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Boingo Wireless, Inc., a Delaware corporation (<u>Boing</u>o or the <u>Company</u>), is filing materials contained in this Schedule 14A with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (<u>SE</u>C) in connection with the solicitation of proxies from its stockholders in connection with its 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, to be held on a day, time and location still to be determined, and at any and all adjournments, postponements or reschedulings thereof (the <u>2016 Annual Meeting</u>). Boingo has not yet filed a preliminary or definitive proxy statement with the SEC in connection with its solicitation of proxies to be used at the 2016 Annual Meeting.

#### Press Release Issued on March 24, 2016

Attached hereto is a press release issued by Boingo on March 24, 2016 commenting on the notice that it had received from Ides Capital Management LP and its affiliates (together, <u>Ide</u>s) and the press release that Ides issued regarding its intention to nominate two candidates to stand for election as Class II directors.

#### Important Additional Information And Where To Find It

Boingo, its directors and certain of its executive officers are deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the Company s stockholders in connection with the matters to be considered at the Company s 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Information regarding the names of the Company s directors and executive officers and their respective interests in the Company by security holdings or otherwise can be found in the Company s proxy statement for its 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, filed with the SEC on April 22, 2015. To the extent holdings of the Company s securities have changed since the amounts set forth in the Company s proxy statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, such changes have been reflected on Initial Statements of Beneficial Ownership on Form 3 or Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 or Annual Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 5 filed with the SEC. These documents are available free of charge at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Boingo intends to file a proxy statement and accompanying WHITE proxy card with the SEC in connection with the solicitation of proxies from Boingo stockholders in connection with the matters to be considered at the Company s 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Additional information regarding the identity of participants, and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in the Company s proxy statement for its 2016 Annual Meeting, including the schedules and appendices thereto.

INVESTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO READ ANY SUCH PROXY STATEMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING WHITE PROXY CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED BY BOINGO WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE AS THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Stockholders will be able to obtain the Proxy Statement, any amendments or supplements to the Proxy Statement, the accompanying **WHITE** proxy card, and other documents filed by Boingo with the SEC for no charge at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Copies will also be available at no charge at the Investor Relations section of the Company s corporate website at www.boingo.com, by writing to the Company s Corporate Secretary at Boingo Wireless, 10960 Wilshire Blvd., 23rd Floor, Los Angeles, California 90024, or by calling the Company s Corporate Secretary at (310) 586-5180.

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **Boingo Wireless Confirms Receipt of Director Nominations**

LOS ANGELES, Calif. March 24, 2016 Boingo Wireless (NASDAQ: WIFI) (the Company), the leading distributed antenna system (DAS) and Wi-Fi provider that serves consumers, carriers and advertisers worldwide, today confirmed that affiliates of Ides Capital Management LP (Ides Capital), which, according to information provided by Ides Capital, beneficially own 104,927 shares, or approximately 0.3% of the outstanding shares of Boingo, have submitted to the Company a notice of nomination of two director candidates for election to the Boingo Wireless Board of Directors at the Company s 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (2016 Annual Meeting).

Boingo issued the following statement:

We are disappointed that Ides Capital has decided to publicly announce its nomination of directors, especially in light of our ongoing dialogue and repeated requests to interview its nominees in accordance with our nominating process. We regularly engage with our stockholders and seek to maintain an open dialogue with the investment community towards the goal of enhancing Boingo s value.

Our Board has been steadfast in its commitment to driving value for Boingo stockholders and will continue to take actions to achieve this important objective. We are executing on our strategic initiatives, which seek to capitalize on mobile data explosion and broader network densification trends. We are focused on the acquisition of long-term contracts to efficiently build and monetize our wireless networks at large-scale venues worldwide. Specifically, our Board and management team are focused on profitable growth and delivering value to stockholders as evidenced by:

- Strong year-over-year revenue growth of 17% and a 46% year-over-year increase in Adjusted EBITDA for full year 2015;
- Two years of double digit revenue growth and increasing Adjusted EBITDA profitability; and
- An expected return to positive free cash flow in the second half of 2016.

Our Board is comprised of six highly qualified directors, five of whom are independent and all of whom are actively engaged in overseeing the Company's growth and success. All of our Independent Directors, including our Lead Independent Director, are new since 2011, with an average tenure of fewer than three years. Consistent with our Board's commitment to acting in the best interests of stockholders and enhancing stockholder value, our Board is always looking to consider candidates with skills and experience that could strengthen the overall composition of our Board. Our Board and management team remain committed to improving profitability and driving value for all stockholders and will continue to assess opportunities to achieve these important objectives.

After our Board completes its nominating process, it will present its recommendation regarding director nominees in the Company s proxy statement, which will be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and mailed to all stockholders eligible to vote at the 2016 Annual Meeting. The date of the 2016 Annual Meeting has not yet been announced.

Boingo Wireless stockholders are not required to take any action at this time.

#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involves risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as anticipates, intends, plans, seeks, believes, estimates, expects and similar references to future periods. The forward-looking statements include any statements regarding Boingo s strategic plans and future guidance. Forward-looking statements are based on the Company s current expectations and assumptions regarding its business, the economy and other future conditions. Since forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. The Company s actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include our ability to maintain our existing and establish new relationships with venue partners, particularly key airport venue partners and military bases, our ability to maintain revenue growth and achieve profitability, our ability to execute on our strategic and business plans, our ability to successfully compete with new technologies and adapt to changes in the wireless industry, as well as other risks and uncertainties described more fully in documents filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including Boingo s Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 filed with the SEC on March 11, 2016. Any forward-looking statement made by Boingo in this press release speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Factors or events that could cause the Company s actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for Boingo to predict all of them. Boingo undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

#### **About Boingo Wireless**

Boingo Wireless, Inc. (NASDAQ: WIFI) helps the world stay connected. Our vast footprint of small cell networks covers more than a million DAS and Wi-Fi locations and reaches more than 1 billion consumers annually - in places as varied as airports, stadiums, universities, and military bases. For more information about the Boingo story, visit www.boingo.com.

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