 included successfully integrating and leveraging the strategic businesses acquired in 2010, realizing greater revenue contributions from senior hires brought in during 2010, capturing the increased demand for unique expertise in its key practice areas, strengthening the firm's culture and capabilities through enhanced professional development opportunities and maintaining a tight fiscal approach to resource management. The financial performance measures that align with these objectives are summarized in the table below.

How did the Company perform relative to its 2011 operating and financial objectives?

In 2011, the Company accomplished its operating objectives and exceeded each of the financial performance targets established at the beginning of 2011 for the annual incentive plan, as shown in the following table:

| (in millions, except per share data and percentages) | 2011<br>Target | 2011<br>Actual | 2011 Actual<br>as % of 2011<br>Target | 2011 Actual vs.<br>2010 Actual<br>(% Change) |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Revenues Before Reimbursements                       | \$ 691.0       | \$ 695.7       | 100.7%                                | 11.6%  |
| Adjusted EBITDA(1)                                   | \$ 101.0       | \$ 101.2       | 100.2%                                | 13.6%  |
| Adjusted Net Income(1)                               | \$ 38.0        | \$ 43.0        | 113.2%                                | 39.8%  |
| Adjusted Earnings per Share(1)                       | \$ 0.74        | \$ 0.84        | 113.5%                                | 37.7%  |

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(1) Adjusted EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted Earnings per Share are non-GAAP financial measures, as defined by the SEC. These financial measures exclude the impact of other operating costs (benefit) (including office consolidation costs and intangible asset impairment), severance expense and other non-recurring costs (benefit) (including from a tax election related to certain of the Company s foreign entities). These financial measures and adjustments are the same as those presented in the Company s fourth quarter and full year 2011 earnings release dated February 2, 2012.

The marketplace responded positively to the Company s strong financial performance in 2011, with the Company delivering a total shareholder return (as defined below) of 24% during 2011 which placed the Company in the top quartile of its current peer group.

How did performance impact 2011 compensation decisions?

Annual Cash Bonus The largest portion (70%) of our NEOs annual cash bonus opportunity for 2011 was based on the Company s financial performance, as defined by the key performance measures summarized in the table above. The balance (30%) of their annual cash bonus opportunity for 2011 was based on the achievement of individual qualitative performance goals tied to strategic and operating initiatives at the Company. Based on the Company s actual financial performance (as shown in the preceding section) and the compensation committee s assessment of each NEO s individual performance for 2011, the 2011 cash bonuses payable to our NEOs under the 2011 annual incentive plan ranged between approximately 102% and 105% of each NEO s annual target bonus amount, as summarized in the following table.

|                     | Bonus Payout %<br>Based        |                                     |  |   |                                 |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|
|                     | 2011<br>Target<br>Bonus<br>(A) | on<br>Company<br>Performance<br>(B) | Based on<br>Individual<br>Performance<br>(C) | 2011 Bonus as<br>% of Target<br>(B + C = D) | 2011 Actual<br>Bonus<br>(A x D) |
| William M. Goodyear | \$ 850,000                     | 75.2%                               | 27.0%  | 102.2%                                      | \$ 868,700                      |
| Julie M. Howard     | \$ 600,000                     | 75.2%                               | 28.1%  | 103.3%                                      | \$ 619,800                      |
| Thomas A. Nardi     | \$ 292,500                     | 75.2%                               | 26.4%  | 101.6%                                      | \$ 297,200                      |
| Monica M. Weed      | \$ 200,000                     | 75.2%                               | 29.1%  | 104.3%                                      | \$ 208,600                      |

A detailed discussion of our 2011 annual incentive plan, including how the Company's financial performance and our NEOs individual performance specifically impacted actual bonuses paid for 2011, is set forth below in the section entitled 2011 Executive Compensation Program Annual Performance-Based Cash Bonus.

Long-Term Equity Incentive Awards As discussed in last year s proxy statement, the long-term equity incentive awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011 were based, in large part, on the

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Company s performance for the prior year (i.e., 2010). The value of the equity awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011 (for 2010 performance) was less than half of the value of the equity awards granted to them in March 2010 (for 2009 performance), reflecting the fact that the Company s financial performance during 2010 only partially met the Board s expectations, as well as the Company s below-average stock price performance.

|                     | 2011<br>Equity<br>Award<br>Value | 2010<br>Equity<br>Award<br>Value | % Change vs. 2010 |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| William M. Goodyear | \$ 300,000                       | \$ 750,000                       | (60.0%)           |
| Julie M. Howard     | \$ 225,000                       | \$ 500,000                       | (55.0%)           |
| Thomas A. Nardi     | \$ 135,000                       | \$ 300,000                       | (55.0%)           |
| Monica M. Weed      | \$ 115,000                       | \$ 250,000                       | (54.0%)           |

What changes have been made to enhance our executive compensation program?

The compensation committee engages in an ongoing review of the Company s executive compensation program. This review ensures that our program remains consistent with the Company s executive compensation philosophy and, as a whole, reflects best practices among the Company s peer group and the broader market. Within the past 12 months, the compensation committee has taken the following actions to further enhance our executive compensation program:

Added performance-based vesting conditions linked to the Company s relative annual total shareholder return (defined as the change in the Company s stock price, plus the reinvestment of any dividend payments by the Company) to a portion of the restricted stock awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011;

Approved supplemental terms for our 2011 annual incentive plan to enhance the formulaic nature of the plan;

Established a cap of 200% of an NEO s annual target bonus opportunity as the maximum award payable under our annual incentive plan;

Reviewed and modified our peer group;

Recalibrated our compensation philosophy to target our NEOs total direct compensation opportunity to a median market range, which, as further explained below, is defined as within 10% of the median for base salaries, within 15% of the median for annual performance-based cash bonus targets, and within 20% of the median for long-term equity incentive targets and total targeted direct compensation;

Implemented a holding period requirement for equity awards granted to our NEOs and non-employee directors, requiring that at least 75% (in the case of our CEO and non-employee directors) or 50% (in the case of the other NEOs) of the net shares received from the vesting of equity awards or stock option exercises must be held for at least one year from the vesting or exercise date;

Adopted a clawback policy;

Granted only performance-based equity incentive awards in the form of stock options and performance-based restricted stock units in connection with the annual equity grants made to our newly-appointed CEO, as well as our CFO and our General Counsel, in March 2012 in order to increase the proportion of their total direct compensation opportunity which is performance-based;

Implemented a three-year performance period under which the attainment of both absolute and relative performance-based vesting criteria will be measured for the aforementioned performance-based restricted stock units;

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Eliminated the right to receive tax gross-up payments relating to the occurrence of a change in control when amending Mr. Goodyear s and Ms. Howard s employment agreements in early 2012, and as a result, none of our NEOs have the right to receive such tax gross-up payments;

Modified the circumstances upon which our newly-appointed CEO (Ms. Howard) would be entitled to receive severance payments upon a change in control of the Company by replacing the modified single-trigger provision in her employment agreement with a double-trigger severance provision;

Contracted for a finite term in each of the amended employment agreements we entered into with Mr. Goodyear and Ms. Howard and removed the automatic annual renewal feature previously contained in those agreements; and

Included double-trigger change-in-control vesting in the new long-term incentive plan for which we are seeking shareholder approval (see Proposal 3 Approval of the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan ).

How did we respond to the 2011 advisory shareholder vote on executive compensation?

At our 2011 annual meeting of shareholders, less than a majority of our shareholders voted to approve the 2010 compensation paid to our NEOs (the SOP proposal). Although this vote was an advisory vote, and was not binding on either the Company or the Board (or any of its committees), the compensation committee deliberated extensively about the results of this vote and considered these results when engaging in the aforementioned review of our executive compensation program (including the actions that were taken as a result of that review).

The compensation committee also sought feedback and recommendations from, among others, our top 15 shareholders who collectively held approximately 70% of our outstanding shares as of March 1, 2012. In seeking feedback from our shareholders, our outreach efforts were not limited to those shareholders who voted against the SOP proposal. Even though many of our largest shareholders voted for the SOP proposal, the compensation committee was still interested in gaining broad-based insights on our executive compensation and corporate governance practices. Generally speaking, we received positive feedback on the program changes we made and announced during 2011, as outlined above. In addition, our shareholders advised that the alignment of pay and performance, and clear disclosure describing performance metrics and explaining the linkage between pay and performance, are important considerations for them. While no specific component of our executive compensation program was altered solely on the basis of the negative vote on the SOP proposal or shareholder feedback, the compensation committee believes the features of our 2011 and 2012 executive compensation program (including the program changes described above) are consistent with many of the views expressed by our largest shareholders.

#### **Executive Compensation Philosophy**

The overall objective of our executive compensation program is to attract, retain and motivate highly qualified and effective executive officers in order to positively impact the Company and ultimately create long-term value for our shareholders. We designed our executive compensation program to meet this objective by:

aligning our NEOs incentive compensation opportunities with the Company s financial and strategic performance goals, as well as the relative performance of our stock price over time;

providing our NEOs with target compensation opportunities that are competitive with other companies in our peer group; and

discouraging excessive risk taking and promoting sound corporate governance.

This pay philosophy is present in the design of all of our compensation policies (including those applicable to our non-executive employees). Accordingly, the compensation committee has concluded that the risks arising from our compensation policies and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company.

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How is pay aligned with performance?

Performance-based compensation represented a significant portion of our NEOs 2011 total direct compensation ( TDC ) opportunity (which includes annual base salary, target annual bonus opportunity and the annualized grant date fair value of long-term equity incentive awards). In particular, payouts under our annual cash incentive plan are tied to pre-established financial and individual performance goals that are aligned with the Company s long-term strategy. Stock options, which currently account for one-third of the equity awards granted to our NEOs on an annual basis, have value to an executive only if our stock price appreciates. The restricted stock and restricted stock unit awards granted as part of our annual long-term equity incentive program in March 2011 and March 2012 also contain performance-based vesting conditions.

Specifically, the portion of the restricted stock awards we modified in August 2011 will vest only to the extent the Company s total shareholder return meets or exceeds specified targets, and the extent to which the restricted stock units granted in March 2012 will vest is dependent on the Company s relative total shareholder return and the Company meeting cumulative adjusted EBITDA goals over a three-year performance period.

For 2011, 54% of our CEO s target TDC was tied to Company and individual performance or relative total shareholder return (including 100% of his annual cash bonus and approximately 78% of his 2011 long-term equity incentive awards). For 2012, with respect to the position of CEO, we have increased the proportion of target TDC which is performance-based, with 74% of Ms. Howard s target TDC being performance-based (including 100% of her annual cash bonus and 100% of her 2012 long-term equity incentive awards).

How do we establish the market competitiveness of our executive compensation program?

To retain and strengthen the focus of our executive management team, we have designed our executive compensation program to provide our NEOs with target compensation opportunities that are competitive with comparable positions at companies within our peer group and the broader market. The compensation committee assesses the market competitiveness of our executive compensation program based on peer group proxy data, as well as general industry compensation survey data. The compensation committee relies on its independent compensation consultant to compile and analyze peer group and survey data for purposes of this assessment.

On an annual basis, the compensation committee evaluates and, if appropriate, adjusts the composition of the peer group. In reviewing the composition of the peer group, the compensation committee considers the following general criteria:

companies in the same or similar lines of business;

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companies with at least one of the following business traits: human capital intensive, business-to-business advisory services, project-based revenue model and international operations of a meaningful size; and

companies with revenues between 25% and 400% of the Company s revenues and within a reasonable range of the Company in terms of other financial metrics and operating data, such as operating income, total assets, total equity, total employees and market capitalization.

Based on these criteria, as well as input from Frederic W. Cook & Co., the compensation committee s independent compensation consultant (FWC), the compensation committee approved the following new peer group in June 2011:

|   | Most Recent Fiscal Year (as of May 31, 2011) |                                  |           |
|---|--|----------------------------------|-----------|
|   | ,  | millions, except employee data)( | 1)        |
| Peer Company                                | Net Revenue                                  | Market Cap                       | Employees |
| The Advisory Board Company*                 | \$ 290                                       | \$ 833                           | 1,100     |
| CBIZ, Inc.                                  | \$ 733                                       | \$ 388                           | 5,700     |
| The Corporate Executive Board Company*      | \$ 439                                       | \$ 1,451                         | 1,742     |
| CRA International, Inc.*                    | \$ 287                                       | \$ 304                           | 777       |
| Duff & Phelps Corporation*                  | \$ 375                                       | \$ 625                           | 1,131     |
| Exponent, Inc.*                             | \$ 249                                       | \$ 602                           | 883       |
| FTI Consulting, Inc.*                       | \$ 1,401                                     | \$ 1,605                         | 3,472     |
| Gartner, Inc.*                              | \$ 1,288                                     | \$ 3,796                         | 4,305     |
| Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.    | \$ 513                                       | \$ 373                           | 1,400     |
| Hill International, Inc.                    | \$ 452                                       | \$ 176                           | 2,152     |
| Huron Consulting Group Inc.*                | \$ 605                                       | \$ 673                           | 1,945     |
| ICF International, Inc.*                    | \$ 765                                       | \$ 506                           | 3,500     |
| IHS Inc.                                    | \$ 1,075                                     | \$ 5,688                         | 4,100     |
| Korn/Ferry International                    | \$ 776                                       | \$ 1,004                         | 2,200     |
| MAXIMUS, Inc.*                              | \$ 832                                       | \$ 1,454                         | 6,594     |
| Resources Connection, Inc.*                 | \$ 499                                       | \$ 654                           | 787       |
| Sapient Corporation                         | \$ 864                                       | \$ 2,026                         | 7,052     |
| Tetra Tech, Inc.*                           | \$ 1,460                                     | \$ 1,517                         | 10,000    |
| TRC Companies, Inc.                         | \$ 230                                       | \$ 188                           | 2,400     |
| VSE Corporation                             | \$ 866                                       | \$ 138                           | 2,534     |
| 75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile                 | \$ 864                                       | \$ 1,470                         | 4,151     |
| Median                                      | \$ 669                                       | \$ 664                           | 2,300     |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile                 | \$ 423                                       | \$ 384                           | 1,333     |
| Navigant Consulting, Inc.                   | \$ 704                                       | \$ 521                           | 2,307     |
| Navigant Consulting, Inc. (percentile rank) | 51%  | 32%                              | 50%       |

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates prior peer group member. LECG Corporation was also included in the prior peer group but was removed due to the liquidation and wind-down of its business in early 2011.

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<sup>(1)</sup> All peer group data was compiled by FWC from Standard & Poor s Compustat Service. Net revenue excludes non-operating income, gain on sale of securities or fixed assets, discontinued operations, excise taxes and royalty income. Operating income excludes special items such as restructuring charges and may reflect measures that are not in conformity with GAAP.

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This new peer group, which consists of 20 companies (as compared to 13 companies in the prior peer group), reflects the addition of CBIZ, Heidrick & Struggles, Hill International, IHS, Korn/Ferry International, Sapient, TRC Companies and VSE Corporation.

The prior peer group was used by the compensation committee in evaluating base salaries for 2011, and was also considered by the compensation committee in determining the equity-based incentive awards granted to the NEOs in March 2011 (though the size of those awards was, for the most part, based on relative Company and individual performance for the 2010 performance year, as discussed in further detail below).

