

FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2017

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 001-35504

FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 61-1488595

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

920 Memorial City Way, Suite 1000

Houston, Texas 77024

(Address of principal executive offices)

(281) 949-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T

(§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, and emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of July 31, 2017, there were 96,580,501 common shares outstanding.

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PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

Forum Energy Technologies, Inc. and subsidiaries

Condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,
(in thousands, except per share information)	2017	2016	2017
Net sales	\$201,115	\$142,723	\$372,211
Cost of sales	151,860	137,442	283,977
Gross profit	49,255	5,281	88,234
Operating expenses			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	61,895	58,263	122,569
Transaction expenses	245	64	873
Goodwill impairment	68,004	—	68,004
Loss on sale of assets and other	1,635	48	1,389
Total operating expenses	131,779	58,375	192,835
Earnings from equity investment	2,568	216	4,030
Operating loss	(79,956)	(52,878)	(100,571)
Other expense (income)			
Interest expense	6,385	6,785	12,965
Deferred financing costs written off	—	—	—
Foreign exchange losses (gains) and other, net	2,602	(10,014)	4,148
Total other expense (income)	8,987	(3,229)	17,113
Loss before income taxes	(88,943)	(49,649)	(117,684)

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Benefit for income tax expense	(11,070)	(21,147)	(24,043)
Net loss	(77,873)	(28,502)	(93,641)
Less: Income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	35	—
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	(77,873)	(28,537)	(93,641)

Weighted average shares outstanding			
Basic	96,170	90,707	96,016
Diluted	96,170	90,707	96,016
Loss per share			
Basic	\$(0.81)	\$(0.31)	\$(0.98)
Diluted	\$(0.81)	\$(0.31)	\$(0.98)

Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:			
Net loss	(77,873)	(28,502)	(93,641)
Change in foreign currency translation, net of tax of \$0	15,325	(22,847)	22,547
Gain (loss) on pension liability	(82)	24	(97)
Comprehensive loss	(62,630)	(51,325)	(71,191)
Less:	—	(36)	—
comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests			

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Abercrombie & Fitch Co.

6301 Fitch Path

New Albany, Ohio 43054

(614) 283-6500

PROXY STATEMENT

Dated May 14, 2015

ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held On June 18, 2015

The enclosed proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. ("Abercrombie & Fitch") for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the offices of the Company located at 6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054, on Thursday, June 18, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time (the "Annual Meeting"). On May 14, 2015, we commenced mailing this Proxy Statement, the Notice of Annual Meeting and our stockholders.

Holders of record of shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") as of business on April 29, 2015 will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. Each share of Common Stock as of April 29, 2015, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this Proxy Statement, the most recent date as of which the Company has determined the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding and expected to be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. There are no other classes of securities outstanding. If you are a registered stockholder, you can simplify your voting by using the Internet. Internet and telephone voting information is provided on the form of proxy. If you vote by Internet or telephone, there is no need to return a signed form of proxy. However, you may still vote by proxy by using the form of proxy. If you hold your shares in "street name" through a brokerage firm, bank or other nominee, you will be able to vote by proxy if provided to you by such nominee, and Internet and telephone voting may also be available per the instructions on the instruction form.

Proxies will be voted at the Annual Meeting in accordance with the specifications you make on the form of proxy or submit a proxy by telephone or over the Internet and do not specify how your shares should be voted in accordance with the recommendations of the Board. See "GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING" on page 13.

Please instruct your broker how to vote your shares using the voting instruction form provided with this proxy. Your completed voting instruction form to your broker and contact the person responsible for your shares. Your votes can be counted.

If you have any questions or require any assistance with voting your shares, please contact our proxy solicitor at the information listed below:

INNISFREE M&A INCORPORATED

501 Madison Avenue, 20th Floor

New York, NY 10022

Stockholders May Call Toll-Free: (888) 750-5834 (from the United States)

Stockholders May Call: (412) 232-3651 (from other local area numbers)

Banks and Brokers May Call Collect: (212) 750-5833

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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING

When and where will the Annual Meeting be held?

The Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight S 6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054. The purposes of the Annual Meeting are set forth in the Proxy Statement to Stockholders to which this Proxy Statement is attached. All references in this Proxy Statement to "Abercrombie & Fitch" refer to Abercrombie & Fitch Co.

Why did I receive these proxy materials?

You have received these proxy materials because you are a holder of the Company's Common Stock, or your proxy, to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting. These proxy materials were mailed to holders of the Company's Common Stock as of the close of business on April 29, 2015.

What is included in these proxy materials?

These proxy materials include:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015 ("Fiscal 2015");

the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders;

this Proxy Statement; and

a form of proxy solicited by the Board for use at the Annual Meeting.

Who can vote at the Annual Meeting?

The only shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting are shares of Common Stock, with each share having one vote on all matters properly brought before the Annual Meeting. To be able to vote your shares, a holder of the Company must show that you held your shares as of the close of business on the Record Date, there were 69,550,630 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

How do I attend the Annual Meeting?

The Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight S 6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054. When you arrive, signs will direct you to the appropriate meeting room. The meeting room will not be open until 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time. You should bring government-issued photo identification, such as a driver's license or passport, for admittance. If you are a beneficial owner, your name will be verified against the list of stockholders of record prior to admittance. If you are a beneficial owner, you must provide proof of beneficial ownership on the record date, such as you owned our Common Stock as of April 29, 2015, a copy of the voting instruction form provided to you, a copy of a nominee, or other similar evidence of ownership. If you do not provide valid government-issued identification or follow the other procedures outlined above, you will not be admitted to the Annual Meeting. You do not need to attend the Annual Meeting to vote. Even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please submit your vote in advance as instructed in the Proxy Statement.

What is the difference between holding shares as a holder of record and as a beneficial owner?

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If at the close of business on April 29, 2015, your shares were held in an account at a brokerage organization, then you are the beneficial owner of shares held in street name and the proxy materials forwarded to you by that organization. The organization holding your

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account is considered the stockholder of record for purposes of voting at the Annual Meeting. A to direct that organization on how to vote the shares in your account. If that organization is not the name of that organization may not be voted and will not be considered as present and entitled considered at the Annual Meeting other than the ratification of the appointment of the Company accounting firm. **Please instruct your broker how to vote your shares using the voting instruction broker. Please return your completed voting instruction form to your broker and contact account or vote by Internet or telephone so that your vote can be counted.**

How do I vote my shares?

If you are a registered stockholder (*i.e.*, you hold your shares of record), you may vote your shares (please also see the information provided above and below concerning the difference in how to vote through a brokerage firm, bank or other nominee instead of as the registered holder/beneficial owner/instructions provided by such nominee):

Over the Internet. If you have access to the Internet, you can submit your proxy online on your form of proxy (or voting instruction form in the case of beneficial holders for whom voting over the Internet.

By telephone. You can vote by calling a toll-free telephone number listed on the form of proxy (in the case of beneficial holders for whom telephone voting is available). Please refer to your form for instructions on voting by telephone.

By mail. You may vote your shares by completing, signing and mailing the form of proxy (or voting instruction form in the case of beneficial holders). A return envelope, which is valid in the United States, has been provided for your use. If mailed elsewhere, postage must be affixed to the form or voting instruction form for instructions on voting by mail.

In person at the Annual Meeting. Stockholders are invited to attend the Annual Meeting, Annual Meeting. If you are a beneficial owner of shares, you must obtain a legal proxy from the holder of record of your shares to be entitled to vote those shares in person at the meeting. A control number, located on the instruction sheet attached to the form of proxy, is designated to vote your shares and confirm that your voting instructions have been recorded properly. If you do not return there is no need to return a signed form of proxy. However, you may still vote by proxy by using

If you vote through the Internet or by telephone, you should understand that there may be costs associated with usage charges from Internet access providers and telephone companies that you will pay.

If I am a stockholder holding shares in street name, how do I vote?