The new peer group was used by the compensation committee for those executive compensation decisions which were made on or after June 2011. Midway through 2011, the compensation committee also recalibrated our general executive pay philosophy, applicable to future decision-making, to target the compensation of our NEOs at a median market range, which we define as within 10% of the median for base salaries, within 15% of the median for annual performance-based cash bonus targets, and within 20% of the median for long-term equity incentive targets and total targeted direct compensation, although individual targets may vary depending on the relative level of experience and tenure of the executive or clearly differentiated performance results. The median market range is determined by FWC by taking the simple average of the peer group median data and the size-adjusted median data from three general industry surveys conducted by Aon Hewitt, Mercer and Towers Watson, which cover 150 to 400 different positions at approximately 250 to 2,000 organizations. The median market range for each NEO consists of both pay rank and functional match data for the peer group and functional match data for the general industry surveys data was regressed against the entire database of companies participating in the respective surveys based on the Company s estimated annual total revenues of \$750 million, and all cash compensation data was aged at a 3% annual rate to January 1, 2012.

How do we discourage excessive risk-taking and promote sound corporate governance?

We have designed our executive compensation program and adopted certain compensation policies to discourage excessive risk-taking. The design features of our program that mitigate risk include the following:

We have adopted a policy on the recoupment of incentive payment (a clawback policy) requiring the reimbursement of excess incentive compensation provided to the Company s executive officers in the event of certain restatements of the Company s financial statements:

Our long-term equity incentive awards contain multi-year vesting or performance periods that overlap which diminishes the incentive to maximize performance in any one fiscal year at the expense of another;

We utilize multiple performance goals, with balanced weighting, to determine our NEOs annual cash bonus awards, which decreases the NEOs incentive to focus on a single performance goal to the detriment of others;

Annual cash bonus awards and the vesting of performance-based restricted stock or restricted stock unit awards are limited to formulaic maximums based on the achievement of pre-established performance goals over the relevant performance period;

Our stock ownership guidelines, which also include holding period requirements, continue to align our NEOs interests with those of our shareholders beyond the end of a specific performance period or following a vesting or option exercise date; and

Our insider trading policy prohibits all of our employees, including our NEOs, from selling short our common stock or engaging in hedging or offsetting transactions regarding our common stock.

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#### Role of Independent Compensation Consultant and Management

Role of Independent Compensation Consultant

In June 2011, the compensation committee engaged FWC to serve as its new independent compensation consultant. (Prior to June 2011, the compensation committee had retained Towers Watson as its independent compensation consultant.) The independent compensation consultant works directly for the compensation committee (and not on behalf of management) and assists the compensation committee in evaluating our executive compensation program, including peer group composition, competitive benchmarking, program design, and staying abreast of market practices and trends. Other than with respect to aforementioned survey data, which the Company purchased from Towers Watson, neither Towers Watson nor FWC performed any other work for the Company in 2011.

Role of Management in Compensation Decisions

As part of its annual compensation review, the compensation committee reviews the performance of each NEO. For the NEOs other than our CEO, the compensation committee receives performance assessments and compensation recommendations from our CEO. Except for our CEO, none of the other NEOs is present when these assessments and recommendations are made. Our CEO does not participate in his or her own performance review (other than completing an annual self-assessment of his or her individual performance goals) and does not recommend his or her own compensation. The other NEOs do not have a role in any compensation decisions, except for discussing their annual, individual performance goals (and their self-assessment of their respective achievement of those goals) with our CEO. Our CEO, in turn, makes recommendations to the compensation committee based on these discussions.

#### 2011 Executive Compensation Program

Our executive compensation program for 2011 was comprised primarily of annual cash compensation (base salary and performance-based bonus) and long-term equity compensation (stock options and restricted stock, a portion of which is subject to performance-based vesting conditions). We offer limited perquisites and no other supplemental executive or retirement benefits to our NEOs.

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How does each of the components of our executive compensation program align with our overall philosophy and objectives?

The following table shows how each of the individual components of our 2011 executive compensation program fits into our overall compensation philosophy and program objectives:

| <b>Component</b> Base Salary | Overall Objective Attract and retain                                      | Specific Purpose  |  |  |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Performance-Based Bonus      | Pay competitively Attract and retain                                      | Provide a base level of fixed and predictable income  |  |  |
|                              | Pay competitively  Align pay with Company and individual performance      | Motivate and reward financial and individual performance in line with the Company s annual operating plan and short-term operating objectives |  |  |
| Stock Options                | Attract and retain  | Promote long-term retention   |  |  |
|                              | Pay competitively   | Motivate and reward financial and individual performance in line with the   |  |  |
|                              | Align NEOs interests with shareholders interests on a long-term basis     | Company s long-term strategic objectives  |  |  |
|                              | Create long-term shareholder value  | Encourage the creation of long-term<br>shareholder value and achievement of<br>long-term strategic objectives                                 |  |  |
| Restricted Stock Awards      | Attract and retain  | Promote long-term retention   |  |  |
|                              | Pay competitively   | Motivate and reward financial and individual performance in line with the   |  |  |
|                              | Align pay with long-term financial performance and shareholders interests | Company s long-term strategic objectives  |  |  |
|                              | Create long-term shareholder value  | Encourage the creation of long-term shareholder value and achievement of long-term strategic objectives                                       |  |  |
| Limited Perquisites          | Attract and retain  | Provide benefits to assure focus on<br>Company business with minimal<br>distractions  |  |  |

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How were each of the components determined for 2011?

Base Salary Initial base salaries are set pursuant to the terms of each NEO s employment agreement. Thereafter, base salaries are reviewed by the compensation committee in connection with its annual compensation review. In keeping with our objective of paying competitively, the base salaries of our NEOs are reviewed relative to the individual executive s experience, level of responsibility, performance and tenure with the Company, as well as peer group and survey data.

Based on peer group benchmark data provided by Towers Watson (the independent compensation consultant engaged by the compensation committee at the time), as well as Company and individual performance assessments for fiscal year 2010, the compensation committee made no changes to our NEOs base salaries for 2011.

Annual Performance-Based Cash Bonus We designed our 2011 annual incentive plan to motivate our NEOs to achieve the Company's annual financial goals and their individual performance goals that were in line with the Company's annual operating plan and short-term operating objectives. Cash bonuses awarded to our NEOs under the plan are based on the achievement by the Company and each NEO of certain pre-established performance goals and are calculated using the following formula:

Target

Annual Company 70% Individual Performance 
$$x$$
 Performance  $x$   $+$   $x$   $=$  Incentive Factor (%) weighting Factor (%) weighting (\$)

Target annual incentive awards, expressed as a percentage of the NEO s base salary, are reviewed and set annually by the compensation committee. Awards payable under our annual incentive plan may range from 0 to a maximum cap of 200% of an NEO s target annual incentive award.

How was the Company Performance Factor determined for 2011?

The Company Performance Factor was determined by measuring the Company s performance for 2011 against specified financial performance goals established at the beginning of the year. Each financial performance goal is comprised of threshold, target and maximum performance levels. If the threshold performance level for a particular financial performance goal is not achieved, no amount will be paid for that performance goal. For 2011, the Company performance goals and their weighting were as follows:

|                                |           | Payout Factor                        |         |         |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|--|--|
|                                |           | (in millions, except per share data) |         |         |  |  |
|                                |           | Threshold                            | Target  | Maximum |  |  |
| Performance Goal               | Weighting | (60%)                                | (100%)  | (200%)  |  |  |
| Revenues Before Reimbursements | 25%       | \$ 630                               | \$ 691  | \$ 800  |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA                | 25%       | \$ 90                                | \$ 101  | \$ 135  |  |  |
| Adjusted Net Income            | 25%       | \$ 33                                | \$ 38   | \$ 60   |  |  |
| Adjusted Earnings per Share    | 25%       | \$ 0.65                              | \$ 0.74 | \$ 1.15 |  |  |

The compensation committee selected these financial measures because it believed that they collectively: (1) motivated our NEOs to focus on both revenue growth and profitability, (2) were consistent with the Company s long-term strategy of tightly managing its resources and investing

in the growth of its key practices and (3) were tied to the creation of long-term shareholder value. Each performance goal s target performance level was the same as the Company s 2011 financial and operating plan targets established at the beginning of the year. Company performance between the threshold, target and maximum performance levels is determined using a matrix that includes a series of intermediate performance levels, with straight line interpolation between intermediate performance levels.

The Company exceeded each of its financial performance targets for 2011. This performance resulted in a Company Performance Factor of 107.5%, as illustrated in the following table:

| Performance Goal               | 2011<br>Actual | Payout<br>Factor | Weighting | Weighted<br>Payout<br>Factor |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Revenues Before Reimbursements | \$ 695.7M      | 102.8%           | 25%       | 25.7%                        |
| Adjusted EBITDA                | \$ 101.2M      | 100.3%           | 25%       | 25.1%                        |
| Adjusted Net Income            | \$ 43.0M       | 114.3%           | 25%       | 28.6%                        |
| Adjusted Earnings per Share    | \$ 0.84        | 112.5%           | 25%       | 28.1%                        |

Company Performance Factor 107.5%

**IPF** 

How were the Individual Performance Factors for each NEO determined for 2011?

Individual performance goals for each NEO are established early in the year and are generally aligned with the Company s strategic and operating initiatives (both short and long-term). The compensation committee reviews and approves the individual performance goals (including the goals relative weighting) for the CEO, and based on the CEO s recommendation, reviews and approves the individual performance goals (including the goals relative weighting) for the other NEOs. Individual performance against these pre-established goals is reviewed and measured following the end of the year by the compensation committee based on the CEO s self-assessment of his individual performance and the CEO s assessment of the other NEOs individual performance.

The following table summarizes each NEO s individual performance goals for 2011, as well as the Individual Performance Factor ( IPF ) for each NEO, based on the weighted-average achievement of each NEO s individual performance goals as measured by the compensation committee.

| William M. Goodyear | Mr. Goodyear s 2011 goals related to his overall leadership of the Company, including successfully integrating 2010 acquisitions and maximizing productivity of 2010 senior hires, as well as his leadership in developing key executive and practice management roles.   | 90.0% |
|---------------------|---|-------|
| Julie M. Howard     | Ms. Howard s 2011 goals generally related to the effective management of the operating businesses and key functional areas (marketing, business development and human capital) of the firm, in support of realizing our strategic, financial and operating plans. Ms. Howard was also encouraged to place particular emphasis on leadership development, collaboration and the continued development of firm culture. Ms. Howard s 2011 goals also included initiatives to strengthen the Company s reputation with clients and shareholders and general brand development. | 93.5% |

**Individual Performance Goals** 

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| Thomas A. Nardi | Individual Performance Goals  Mr. Nardi s 2011 goals related to the effective management our finance, accounting and information technology departments, including continued maintenance of a strong system of internal controls, continued implementation of our ERP system, continued improvement in managing our real estate costs as well as our outstanding receivables (days sales outstanding). Mr. Nardi s goals for 2011 also included renewing the Company s credit facility on favorable terms as well as improving our internal financial forecasting processes. | <b>IPF</b> 88.0% |
|-----------------|--|------------------|
| Monica M. Weed  | Ms. Weed s 2011 goals related to matters relating to corporate governance and risk management; leadership of our legal department and management of litigation and pre-litigation matters; and analysis, negotiation and execution of various acquisitions.  | 97.0%            |

What were the bonus payouts to our NEOs for 2011?

Based on the achievement by the Company and each NEO of the performance goals summarized above, bonus awards paid to our NEOs in March 2012 for the 2011 performance year were as follows:

|                     |                               |  | Individual                        |                           |                                     |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                     | Target<br>Annual<br>Incentive | Company<br>Performance<br>Factor<br>(weighted 70%) | Performance Factor (weighted 30%) | Actual<br>Bonus<br>Payout | Bonus<br>Award as<br>% of<br>Target |
| William M. Goodyear | \$ 850,000                    | 107.5%   | 90.0%                             | \$ 868,700                | 102.2%                              |
| Julie M. Howard     | \$ 600,000                    | 107.5%   | 93.5%                             | \$ 619,800                | 103.3%                              |
| Thomas A. Nardi     | \$ 292,500                    | 107.5%   | 88.0%                             | \$ 297,200                | 101.6%                              |
| Monica M. Weed      | \$ 200,000                    | 107.5%   | 97.0%                             | \$ 208,600                | 104.3%                              |

# Long-Term Equity Compensation

Long-term equity incentive awards promote the long-term retention of our NEOs and align their interests with those of our shareholders on a long-term basis. We also believe that offering our NEOs equity-based incentives gives us an advantage in terms of attracting and retaining talent in an increasingly-competitive environment.

How were the NEOs annual equity grant values determined for 2011?

For 2011, our objective with respect to granting equity-based incentive awards to our NEOs was twofold: (1) reward Company and individual performance for the prior performance year (*i.e.*, 2010) and (2) motivate the achievement of long-term Company performance goals and the creation of long-term shareholder value. As a result, in determining the size of the long-term equity incentive awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011, the compensation committee considered the Company's financial and strategic performance during 2010, as well as the contributions of each NEO to the Company's overall performance. The Company's financial performance (which only partially met the Board's expectations based on the Company's annual operating and financial plan) and the Company's stock price performance (which was below the median of the peer group of 13 companies used by the compensation committee to make decisions at that time) were the two factors given the most weight by the compensation committee. Consequently, the value of the equity awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011 was less than half of the value of the equity awards granted to them in March 2010, as illustrated in the table below, and was well below the median of our peer group.

|                     | 2011 Equity<br>Award<br>Value | 2010 Equity<br>Award<br>Value | % Change<br>vs. 2010 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| William M. Goodyear | \$ 300,000                    | \$ 750,000                    | (60.0%)              |
| Julie M. Howard     | \$ 225,000                    | \$ 500,000                    | (55.0%)              |
| Thomas A. Nardi     | \$ 135,000                    | \$ 300,000                    | (55.0%)              |
| Monica M. Weed      | \$ 115,000                    | \$ 250,000                    | (54.0%)              |

(1) Based on the peer group of 13 companies used by the compensation committee for 2011 executive compensation decisions made prior to June 2011. See the section entitled Executive Compensation Philosophy How do we establish the market competitiveness of our executive compensation program? above. The peer group data used to determine the median figures shown in the table above was provided by Towers Watson and derived from the most recently filed proxy statement of each peer group company as of June 2010.

The 2011 equity incentive awards granted to our NEOs in March 2011 consisted of 33% stock options and 67% restricted stock. The stock options have an exercise price equal to \$9.25 per share (which was the closing price of a share of our common stock on the grant date), vest annually over a three-year period and expire six years from the grant date.

When originally granted, the restricted stock awards vested annually over three years. However, in order to further align our NEOs 2011 compensation and the interests of our shareholders, the compensation committee, with the consent of our NEOs, modified the terms of the restricted stock awards to include performance-based vesting conditions for the portion of the award which would have otherwise vested on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date. The performance-based vesting conditions are linked to the Company s annual total shareholder return, relative to the Commercial and Professional Services Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) industry group, for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years. As modified, the portion of these restricted stock awards that was scheduled to vest on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date will vest if and only to the extent the Company s total annual shareholder return for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years, respectively, meets or exceeds the targets specified below.

|   | Vesting Percentage<br>(Straight Line |
|---|--------------------------------------|
|   | Interpolation                        |
|   | Between                              |
| Percentile Rank vs. GICS Industry Group | Levels)                              |
| Below 25 <sup>th</sup> percentile       | 0%                                   |
| 25th percentile                         | 25%                                  |
| 50th percentile and above               | 100%                                 |

All other terms of the restricted stock awards remain unchanged.

As discussed below in the section entitled 2012 Compensation Decisions, we have made meaningful changes to our long-term equity compensation program in terms of both the percentage of our NEOs target TDC that is comprised of long-term equity incentives and the type of long-term equity incentive awards granted as part of our 2012 long-term equity incentive program. Most notably, *all* of the long-term equity incentive awards granted as part of that program were performance-based. We consider time-vested stock options to be performance based because no value is delivered to the recipient of the award unless our stock price increases and shareholder value is created.

What are the compensation committee s equity grant practices?

Annual equity grant decisions are made at a time when material information regarding the Company s performance for the prior year has been disclosed publicly and thoroughly reviewed. Accordingly, the compensation committee has adopted a policy providing that the equity incentive awards granted to our

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NEOs as part of our annual long-term equity incentive program be made on March 15th (or the next business day, if March 15th is not a business day). We do not otherwise have any program, plan or practice to grant equity incentive awards to our NEOs in coordination with the release of material, non-public information.

All stock options granted under our long-term incentive plan have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of our common stock on the grant date, which our long-term incentive plan defines as the closing price of a share of our common stock as reported on the NYSE. We do not determine the exercise price of stock options (i) based on the price of our common stock on a date other than the grant date, or (ii) by using average transaction prices (or the lowest prices) of our common stock in a period preceding, surrounding or following the grant date.

The value of the portion of any equity incentive award denominated in restricted stock, restricted stock units or performance-based shares is converted into a number of restricted shares, restricted stock units or target number of shares by dividing the value of the award by the average daily closing price of a share of our common stock for the 30-day calendar period leading up to, but not including, the grant date. The value of the portion of any equity incentive award denominated in stock options is converted into a number of stock options by dividing the value of the award by the Black Scholes value of the stock options on the grant date.

Other Compensation We offer limited perquisites to our NEOs, with parking benefits being the main perquisites that our NEOs receive. None of our NEOs receives benefits under a defined benefit pension plan or supplemental executive retirement plan.

# **Post-Termination Compensation**

We have entered into employment agreements with our NEOs that provide, among other things, for certain payments and benefits in the event an NEO s employment is terminated under certain circumstances or following a qualifying event, such as being terminated without cause or resigning for good reason or following a change in control, as these terms are defined in the employment agreements. These employment agreements are described in further detail in the section entitled Executive Compensation Employment Agreements below.

The compensation committee believes that these severance arrangements are an important part of our overall executive compensation program because they help us ensure the continued focus and dedication of our NEOs, notwithstanding any concern that they might have at any given time regarding their continued employment, prior to or following a change in control transaction. The compensation committee also believes that these agreements are an important recruiting and retention tool, as the majority of companies with which we compete for executive talent have similar agreements in place for their executives.

# **Other Compensation Policies**

Stock Ownership Guidelines and Holding Period Requirements

To reinforce the importance of stock ownership and further align our NEOs interests with those of our shareholders, the compensation committee has adopted stock ownership guidelines and holding period requirements that apply to equity incentive awards granted to our NEOs. Consistent with the prevailing practice in our current peer group, our stock ownership guidelines require the CEO to own shares of our common stock valued at a minimum of four times annual base salary and the other NEOs to own shares of our common stock valued at a minimum of three times annual base salary. In addition to shares owned outright by the NEO, shares that count toward the achievement of the ownership guidelines include the net in-the-money, after-tax value of vested, but unexercised, stock options, as well as vested and unvested time-based restricted stock and restricted stock units. Unvested stock options and unvested performance-based restricted stock or restricted stock units do not count towards achievement of the ownership guidelines. Until these ownership guidelines are achieved, each NEO must retain at least 50% (75% in the case of the CEO) of the net shares received upon the vesting of equity awards or the exercise of stock options.

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At the end of 2011, all of our NEOs were in compliance with these stock ownership guidelines.

Even after meeting the applicable stock ownership guideline, our NEOs must comply with holding period requirements with respect to their equity incentive awards. Under these holding period requirements, our CEO is required to hold at least 75%, and the other NEOs are required to hold at least 50%, of the net shares received from the vesting of equity awards or the exercise of stock options for at least one year following the vesting or exercise date.

Policy on Recoupment of Incentive Payments ( Clawback )

The Board has adopted a clawback policy requiring the reimbursement of excess incentive compensation provided to the Company s executive officers in the event of certain restatements of the Company s financial statements. This policy will be amended to comply with the final regulations under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act when they are adopted by the SEC.

# 2012 Compensation Decisions

Compensation Decisions Affecting Ms. Howard, Mr. Nardi and Ms. Weed

2012 Annual Cash Compensation In connection with Ms. Howard s promotion to CEO, the compensation committee approved a \$100,000 increase in Ms. Howard s annual base salary (from \$600,000 to \$700,000). Additionally, in connection with the previously-discussed recalibration of our general executive pay philosophy, the compensation committee approved an increase in Ms. Weed s target annual cash bonus for 2012 to \$220,000, or 55% of her base salary. No other salary increases were made, and Ms. Howard s and Mr. Nardi s target annual cash bonuses (expressed as a percentage of their base salaries) remained at 100% and 65%, respectively.

2012 Long-Term Equity Incentive Awards With the assistance of FWC, we reevaluated the market competitiveness of our annual long-term equity incentive program using compensation data from our peer group and the previously-referenced survey data. As a consequence of this review and the recalibration of our general executive pay philosophy, for the long-term equity incentive awards granted to Ms. Howard, Mr. Nardi and Ms. Weed in March 2012, the compensation committee departed from its prior practice of determining the size of our NEOs annual equity grants based on Company and individual performance for the year prior to the date of grant. Instead, specific grant values for each executive were determined based on the aforementioned median market value guidelines developed by FWC, taking into account specific factors such as Ms. Howard s promotion to the position of CEO. As discussed below, the performance-based restricted stock units included as part of these grants will vest if and only to the extent that specific quantitative performance goals are met during the three-year performance period.

The aggregate grant date value of these long-term equity incentive awards, which were granted effective March 15, 2012 in accordance with the aforementioned grant policy, is shown in the table below:

|                 | 2012 Equity  |
|-----------------|--------------|
|                 | Award        |
|                 | Value(1)     |
| Julie M. Howard | \$ 1,300,000 |
| Thomas A. Nardi | \$ 372,000   |
| Monica M. Weed  | \$ 300,000   |

(1) Represents the target award opportunity for each executive included in the table.

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The target value of each long-term equity incentive award fell within the median market ranges determined by FWC. As explained above, for long-term equity incentive targets, the median market range is determined by taking the simple average of the median of our peer group and size-adjusted, third-party general industry survey data, plus or minus 20%.

Consistent with prior years annual long-term equity incentive grants, one-third of the aggregate grant date value was denominated in stock options, which vest annually over a three-year period and expire six years from the date of grant. The remaining two-thirds of the aggregate grant date value was denominated in performance-based restricted stock units. The performance-based restricted stock units have a three-year performance period and will vest if and only to the extent that specific quantitative performance goals with respect to relative total shareholder return and cumulative adjusted EBITDA are met during the three-year performance period. Each performance goal is comprised of threshold, target and maximum performance levels. If the threshold level of performance is not met for a particular performance goal, the portion of the award related to that performance goal will not vest.

Compensation Decisions Related to Mr. Goodyear s Transition

In connection with the transition of his role, we amended the terms of Mr. Goodyear s employment agreement with the Company. The amended employment agreement is for a term beginning on March 1, 2012 and ending on April 30, 2014. During the employment term, Mr. Goodyear will continue to serve as Executive Chairman of the Board and, in his capacity as a full-time executive officer of the Company, will focus his attention on key client and account development activities (including assisting in the pursuit of large engagement opportunities, as well as strengthening and deepening long-standing relationships and expanding into new relationship networks) and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the CEO and the Board from time to time. Under the amended employment agreement, Mr. Goodyear s annual base salary was decreased to \$650,000. Mr. Goodyear remains eligible to receive an annual cash bonus under the annual cash incentive plan for our NEOs, with a target bonus equal to 100% of his base salary, or \$650,000.

In consideration for Mr. Goodyear waiving certain rights under the employment agreement in effect prior to the transition, including, without limitation, his rights to (i) an indefinite employment term, (ii) severance payments upon resignation for good reason, (iii) severance payments upon a change in control, and (iv) a tax

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gross-up under specified circumstances), the amended employment agreement provides that the Company will pay a cash severance benefit to Mr. Goodyear upon the termination of his employment (unless the Company terminates Mr. Goodyear for cause, as defined therein, or Mr. Goodyear resigns prior to the end of his employment term) in an amount equal to two times the sum of his base salary as in effect immediately prior to March 1, 2012 and the average of his 2009, 2010 and 2011 annual bonuses. A further description of the amended employment agreement with Mr. Goodyear is set forth in the section entitled Executive Compensation Employment Agreements below.

In connection with his continued service as Executive Chairman of the Board, the compensation committee approved two restricted stock unit grants to be made to Mr. Goodyear, the first on June 1, 2012 and the second on May 1, 2013, in each case subject to Mr. Goodyear s continued employment through the respective grant dates and further subject to the approval of our new long-term incentive plan by the Company s shareholders. Each grant will have an approximate grant date fair value equal to \$1 million on June 1, 2012 and May 1, 2013, respectively. The restricted stock units to be granted on June 1, 2012 will vest on a monthly basis, pro rata, on the last day of each month beginning June 2012 and ending April 2013. The restricted stock units to be granted on May 1, 2013 will vest on a monthly basis, pro rata, on the last day of each month beginning May 2013 and ending April 2014. Vesting of the restricted stock units is subject to Mr. Goodyear s continued employment with us through such vesting dates, except that the restricted stock units will become fully vested upon a termination of employment if Mr. Goodyear s employment is terminated because of death or disability or if the Company terminates Mr. Goodyear other than for cause (as defined in his amended employment agreement). Due to receiving these awards, Mr. Goodyear was not eligible to participate in, and did not receive any awards under, the 2012 long-term equity incentive program for our NEOs.

# 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan

As discussed in more detail in the section entitled Proposal 3 Approval of the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan, the Board, based on the recommendation of the compensation committee, has approved, and is recommending that our shareholders approve, a new long-term incentive plan. The purposes of the new plan are consistent with our overall compensation philosophy and objectives, and upon approval of the new plan by our shareholders, all new equity incentive awards (including awards to our NEOs and non-employee directors) will be made pursuant to the new plan. Although the terms of the new plan are largely the same as our current plan, the new plan differs from the current plan as it includes double-trigger equity acceleration that permits accelerated vesting of equity awards in the event of a change in control only if accompanied by a qualifying termination. This treatment is favored from a corporate governance perspective, and also serves to incentivize plan participants, including our NEOs, to remain with the Company following a change in control.

# COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The compensation committee has reviewed and discussed the foregoing Compensation Discussion and Analysis, required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K, with management of the Company. Based on this review and discussion, the compensation committee recommends to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this Proxy Statement, the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and such other filings with the SEC as may be appropriate.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

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#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

# 2011 Summary Compensation Table

The table below summarizes the total compensation paid to or earned by each of our named executive officers for the last three fiscal years.

|                               |          |         |         | Stock      | Option  | Non-Equity<br>Incentive<br>Plan | All Other    |            |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Name and Britanianal Buildian | <b>V</b> | Salary  | Bonus   | Awards     | Awards  | •                               | Compensation | T-4-1 (\$) |
| Name and Principal Position   | Year     | (\$)    | (\$)    | (\$)(1)(2) | (\$)(1) | (\$)(3)                         | (\$)(4)      | Total (\$) |
| William M. Goodyear           | 2011     | 850,000 |         | 193,473    | 99,003  | 868,700                         | 21,512       | 2,032,688  |
| Chairman and Chief            | 2010     | 850,000 | 275,000 | 489,092    | 247,503 |                                 | 21,698       | 1,883,293  |
| Executive Officer             | 2009     | 850,000 |         | 771,399    | 395,920 |                                 | 23,160       | 2,040,479  |
| Thomas A. Nardi               | 2011     | 450,000 |         | 87,070     | 44,554  | 297,200                         | 12,497       | 891,321    |
| Executive Vice                | 2010     | 450,000 | 150,000 | 195,644    | 99,002  |                                 | 13,373       | 908,080    |
| President and Chief           | 2009     | 450,000 | 150,000 | 48,219     | 24,746  |                                 | 12,123       | 685,088    |
| Financial Officer             |          |         |         |            |         |                                 |              |            |
| Julie M. Howard               | 2011     | 600,000 |         | 145,105    | 74,251  | 619,800                         | 9,960        | 1,449,116  |
| President and                 | 2010     | 600,000 | 200,000 | 326,061    | 165,000 |                                 | 10,084       | 1,301,145  |
| Chief Operating Officer       | 2009     | 600,000 |         | 546,416    | 280,442 |                                 | 10,970       | 1,437,828  |
| Monica M. Weed                | 2011     | 400,000 |         | 74,167     | 37,953  | 208,600                         | 10,042       | 730,762    |
| Vice President, General       | 2010     | 400,000 | 100,000 | 163,031    | 82,503  |                                 | 10,341       | 755,875    |
| Counsel and Secretary         | 2009     | 400,000 | 125,000 | 48,219     | 24,746  |                                 | 9,063        | 607,028    |

- (1) The amounts reported in this column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of restricted stock or stock option awards granted to our named executive officers computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Codification Topic 718, Stock Compensation (FASB ASC Topic 718), excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures. Assumptions made in computing the aggregate grant date fair value of these awards are described in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 17, 2012 (2011 Form 10-K).
- (2) A portion of the restricted stock awards granted to our named executive officers in 2011 are subject to performance-based vesting conditions that are linked to the Company's total annual shareholder return, relative to the Commercial and Professional Services Global Industry Classification Standard industry group for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years. Terms of these awards are discussed in more detail under the heading 2011 Executive Compensation Program Long-Term Equity Compensation in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis above. Under FASB ASC Topic 718, the vesting condition related to these awards is considered a market condition, and as a result, the grant date fair value of these awards reflected in the 2011 Summary Compensation Table above will not change based upon the probable outcome of such market condition.
- (3) The amounts reported in this column represent awards paid to our named executive officers under the 2011 annual incentive plan. These awards are discussed in more detail under the heading 2011 Executive Compensation Program Annual Performance-Based Cash Bonus in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis above. The awards for 2011 were paid to our named executive officers in March 2012.
- (4) The amounts reported in this column include company matching contributions under the Company s 401(k) plan, the value attributable to life insurance benefits, and parking and fringe benefits (and the related tax gross-up for these benefits) provided to each named executive officer. For 2011, the tax gross-up payments made to each named executive officer for parking and other fringe benefits were as follows: Mr. Goodyear (\$1,375), Mr. Nardi (\$853), Ms. Howard (\$862) and Ms. Weed (\$862). For Mr. Goodyear, \$13,069 in value was attributable to life insurance benefits for 2011. No other items included in this column for Mr. Goodyear or the other named executive officers had a

value in excess of \$10,000 for 2011.