If you hold your shares in street name with a broker, brokerage firm, broker/dealer, bank or other nominee, the information provided to you by the holder of record. This information will describe the procedure for the holder of record how to vote your street name shares and how to revoke your previous voting instructions. **to vote your shares with respect to the routine proposal to ratify the appointment of the Company's accounting firm without your instruction as to how to vote but will not be permitted to vote on the other proposals at the Annual Meeting without your instructions as to how to vote. You have received a voting instruction form for you to use to direct the broker, bank or other nominee how to vote your shares. Please instruct your broker, bank or other nominee how to vote your shares using the voting instruction form received. Please return your completed voting instruction form to your broker, bank or other nominee.**

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responsible for your account so that your vote can be counted. If your broker, bank, or other agent provides you with voting instructions via the Internet or by telephone, you may vote that way as well.

How can I revoke my proxy or change my vote?

If you are a registered stockholder, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is actually voted by giving notice of revocation to the Company in writing; by executing and returning to the Company a later-dated vote through the designated Internet site or the toll-free telephone number stated on the proxy; or by transmitting voting instructions electronically; or by voting by ballot in person at the Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting will not, by itself, revoke your proxy.

If you hold your shares in street name, you must follow the instructions provided by the holder of record in its previous voting instructions.

What does it mean if I receive more than one form of proxy or voting instruction form?

It generally means your shares are registered differently or are in more than one account. Please vote on each form of proxy or, if you vote via the Internet or by telephone, vote once for each form of proxy for which your shares are voted.

Who is paying for the cost of this proxy solicitation?

The Company will pay the costs of preparing, assembling, printing and mailing this Proxy Statement and any other related materials and all other costs incurred in connection with the solicitation of proxies, other than the Internet access and telephone usage charges mentioned above. Although the Company will pay the costs of proxy materials to stockholders, proxies may be solicited via mail or by telephone, facsimile, e-mail or other electronic contact. The Company has retained Innisfree M&A Incorporated ("Innisfree") to aid in the solicitation of proxies, plus expenses. The Company will reimburse its transfer agent, brokers, brokerage firms, broker-dealers, fiduciaries and nominees for their reasonable costs in sending proxy materials to stockholders via mail. Solicitations may also be made by personal interview, mail, telephone, facsimile, e-mail or other electronic means by employees or, as referred to by the Company, "associates" of the Company, but the Company will not reimburse directors, officers or other associates for these services.

Are there any cumulative voting rights in the election of directors?

No.

What constitutes a quorum to hold and transact business at the Annual Meeting?

A quorum for the Annual Meeting is one-third of the outstanding shares of Common Stock. Shares represented by properly executed forms of proxy returned to the Company prior to the Annual Meeting or received by the Company via Internet or telephone voting instructions will be counted toward the establishment of a quorum.

How are votes tabulated?

The results of stockholder voting will be tabulated by the inspectors of election appointed for the Annual Meeting.

What is the effect of an *ABSTAIN* vote?

Abstentions are considered to be present and entitled to vote with respect to each relevant proposal. Abstentions are not cast with respect to that proposal.

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How will my shares be voted?

If you vote by mail, through the Internet, by telephone or in person, your shares of Common Stock will be voted, except in the case of broker non-votes, where applicable, as recorded.

If you sign and return your form of proxy, but do not specify how your shares of Common Stock will be voted, except in the case of broker non-votes, where applicable, as recorded.

We recommend that you vote on your form of proxy as follows:

FOR the election of each of the director nominees listed under the caption **PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**, beginning on page 18;

FOR the approval of the amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws described in **PROPOSAL 2 AMENDMENT OF THE COMPANY'S AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS TO IMPLEMENT PROXY ACCESS**, beginning on page 53;

FOR the approval of the advisory resolution on executive compensation, as described in **PROPOSAL 3 ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**, beginning on page 99;

FOR the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending January 30, 2016, as described under the caption **PROPOSAL 4 RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**, beginning on page 99;

AGAINST the stockholder proposal described under the caption **PROPOSAL 5 STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL ON A POLICY REGARDING ACCELERATED VESTING OF EQUITY AWARDS OF NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS UPON A CHANGE IN CONTROL**, beginning on page 99.

What is a broker non-vote ?

A broker non-vote occurs when a stockholder holds our shares of Common Stock in street name through a broker, bank or other organization, and the stockholder does not provide the broker or other organization with instructions as to how to vote the shares on non-routine matters. The only non-routine matter that may be voted on is the ratification of the appointment of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. The NYSE Rules of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) set forth in the NYSE Listed Company Manual (the NYSE Rules) require that a stockholder vote on non-routine matters unless your broker receives instructions from you as to how to vote.

What are the voting requirements for the proposals discussed in the Proxy Statement?

Proposal 1 Election of Directors

The Company and its stockholders have implemented majority voting for uncontested director elections in the case at the Annual Meeting. In an uncontested election of directors, each nominee must be elected by a majority of the votes cast (i.e., the votes cast for such nominee's election must exceed the votes cast against such nominee's election). Abstentions will not be treated as votes cast.

Proposal 2 Approval of Amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws to Implement Proxy Access

The affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock approval of the proposed amendments. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have the effect o

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Proposal 3 Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

This advisory vote is non-binding but the Board and our Compensation and Organization Committee will consider the results of voting on this proposal. The approval of the advisory resolution on executive compensation requires the affirmative vote of a majority in voting interest of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting thereon. Abstentions will not be counted as votes **FOR** or **AGAINST** the proposal.

Proposal 4 Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending January 30, 2016 requires the affirmative vote of a majority in voting interest of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting thereon. Abstentions will not be counted as votes **FOR** or **AGAINST** the proposal.

Proposal 5 Stockholder Proposal on a Policy Regarding Accelerated Vesting of Equity Awards Upon a Change in Control

The approval of the stockholder proposal described under the caption **PROPOSAL 5 STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL ON A POLICY REGARDING ACCELERATED VESTING OF EQUITY AWARDS OF NAME CHANGES UPON A CHANGE IN CONTROL** requires the affirmative vote of a majority in voting interest of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting on the proposal. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be counted as votes on the stockholder proposal.

What should I do if I have other questions?

If you have any questions or require any assistance with voting your shares, please contact our Investor Relations Department, Incorporated, toll-free at (888) 750-5834 or directly at (412) 232-3651. Banks and brokers may also be able to assist you.

NOTICE REGARDING INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Forum Energy Technologies, Inc. to be Held on June 18, 2015: This Proxy Statement, the Notice of Annual Meeting and the Company's 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 are available at www.proxyvote.com. The Company will provide a copy of any proxy solicited by this Proxy Statement, without charge, upon written request to the Company's Secretary at the Company's offices at 6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054.

To obtain directions to our offices so that you may attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, please call our telephone number at (614) 283-6751. Directions to our offices may also be found on our website at www.abc.com under the "Investors" page under the "Directions To A&F" link.

The information provided on the Company's website (www.abercrombie.com) is referenced in this Proxy Statement for informational purposes only. The information on the Company's website shall not be deemed to be a part of this Proxy Statement or any other filings we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

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PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

There are currently eleven directors serving on the Board, all of whose terms expire at the Annual Meeting.

On December 8, 2014, Michael S. Jeffries retired from the position of Chief Executive Officer and ceased to be a director of the Company. Following Mr. Jeffries' resignation, the Board reduced the size of the Board to ten directors.

On April 11, 2015, Diane L. Neal informed the Company that, due to her responsibilities in her position as Chief Executive Officer of Sur La Table, Inc. and limitations on board positions as a result of those responsibilities, she will not seek re-election to the Board at the Annual Meeting but will serve out her remaining term. At its meeting on April 11, 2015, the Board took action to reduce the number of directors from eleven to ten directors, effective upon the expiration of the term of office of the Company immediately prior to the Annual Meeting. As a result, ten directors will be elected at the Annual Meeting.

Upon the unanimous recommendation of our Nominating and Board Governance Committee, the Board has elected the following directors: Arthur C. Martinez, James B. Bachmann, Bonnie R. Brooks, Terry L. Burman, Sarah M. Gallagher, Charles R. Perrin, Stephanie M. Shern and Craig R. Stapleton (altogether, the "Nominees"). The Nominees will hold office until the Annual Meeting. Directors elected at the Annual Meeting will hold office for a one-year term expiring at the next Annual Meeting. Stockholders or until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

The individuals named as proxies in the form of proxy solicited by the Board intend to vote the shares owned by the proxies received under this solicitation for the Nominees, unless otherwise instructed. If a proxy is unable to serve, the proxy will vote the proxies for the remaining Nominees and for any substitute nominees chosen by the Board. If any substitute nominees are designated, we will file an amendment to the proxy statement, which, if applicable, identifies the substitute nominees, discloses that such nominees have consented to be named as substitute nominees and to serve if elected, and includes certain biographical and other information about the substitute nominees as required by the SEC.

The Board recommends that you vote on the form of proxy or voting instruction form for a one-year term expiring at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until his or her term expires.

Majority Vote Standard in Uncontested Director Election

In an uncontested election of directors, which we expect to be the case at the Annual Meeting, a majority of the votes cast (*i.e.*, the votes cast for such nominee's election must exceed the votes cast for all other nominees). Broker non-votes and abstentions will not be treated as votes cast. Proxies may not cast votes for a director.

The Board has adopted a resignation policy, included in the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, which outlines the procedures by which the Board will consider whether to accept such resignation. The policy provides that if an incumbent director who receives less than a majority of the votes cast in an uncontested election of directors offers to resign, the Board will consider whether to accept such resignation. The policy also provides that if an incumbent director who fails to receive the required number of votes for re-election offers to resign, the Board will consider whether to accept such resignation.

an incumbent director who fails to receive the required number of votes for re-election offers to resign, the Board will consider whether to accept such resignation.

the Nominating and Board Governance Committee and the Board will evaluate any such resignation in light of the best interests of the Company and its stockholders in determining whether to accept or reject such resignation, and may consider any factors they deem relevant in making such determination.

if the Board does not accept the resignation, the director who offered to resign will continue to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until the director's successor is elected and qualified. The Board may, at its discretion, remove the director from office prior to the resignation or removal;

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if the Board accepts the resignation, the Nominating and Board Governance Committee to fill the resulting vacancy or to reduce the size of the Board; and

the Board will publicly disclose its decision regarding the resignation within 90 days after the resignation is certified.

Nominees

The information set forth in the table below concerning the principal occupation, other affiliations, and other information as of April 29, 2015, of each nominee for election as a director has been furnished to the Company by

Name (Age)	Business Experience
During Past Five Years and	Other Information
Arthur C. Martinez (75)	<p>Mr. Martinez has served as the Chairman of the Board of the Company since January 27, 2014 and currently serves as the Executive Vice President of the Company (also referred to as Company Chairman) since December 8, 2014. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Company and serves as Chair of our Executive Committee. From January 2014 to December 7, 2014, Mr. Martinez served as Non-Executive Director of the Board of the Company. Mr. Martinez retired in 2006 from Sears, Roebuck and Company, Board and Chief Executive Officer of Sears, Roebuck and Company, a position he had held since 1995. From 1992 to 1995, he served as Executive Officer of the former Sears Merchandise Group, a subsidiary of Sears. Prior to his tenure at Sears, Mr. Martinez served as Executive Vice President of Saks Fifth Avenue, Inc. (Saks), an apparel and retail company, a subsidiary parent company through 1990, BATUS, Inc. He served as Executive Vice President and member of the Board of Directors of Saks from 1990 to 1991. From 1990 to 1991, Mr. Martinez was Group Chief Executive for the former Sears Merchandise Group, BATUS, Inc. (responsible for Saks, Marshall Field's, and Saks Fifth Avenue) as a member of the BATUS, Inc. Board of Directors and Executive Committee. He served as Executive Vice President for Administration of Sears, Roebuck and Company from 1987 and as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Sears, Roebuck and Company from 1980 to 1984. Mr. Martinez also served as Chairman of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago from 2000 to 2002 and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Bank from 2002. Mr. Martinez also serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of InterActiveCorp, an interactive multi-channel retailer, a position he has held since 2005. For the past five years, Mr. Martinez served as a director of AmeriChoice, Inc. from 2009 until his retirement on May 13, 2015; InterActiveCorp from 2005 until his retirement on May 13, 2015; IAC/InterActiveCorp from 2005 to 2014; Kate Spade New York, Inc. (known as Fifth & Pacific Companies, Inc.) from 2001 to 2005; and from 1999 to 2012; and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. from 2006 to 2010. He also served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Amoco Corporation, Ameritech Corporation, Living Omnimedia, Inc. In addition to his for profit affiliations, Mr. Martinez serves as a Trustee of Greenwich Hospital, The Norton School of Nursing, Maine Coast Heritage Trust, Northwestern University, and the Northwestern Symphony Orchestra.</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and Other Information
James B. Bachmann (72)	<p>Mr. Martinez's significant experience working in the and counseling members of senior management makes to our executive officers. As a result of his significant with Sears and Saks in the retail environment, Mr. Ma issues related to business strategy, leadership, marketi faced by the Company. Mr. Martinez's service on the public companies enables him to provide critical corpo compliance insights as well as ensure that the Compan efficiently and effectively run.</p> <p>Mr. Bachmann retired in 2003 as Managing Partner of office of Ernst & Young LLP, after serving in various engagement partner roles in his 36 years with the firm serves as the Lead Independent Director and Chair of t Lancaster Colony Corporation, a company which man food products and for which he has served as a directo</p>
Bonnie R. Brooks (61)	<p>Mr. Bachmann currently serves as Chair of our Audit and as a member of our Corporate Social Responsibility significant public company accounting and financial e of the financial and risk management issues applicable diligent engagement with management have helped th increasingly complex financial and risk management i his operational experience as the Managing Partner of Columbus, Ohio office provides us with valuable oper</p> <p>Since February 2014, Ms. Brooks has served as Vice C Company, a North American retailer based in Toronto wide selection of branded merchandise in Canada and five banners. In Canada, the operations include Hudso national branded department store chain, and Home O and bath superstore chain; and in the United States, th Lord & Taylor chain of upscale, specialty retail depart Avenue chain of department stores and Saks Off Fifth operation. From February 2012 to January 2014, Ms. I of Hudson's Bay Company and from September 2008 served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Hu Stores. Prior to her tenure with Hudson's Bay Compa President from 2003 to 2008, and as Senior Vice Presi Marketing from 1997 to 2003, of Lane Crawford Joyce and operator of Asia-based chains of fashion departme clothes for men and women. From 2000 to 2002, Ms. Global Merchandise Director (handling the Harvey Ni France brands) for Dickson Concepts (International) L Lane Crawford Joyce Group Ltd., Ms. Brooks was at I</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and	Other Information
	<p>Company, a Canada-based fashion department store, a from 1996 to 1998 and Executive Vice President/General from 1980 to 1991; and as Editor-in-Chief from 1994 Canadian fashion magazine. Ms. Brooks has served as Company Ltd., a Canadian company whose key business retailing and related real estate development, since 20 board of trustees of RioCan Real Estate Investment Tr estate owner and operator, since 2013; as a director of Inc., a Canadian diversified communications and media April 21, 2015; as the Chair of the Board of Trustees of since 2013; and as a member of the Board of camh Fo 2012. From 2009 to 2011, she also served as a director Music, Inc., a Canadian retail bookstore chain.</p>	
Terry L. Burman (69)	<p>Ms. Brooks currently serves as a member of our Nomin Governance Committee. Ms. Brooks brings to the Boa in the retail industry, having served as chief executive three large companies operating branded and upscale o United States, Canada and Asia. In addition, as a native Canada having tenure with both Canada-based and AS Ms. Brooks provides the Company with additional exp nuances of conducting retail operations in internationa her retail market operational expertise, Ms. Brooks' p experience makes her highly qualified to serve as a dir</p> <p>From May 2013 to May 2014, Mr. Burman served as a director of Zale Corporation, a specialty retailer o America. He has served as a director of Tuesday Morn closeout retailer of upscale decorative home accessori goods and famous-maker gifts in the United States, sir director of Learning Care Group, a privately-held com learning and daycare centers in the United States, sinc board member since July 2004 and Chairman of the B St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Board of Gover of ALSAC, the fundraising organization of St. Jude, si served on the Board of Directors of YCC Holdings LL fragrances and other products, from October 2007 to C Board of Directors of ACCESS, an organization provi counseling to homeless women and their children in A 2012. Mr. Burman was the Chief Executive Officer of (Signet), a specialty jewelry retailer, from 2000 to 2 Signet in 1995 as Chairman and Chief Executive Offic Inc., a U.S. division of Signet. He served as a director 2011. Prior to joining Signet, Mr. Burman held variou</p>	