#### 2011 Grants of Plan-Based Awards

|                     |               | Grant            | Estimated Future Payouts<br>Under Non-Equity Incentive<br>Plan Awards(1) |             | Estimated Future Payouts<br>Under Equity Incentive<br>Plan<br>Awards(2) |               | S All Other Option Awards: Number of Exercise or Base Securities Underlying Option |                | Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option |                |
|---------------------|---------------|------------------|--|-------------|---|---------------|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Name                | Grant<br>Date | Approval<br>Date | Threshold (\$)   | Target (\$) | Maximum (\$)  | Threshold (#) | Target (#)   | Options (#)(3) | Awards<br>(\$/Sh)                         | Awards (\$)(4) |
| William M. Goodyear | Date          | Date             | (Ψ)  | 850,000     | 1,700,000   |               | (11)   | (11)(3)        | (ψ/ΟΠ)                                    | (Ψ)(Ψ)         |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             | -,,,,,,,,,  |               |  | 22,303         | 9.25                                      | 99,003         |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   | 6,972         | 20,916   |                |   | 193,473        |
| Thomas A. Nardi     |               |                  |  | 292,500     | 585,000   |               |  |                |   |                |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   |               |  | 10,037         | 9.25                                      | 44,554         |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   | 3,138         | 9,413  |                |   | 87,070         |
| Julie M. Howard     |               |                  |  | 600,000     | 1,200,000   |               |  |                |   |                |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   |               |  | 16,727         | 9.25                                      | 74,251         |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   | 5,229         | 15,687   |                |   | 145,105        |
| Monica M. Weed      |               |                  |  | 200,000     | 400,000   |               |  |                |   |                |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   |               |  | 8,550          | 9.25                                      | 37,953         |
|                     | 3/15/2011     | 3/9/2011         |  |             |   | 2,673         | 8,018  |                |   | 74,167         |

- (1) The amounts reported in these columns show the target and maximum award opportunities payable to our named executive officers under the 2011 annual incentive plan. A detailed discussion of the performance goals for the 2011 annual incentive plan is included under the heading 2011 Executive Compensation Program Annual Performance-Based Cash Bonus in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis above. The actual amounts payable to our named executive officers under the 2011 annual incentive plan are set forth in the 2011 Summary Compensation Table above under the column entitled Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation.
- (2) On August 30, 2011, the compensation committee modified the terms of the restricted stock awards granted to our named executive officers on March 15, 2011 to include performance-based vesting conditions for that portion of the award which would have otherwise vested on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date. The performance-based vesting conditions are linked to the Company s annual total shareholder return, relative to the Commercial and Professional Services Global Industry Classification Standard industry group, for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years. Prior to the modification, the restricted stock awards would have vested ratably over a three-year period on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date. As modified, the portion of these restricted stock awards that were scheduled to vest on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date, will vest if and only to the extent the Company s total shareholder return meets or exceeds specified targets. All other terms of the restricted stock awards remain unchanged. The amounts reported in the threshold column assume that neither the performance condition for fiscal year 2012 nor the performance condition for fiscal year 2013 is met. The amounts reported in the target column assume that the performance conditions for fiscal years 2012 and 2013 are both met at the target level of performance, which is the highest level of performance achievable for these awards. The restricted stock awards were granted under the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended (the 2005 LTIP).
- (3) The stock options were granted under the 2005 LTIP and vest annually over a three-year period in equal installments.
- (4) The amounts reported in this column represent the grant date fair value computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures. Assumptions made in computing the grant date fair value of these awards are described in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2011 Form 10-K.

# Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011 Fiscal Year-End

|                     | Option Awards Stock Awards |  |   |                                     |                              |  |   | Equity<br>Incentive Plan  |   |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| Name                | Option<br>Grant<br>Date    | Number<br>of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Unexercised<br>Options<br>(#)<br>Exercisable | Number of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Unexercised<br>Options (#)<br>Jnexercisable(1) | Option<br>Exercise<br>Price<br>(\$) | Option<br>Expiration<br>Date | Number of<br>Shares<br>or<br>Units<br>of<br>Stock That<br>Have<br>Not<br>Vested<br>(#) | Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)(2) | Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (#) | Awards: Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (\$)(2) |
| William M. Goodyear | 12/20/2002                 | 90,000   | ,   | 6.05                                | 12/20/2012                   | 21,685(3)  | 247,426   |   | (1)( )  |
| ·                   | 3/15/2006                  | 35,860   |   | 19.455                              | 3/15/2012                    | 36,369(4)  | 414,970   |   |   |
|                     | 4/30/2007                  | 37,766   |   | 19.18                               | 4/30/2013                    | 32,604(5)  | 372,012   |   |   |
|                     | 3/16/2009                  | 33,846   | 33,847  | 11.83                               | 3/16/2015                    | 27,104(6)  | 309,257   |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2010                  | 13,820   | 27,642  | 12.03                               | 3/15/2016                    | 6,972(7)   | 79,551  | 13,944(7)   | 159,101   |
|                     | 3/15/2011                  |  | 22,303  | 9.25                                | 3/15/2017                    |  |   |   |   |
| Thomas A. Nardi     | 3/16/2009                  | 2,115  | 2,116   | 11.83                               | 3/16/2015                    | 7,472(8)   | 85,256  |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2010                  | 5,528  | 11,057  | 12.03                               | 3/15/2016                    | 2,038(5)   | 23,254  |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2011                  |  | 10,037  | 9.25                                | 3/15/2017                    | 10,842(6)  | 123,707   |   |   |
|                     |                            |  |   |                                     |                              | 3,138(7)   | 35,805  | 6,275(7)  | 71,598  |
| Julie M. Howard     | 12/20/2002                 | 45,000   |   | 6.05                                | 12/20/2012                   | 10,119(3)  | 115,458   |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2006                  | 16,735   |   | 19.455                              | 3/15/2012                    | 36,369(4)  | 414,970   |   |   |
|                     | 4/30/2007                  | 37,766   |   | 19.18                               | 4/30/2013                    | 23,095(5)  | 263,514   |   |   |
|                     | 3/16/2009                  | 23,974   | 23,975  | 11.83                               | 3/16/2015                    | 18,070(6)  | 206,179   |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2010                  | 9,213  | 18,428  | 12.03                               | 3/15/2016                    | 5,229(7)   | 59,663  | 10,458(7)   | 119,326   |
|                     | 3/15/2011                  |  | 16,727  | 9.25                                | 3/15/2017                    |  |   |   |   |
| Monica M. Weed      | 3/16/2009                  | 2,115  | 2,116   | 11.83                               | 3/16/2015                    | 7,441(9)   | 84,902  |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2010                  | 4,607  | 9,214   | 12.03                               | 3/15/2016                    | 2,038(5)   | 23,254  |   |   |
|                     | 3/15/2011                  |  | 8,550   | 9.25                                | 3/15/2017                    | 9,035(6)   | 103,089   |   |   |
|                     |                            |  |   |                                     |                              | 2,673(7)   | 30,499  | 5,345(7)  | 60,986  |

- (1) The stock options vest in equal annual installments over a four-year period, except for the stock options expiring on March 15, 2016 which vest in equal annual installments over a three-year period.
- (2) The amounts reported in this column are calculated by multiplying \$11.41, the closing sales price per share of our common stock on December 30, 2011, by the number of shares that have not vested.
- (3) The restricted stock was granted on March 15, 2006 and vests six years after the grant date, provided that if certain performance targets are met, the vesting of 25% of the award may be accelerated.
- (4) The restricted stock was granted on April 30, 2007 and vests 25% annually over a four-year period, commencing April 30, 2011.

- (5) The restricted stock was granted on March 16, 2009 and vests 25% annually on each of the four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (6) The restricted stock was granted on March 15, 2010 and vests 33% annually on each of the three anniversaries of the grant date.
- (7) The restricted stock was granted on March 15, 2011. One-third of the restricted stock vests on the first anniversary of the grant date. The remaining two-thirds of the award will vest on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date if and only to the extent the Company s total shareholder return meets or exceeds specified targets during fiscal year 2012 and 2013, respectively.
- (8) The restricted stock was granted on November 10, 2008 and vests 25% annually on each of the four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (9) The restricted stock was granted on November 3, 2008 and vests 25% annually on each of the four anniversaries of the grant date.

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# 2011 Option Exercises and Stock Vested

|                     | Option                       | Option Awards        |                              | Awards               |
|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
|                     | Number of Shares<br>Acquired | Value Realized<br>on | Number of Shares<br>Acquired | Value Realized<br>on |
|                     | on Exercise                  | Exercise             | on Vesting                   | Vesting              |
| Name                | (#)                          | (\$)(1)              | (#)                          | (\$)(1)              |
| William M. Goodyear | 60,000                       | 353,400              | 41,976                       | 412,150              |
| Thomas A. Nardi     |                              |                      | 13,912                       | 142,672              |
| Julie M. Howard     |                              |                      | 32,703                       | 326,660              |
| Monica M. Weed      |                              |                      | 12,976                       | 135,814              |

(1) The amounts reported in this column are calculated by: (i) multiplying the closing sales price per share of our common stock on the exercise/vesting date by the number of shares acquired on exercise/vesting, and (ii) in the case of option awards, subtracting the aggregate exercise price paid to acquire the shares.

# **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**

The following table reflects the potential payments and benefits to which each of our named executive officers would be entitled in the event of a termination of his or her employment or change in control. The amounts shown in the table below are estimates and were calculated assuming that the respective termination of employment or change in control was effective as of December 30, 2011. The actual amounts that would be paid to a named executive officer can only be determined at the time of the termination or change in control. In addition, any or all amounts payable upon a termination of employment may be delayed for six months following the termination of employment if the delay of payment is necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Code. Any cash payment delayed in that manner would accrue interest at a rate equal to five percent (5%) per annum pursuant to the terms of each named executive officers employment agreement.

As discussed in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis above, we amended each of the employment agreements with Mr. Goodyear and Ms. Howard, effective as of March 1, 2012. The amounts shown in the following table, because they were calculated assuming that the respective termination of employment or change in control was effective as of December 30, 2011, are based on each of the employment agreements as in effect as of December 30, 2011 (*i.e.*, prior to the recent amendment of each of Mr. Goodyear s and Ms. Howard s employment agreements). See the section entitled Employment Agreements below for a summary of the material terms of each of the amended employment agreements, including terms related to any payments to which each executive would be entitled in connection with a termination of employment or change in control.

|  |                        | Continuation    |              |            |               |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
|  |                        | of              | Acceleration |            |               |
|  |                        | Medical/Welfare | of           |            | Total         |
|  |                        | Benefits        | Equity       | Excise Tax | Termination   |
|  | Cash                   | (Present        | Awards       | Gross-up   | Payments/     |
|  | <b>Payment</b> (\$)(1) | Value) (\$)(2)  | (\$)(3)      | (\$)(4)    | Benefits (\$) |
| William M. Goodyear                                |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Voluntary  |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Death/Disability                                   | 2,483,333              |                 |              |            | 2,483,333     |
| Involuntary or Good Reason                         | 2,483,333              |                 |              |            | 2,483,333     |
| Termination in Connection with a Change in Control | 3,725,000              |                 | 1,630,490    |            | 5,355,490     |
| Change in Control                                  |                        |                 | 1,630,490    |            | 1,630,490     |
| Thomas A. Nardi                                    |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Voluntary  |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Death/Disability                                   | 550,000                |                 |              |            | 550,000       |
| Involuntary or Good Reason                         | 550,000                |                 |              |            | 550,000       |
| Termination in Connection with a Change in Control | 1,100,000              |                 | 361,299      |            | 1,461,299     |
| Change in Control                                  |                        |                 | 361,299      |            | 361,299       |
| Julie M. Howard                                    |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Voluntary  |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Death/Disability                                   | 2,386,467              | 9,091           |              |            | 2,395,558     |
| Involuntary or Good Reason                         | 2,386,467              | 9,091           |              |            | 2,395,558     |
| Termination in Connection with a Change in Control | 3,269,800              | 9,091           | 1,215,240    |            | 4,494,131     |
| Change in Control                                  |                        |                 | 1,215,240    |            | 1,215,240     |
| Monica M. Weed                                     |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Voluntary  |                        |                 |              |            |               |
| Death/Disability                                   | 475,000                |                 |              |            | 475,000       |
| Involuntary or Good Reason                         | 475,000                |                 |              |            | 475,000       |
| Termination in Connection with a Change in Control | 950,000                |                 | 321,198      |            | 1,271,198     |
| Change in Control                                  |                        |                 | 321,198      |            | 321,198       |

(1) Cash payments in connection with a termination as a result of death or disability; termination by the Company other than for cause, or a termination by the named executive officer for good reason were calculated as follows:

for Mr. Goodyear, the cash payment equals two times the sum of his base salary and the average of his three most recent annual bonuses;

for each of Mr. Nardi and Ms. Weed, the cash payment equals the sum of his or her base salary and the average of his or her three most recent annual bonuses; and

for Ms. Howard, the cash payment equals two times the sum of her base salary and the average of her three most recent annual bonuses, *plus* the pro-rata portion of her annual bonus amount for the year in which the termination occurs based on an estimate of Company performance, as determined by the compensation committee (which for purposes of reporting the amounts in the table above, we have assumed to be the actual cash bonus awarded to Ms. Howard for 2011).

As discussed in the section entitled Employment Agreements below, effective March 1, 2012, Mr. Goodyear is no longer entitled to receive severance payments if he terminates his employment for good reason.

Cash payments in connection with a qualifying termination of employment prior to or following a change in control, in the case of Mr. Goodyear and Ms. Howard, or a qualifying termination of employment following a change in control, in the case of Mr. Nardi and Ms. Weed, were calculated as follows:

for Mr. Goodyear, the cash payment equals three times the sum of his base salary and the average of his three most recent annual bonuses;

for each of Mr. Nardi and Ms. Weed, the cash payment equals two times the sum of his or her base salary and the average of his or her three most recent annual bonuses; and

for Ms. Howard, the cash payment equals three times the sum of her base salary and the average of her three most recent annual bonuses, *plus* the pro-rata portion of her annual bonus amount for the year in which the termination occurs based on an estimate of Company performance, as determined by the compensation committee (which for purposes of reporting the amounts in the table above, we have assumed to be the actual cash bonus awarded to Ms. Howard for 2011).

As discussed in the section entitled Employment Agreements below, effective March 1, 2012, Mr. Goodyear is no longer entitled to receive enhanced severance benefits for a termination of employment in connection with a change in control.

- (2) The amounts shown represent the present value of continuing Ms. Howard s healthcare benefits at the same level and cost to her as immediately preceding the date of termination for 24 months after the assumed date of termination.
- (3) The agreements setting forth the terms of each named executive officers—restricted stock or stock option award provide for the accelerated vesting of the award upon a change in control (as defined in the 2005 LTIP). The amounts reported in this column represent the aggregate value of the shares of restricted stock and stock options that would have vested upon a change in control based on the closing sales price per share of our common stock on December 30, 2011 of \$11.41.

The compensation committee has the discretion to vest all or any portion of an equity award upon a named executive officer s death or total and permanent disability (as defined in the 2005 LTIP). For purposes of the amounts reported in this table, we have assumed that no discretion would have been exercised by the compensation committee.

(4) Under their employment agreements as in effect on December 30, 2011, Mr. Goodyear and Ms. Howard were entitled to a tax gross-up payment for any excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code on any amounts or benefits received by him or her. If a termination of employment or change in control would have occurred as of December 30, 2011, no excise tax would have been payable to Mr. Goodyear. The tax gross-up calculations were prepared assuming a blended effective tax rate of 38.68% and a 20% excise tax incurred on excess parachute payments, as calculated in accordance with Sections 280G and 4999 of the Code. The equity was valued based on the closing sales price per shares of our common stock on December 30, 2011 of \$11.41.

When we amended their employment agreements, effective March 1, 2012, we eliminated Mr. Goodyear s and Ms. Howard s right to receive any tax gross-up payments relating to the occurrence of a change in control. See the section entitled Employment Agreements below.

Accrued Pay and Regular Retirement Benefits. The amounts reported in the table above do not include payments and benefits to the extent they are provided on a non-discriminatory basis to salaried employees generally upon termination. These include:

accrued salary and, if applicable, vacation pay;

distributions of plan balances under the 401(k) Plan; and

payments of amounts under life and disability insurance policies.

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# **Employment Agreements**

We have entered into employment agreements with each of our named executive officers that generally provide for minimum base salaries, annual cash incentive bonus opportunities under the Company s annual incentive plan (subject to the achievement of annual performance goals) and severance benefits in the case of certain termination events, including, in certain cases, in connection with or following a change in control of the Company. On April 24, 2009, the compensation committee adopted a policy that we would not enter into any future employment agreements, or amend any employment agreements, that include a modified single-trigger for payments contingent upon a change in control or any excise tax gross-ups with respect to payments contingent upon a change in control.