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and Other Information
Sarah M. Gallagher (63)	<p>senior executive positions of increasing responsibility which now does business as Samuels Jewelers, from 1993 to 1996. Mr. Burman was President and Chief Executive Officer from 1993 to 1996. Mr. Burman was a partner with Roberts Department Stores, a retail store chain specializing in apparel.</p> <p>Mr. Burman currently serves as a member of our Compensation Committee, our Organization Committee and our Nominating and Board Governance Committee. Mr. Burman's experience as a chief executive officer in the retail industry, his significant international management experience and his business and financial acumen are very valuable to the Board with important insight into specialty retail industry trends and business development.</p> <p>Since August 2014, Ms. Gallagher has served as Executive Director of Rebecca Taylor woman's fashion brand. In this role, she has been an executive officer with responsibility for the wholesale and retail businesses. Ms. Gallagher served as President of Ralph Lauren e-Commerce from April 2007 until April 2013 and as President of Ralph Lauren Media LLC, Polo.com from November 2001 to March 2007. Ms. Gallagher joined Ralph Lauren Media in 2001, when e-Commerce was established by Ralph Lauren and Ralph Lauren Corporation, a global designer, manufacturer and retailer of lifestyle products. Under Ms. Gallagher's leadership, the e-Commerce business became an industry leader and drove significant industry growth rate. After establishing Ralph Lauren e-Commerce, Ms. Gallagher launched RalphLauren.com and Rugby.com in the United States and Europe. Ms. Gallagher's U.S. digital team collaborated with the European digital team to drive Ralph Lauren's expansion into the European markets, including launching e-Commerce sites in the United Kingdom, Germany and France. During her tenure with the Ralph Lauren organization, Ms. Gallagher served as Vice President, 2001, as Senior Vice President, Banana Republic Direct, and as Vice President, Gap Direct, divisions of Gap, Inc., an international retailer of clothing, accessories and personal care products under the Gap, Old Navy and Old Navy brand names, where she was directly responsible for the Banana Republic catalog, website and all aspects of the Banana Republic business. Prior to joining Gap, Inc., Ms. Gallagher served as Vice President, Apparel, Jewelry and Accessories, from 1996 to 1997; as a direct seller of beauty and related products; Vice President, Merchandise Manager, Intimate Apparel from 1985 to 1996; as Vice President, Merchandising from 1995 to 1996, of Victoria's Secret Catalogue, a direct sales channel for Victoria's Secret; as Vice President from 1971 to 1985 with Lord & Taylor, an upscale, specialty store chain in the United States, including serving as Director of Merchandise Manager, Intimate Apparel, from 1983 to 1985.</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and Other Information
Michael E. Greenlees (68)	<p>Ms. Gallagher currently serves as a member of our Code of Ethics Committee, our Sustainability and Social Responsibility Committee and our Nominating and Board Governance Committees. Ms. Gallagher has over 40 years of retail experience, including more than 30 years with Fortune 500 brands, and status as one of the leading executives in the e-Commerce space with more than 15 years of service in the e-commerce retail business, bring valuable expertise and insight to the Company. She continues to expand its focus on direct-to-customer business models within the United States and internationally.</p> <p>Since 2007, Mr. Greenlees has served as Chief Executive Officer of GGT Group plc, a U.K.-based company that provides data-driven insights and marketing community and is listed on the London Stock Exchange market. Mr. Greenlees was one of the original founding members of GGT Group plc, or The GGT Group plc, an international marketing group. The GGT Group plc was listed on the London Stock Exchange in 1986 at which time Mr. Greenlees became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, a role he occupied for over 10 years until the formation of Omnicom Group Inc., a holding company for a number of advertising and marketing services businesses, in 1998. At that time, Mr. Greenlees was a member of the Board of Directors of Omnicom Group Inc. and served as Executive Vice President of TBWA Worldwide Inc., a subsidiary with operations in several countries. In 2001, Mr. Greenlees became Executive Vice President of Group Inc. and served in that role until 2003. From 2003 to 2007, Mr. Greenlees was Chief Executive Officer of FastChannel Network, Inc., a business targeting the advertising and media community. Mr. Greenlees has served on the boards of several public companies, including Omnicom Group Inc., Hewitt Associates Inc. and Ebiquity plc.</p> <p>Mr. Greenlees currently serves as Chair of our Compensation Committee and as a member of our Audit and Finance Committee. Mr. Greenlees' experience in the role of chief executive officer and his service with several public companies, in addition to his extensive experience within the global media and marketing community, are a valuable asset to the Company. In addition, as a U.K. native and current resident, Mr. Greenlees' profile adds to the Company's international experience and profile.</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and Other Information
Archie M. Griffin (60)	<p>Since July 2010, Mr. Griffin has been the Senior Vice President of Corporate Relations at The Ohio State University. Mr. Griffin has also served as Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of The Ohio State University Foundation since January 2004 and as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors of The Ohio State University Foundation since January 2004. Mr. Griffin continues to serve as Senior Vice President of Alumni Relations at The Ohio State University and President and Chief Executive Officer of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc. until June 30, 2015, after which he will transition to the role of Senior Advisor within the Office of Advancement at The Ohio State University. Mr. Griffin served as the Associate Director of Athletics at The Ohio State University from 1994 to 2003, after which he served for 10 years in various positions within the Athletic and Employment Services Departments at The Ohio State University. Mr. Griffin has also served as a director of Motorists Mutual Insurance Company since 2006 and as a member of the Columbus Youth Foundation (Vice Chair) since 1991 and as a member of the Board of the National Football Foundation since 2006.</p> <p>Mr. Griffin currently serves as Chair of our Corporate Governance Committee and as a member of our Nominating and Board Development Committee. Mr. Griffin is one of the most well-respected individuals in the State of Ohio, currently serving as Senior Vice President of Alumni Relations at The Ohio State University and President and Chief Executive Officer of The Ohio State University Alumni Association until June 30, 2015, after which he will transition to the role of Senior Advisor within the Office of Advancement at The Ohio State University. Mr. Griffin's extensive experience on the Board and institutional knowledge of the University is highly valuable.</p>
Charles R. Perrin (69)	<p>Mr. Perrin served as the non-executive Chairman of The Perrin Group, a private company which designed, sourced, marketed, licensed and manufactured a line of intimate apparel, sportswear and swimwear products from March 2004 to February 2013. He has served as a director of The Perrin Group Company, which manufactures and markets soup, sauce, pasta, confectionary and prepared branded consumer food products. Mr. Perrin also serves as the Board Chairman of Save the Children.</p> <p>Mr. Perrin currently serves as a member of our Audit and Finance Committee and our Compensation and Organization Committee. Mr. Perrin has extensive Board substantial experience in and perspective on corporate and consumer business operations and the packaged goods industry. Mr. Perrin served as Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of Avon Products, Inc., a global manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, as Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of The Perrin Group Company, as Executive Officer of that company from June</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and	Other Information
Stephanie M. Shern (67)	<p>1998 to November 1999. From 1994 to 1996, he was Chief Executive Officer of Duracell International, Inc., a manufacturer of various battery types primarily under the DURACELL brand. He held various executive positions, including President and Chief Operating Officer of Duracell as President of Duracell USA, and later held various executive positions, including President and Chief Operating Officer of Duracell International, Inc. from 1992 to 1994. He previously worked for Pond s, Inc., where he held a series of sales, marketing and operations positions and served as President of the Packaged Food Division. His background in retail, sales and marketing are very valuable.</p>	<p>From 1995 to April 2001, Mrs. Shern was the Vice Chairman and Director of Retail and Consumer Products for Ernst & Young, a member of Ernst & Young's board and management in the United States. Also during that time and from 1981, she was a senior consultant serving various clients in the retail and consumer sectors for Ernst & Young for over 30 years. Mrs. Shern is a CPA and a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New York State Society of CPAs. Mrs. Shern is currently a director and Chair of the Audit Committee of the Remuneration Committee of Koninklijke Ahold N.V. (Royal Ahold), a Dutch-based international retailing group that operates in the United States and Europe; and a director and Chair of the Board of GameStop Corp., a global, multichannel video game, entertainment and wireless services retailer, where she also serves as the Vice Chairman. During the past five years, Mrs. Shern has served on the boards of CenturyLink, Inc.; Embarq Corporation; The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company; Sprint Nextel Corporation; and Nextel Communications, Inc. She is a founding member of the Lead Director Network, a peer group of Audit Committee Network, a peer group of Audit Committees sponsored by King & Spalding and convened by Tapestry Networks, a founding member of the Southwest Region of the United States Audit Committee Network, a peer group of Audit Committees sponsored by Ernst & Young and convened by Tapestry Networks.</p>
		<p>Mrs. Shern currently serves as a member of our Audit Committee. Mrs. Shern spent a significant portion of her nearly 40 years of experience in retail and consumer industries in both the United States and Europe. She has very strong leadership, international, marketing and retail experience. As a CPA and Chair of the Audit Committee of GameStop Corp. and Koninklijke Ahold N.V. (Royal Ahold), Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company, Mrs. Shern has extensive financial experience.</p>

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Name (Age)	Business Experience During Past Five Years and Other Information
Craig R. Stapleton (70)	<p>Since January 2009, Mr. Stapleton has served as Senior Managing Director at Renaissance Capital, a private equity firm. Mr. Stapleton served as Managing Director of Renaissance Capital in France from 2005 to 2009. He also served as United States Representative to the Czech Republic from 2001 until 2004. Mr. Stapleton served as Chairman of Marsh and McLennan Real Estate Advisors of New York, a real estate advisory firm, from 1982 until 2001. He has been a co-owner of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team since July 2009 and was a co-owner of the Houston Rangers baseball team from 1989 until 1998. Mr. Stapleton served on the Board of Directors of Flamel Technologies, S.A. since July 2014 and was Chairman of the Board in July 2014). He also has served on the Board of Directors of the George W. Bush Library and Center for the Study of the Presidency and the 2006, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the World Trade Center Memorial and Museum at the World Trade Center since July 2009. Mr. Stapleton also currently serves as a director of two private companies, Bancshares, Inc. and C3/CustomerContactChannels.</p>

Mr. Stapleton currently serves as Chair of our Nominating and Governance Committee and as a member of our Audit Committee, our Compensation and Organization Committee and our Executive Compensation Committee and served as the Company's Lead Independent Director from January 27, 2014 to January 27, 2014. During his service as the Company's Lead Independent Director, Mr. Stapleton exemplified strong, effective leadership in addressing the complexity of the issues faced by the Company continuing to expand internationally. Mr. Stapleton's experience as United States Ambassador to several countries in Europe provides a unique perspective as the Company continues its international expansion. His public and private equity backgrounds give him a broad perspective on capital strategies.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR

THE NOMINEES IDENTIFIED ABOVE ON THE FORM OF

Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions

Review, Approval or Ratification of Transactions with Related Persons

The Board has adopted the Abercrombie & Fitch Co. Related Person Transaction Policy (the "Policy") which is available on the Nominating and Board Governance Committee and the Company's General Counsel. A copy of the Policy is available on the Governance page of the Company's website at www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Company's website. If any of its subsidiaries participates or will participate, the amount involved exceeds or is expected to exceed \$100,000, and the person had, has or will have a direct or indirect interest. Pursuant to the Policy, a related person

who is or was an executive officer, a director or a director nominee of the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, or any of such individual, at any time since the beginning of the Company's last fiscal year

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who, at the time of the occurrence or at any time during the existence of the transaction, owns or controls more than 5% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock, or an immediate family member who owns or controls more than 5% of the Company's outstanding Common Stock.

Each director, director nominee or executive officer of the Company must notify the Company of any interest that such individual or an immediate family member of such individual had, has or may have in the transaction. Each director, director nominee and executive officer also completes a questionnaire on an annual basis about potential related person transactions. In addition, any related person transaction proposed to be entered into by one of its subsidiaries must be reported by the Company's management to the Company's General Counsel. Any related person transaction that is raised will be analyzed by the Company's General Counsel, in consultation with outside counsel, as appropriate, to determine whether the transaction, arrangement or relationship requires a related person transaction requiring compliance with the Policy.

Pursuant to the Policy, all related person transactions (other than those deemed to be pre-approved under the Policy) will be referred to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee for approval (or disapproval) or termination. Whenever practicable, a related person transaction is to be reviewed and approved by the Board Governance Committee prior to the effective date or consummation of the transaction. If the Board Governance Committee determines that advance consideration of a related person transaction is not practicable under the Policy, the Board Governance Committee will review and, in its discretion, may ratify the transaction at the time the transaction becomes aware of a related person transaction not previously approved under the Policy. The Board Governance Committee will promptly review the transaction, including the relevant facts and circumstances, and all information available to the Company, including ratification, revision, termination or rescission of the transaction, if the Board Governance Committee deems appropriate under the circumstances.

No director may participate in any approval or ratification of a related person transaction in which the director or an immediate family member of the director is involved. The Nominating and Board Governance Committee may approve or ratify a related person transaction that the Committee determines to be in the Company's best interests. In making this determination, the Board Governance Committee will review and consider all relevant information available to it, including:

the related person's interest in the transaction;

the approximate dollar value of the transaction;

the approximate dollar value of the related person's interest in the transaction without regard to the transaction's loss;

whether the transaction was undertaken in the ordinary course of the business of the Company or the Company's subsidiaries;

whether the terms of the transaction are no less favorable to the Company or the applicable jurisdiction than the terms that could be reached with an unrelated third party;

the purpose of the transaction and its potential benefits to the Company or the applicable jurisdiction;

the impact of the transaction on the related person's independence; and

any other information regarding the transaction or the related person that would be material under the circumstances.

Any related person transaction previously approved or ratified by the Nominating and Board Governance Committee already existing that is ongoing in nature is to be reviewed by the Nominating and Board Governance Committee.

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Pursuant to the terms of the Policy, the following related person transactions are deemed to be approved by the Nominating and Board Governance Committee even if the aggregate amount involved was:

interests arising solely from ownership of the Company's Common Stock if all stockholder interests are aggregated on a pro rata basis;

compensation to an executive officer of the Company, as long as the executive officer is not a member of another executive officer or director of the Company and the compensation is recommended to the Board for approval, by the Compensation and Organization Committee;

compensation to a director for services as a director if the compensation is required to be disclosed in the proxy statement;

interests deriving solely from a related person's position as a director of another corporation in connection with a transaction;

interests deriving solely from the related person's direct or indirect ownership of less than 1% (other than a general partnership interest) in another person which is a party to the transaction;

transactions involving competitive bids.