# William M. Goodyear

On February 22, 2012, in connection with the aforementioned transition of the position of Chief Executive Officer to Ms. Howard, we amended the employment agreement with Mr. Goodyear. The amended employment agreement sets forth the terms and conditions of Mr. Goodyear s full-time employment as our Executive Chairman and has a term beginning on March 1, 2012 and ending on April 30, 2014. During the employment term, Mr. Goodyear will receive an annual base salary of \$650,000 and will also be eligible to receive an annual cash incentive bonus (with a target payment equal to 100% of his base salary) under the annual incentive plan for the Company s executive officers based on the achievement of annual performance goals as determined by the compensation committee. The amended employment agreement binds Mr. Goodyear to certain non-solicitation and non-competition restrictions during the term of his employment and for a period of one year thereafter.

In consideration for Mr. Goodyear s waiver of certain rights under his employment agreement prior to this most-recent amendment (including, without limitation, his rights to: (i) an indefinite employment term, (ii) severance payments upon resignation for good reason, (iii) severance payments upon a change in control, and (iv) a tax gross-up under specified circumstances), the Company will pay a cash severance benefit to Mr. Goodyear upon the termination of his employment (except as set forth below) in an amount equal to two times the sum of his base salary that was in effect immediately prior to March 1, 2012 and the average of his 2009, 2010 and 2011 annual bonuses. However, if the Company terminates Mr. Goodyear for cause (as defined in the amended employment agreement) or Mr. Goodyear resigns prior to the end of the employment term, Mr. Goodyear would not be entitled to receive the foregoing severance benefits, and the Company would have no further obligation to Mr. Goodyear other than the obligation to pay his base salary through the date of termination and any other compensation and benefits then due. Any compensation paid or awarded to Mr. Goodyear under the amended employment agreement is subject to the Company s compensation recoupment policy.

# Julie M. Howard

In connection with Ms. Howard s appointment as Chief Executive Officer, we amended and restated her employment agreement, effective March 1, 2012. The employment agreement has a five-year term. Under the employment agreement Ms. Howard will receive an annual base salary, in an amount determined by the compensation committee, and is eligible to receive an annual cash incentive bonus under the annual incentive plan for the Company s executive officers based on the achievement of annual performance goals as determined by the compensation committee. The employment agreement binds Ms. Howard to certain non-solicitation and non-competition restrictions during the term of her employment and for a period of one year thereafter unless the Company decides not to continue Ms. Howard s employment upon the expiration of the five-year term on terms (other than contract length) at least equivalent to the terms of the employment agreement.

The employment agreement provides, among other things, that if the Company terminates Ms. Howard other than for cause (as defined in the employment agreement), Ms. Howard terminates her employment for good reason (as defined in the employment agreement) or Ms. Howard s employment is terminated because of death or disability, the Company will pay to Ms. Howard (or her legal representatives) as a severance benefit an amount in cash equal to (i) two times the sum of her base salary and the average of her annual bonuses for the

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three most recently completed years, plus (ii) a pro rata portion of her annual bonus for the year in which the termination occurs based on an estimate of Company performance for the period before the date of termination, as determined by the compensation committee (subject to subsequent reconciliation based on the Company s actual performance). In addition, if the Company terminates Ms. Howard other than for cause or disability, Ms. Howard terminates her employment for good reason or Ms. Howard s employment is terminated because of death, the Company will pay Ms. Howard (or her family in the event of her death) after termination on a monthly basis an amount equal to COBRA premiums (less the amount of her portion of such premiums prior to the date of termination) for up to 24 months after the date of terminated because of disability, Ms. Howard would be entitled to continuation of her healthcare benefits for up to 24 months after the date of termination. However, if the Company terminates Ms. Howard for cause or Ms. Howard terminates her employment other than for good reason, the Company would have no further obligation to Ms. Howard other than the obligation to pay her base salary through the date of termination and any other compensation and benefits then due.

The employment agreement also provides that if, during the one-year period following a change in control, the Company terminates Ms. Howard s employment other than for cause, death or disability or Ms. Howard terminates her employment for good reason or if, during the one-year period preceding a change in control, the Company terminates Ms. Howard s employment other than for cause, death or disability in anticipation of a change in control transaction that the Board is actively considering and that is ultimately consummated, the Company will pay to Ms. Howard (or her legal representatives) as a severance payment an amount in cash equal to (i) three times the sum of her base salary and the average of her annual bonuses for the three most recently completed years, plus (ii) a pro rata portion of her annual bonus for the year in which the termination occurs based on an estimate of Company performance for the period before the date of termination, as determined by the compensation committee (subject to subsequent reconciliation based on the Company s actual performance). In addition, the Company will pay Ms. Howard (or her family in the event of her death) after termination on a monthly basis an amount equal to COBRA premiums (less the amount of her portion of such premiums prior to the date of termination) for up to 24 months after the date of termination.

Any compensation paid or awarded to Ms. Howard under the employment agreement will be subject to the Company s compensation recoupment policy. Also, as part of the amendment and restatement of Ms. Howard s employment agreement, the change in control tax gross-up provisions previously in Ms. Howard s employment agreement were removed.

# Thomas A. Nardi

The employment agreement with Mr. Nardi, our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, is for rolling one-year periods, such that the remainder of the term of the employment agreement will always be one full year. Under the employment agreement, Mr. Nardi will receive an annual base salary of \$450,000 and is eligible to receive an annual cash incentive bonus under the annual incentive plan for the Company s executive officers based on the achievement of annual performance goals as determined by the compensation committee. The employment agreement provides, among other things, that if the Company terminates Mr. Nardi other than for cause (as defined in the employment agreement), Mr. Nardi terminates his employment for good reason (as defined in the employment agreement) or Mr. Nardi s employment is terminated because of death or disability, the Company will pay to Mr. Nardi (or his legal representatives) an amount in cash equal to the sum of his base salary and the average of his three most recent annual bonuses. However, if the Company terminates Mr. Nardi for cause or Mr. Nardi terminates his own employment other than for good reason, the Company would have no further obligation to Mr. Nardi other than the obligation to pay his base salary through the date of termination and any other compensation and benefits then due. The employment agreement also provides that if Mr. Nardi s employment is terminated by the Company during the one-year period following a change in control (as defined in the employment agreement) or Mr. Nardi resigns for any reason during the period beginning six months and ending 12 months following a change in control, the Company will pay to Mr. Nardi as a severance payment an amount equal to two times the sum of his base salary and the average of his three most recent annual bonuses.

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Monica M. Weed

The employment agreement with Ms. Weed, our Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, is for rolling one-year periods, such that the remainder of the term of the employment agreement will always be one full year. Under the employment agreement, Ms. Weed will receive an annual base salary of \$400,000 and is eligible to receive an annual cash incentive bonus under the annual incentive plan for the Company s executive officers. The employment agreement provides, among other things, that if the Company terminates Ms. Weed other than for cause (as defined in the employment agreement), Ms. Weed terminates her employment for good reason (as defined in the employment agreement) or Ms. Weed s employment is terminated because of death or disability, the Company will pay to Ms. Weed (or her legal representatives) an amount equal to the sum of her base salary and the average of her three most recent annual bonuses. However, if the Company terminates Ms. Weed other than the obligation to pay her base salary through the date of termination and any other compensation and benefits then due. The employment agreement also provides that if Ms. Weed s employment is terminated by the Company during the one-year period following a change in control (as defined in the employment agreement) or Ms. Weed resigns for any reason during the period beginning six months and ending 12 months following a change in control, the Company will pay to Ms. Weed as a severance payment an amount equal to two times the sum of her base salary and the average of her three most recent annual bonuses.

# DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

For 2011, our non-employee directors received an annual retainer of \$60,000 and fees for each meeting of the Board they attended (\$4,000 per meeting). In addition, the chairman of the audit committee (Mr. Gildehaus) received an additional annual retainer of \$20,000; the chairman of the compensation committee (formerly Mr. Skinner (prior to March 15, 2011) and thereafter, Mr. James) and the nominating and governance committee (Mr. Pond) received an additional annual retainer of \$10,000 (which, in the case of Mr. Skinner and Mr. James, was prorated based on their respective periods of service); and our Lead Director (Governor Thompson) received an additional annual retainer of \$15,000. Any member of the Board who is employed by the Company (or any of its subsidiaries) is not compensated for his or her service on the Board or any of its committees.

All retainers and meeting fees are paid in cash on a quarterly basis, unless a director elects to defer his or her annual retainer(s) or meeting fees under our directors deferred fees plan. This plan provides that a director may elect to defer all or a portion of his or her annual retainer or meeting fees to an account which earns interest monthly. Payment is then made to a participating director under the plan upon the director s resignation from the Board or his or her death. A participating director may elect to receive the payment in a lump-sum or in installments over a ten-year period. During 2011, only Mr. Tipsord elected to defer his annual retainer and meeting fees under the plan.

The compensation program for our non-employee directors also includes an equity component. Non-employee directors appointed or elected to the Board for the first time receive an initial equity grant equal to \$175,000 in value. Continuing directors receive an annual equity grant equal to \$100,000 in value, consisting of 67% restricted stock and 33% stock options. All annual equity grants made to our continuing, non-employee directors are made on the same date as our annual meeting of shareholders. On April 25, 2011 (the date of our 2011 annual meeting of shareholders), each of our non-employee directors received an annual equity grant consisting of 6,844 shares of restricted stock and 7,062 stock options. Both the restricted stock and the stock options vest on an annual basis ratably over a three-year period. The stock options have an exercise price of \$9.83 per share (which equals the fair market value of our common stock on the grant date) and expire six years from the grant date. Each of the grants was made pursuant to the terms of the 2005 LTIP.

In early 2012, the compensation committee adopted new stock ownership guidelines that apply to our non-employee directors. These guidelines require each of our non-employee directors to own shares of our common stock (as defined in the guidelines) valued at a minimum of four times their annual retainer (excluding

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any committee chair retainers and the retainer for the Lead Director). Although there is no specific period of time by which the stock ownership guidelines must be achieved, each of our non-employee directors is expected to make continuous progress towards the guidelines and, prior to meeting the guidelines, is required to hold at least 75% of the net shares received from the vesting of their equity awards or the exercise of stock options. Even after achieving the stock ownership guidelines, our non-employee directors must also comply with holding period requirements with respect to their equity grants. Under these holding period requirements, each of our non-employee directors is required to hold at least 75% of the net shares received from the vesting of their equity awards or the exercise of stock options for at least one year following the vesting or exercise date. At the end of 2011, all of our non-employee directors were in compliance with the then-current stock ownership guidelines and also would have been in compliance with the new stock ownership guidelines summarized above.

The following table summarizes the total compensation paid to or earned by our non-employee directors for 2011:

|                            | Fees<br>Earned or<br>Paid in | Stock<br>Awards | Option<br>Awards | Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation |            |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--|------------|
| Name                       | Cash (\$)(1)                 | (\$)(2)         | (\$)(3)          | Earnings (\$)  | Total (\$) |
| Thomas A. Gildehaus        | 140,000                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 240,279    |
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman   | 124,000                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 224,279    |
| Stephan A. James           | 127,917                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 228,196    |
| Peter B. Pond              | 126,000                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 226,279    |
| Samuel K. Skinner          | 122,083                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 222,362    |
| Governor James R. Thompson | 135,000                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 235,279    |
| Michael L. Tipsord         | 124,000                      | 67,277          | 33,002           |  | 224,279    |

(1) Includes an additional annual retainer of \$20,000 to Mr. Gildehaus, as chairman of the audit committee; an additional retainer of \$2,083 to Mr. Skinner and \$7,917 to Mr. James for their respective service as chairman of the compensation committee (Mr. Skinner served as chairman prior to March 15, 2011, and Mr. James served as chairman the remainder of 2011); an additional retainer of \$10,000 to Mr. Pond, as chairman of the nominating and governance committee; and an additional annual retainer of \$15,000 to Governor Thompson, as Lead Director. For 2011, Mr. Tipsord elected to defer his annual retainer and meeting fees under our directors deferred fees plan (see the narrative preceding this table for a description of that plan).

Board meeting fees paid to each non-employee director during 2011 were as follows:

| Thomas A. Gildehaus        | \$ 60,000 |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman   | \$ 64,000 |
| Stephan A. James           | \$ 60,000 |
| Peter B. Pond              | \$ 56,000 |
| Samuel K. Skinner          | \$ 60,000 |
| Governor James R. Thompson | \$ 60,000 |
| Michael L. Tipsord         | \$ 64,000 |

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(2) The amounts reported in this column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of restricted stock awards granted to our non-employee directors during 2011 computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures. Assumptions made in calculating the aggregate grant date fair value of these awards are described in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2011 Form 10-K. The aggregate number of shares of restricted stock outstanding for each of our non-employee directors as of December 31, 2011 was as follows:

| Thomas A. Gildehaus        | 14,239 |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman   | 13,610 |
| Stephan A. James           | 16,212 |
| Peter B. Pond              | 14,239 |
| Samuel K. Skinner          | 14,239 |
| Governor James R. Thompson | 14,239 |
| Michael L. Tipsord         | 13,481 |

(3) The amounts reported in this column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of stock option awards granted to our non-employee directors during 2011 computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, excluding the effect of estimated forfeitures. Assumptions made in calculating the aggregate grant date fair value of these awards are described in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2011 Form 10-K. The aggregate number of stock options outstanding for each of our non-employee directors as of December 31, 2011 was as follows:

| Thomas A. Gildehaus        | 30,247 |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman   | 18,924 |
| Stephan A. James           | 22,410 |
| Peter B. Pond              | 42,010 |
| Samuel K. Skinner          | 25,247 |
| Governor James R. Thompson | 32,112 |
| Michael L. Tipsord         | 18,608 |

# COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS

# AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

No person who served on the compensation committee in 2011 was an officer or employee of the Company during 2011, was formerly an officer of the Company, or had any relationships requiring disclosure by the Company under the SEC s rules regarding certain relationships and related party transactions. None of our executive officers served as a member of the compensation committee (or other board committee performing similar functions or, in the absence of such committee, the entire board) of another corporation during 2011, where one of the executive officers of the other corporation served on our compensation committee or as one of our directors. None of our executive officers served as a director of another corporation during, where one of the executive officers of the other corporation served on our compensation committee.

# STOCK OWNERSHIP OF DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE

## OFFICERS AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of March 1, 2012 (unless otherwise indicated) by: (i) each of our directors; (ii) each of our named executive officers; (iii) all of our directors and executive officers as a group; and (iv) each person known to us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, based on filings with the SEC.