The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics adopted by the Board also addresses the potential conflict of interest of a director, an officer or an associate has an interest in a transaction to which the Company or one of its subsidiaries is a party or a potential conflict of interest arises concerning an officer or a director of the Company, all information concerning such potential conflict is reported to the Company's Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer and the Company's General Counsel. The Company is required under the Company's policies (including the Company's Related Person Transaction Policy) to refer such transactions to the Board Governance Committee for review and disposition.

Director Independence

The Board has reviewed, considered and discussed each current director's relationships, both direct and indirect, in order to determine whether such director meets the independence requirements of the applicable listing standards. The Board determined that all eleven of the current directors qualify as independent under the applicable listing standards. The Board determined that each of James B. Bachmann, Bonnie R. Brooks, Terry L. Burman, Sarah M. G. Griffin, Arthur C. Martinez, Diane L. Neal, Charles R. Perrin, Stephanie M. Shern and Craig J. Smith has no direct or indirect industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, charitable, familial or other relationship with the Company or its subsidiaries, or indirectly, that would be inconsistent with a determination of independence under the applicable listing standards. In reaching these determinations, the Board considered among other things:

Mr. Bachmann and Mrs. Shern are former partners with Ernst & Young LLP, retiring in 2013 and 2014, respectively. The Company and its subsidiaries from time to time engage Ernst & Young LLP for consulting services, primarily in the nature of information technology consulting, expatriate tax work and other services, in respect of discrete nominal tax and accounting projects. In Fiscal 2014, Fiscal 2013 and Fiscal 2012, the Company and its subsidiaries paid Ernst & Young LLP approximately \$269,000, \$1,866,000 and \$1,866,000, respectively, in fees. As retired partners with respect to Ernst & Young LLP, neither Mr. Bachmann nor Mrs. Shern has any direct or indirect interest in the business relationship or transactions between Ernst & Young LLP and the Company or its subsidiaries.

its subsidiaries.

Mr. Martinez served as a director of American International Group, Inc. (AIG) from May 13, 2015. The Company and its subsidiaries have, from time to time, purchased insurance from AIG, the premiums for which have not exceeded \$1,200,000 in any year since the beginning of the period. Mr. Martinez's only interest in the underlying business relationship arises from his service as a director of AIG.

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Mr. Griffin is currently serving as the Senior Vice President of Alumni Relations at The Ohio State University, Chief Executive Officer of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc. and a Director of The Ohio State University Foundation. The Company will, subject to certain conditions, contribute up to \$10,000,000 over no more than ten years (2007 to 2016) to The Ohio State University. Gifts are contemplated to be allocated to The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center for approximately \$8,500,000 pursuant to this arrangement. Mr. Griffin was not involved in the solicitation of these gifts to The Ohio State University Foundation. Since the beginning of Fiscal 2012, the Company's total State University fees associated with several on-campus associate recruitment activities has exceeded \$15,000 over this period. Mr. Griffin was not personally involved, directly or indirectly, in whether to participate in these activities.

Since the beginning of Fiscal 2012, the Company has made other charitable contributions with which one or more of the directors of the Company or their immediate family members have participated. Charitable contributions has exceeded \$50,000 in any year within this period.

There are no family relationships among any of the current directors and executive officers of the Company as of the end of the period covered by this report. See ITEM 1. BUSINESS in Part II of this report for information about the Company's executive officers.

The Board previously reviewed, considered and discussed the relationships, both direct and indirect, of Lauren J. Brisky, Kevin S. Huvane, John W. Kessler and Elizabeth M. Lee, who served as directors of the Company from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014, in order to determine whether they met the independence requirements of the NYSE Rules during their period of service as a director in Fiscal 2014. The Board determined that each of Lauren J. Brisky, Kevin S. Huvane and Elizabeth M. Lee had no commercial, industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, or other relationships with the Company, either directly or indirectly, that would be inconsistent with a determination of independence under the NYSE Rules.

With respect to John W. Kessler, the Board broadly considered all relevant facts and circumstances, including relationships between Mr. Kessler or members of his immediate family and the Company (such as the time to time of the Jones Day law firm (Mr. Kessler's daughter serves as Partner-in-Charge of the Jones Day law firm), (a) the Company's knowledge, had no material direct or indirect interest in the fees paid by the Company for service as a director of the Company), (b) the Company's charitable contributions to affiliates of the Company (Mr. Kessler's son-in-law served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of The Ohio State University Foundation), (c) the Company's pledge of a conditional donation of \$1,000,000 a year for ten years (2006 to 2015) to The Ohio State University Foundation (Mr. Kessler's son-in-law had served on the Board of Directors of Nationwide Children's Hospital), (d) Mr. Kessler was not involved, directly or indirectly, in the solicitation of the conditional pledge of the Company, (ii) discussions with certain stockholders of the Company; and (iii) positions of certain proxy advisors. The Board's determination that the aforementioned relationships disqualified Mr. Kessler from being deemed independent under the NYSE Rules. The Company had analyzed the indirect relationships noted in (i) above under Item 404 of SEC Regulation S-K and its Person Transaction Policy and concluded that none of such relationships constituted a related party relationship. Therefore, that, based on the relevant facts and circumstances as a whole, Mr. Kessler did not qualify as independent under the NYSE Rules in Fiscal 2014. Mr. Kessler did not serve on the Audit and Finance Committee, the Compensation and Nominating and Board Governance Committee during Fiscal 2014.

Mr. Jeffries did not qualify as independent during his period of service as a director in Fiscal 2014. Mr. Jeffries is currently an executive officer of the Company.

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Meetings of and Communications with the Board

The Board held 15 meetings of the full Board and ten meetings of the non-management directors (including all meetings scheduled as agenda items at regularly scheduled in-person meetings of the Board) during Fiscal Year 2014. All directors attended at least 75% of the Board and Board committee meetings they were eligible to attend.

Although the Company does not have a formal policy requiring members of the Board to attend meetings, the Company encourages all incumbent directors and director nominees to attend each annual meeting. All current directors attended the Company's last annual meeting of stockholders held on June 19, 2014.

In accordance with the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines and applicable NYSE Rules, the Board meets (without management present) at regularly scheduled executive sessions at least once a year, as the directors deem necessary or appropriate. Executive sessions of the non-management directors are held at each regularly scheduled in-person meeting of the Board, although the non-management directors are not present at each session. All meetings of non-management or independent directors are presided over by the Chairman of the Board of the Company, if the Chairman of the Board is not also the Chief Executive Officer. If the Chairman of the Board is not a non-management director, then at least once a year the Board will meet in executive session and the Company Chairman will preside at each executive session.

The Board believes it is important for stockholders and other interested parties to have a process for communicating with the Board and its individual members. Accordingly, stockholders and other interested parties who wish to communicate with the non-management directors as a group, the independent directors as a group, the Company Chairman or any individual director, may do so by sending a letter to such individual or individuals, in care of the Company's Corporate Secretary, at the following address: Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054. The mailing envelope must contain a clear notation indicating the intended recipient: Stockholder/Interested Party Non-Management Director Communication, Stockholder/Interested Party Independent Director Communication, Stockholder/Interested Party Chairman Communication, or Stockholder/Interested Party Director Communication, as appropriate. The letter must be from a stockholder or other interested party and clearly state whether the intended recipients are all members of the Board, all non-management directors, all independent directors or certain specified individual directors. Correspondence will be circulated to the appropriate director or directors. Correspondence marked "personal and confidential" will be delivered to the recipient without opening. There is no screening process in respect of communications from stockholders or other interested parties.

Board Leadership Structure

On January 27, 2014, the Board separated the positions of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. The Board appointed Arthur C. Martinez, Terry L. Burman and Charles R. Perrin to three newly-created directorships on the Board. Mr. Martinez was appointed as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board. Subsequently, the Board nominated four new independent directors: Sarah M. Gallagher, Diane L. Neal and Stephanie M. Shern for election, and accepted the decision of Mr. Perrin to stand for re-election, at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

On December 8, 2014, Michael S. Jeffries retired from the position of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. Mr. Jeffries' employment with the Company terminated December 31, 2014.