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We believe that, except where noted otherwise, each person named below has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to all shares of our common stock shown as beneficially owned by such person, subject to community property laws where applicable. Except as noted below, the address of each person named below is in care of our principal executive office.

|   | Shares Ben<br>Owned | •       |
|---|---------------------|---------|
| Directors and Executive Officers  | Number              | Percent |
| Thomas A. Gildehaus(2)  | 85,897              | *       |
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman  | 35,262              | *       |
| William M. Goodyear(3)  | 782,510             | 1.51%   |
| Stephan A. James  | 48,231              | *       |
| Peter B. Pond   | 73,159              | *       |
| Samuel K. Skinner   | 55,861              | *       |
| Governor James R. Thompson  | 71,361              | *       |
| Michael L. Tipsord  | 58,863              | *       |
| Julie M. Howard(4)  | 326,613             | *       |
| Thomas A. Nardi   | 83,571              | *       |
| Monica M. Weed  | 64,638              | *       |
| All directors and executive officers as a group (11 persons)                                    | 1,685,967           | 3.24%   |
| 5% Shareholders   |                     |         |
| Heartland Advisors, Inc. and William J. Nasgovitz, 789 North Water Street, Milwaukee,           |                     |         |
| WI 53202(5)   | 4,199,575           | 8.08%   |
| BlackRock, Inc., 40 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10022(6)                                     | 3,950,526           | 7.60%   |
| Security Investors, LLC, One Security Benefit Place, Topeka, KS 66636-0001(7)                   | 3,918,144           | 7.54%   |
| Columbia Wanger Asset Management, LLC, 227 West Monroe Street, Suite 3000, Chicago, IL 60606(8) | 3,501,200           | 6.73%   |
| Robeco Investment Management, Inc., 909 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10022(9)                     | 3,334,181           | 6.41%   |
| The Vanguard Group, Inc., 100 Vanguard Blvd., Malvern, PA 19355(10)                             | 2,728,317           | 5.25%   |
| FMR LLC, 82 Devonshire Street, Boston, MA 02109(11)   | 2,635,800           | 5.07%   |

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%

(1) Includes shares of our common stock subject to stock options that are or become exercisable within 60 days of March 1, 2012 as follows:

| Thomas A. Gildehaus  | 18,274  |
|--|---------|
| Hon. Cynthia A. Glassman                                     | 8,521   |
| William M. Goodyear  | 249,470 |
| Stephan A. James   | 11,256  |
| Peter B. Pond  | 28,172  |
| Samuel K. Skinner  | 13,274  |
| Governor James R. Thompson                                   | 18,274  |
| Michael L. Tipsord   | 8,310   |
| Julie M. Howard  | 159,464 |
| Thomas A. Nardi  | 17,574  |
| Monica M. Weed   | 15,237  |
| All directors and executive officers as a group (11 persons) | 547,826 |

(2) Includes 781 shares held by estate of spouse.

- (3) 121,375 shares are pledged by Mr. Goodyear to secure indebtedness.
- (4) 16,500 shares are pledged by Ms. Howard to secure indebtedness.
- (5) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G/A filed jointly by Heartland Advisors, Inc. (Heartland Advisors) and William J. Nasgovitz, President and control person of Heartland Advisors, with

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the SEC on February 10, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, Heartland Advisors reported having shared voting power and shared dispositive power with respect to all 4,199,575 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A. The Schedule 13G/A reported that clients of Heartland Advisors, a registered investment adviser, including an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and other managed accounts, have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends and proceeds from the sale of the shares reported in the Schedule 13G/A and that the Heartland Value Plus Fund, a series of the Heartland Group, Inc., a registered investment company, owns 2,850,000 shares of our common stock. The Schedule 13G/A reported that the remaining shares reported in the Schedule 13G/A are owned by various other accounts managed by Heartland Advisors on a discretionary basis, and Heartland Advisors reported, to the best of its knowledge, that none of the other accounts owns more than 5% of our outstanding common stock. Mr. Nasgovitz disclaimed beneficial ownership of any shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A.

- (6) Based solely on the information provided in the Schedule 13G/A filed by BlackRock, Inc. (BlackRock) with the SEC on February 10, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, BlackRock reported having sole voting power and sole dispositive power with respect to all 3,950,526 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A. BlackRock reported that the following BlackRock subsidiaries beneficially owned our common stock, but that none of those subsidiaries individually beneficially owned 5% or greater of the outstanding shares of our common stock: BlackRock Japan Co. Ltd., BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N.A., BlackRock Fund Advisors, BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited, BlackRock Asset Management Australia Limited, BlackRock Advisors, LLC, BlackRock Investment Management, LLC, BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited and BlackRock International Limited.
- (7) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G/A filed by Security Investors, LLC (SI) with the SEC on January 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, SI reported having sole voting power and sole dispositive power with respect to all 3,918,144 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A.
- (8) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G/A filed by Columbia Wanger Asset Management, LLC (Columbia Wanger) with the SEC on February 10, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, Columbia Wanger reported having sole voting power with respect to 3,126,200 of the shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all 3,501,200 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A. The shares reported on the Schedule 13G/A include shares held by Columbia Acorn Trust, a Massachusetts business trust that is advised by Columbia Wanger.
- (9) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G filed by Robeco Investment Management, Inc. (Robeco) with the SEC on February 6, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, Robeco reported having sole voting power with respect to 2,742,706 of the shares, shared voting power with respect to 118,535 of the shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all 3,334,181 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G. Robeco further reported that, to its knowledge, none of its clients has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends or proceeds from the sale of shares which represent more than 5% of our outstanding common stock.
- (10) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G filed by The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Vanguard) with the SEC on February 8, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, Vanguard reported having sole voting power and shared dispositive power over 72,337 of the shares and sole dispositive power over 2,655,980 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G. Vanguard Fidelity Trust Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vanguard, is the beneficial owner of 72,337 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G as a result of its serving as an investment manager of collective trust accounts and directs the voting of these shares.
- (11) Based solely on information provided in the Schedule 13G filed by FMR LLC (FMR) with the SEC on February 14, 2012. As of December 31, 2011, FMR reported having no voting power with respect to any of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G and sole dispositive power with respect to all 2,635,800 of the shares reported on the Schedule 13G. FMR reported that Fidelity Management & Research Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of FMR and an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, is the beneficial owner of the 2,635,600 shares reported on the Schedule 13G as a result of acting as an investment adviser to various investment companies and that the interest of one investment company, Fidelity Advisor Small Cap Fund, amounted to all of the 2,635,800 shares reported on the Schedule 13G.

#### SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE

# UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

The following table provides information with respect to shares of our common stock that may be issued under our equity compensation plans at December 31, 2011.

|  |                         |         |               | Number of                                  |
|--|-------------------------|---------|---------------|--|
|  |                         |         |               | Securities                                 |
|  |                         |         |               | Remaining Available for<br>Future Issuance |
|  | Number of Securities    |         |               | Under<br>Equity                            |
|  | to                      | Weigh   | ted Average   | Compensation                               |
|  | be Issued upon Exercise | Exerc   | ise Price of  | Plans (Excluding                           |
|  | of Outstanding Options, | Outstan | ding Options, | Securities Reflected                       |
|  | Warrants and            |         | rants and     | in   |
| Plan Category  | Rights                  |         | Rights        | the First Column)                          |
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders | 1,000,111               | \$      | 11.93         | 1,251,238                                  |
| Equity compensation plans not approved by              | , ,                     | ·       |               | , - ,                                      |
| security holders(a)                                    | 35,150                  | \$      | 13.13         |  |
| m . 1  | 1 005 061               | ф       | 11.05         | 1.051.000                                  |
| Total  | 1,035,261               | \$      | 11.97         | 1,251,238                                  |

(a) See Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2011 Form 10-K.

# **SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

# REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors and executive officers, and any persons who beneficially own more than 10% of our common stock, to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of our common stock. To our knowledge, based solely on a review of copies of such reports and representations received from our directors and executive officers, we believe that during the year ended December 31, 2011, our directors, executive officers and 10% shareholders complied with their Section 16(a) filing requirements on a timely basis.

# CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND

# RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We or one of our subsidiaries may occasionally enter into transactions with certain related persons. Related persons include our executive officers, directors, nominees for directors, 5% shareholders and immediate family members of these persons. We refer to transactions involving amounts in excess of \$120,000 and in which the related person has a direct or indirect material interest as related person transactions. In accordance with our written related person transaction policy, any related person transaction must be approved or ratified by the audit committee or, if the audit committee so determines, by all disinterested members of the Board (by the vote of a majority of the disinterested members).

The audit committee considers all relevant factors when determining whether to approve a related person transaction including the following:

the size of the transaction and the amount payable to a related person;

the nature of the interest of the related person in the transaction;

whether the transaction may involve a conflict of interest; and

whether the transaction involves the provision of goods or services to us that are available from unaffiliated third parties and, if so, whether the transaction is on terms and made under circumstances that are at least as favorable to us as would be available in comparable transactions with or involving unaffiliated third parties.

We did not have any related person transactions requiring approval of the audit committee in 2011.

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#### PROPOSAL 2

# ADOPTION OF RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

#### TO DECLASSIFY OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board has approved and declared advisable, and recommends that our shareholders adopt, the proposed further amendment and restatement of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (as heretofore amended, the Certificate of Incorporation) to provide for the phased-in elimination of the classification of the Board and the annual election of all of our directors, certain amendments relating thereto, certain conforming changes relating to the integration of prior amendments, and the addition of a heading to each of the individual articles. A copy of the proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation submitted to our shareholders for adoption at the 2012 annual meeting is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix A (the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation).

The nominating and governance committee of the Board, which is comprised entirely of independent directors, regularly considers and evaluates a broad range of corporate governance issues affecting the Company and reports to the Board regarding the same. The nominating and governance committee, in making its recommendation to the Board regarding the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation, and the Board, in approving the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation and declaring it advisable, considered the advantages and disadvantages of maintaining a classified board of directors. While the Board believes that maintaining a classified board of directors may offer several advantages, such as promoting continuity and stability in pursuing the Company s business strategies and policies and encouraging our directors to take a long-term perspective, it recognizes the growing sentiment of a number of institutional investor groups which favor the annual election of directors. The Board also recognizes that governance structures in which all members of the board of directors are elected annually are perceived as increasing director accountability to shareholders. In light of this, and upon the recommendation of the nominating and governance committee, the Board determined that the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation to declassify the Board in the manner provided therein is advisable and in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders, and the Board directed that the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation be submitted to our shareholders for approval at the 2012 annual meeting.

As provided by Article VI of the Certificate of Incorporation, the Board is currently divided into three classes, with directors from each class being elected to serve for staggered three-year terms. One class of directors, representing one-third of our total number of directors, stands for election at each annual meeting of our shareholders. If the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation is adopted by our shareholders and becomes effective, all directors elected prior to the effectiveness of the filing of the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (including the three directors who are elected at the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders) will continue in office for the remainder of their then-current three-year terms and, thereafter, such directors or their successors will be elected for one-year terms. Therefore, pursuant to the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation, beginning with the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders, the declassification of the Board would be complete and all directors would be subject to annual election.

If our shareholders approve this proposal, the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation would become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, which the Company would file promptly after the final adjournment of the 2012 annual meeting. If this proposal is not approved, the Certificate of Incorporation would remain unchanged and the Board would remain classified. Other than as described herein, the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation effects no further amendments to the Certificate of Incorporation.

The Board unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the proposal to adopt the Proposed Restated Certificate of Incorporation to declassify our Board of Directors.

#### PROPOSAL 3

# APPROVAL OF THE NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC.

#### 2012 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

At the annual meeting, our shareholders will be asked to approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2012 Plan ). The 2012 Plan was approved by the Board on February 14, 2012, subject to shareholder approval. The purposes of the 2012 Plan are to:

align the interests of our shareholders and recipients of awards under the 2012 Plan by increasing the proprietary interest of such recipients in the Company s growth and success;

advance the interests of the Company by attracting and retaining officers, other employees, non-employee directors, consultants, independent contractors and agents; and

motivate such persons to act in the long-term best interests of the Company and its shareholders. Under the 2012 Plan, the Company may grant:

non-qualified stock options;

incentive stock options (within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code);

stock appreciation rights ( SARs );

restricted stock and restricted stock units ( Stock Awards ); and

performance awards.

As of March 1, 2012, 2,579 employees and seven non-employee directors would be eligible to participate in the 2012 Plan; however, participation in our long-term incentive plans has historically been limited to certain senior-level employees, and this group included approximately 580 employees as of March 1, 2012. Upon approval of the 2012 Plan, no additional awards will be granted under the Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended (referred to in this proposal as the Prior Plan).

# **Plan Highlights**

Some of the key features of the 2012 Plan include:

The 2012 Plan will be administered by a committee of the Board, comprised entirely of independent directors;

Options and SARs granted under the 2012 Plan may not be repriced without shareholder approval;

Under the 2012 Plan, the maximum number of shares of the Company s common stock ( Common Stock ) available for awards is 6,200,000, reduced by the number of shares of Common Stock subject to awards granted under the Prior Plan on or after January 1, 2012;

The number of shares available for issuance under the 2012 Plan will be reduced by one and one-half (1.5) shares for any shares subject to a Stock Award or performance award and by one (1) share for any shares subject to a stock option or SAR;

The exercise price of options and the base price for SARs granted under the 2012 Plan may not be less than the fair market value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant;

Subject to certain exceptions described in the 2012 Plan, the 2012 Plan includes a minimum vesting period of 36 months for Stock Awards and a 12-month minimum performance period for performance awards; and

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The 2012 Plan does not contain a liberal change in control definition and, subject to certain exceptions, the 2012 Plan includes double-trigger provisions for the acceleration of equity awards that results from a change in control of the Company.

# Description of the 2012 Plan

The following description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the plan document, a copy of which is attached to this Proxy Statement as <u>Appendix B</u> and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Administration

The 2012 Plan will be administered by a committee designated by the Board of Directors (the Plan Committee ), consisting of two or more members of the Board. Each member of the Plan Committee must be (i) a non-employee director within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), (ii) an outside director within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, and (iii) independent within the meaning of the rules of the NYSE.

Subject to the express provisions of the 2012 Plan, the Plan Committee will have the authority to select eligible persons to receive awards and determine all of the terms and conditions of each award. All awards will be evidenced by an agreement containing such provisions not inconsistent with the 2012 Plan as the Plan Committee will approve. The Plan Committee will also have authority to establish rules and regulations for administering the 2012 Plan and to decide questions of interpretation or application of any provision of the 2012 Plan. The Plan Committee may, subject to Section 162(m) of the Code, take any action such that in the event of death, disability, a termination of employment or service or in the event of a change in control of the Company (1) any outstanding options and SARs will become exercisable in part or in full, (2) all or a portion of a restriction period on any Stock Award will lapse, (3) all or a portion of any performance period applicable to any restricted stock, restricted stock units or performance awards will lapse, and (4) any performance measures applicable to any outstanding award will be deemed satisfied at the target, maximum or any other level.

The Plan Committee may delegate some or all of its power and authority under the 2012 Plan to the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or other executive officer of the Company as the Plan Committee deems appropriate, except that it may not delegate its power and authority to the Chief Executive Officer or any executive officer with regard to awards to persons who are (i) covered employees within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code or are likely to become such while an award is outstanding, or (ii) subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

## Available Shares

Under the 2012 Plan, the maximum number of shares of Common Stock available for awards is 6,200,000, of which no more than 6,200,000 shares in the aggregate may be issued in connection with incentive stock options, subject to adjustment in the event of a stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, spin-off or other similar change or event. Such shares will be reduced by the number of shares of Common Stock subject to awards granted under the Prior Plan on or after January 1, 2012. The number of available shares will be reduced by the sum of (i) the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock which become subject to outstanding options and free-standing SARs, and (ii) one and one-half of the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock which become subject to Stock Awards or performance awards. To the extent that shares of Common Stock subject to an outstanding option, free-standing SAR or Stock Award granted under either the 2012 Plan or the Prior Plan are not issued or delivered by reason of (i) the expiration, termination, cancellation or forfeiture of such award (excluding shares of Common Stock subject to an option cancelled upon settlement of a related tandem SAR or subject to a tandem SAR cancelled upon exercise of a related option), or (ii) the settlement of such award in cash, then such shares of Common Stock will again be available under the 2012 Plan; provided, however, that shares of Common Stock subject to an award under the 2012 Plan will not

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again be available under this Plan if such shares are (a) shares that were subject to a stock-settled SAR and were not issued or delivered upon the net settlement of such SAR, (b) shares delivered to or withheld by the Company to pay the exercise price or withholding taxes and (c) shares repurchased by the Company on the open market with the proceeds of an option exercise. The number of shares that will again become available will be (i) one (1.0) share for each share subject to an option or free-standing SAR or subject to an option or free-standing SAR from under the Prior Plan, (ii) one and one-half (1.5) shares for each share subject to a Stock Award or performance award and (iii) in accordance with the terms of the Prior Plan, one and one-half (1.5) shares for each share subject to a restricted stock award, restricted stock unit award, performance share award or performance share unit award granted under the Prior Plan.

To the extent necessary for an award to be qualified-performance based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code, (i) the maximum number of shares of Common Stock with respect to which options or SARs or a combination thereof may be granted during any fiscal year to any person shall be 500,000, subject to adjustment in the event of a stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, spin-off or other similar change or event, (ii) the maximum number of shares of Common Stock with respect to which Stock Awards or performance awards denominated in Common Stock may be granted during any fiscal year to any person shall be 250,000, subject to adjustment in the event of a stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, spin-off or other similar change or event, or any distribution to holders of Common Stock other than a regular cash dividend, and (iii) the maximum amount that may be payable with respect to performance awards denominated in cash granted during any fiscal year to any person shall be \$5,000,000. On March 26, 2012, the closing sales price per share of our common stock as reported on the NYSE was \$[ ].

# Change in Control

Unless otherwise determined by the Plan Committee pursuant to the terms of the 2012 Plan or provided in an award agreement or other agreement, in the event of change in control of the Company and a termination of employment or service under circumstances determined by the Board or the Plan Committee within 24 months following such change in control or within three months prior thereto in connection with such change in control (i) the outstanding options and SARs will immediately become exercisable in full or in part, (ii) the restriction period applicable to the outstanding Stock Awards will lapse in full or in part, (iii) the performance period applicable to the outstanding awards will lapse in full or in part and (iv) the performance measures applicable to the outstanding awards will be deemed satisfied at the target, maximum or any other level. In addition, in the event of a change in control, the Board or the Plan Committee may, in its discretion, require that shares of stock of the company resulting from such change in control, or the parent thereof, be substituted for some or all of the shares of Common Stock subject to outstanding awards as determined by the Board, and/or require outstanding awards to be surrendered to the Company in exchange for a payment of cash, shares of common stock in the company resulting from the change in control, or the parent thereof, or a combination of cash and shares.

Under the terms of the 2012 Plan, a change in control is generally defined as (i) certain acquisitions of more than 50% of the then outstanding shares of Common Stock, (ii) a change in our Board of Directors resulting in the incumbent directors ceasing to constitute at least a majority of our Board of Directors, (iii) the consummation of a reorganization, merger or consolidation or sale or disposition of at least 60%, or all or substantially all, of the assets of the Company, or the acquisition of the assets of another corporation for voting securities of the Company (unless, among other conditions, the Company s shareholders receive more than 60% of the stock of the resulting company) or (iv) the consummation of a liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

# Effective Date, Termination and Amendment

If approved by our shareholders at the annual meeting, the 2012 Plan will become effective as of February 14, 2012, which is the date of the Board s approval of the 2012 Plan, and will terminate as of the first annual meeting of the Company s shareholders to occur on or after the tenth anniversary of the effective date, unless earlier terminated by the Board. The Board may amend the 2012 Plan at any time, subject to shareholder

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approval if (i) required by applicable law, rule or regulation, including Section 162(m) of the Code and any rule of the NYSE, or (ii) the Board seeks to modify the option and SAR repricing provisions in the 2012 Plan. No amendment may impair the rights of a holder of an outstanding award without the consent of such holder.

Minimum Performance Periods and Restriction Periods

Under the 2012 Plan, the vesting, exercisability or payment of certain awards may be subject to the satisfaction of certain performance measures which are described below. The period applicable to awards subject to performance measures will be at least 12 months. However, the 12-month minimum performance period will not apply to (i) awards granted in lieu of salary, (ii) awards made in payment of any earned incentive compensation, (iii) a termination due to death, disability or retirement, (iv) upon a change in control, (v) substitute awards, (vi) awards to newly hired officers or other employees, or (vii) awards granted under the 2012 Plan with respect to the number of shares of Common Stock which, in the aggregate, does not exceed five percent (5%) of the total number of shares available for awards under the 2012 Plan.

Under the 2012 Plan, Stock Awards will be subject to a minimum vesting period of 36 months, with vesting no more rapidly than ratably on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant. However, the 36-month minimum vesting period will not apply to (i) awards granted in lieu of salary, (ii) awards made in payment of any earned incentive compensation, (iii) a termination due to death, disability or retirement, (iv) upon a change in control, (v) substitute awards, (vi) awards to newly hired officers or other employees, or (vii) awards granted under the 2012 Plan with respect to the number of shares of Common Stock which, in the aggregate, does not exceed five percent (5%) of the total number of shares available for awards under the 2012 Plan.

Stock Options and SARs

The 2012 Plan provides for the grant of non-qualified stock options, incentive stock options and SARs. The Plan Committee will determine the conditions to the exercisability of each option and SAR.

Each option will be exercisable for no more than ten years after its date of grant, unless the option is an incentive stock option and the optionee owns greater than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all shares of capital stock of the Company (a ten percent holder), in which case the option will be exercisable for no more than five years after its date of grant. Except in the case of substitute awards granted in connection with a corporate transaction, the exercise price of an option will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, unless the option is an incentive stock option and the optionee is a ten percent holder, in which case the option exercise price will be the price required by the Code, currently 110% of fair market value.

Each SAR will be exercisable for no more than ten years after its date of grant. The base price of an SAR will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, provided that the base price of an SAR granted in tandem with an option (a tandem SAR ) will be the exercise price of the related option. An SAR entitles the holder to receive upon exercise (subject to withholding taxes) shares of Common Stock (which may be restricted stock), cash or a combination thereof with a value equal to the difference between the fair market value of the Common Stock on the exercise date and the base price of the SAR.

All of the terms relating to the exercise, cancellation or other disposition of options and SARs following the termination of employment of a participant, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

Subject to the adjustment provisions set forth in the 2012 Plan, the Plan Committee shall not without the approval of the shareholders of the Company, (i) reduce the exercise price or base price of any previously granted option or SAR, (ii) cancel any previously granted option or SAR in exchange for another option or SAR with a lower exercise price or base price or (iii) cancel any previously granted option or SAR in exchange for cash or

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another award if the exercise price of such option or the base price of such SAR exceeds the fair market value of a share of Common Stock on the date of such cancellation, in each case other than in connection with a corporate transaction including, without limitation, any stock dividend, stock split, extraordinary cash dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination, or exchange of shares.

#### Stock Awards

The 2012 Plan provides for the grant of Stock Awards. The Plan Committee may grant a Stock Award either as a restricted stock award or a restricted stock unit award. Except as otherwise determined by the Plan Committee, Stock Awards will be non-transferable and subject to forfeiture if the holder does not remain continuously in the employment of the Company during the restriction period or if specified performance measures (if any) are not attained during the performance period.

Unless otherwise set forth in a restricted stock award agreement, the holder of shares of restricted stock awarded will have rights as a shareholder of the Company, including the right to vote and receive dividends with respect to the shares of restricted stock; *provided*, *however*, that (i) distributions other than regular cash dividends, and (ii) regular cash dividends with respect to shares of Common Stock that are subject to performance-based vesting conditions, in each case will be deposited by the Company and will be subject to the same restrictions as the restricted stock.

The agreement awarding restricted stock units will specify (i) whether such award may be settled in shares of Common Stock, cash or a combination thereof, and (ii) whether the holder will be entitled to receive on a current or deferred basis, dividend equivalents, with respect to such award. Any dividend equivalents with respect to restricted stock units that are subject to performance-based vesting conditions will be subject to the same restrictions as such restricted stock units. Prior to settlement of a restricted stock unit, the holder of a restricted stock unit will have no rights as a shareholder of the Company.

All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of performance measures and the termination of a restriction period, or the forfeiture and cancellation of a Stock Award upon a termination of employment, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

## Performance Awards

The 2012 Plan also provides for the grant of performance awards. The agreement relating to a performance award will specify whether such award may be settled in shares of Common Stock (including shares of restricted stock), cash or a combination thereof. The agreement relating to a performance award will provide, in the manner determined by the Plan Committee, for the vesting of such performance award if the specified performance period. Any dividend or dividend equivalents with respect to a performance award that are subject to performance-based vesting conditions will be subject to the same restrictions as such performance award. Prior to the settlement of a performance award in shares of Common Stock, the holder of such award will have no rights as a shareholder of the Company with respect to such shares. All of the terms relating to the satisfaction of performance measures and the termination of a performance period, or the forfeiture and cancellation of a performance award upon a termination of employment, whether by reason of disability, retirement, death or any other reason, will be determined by the Plan Committee.

# Performance Measures

Under the 2012 Plan, the vesting, exercisability or payment of certain awards may be made subject to the satisfaction of performance measures. The performance goals applicable to a particular award will be determined by the Plan Committee at the time of grant. To the extent an award is intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption from the \$1 million deduction limit under Section 162(m) of the Code, as described below, the performance measures will be one or more of the following corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit or individual measures: the attainment by a share of Common Stock of a specified fair market value for a specified period of time, earnings per share, return on assets, return on equity, return on investments, return on

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invested capital, total shareholder return, earnings or net income of the Company before or after taxes and/or interest, EBITDA, revenues, market share, cash flow or cost reduction goals, interest expense after taxes, economic value created, gross margin, operating margin, net cash provided by operations, and strategic business criteria, consisting of one or more objectives based on meeting specified market penetration, geographic business expansion goals, cost targets, customer satisfaction, reductions in errors and omissions, reductions in lost business, management of employment practices and employee benefits, supervision of litigation and information technology, quality audit scores, efficiency, and goals relating to acquisitions or divestitures, or any combination of the foregoing. Each such goal may be expressed on an absolute or relative basis and may include comparisons based on current internal targets, the past performance of the Company (including the performance of one or more subsidiaries, divisions, or operating units) or the past or current performance of other companies (or a combination of such past and current performance). In the case of earnings-based measures, in addition to the ratios specifically enumerated above, performance measures may include comparisons relating to capital (including, but not limited to, the cost of capital), shareholders—equity, shares outstanding, assets or net assets, or any combination thereof. In the sole discretion of the Plan Committee, but subject to Section 162(m) of the Code, the Plan Committee may amend or adjust the performance measures or other terms and conditions of an outstanding award in recognition of unusual, nonrecurring or one-time events affecting the Company or its financial statements or changes in law or accounting principles.

# **U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following is a brief summary of certain United States federal income tax consequences generally arising with respect to awards under the 2012 Plan. This discussion does not address all aspects of the United States federal income tax consequences of participating in the 2012 Plan that may be relevant to participants in light of their personal investment or tax circumstances and does not discuss any state, local or non-United States tax consequences of participating in the 2012 Plan. Each participant is advised to consult his or her particular tax advisor concerning the application of the United States federal income tax laws to such participant sparticular situation, as well as the applicability and effect of any state, local or non-United States tax laws before taking any actions with respect to any awards.

#### Section 162(m) of the Code

Section 162(m) of the Code generally limits to \$1 million the amount that a publicly held corporation is allowed each year to deduct for the compensation paid to the corporation is chief executive officer and the corporation is three most highly compensated executive officers other than the chief executive officer or the chief financial officer. However, qualified performance-based compensation is not subject to the \$1 million deduction limit. To qualify as performance based-compensation, the following requirements must be satisfied: (i) the performance goals are determined by a committee consisting solely of two or more outside directors, (ii) the material terms under which the compensation is to be paid, including the performance goals, are approved by the corporation is shareholders, and (ii) the committee certifies that the applicable performance goals are satisfied before payment of any performance-based compensation is made. As noted above, the Plan Committee currently consists solely of outside directors for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Code. As a result, certain compensation under the 2012 Plan, such as that payable with respect to options and SARs, is not expected to be subject to the \$1 million deduction limit, but other compensation payable under the 2012 Plan, such as any Stock Award that is not subject to performance measures, would be subject to such limit.

# Stock Options

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time an option is granted and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. A participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) upon exercise of a non-qualified stock option equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares purchased over their exercise price, and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction. A participant will not recognize income (except for purposes of the alternative minimum tax) upon exercise of an incentive stock option. If the shares acquired by exercise of an

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incentive stock option are held for at least two years from the date the option was granted and one year from the date it was exercised, any gain or loss arising from a subsequent disposition of those shares will be taxed as long-term capital gain or loss, and the Company will not be entitled to any deduction. If, however, those shares are disposed of within the above-described period, then in the year of that disposition the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income equal to the excess of the lesser of (1) the amount realized upon that disposition, and (2) the excess of the fair market value of those shares on the date of exercise over the exercise price, and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction.

SARs

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time SARs are granted and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon exercise, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares delivered and the amount of cash paid by the Company. This amount is deductible by the Company as compensation expense.

#### Stock Awards

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time restricted stock is granted and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time, unless the participant makes an election to be taxed at that time. If such election is made, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) at the time of the grant in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value for the shares at such time over the amount, if any, paid for those shares. If such election is not made, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) at the time the restrictions lapse in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of the shares at such time over the amount, if any, paid for those shares. The amount of ordinary income recognized by making the above-described election or upon the lapse of restrictions is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply. In addition, a participant receiving dividends with respect to restricted stock for which the above-described election has not been made and prior to the time the restrictions lapse will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee), rather than dividend income, in an amount equal to the dividends paid and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time a restricted stock unit is granted and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon settlement of restricted stock units, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares delivered and the amount of any cash paid by the Company. The amount of ordinary income recognized is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

# Performance Awards

A participant will not recognize taxable income at the time performance awards are granted and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction at that time. Upon settlement of performance awards, the participant will recognize compensation taxable as ordinary income (and subject to income tax withholding in respect of an employee) in an amount equal to the fair market value of any shares delivered and the amount of cash paid by the Company. This amount is deductible by the Company as compensation expense, except to the extent the deduction limits of Section 162(m) of the Code apply.

## New Plan Renefits

On February 22, 2012, in connection with the transition of the position of Chief Executive Officer to Ms. Howard and Mr. Goodyear s continued service as Executive Chairman of the Board, the Company entered

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into a letter agreement with Mr. Goodyear effective as of March 1, 2012 setting forth the terms and conditions of two restricted stock unit grants to be made to Mr. Goodyear under the 2012 Plan, the first on June 1, 2012 and the second on May 1, 2013, in each case subject to Mr. Goodyear s continued employment through the respective grant dates and further subject to the approval of the 2012 Plan by the Company s shareholders (the RSU Awards ). Each grant will have an approximate grant date fair value equal to \$1 million on June 1, 2012 and May 1, 2013, respectively. If this proposal is not approved by the Company s shareholders prior to June 1, 2012 and Mr. Goodyear remains employed by the Company on such date, the Company will pay Mr. Goodyear an amount in cash equal to \$1 million, payable in equal installments on the last day of each month beginning June 2012 and ending April 2013 unless the Company terminates Mr. Goodyear for cause or he resigns on or prior to any such payment date, in either of which cases Mr. Goodyear will not be entitled to receive any further payments. If the Company on such date, the Company will pay Mr. Goodyear an amount in cash equal to \$1 million, payable in equal installments on the last day of each month beginning May 2013 and ending April 2014 unless the Company terminates Mr. Goodyear for cause or he resigns on or prior to any such payment date, in either of which cases Mr. Goodyear will not be entitled to receive any further payments. Information regarding the RSU Awards is set forth in the table below.