Also on December 8, 2014, the Board appointed Arthur C. Martinez, who was then serving as Interim Chairman of the Board, to serve as Executive Chairman of the Board, appointed Jonathan E. Ramsden, who also serves as Interim Chief Financial Officer of the Company, to serve as Interim Principal Executive Officer.

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Officer of the Company, and formed an Office of the Chairman, whose members are Arthur C. Christos E. Angelides, Brand President of Abercrombie & Fitch and abercrombie kids, and Fra Hollister, until a new Chief Executive Officer is appointed. As a result of this appointment, Mr amount of time leading the Office of the Chairman. In addition, certain officers of the Company of the Chairman, report to Mr. Martinez as a representative of the Board. Mr. Martinez continues independent leadership necessary as the Board continues its search and selection process for a n

The Company's Board is currently comprised of eleven non-associate directors, all of whom a L. Neal informed the Company that, due to her responsibilities in her new position as Chief Ex limitations on board positions as a result of those responsibilities, she has decided not to stand f Annual Meeting but will serve out her remaining term. At its meeting on April 20, 2015, the Bo directors from eleven to ten directors, effective upon the expiration of the current terms of the c prior to the Annual Meeting. As a result, ten directors will be elected at the Annual Meeting. If Board will be comprised of ten non-associate directors.

The Board has adopted a written description of the duties and responsibilities of a Company CH Director (who is appointed if the Chairman of the Board is also the Chief Executive Officer). M Chairman since January 27, 2014. The role of the Company Chairman addresses responsibilities management liaison and stockholder outreach. In particular, in his role as Company Chairman, and responsibilities:

calling and presiding over all meetings of the Board, having set in advance the agenda;

presiding over executive sessions of the independent directors, without management pr focused discussions;

organizing Board discussion items and workflow;

establishing procedures to govern the Board's work, including the annual schedule of f

establishing agendas for all Board meetings, in collaboration with the Chief Executive

consulting with all directors concerning Board agendas and information provided to the

overseeing the distribution of information to directors to enable the Board's monitoring performance and the performance of management of the Company;

promoting effective communications between the Board and management of the Comp Board meetings;

working with the Chair of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee with resp orientation of new Board members and Board committee composition;

leading the Board's review of the succession plan for the Chief Executive Officer and

discussing the Company's executive compensation program with the Company's large
including input and advice from the Chair of the Compensation and Organization Com
independent consultant, and reporting any feedback to the Compensation and Organiza

coordinating the Board's self-assessment and evaluation process and ensuring that Bo
update their skills and knowledge required to fulfill their roles on the Board and on Bo

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coordinating periodic Board input and review of management's strategic plan for the Company;

facilitating the communication between and among the independent directors and management;

briefing the Chief Executive Officer on issues and concerns arising in the executive sessions;

coordinating and chairing the annual Board performance review of the Chief Executive Officer and reporting the results to the Chief Executive Officer;

providing strategic advice to the Chief Executive Officer on operational and financial matters;

presiding over annual and special meetings of the Company's stockholders;

facilitating communications with investors on Wall Street, in collaboration with the Chief Executive Officer;

ensuring that views of major investors in the Company's Common Stock are communicated to the Chief Executive Officer;

being available for consultation and direct communication with the Company's stockholders;

performing such other duties as the Board may from time to time delegate.

The Board has five standing committees: Audit and Finance; Compensation and Organization; Executive; and Nominating and Board Governance. Each of these committees has a separate charter. Information about each Board committee and such Board committee's duties and responsibilities is contained in **Item 10 of the Board** beginning on page 33.

Currently, the Company does not have a Chief Executive Officer or an Interim Chief Executive Officer. The appointment of Mr. Martinez as Executive Chairman of the Board, the appointment of Jonathan Martinez as Interim Chief Executive Officer, and the formation of the Office of the Chairman, whose members are Mr. Martinez and Ms. Horowitz, allows for effective management of the Company's business during the transition until a Chief Executive Officer is appointed. In addition, the Company believes that the independent Company Chairman and the independent directors all qualify as independent including the chairs for each of our Board committees, respectively. The independent directors and written duties and responsibilities for the Company Chairman and the independent directors on the committees represents the most appropriate Board leadership structure for the Company at this time. We believe that the independent Board members represent the most appropriate Board leadership structure for the Company at this time in light of our stakeholders, including our associates, customers and stockholders, that our Board is committed to the leadership and the performance of its responsibilities. Experienced and independent Board members are essential to the Company's risks, performance and business strategy. The Board believes that its strong corporate governance structure provides a balance among strategy development, operational execution and independent oversight of the Company.

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The Board has five standing committees – the Audit and Finance Committee, the Compensation and Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, the Executive Committee and the Nominating and Governance Committee. The current members of these committees are identified in the following table.

Director	Committees of the Board		
	Audit and Finance	Compensation and Organization	Corporate Social Responsibility
James B. Bachmann	Chair		X
Bonnie R. Brooks			
Terry L. Burman		X	
Sarah M. Gallagher			X
Michael E. Greenlees	X	Chair	
Archie M. Griffin			Chair
Arthur C. Martinez			
Diane L. Neal		X	
Charles R. Perrin	X	X	
Stephanie M. Shern	X		
Craig R. Stapleton	X	X	
Fiscal 2014 Meetings	14	11	4

Audit and Finance Committee

The Audit and Finance Committee was established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). James B. Bachmann, Michael E. Greenlees and Craig R. Stapleton were appointed to the Audit and Finance Committee throughout Fiscal 2014. Charles R. Perrin and Stephanie M. Shern were appointed to the Audit and Finance Committee on February 20, 2014 and June 19, 2014, respectively. Lauren J. Brisky served as a member of the Audit and Finance Committee during Fiscal 2014 from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014. The Board has determined that each member of the Audit and Finance Committee qualifies, and during her period of service in Fiscal 2014 Ms. Brisky was a director under the applicable NYSE Rules and under SEC Rule 10A-3. The Board has also determined that each member of the Audit and Finance Committee as well as Ms. Brisky are financially literate under the applicable NYSE Rules. James B. Bachmann, Greenlees and Stapleton and Mrs. Shern qualifies, and during her period of service in Fiscal 2014 she was an audit committee financial expert under applicable SEC rules and regulations (SEC Rule 10A-3). The Board believes that each member of the Audit and Finance Committee, which, for the current members of the Audit and Finance Committee, is described in the section titled "ELECTION OF DIRECTORS" beginning on page 18. The Board believes that each member of the Audit and Finance Committee is highly qualified to discharge his or her duties on behalf of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The Audit and Finance Committee is organized and conducts its business pursuant to a written charter adopted by the Board on February 18, 2015, a copy of which is posted on the Corporate Governance page of the Company's website at www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Investors page. The revised charter included changes from the Audit Committee to the Audit and Finance Committee to reflect the additional responsibilities of the Audit and Finance Committee, in consultation with the Nominating and Governance Committee. At least annually, the Audit and Finance Committee, in consultation with the Nominating and Governance Committee, reassesses the adequacy of its charter and recommends any proposed changes to the full Board of Directors. The Board also reviews the Audit and Finance Committee's charter in light of applicable regulatory requirements, authoritative guidance and evolving practices.

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The duties and responsibilities of the Audit and Finance Committee are set forth in its charter. The Finance Committee are to assist the Board in its oversight of:

the integrity of the Company's financial statements and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control procedures and internal control over financial reporting;

the compliance by the Company and its subsidiaries with legal and regulatory requirements;

the qualifications and independence of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm;

the performance of the Company's internal audit function and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm;

compliance with the Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics;

enterprise risk issues and enterprise risk management policies, guidelines and programs;

the annual independent audit of the Company's financial statements; and

the review of the financial plans and policies of the Company.