## Navigant Consulting, Inc. 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan

|   | Dollar Value of | Number of Shares |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| Name and Position   | Shares Awarded  | Awarded          |
| Julie M. Howard, Chief Executive Officer and Director           | (1)             | (1)              |
| William M. Goodyear, Executive Chairman                         | \$ 2,000,000    | (2)              |
| Tom Nardi, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer | (1)             | (1)              |
| Monica M. Weed, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate   |                 |                  |
| Secretary   | (1)             | (1)              |
| Executive Group   | \$ 2,000,000    | (2)              |
| Non-Executive Director Group                                    | (1)             | (1)              |
| Non-Executive Officer Employee Group                            | (1)             | (1)              |

- (1) Only the restricted stock units to be granted to Mr. Goodyear were expressly made subject to approval by the Company s shareholders of the 2012 Plan that is the subject of this proposal. No other awards have been granted under the terms of the 2012 Plan.
- (2) The number of restricted stock units to be granted to Mr. Goodyear if the Company s shareholders approve the 2012 Plan and Mr. Goodyear remains continuously employed with the Company through the respective grant dates is not yet determinable. The number of restricted stock units to be granted to Mr. Goodyear will be determined by dividing the fair value of the RSU Awards on each grant date by the average daily closing price of a share of our common stock during the 30-day calendar period leading up to, but not including, the respective grant date.

As discussed above, the 2012 Plan is being submitted for approval by the Company s shareholders at the annual meeting. If the Company s shareholders approve this proposal, the 2012 Plan will become effective as of the date of the Board s approval of the 2012 Plan and awards may be granted under the 2012 Plan. If the Company s shareholders do not approve the 2012 Plan, it will not become effective and no awards may be granted under the 2012 Plan, including the RSU Awards to Mr. Goodyear.

## **Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

The Board unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the approval of the 2012 Plan.

#### PROPOSAL 4

# APPROVAL OF THE NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC.

#### ANNUAL INCENTIVE PLAN

At the annual meeting, our shareholders will be asked to approve the Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan (the Bonus Plan) under which officers and other employees of the Company would be eligible to receive incentive payments based on the achievement of objective performance goals for performance periods commencing on or after January 1, 2012. The Bonus Plan was approved by the Board on February 14, 2012, subject to shareholder approval.

The Bonus Plan will allow the compensation committee to utilize specified financial or individual measures (as more fully described below) when determining awards under the Bonus Plan. If the Bonus Plan is approved by our shareholders at the annual meeting, it is intended that the Bonus Plan will qualify for exemption under Section 162(m) of the Code, which would generally allow awards granted under the Bonus Plan to be tax deductible by us.

## **Description of the Bonus Plan**

The purpose of the Bonus Plan is to retain and motivate officers and other employees of the Company who are designated by the Compensation Committee to participate in the Bonus Plan for a specified performance period commencing on or after January 1, 2012 (a Performance Period ) by providing such designated officers and employees with the opportunity to earn incentive payments based upon the extent to which specified performance goals have been achieved or exceeded for that Performance Period. The Bonus Plan will be administered by the compensation committee, which is comprised solely of independent directors.

The following description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the plan document, a copy of which is attached to this Proxy Statement as <u>Appendix C</u> and incorporated herein by reference.

All officers and other employees of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible to be designated for participation in the Bonus Plan. The compensation committee will designate the eligible employees who will participate in the Bonus Plan for a specified Performance Period, and will do so not later than 90 days after the beginning of the Performance Period or, if earlier, not later than the date on which 25% of the Performance Period has been completed (the Applicable Period ). It is anticipated that only our named executive officers (currently, four individuals) will be eligible to receive awards under the Bonus Plan.

Under the Bonus Plan, payment of awards to participating employees is subject to the attainment of specific performance goals and other terms and conditions established by the compensation committee during the Applicable Period for each Performance Period. A participant may receive an award under the Bonus Plan based upon achievement of a performance goal or goals using one or more objective corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit or individual measures. With respect to bonuses payable to persons who are, or are expected to be, employed as the chief executive officer or certain of the other most highly compensated executive officers of the Company as of the last day of the Company s taxable year ( 162(m) Covered Employees ) and to the extent necessary for an award to be qualified performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code, the applicable performance goals shall be based exclusively on one or more of the following objective corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit or individual measures: the attainment by a share of common stock of the Company of a specified fair market value for a specified period of time, earnings per share, return on assets, return on equity, return on investments, return on invested capital, total shareholder return, earnings or net income of the Company before or after taxes and/or interest, EBITDA, revenues, market share, cash flow or cost reduction goals, interest expense after taxes, economic value created, gross margin, operating margin, net cash provided by operations, and strategic business criteria, consisting of one or more objectives based on meeting specified market penetration, geographic business expansion goals, cost targets, customer

satisfaction, reductions in errors and omissions, reductions in lost business, management of employment practices and employee benefits, supervision of litigation and information technology, quality audit scores, efficiency, and goals relating to acquisitions or divestitures, or any combination of the foregoing. Each such goal may be expressed on an absolute or relative basis and may include comparisons based on current internal targets, the past performance of the Company (including the performance of one or more subsidiaries, divisions, or operating units) or the past or current performance of other companies (or a combination of such past and current performance). In the case of earnings-based measures, in addition to the ratios specifically enumerated above, performance goals may include comparisons relating to capital (including, but not limited to, the cost of capital), shareholders—equity, shares outstanding, assets or net assets, or any combination thereof. With respect to participants who are not 162(m) Covered Employees and who are not expected to be 162(m) Covered Employees at any time during the applicable Performance Period, the performance goals may include any objective or subjective corporate-wide or subsidiary, division, operating unit or individual measures, whether or not listed above.

If the relevant performance goals are attained during the Performance Period, a participant will be eligible to receive a cash award. Performance goal targets are expressed in terms of an objective formula or standard which may be based on an employee s base salary, or a multiple thereof, at the time or immediately before the performance goals for such Performance Period were established. In all cases, the compensation committee has the sole and absolute discretion to reduce the amount of any payment under the Bonus Plan that would otherwise be made to any participant or to decide that no payment shall be made. No participant will receive a payment under the Bonus Plan with respect to any Performance Period having a value in excess of \$5,000,000, which maximum amount will be proportionally adjusted with respect to Performance Periods that are less than or more than one year in durations.

Determination of the performance compensation awarded to each participant is to be made at a time determined by the compensation committee after the last day of each Performance Period following a certification by the compensation committee that the applicable performance goals were satisfied. During the Applicable Period, the compensation committee will establish terms regarding the timing of payment of awards. The compensation committee may delegate its responsibilities under the Bonus Plan to our chief executive officer or such other executive officer of the Company as it deems appropriate, except that the compensation committee may not delegate its responsibilities with respect to bonuses payable to 162(m) Covered Employees.

No compensation will be paid under the Bonus Plan to 162(m) Covered Employees if the Bonus Plan is not approved by shareholders. If approved, the Bonus Plan will be effective for performance periods commencing on or after January 1, 2012. The Board may terminate the Bonus Plan at any time.

## **New Plan Benefits**

Subject to approval by the Company s shareholders, target award opportunities for our named executive officers for the 2012 performance period under the Bonus Plan are set forth in the table below.

# Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan

|   | Dollar Value of |
|---|-----------------|
| Name and Position   | Target Award(1) |
| Julie M. Howard, Chief Executive Officer and Director                   | \$ 700,000      |
| William M. Goodyear, Executive Chairman                                 | \$ 650,000      |
| Tom Nardi, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer         | \$ 292,500      |
| Monica M. Weed, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary | \$ 220,000      |
| Executive Group   | \$ 1,862,500    |
| Non-Executive Director Group  | (2)             |
| Non-Executive Officer Employee Group                                    | (2)             |

(1) Actual awards payable under the Bonus Plan may range from 0% to 200% of the target award depending on actual Company and individual performance during the performance period.

(2) There are no members of the Non-Executive Director Group or the Non-Executive Officer Employee Group who are eligible for awards under the Bonus Plan.

#### **Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

The Board unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the approval of the Navigant Consulting, Inc. Annual Incentive Plan.

#### PROPOSAL 5

# ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE

# **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Pursuant to Section 14A of the Exchange Act, we are providing our shareholders with a vote to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to our named executive officers as disclosed in this Proxy Statement. This advisory vote on executive compensation is commonly referred to as a say-on-pay vote. Based on last year s voting results with respect to the frequency of the shareholder vote on executive compensation, the Board has decided to include the say on pay votes in our proxy materials on an annual basis until the next required advisory vote on the frequency of the shareholder vote on executive compensation.

The overall objective of our executive compensation program is to attract, retain and motivate highly qualified and effective executive officers in order to positively impact the Company and ultimately create long-term value for our shareholders. We designed our executive compensation program to meet this objective by:

aligning our named executive officers incentive compensation opportunities with the Company s financial and strategic performance goals, as well as the relative performance of our stock price over time;

providing our named executive officers with target compensation opportunities that are competitive with other companies in our peer group; and

discouraging excessive risk taking and promoting sound corporate governance.

This pay philosophy is evidenced by, among other things, the following features of our executive compensation program:

Performance-based compensation represented a significant portion of our named executive officers 2011 total direct compensation opportunity. For 2011, 54% of our CEO s target total direct compensation was tied to Company and individual performance or relative total shareholder return (including 100% of his annual cash bonus and approximately 78% of his 2011 long-term equity incentive awards).

Annual cash bonus payments to our named executed officers are tied to pre-established financial and individual performance goals aligned with the Company s long-term strategic objectives. In 2011, the Company exceeded each of the financial performance targets established at the beginning of the year for our annual incentive plan through the successful execution of its long-term strategy, including the achievement of financial and operating objectives related to both the strategic investments and the re-alignment of its core practices that were made in 2010. The marketplace responded positively to the Company s strong financial performance in 2011, with the Company delivering a total shareholder return of 24% during 2011. Based on the Company s actual financial performance and the compensation committee s assessment of each named executive officer s individual performance for 2011, the 2011 cash bonuses payable to our named executive officers under the 2011 annual incentive plan ranged between approximately 102% and 105% of each of their annual target bonus amounts.

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To further align our named executive officers compensation with the interests of our shareholders, we added performance-based vesting conditions linked to the Company s relative annual total shareholder return to the restricted stock awards granted to our named executive officers in March 2011. The remaining long-term equity incentive awards granted to our named executive officers in March 2011 consisted of stock options, which have value to an executive only if our stock price appreciates.

We adopted a policy on the recoupment of incentive payments requiring the reimbursement of excess incentive compensation provided to the Company s executive officers in the event of certain restatements of the Company s financial statements.

All of our employees, including our named executive officers, are prohibited from selling short our common stock or engaging in hedging or offsetting transactions regarding our common stock.

We encourage you to read the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis on pages 15 through 31 of this Proxy Statement for additional details relating to our executive compensation program.

We are asking our shareholders to indicate their support for our executive compensation program by voting **FOR** the following resolution at the annual meeting:

**RESOLVED**, that the Company s shareholders approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to the Company s named executive officers, as disclosed in the Proxy Statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and the compensation tables and related narrative discussion.

The say-on-pay vote is an advisory vote only, and therefore, it will not bind the Company or the Board (or any of its committees). However, the Board and the compensation committee will consider the voting results, as appropriate, when making future compensation decisions for our named executive officers.

The Board and the compensation committee unanimously recommend that shareholders vote **FOR** the approval of the advisory resolution relating to the compensation paid to our named executive officers as disclosed in this Proxy Statement.

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# RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT

#### REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Shareholders will be asked to ratify the appointment by the audit committee of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012. KPMG has served as the Company s accounting firm since the Company s initial public offering in 1996.

The Board and the audit committee unanimously recommend that shareholders vote **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012.

Representatives from KPMG LLP are expected to be present at the annual meeting and will be available to respond to appropriate questions. The KPMG LLP representatives will be given an opportunity to make a statement if they desire.

#### INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

KPMG LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has provided an unqualified opinion regarding our consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011 and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011. The following table presents fees for professional audit services rendered by KPMG LLP for the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements for 2010 and 2011 and fees billed for other services rendered by KPMG LLP. The audit committee reviewed 100% of the services provided by KPMG LLP with respect to such fees and concluded that such services were compatible with maintaining KPMG LLP s independence. The audit committee reviews and pre-approves both audit and permitted non-audit services provided by KPMG LLP and will not approve any engagement of KPMG LLP to perform any non-audit services prohibited by law or regulation. At each regular audit committee meeting, the audit committee receives updates on the services actually provided by KPMG LLP, and management may submit additional services for pre-approval. The audit committee has delegated to the chairman of the audit committee the authority to evaluate and approve engagements on behalf of the audit committee in the event that a need arises for pre-approval between regular audit committee meetings. If the chairman of the audit committee so approves any such engagements, he will report that approval to the full audit committee at the next audit committee meeting.

Each year, the independent registered public accounting firm s engagement to audit our annual consolidated financial statements is approved by the audit committee before the filing of the preceding year s Annual Report on Form 10-K.

|                              | 2011         | 2010         |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Audit fees                   | \$ 1,014,835 | \$ 1,069,185 |
| Audit-related fees(1)        | 139,353      | 136,000      |
| Audit and audit-related fees | 1,154,188    | 1,205,185    |
| Tax fees(2)                  |              | 50,000       |
| All other fees               |              |              |
|                              |              |              |
| Total fees                   | \$ 1,154,188 | \$ 1,255,185 |

- (1) Audit-related fees consist of fees for a report on our controls as a service organization under Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) No.16, performed at the request of certain clients of the Company.
- (2) Tax fees consist of fees for services relating to the preparation of U.S. transfer pricing documentation.

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#### SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR THE 2013 PROXY STATEMENT

If you wish to submit a proposal to be included in the proxy statement for our 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, you must submit the proposal in writing to our corporate secretary at Navigant Consulting, Inc., 30 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3550, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Attention: Corporate Secretary. We must receive the proposal by December 4, 2012 (but not before November 4, 2012) in order to consider it for inclusion in the proxy statement for our 2013 annual meeting of shareholders.

In addition, our by-laws provide that for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder, the shareholder must deliver written notice to, or mail such written notice so that it is received by, our corporate secretary at our principal executive office, not less than 120 nor more than 150 days prior to the first anniversary of the date our proxy statement is released to shareholders in connection with the previous year s election of directors or annual meeting of shareholders, except that if no annual meeting of shareholders or election of directors by consent was held in the previous year, the proposal must be received by us within ten days after we have publicly disclosed the date of the annual meeting in the manner provided in our by-laws.

Our by-laws provide that nominations by shareholders of persons for election as directors must be made by written notice delivered to, or mailed and received by, our corporate secretary at our principal executive office not less than 120 nor more than 150 days prior to the annual meeting, except that if we have not publicly disclosed the date of the annual meeting in the manner provided in our by-laws at least 70 days prior to the meeting date, written notice may be given by a shareholder if received by our corporate secretary not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the date on which we publicly disclose the date of the annual meeting.

Our by-laws contain provisions regarding information that must be set forth in a shareholder s notice or otherwise provided in connection with shareholder nominations or other business to be brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder.

# OTHER INFORMATION

If a shareholder or any other interested party has a matter that they would like to communicate with the Board, our non-management directors as a group, or any individual director (including our Lead Director), the shareholder or interested party may write to:

Governor James R. Thompson

Winston & Strawn LLP

35 W. Wacker Drive

Chicago, Illinois 60601

All communications will be reviewed by our Lead Director, who will determine whether the communication is distributed to the Board, all of our non-management directors as a group or the specified individual director, as applicable.

If you would like a copy of our 2011 Form 10-K (including the financial statements and financial statement schedule), we will send you one without charge. Please direct your written request to:

Ms. Jennifer Moreno Reddick

Executive Director, Investor Relations

Navigant Consulting, Inc.

30 S. Wacker, Suite 3550

Chicago, Illinois 60606