The Audit and Finance Committee's specific responsibilities include:

reviewing and discussing with the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the scope of the annual audit plan, including, as appropriate, the adequacy of staffing, the selection of procedures to be used;

reviewing and discussing with management of the Company and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the Company's financial statements and the related disclosures to be made in the Company's periodic reports and discussing any other matters required to be communicated to the Audit and Finance Committee by the independent registered public accounting firm under Public Company Accounting Oversight Board rules;

reviewing with management of the Company, the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, the Head of Internal Audit, the Company's accounting principles, procedures and policies and the Company's internal controls;

reviewing and discussing with management of the Company, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures quarterly, reviewing management's conclusions about the efficacy of such disclosure controls and procedures;

reviewing and discussing with management of the Company, the Company's Head of Internal Audit, the independent registered public accounting firm, management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting, and the independent registered public accounting firm's report on internal control over financial reporting;

reviewing all other relevant reports or financial information prior to such documents being filed with a governmental body or the public, including management certifications as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002;

reviewing and discussing with the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the results of the audit conducted by that firm;

overseeing the Company's enterprise risk management framework;

reviewing and discussing with the General Counsel, the Company's Head of Internal Audit, the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm any significant risks or exposures, steps management of the Company has taken or plans to take to address such risks and exposures and the Company's policies with respect to risk assessment and management.

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at least annually, authorizing the appointment, compensation and retention of, and overseeing the work of an independent registered public accounting firm, including the resolution of disagreements between management of the Company and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm regarding

reviewing the independence, qualifications and performance of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm;

approving pre-approval policies and procedures and reviewing and pre-approving all audit engagements and non-audit services to be performed for the Company or any of its subsidiaries by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm;

setting a hiring policy for employees or former employees of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm;

authorizing the appointment, retention and compensation, in consultation with the Company's Head of Internal Audit and overseeing the work of the Company's Head of Internal Audit, including the resolution of disagreements between management of the Company and the Company's Head of Internal Audit regarding the conduct of an internal audit;

reviewing and approving the annual internal audit plan;

reviewing and discussing with the Company's Head of Internal Audit the results of the Company's internal audits (including the Internal Audit's audit reports) and the Head of Internal Audit's assessments of the Company's internal control system of internal control;

reviewing and approving the Internal Audit Charter on a periodic basis;

at least annually, reviewing and discussing with management of the Company, the General Counsel, the Chief Compliance Officer, the Company's Head of Internal Audit and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the Company's processes regarding compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, including the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines and Code of Business Conduct;

approving procedures established by the Company and requiring the Company, in consultation with the Chief Compliance Officer and the General Counsel, to obtain or provide the necessary resources to investigate, prevent, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal control or other matters (including confidential, anonymous complaints by associates of the Company), and overseeing the resolutions of such matters that come before the Audit and Finance Committee, and overseeing the resolutions of such matters;

periodically reviewing and approving the Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer's report on the Company's ethics and compliance program, as approved by the General Counsel;

periodically meeting with the General Counsel, the Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer and the independent registered public accounting firm, when appropriate, to review legal and regulatory matters;

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investments held by the Company and its subsidiaries as well as investments held in the Company; (iii) hedging policies; and (iv) all major transactions, including acquisitions, significant long-term contractual commitments, including joint venture agreements and asset dispositions by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, with any transaction being if the expected net present value of the Company's or subsidiary's minimum commitment

reviewing and recommending to the Board for approval, significant decisions regarding the Company and its subsidiaries, including capital structure, credit and debt facilities, relationships with rating agencies;

reviewing the Company's proposed share repurchases pursuant to programs approved

reviewing performance metrics to be included in long-term incentive awards approved by the Organization Committee;

reviewing and recommending to the Board for approval the Company's dividend policy

reviewing and recommending to the Board for approval matters relating to corporate finance at the level and the issuance and sale of Company securities;

reviewing and recommending to the Board for approval significant matters relating to the rate and tax planning proposals;

reviewing and discussing with management of the Company the major financial risk exposures and the steps taken to monitor and control such exposures;

reviewing any other information related to the responsibilities of the Audit and Finance Committee, rules and regulations of the SEC, NYSE and PCAOB;

reviewing and recommending to the Board appropriate insurance coverage for directors

preparing an annual report for inclusion in the Company's proxy statement. The Audit and Finance Committee's annual report relating to Fiscal 2014 begins on page 96.

Compensation and Organization Committee

The Compensation and Organization Committee provides overall guidance for the Company's compensation policy and approves the amounts and elements of compensation for the Company's executive officers. Mr. Michael Stapleton served as members of the Compensation and Organization Committee throughout Fiscal 2014. Mr. R. Perrin were appointed to the Compensation and Organization Committee on February 20, 2014, and Mr. Kevin S. Huvane a member on June 19, 2014. Kevin S. Huvane served as a member of the Compensation and Organization Committee from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014. The Board has determined that each current member of the Compensation and Organization Committee qualifies, and that during his period of service in Fiscal 2014 Kevin S. Huvane is a director under the applicable NYSE Rules, including those specifically applicable to members

The Compensation and Organization Committee is organized and conducts its business pursuant to the Charter of the Compensation and Organization Committee, which was recently revised by the Board on August 20, 2014, a copy of which is posted on the Corporate Governance website at www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Investors page. The revised charter transferred the responsibilities of the Compensation Committee to the Compensation and Organization Committee. The revised charter also outlines the responsibilities provided for the committee. At least annually, the Compensation and Organization Committee reviews the adequacy of its charter, in consultation with the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, and recommends any changes to the full Board as necessary to reflect changes in regulatory requirements, authoritative

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The Compensation and Organization Committee's charter sets forth the duties and responsibilities of the Compensation and Organization Committee, which include:

reviewing and approving the general compensation policies applicable to certain officers of the Company as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee, including all executive officers;

periodically reviewing and monitoring the methods and criteria used by the Company to evaluate the performance of certain officers of the Company as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee, including all executive officers;

reviewing and approving, at least annually, the goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer after consultation with other independent directors, evaluating the performance of the Chief Executive Officer against those goals and objectives and setting compensation levels for the Chief Executive Officer;

reviewing performance evaluations by the Company's management of certain officers of the Company as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee, including all executive officers, and approving the compensation of those officers based on approved goals and objectives, and determining and approving the compensation of those officers;

periodically reviewing and approving the peer companies used in evaluating the performance of certain officers of the Company, including all executive officers, and non-associate directors;

reviewing and approving metrics to be used for the determination of payouts under cash bonus and incentive programs;

evaluating the need for, and reviewing, approving, amending and/or terminating any employee benefit plans, including severance arrangements, for certain officers of the Company as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee, including all executive officers;

reviewing and making recommendations to the Board regarding incentive compensation arrangements;

administering the Company's equity-based plans and other plans as required by then applicable laws and/or the terms of the plans and recommending to the Board amendments to the plans as the Compensation Committee deems appropriate;

overseeing the Company's welfare and retirement benefit plans;

reviewing, approving, amending and/or terminating arrangements pursuant to which pension and other benefits are paid or provided to certain officers of the Company as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee, including all executive officers;

periodically reviewing and making recommendations to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee regarding the compensation for non-associate directors of the Company;

reviewing and discussing with management of the Company the Compensation Discussion and Analysis disclosures required to be included in the Company's annual proxy statement, recommending and discussing whether the Compensation Discussion and Analysis should be included in the annual proxy statement and preparing the compensation committee report required by applicable SEC rules for the annual proxy statement;

overseeing the Company's overall compensation structure, policies and programs for all employees, including incentives and risks arising from or related to the Company's compensation programs;

reviewing and discussing with the Company's management the Company's organizational structure, reporting relationships, along with development of strategies and practices relating to the recruitment and development of the Company's associates as needed;

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developing a recommendation to the Board for a successor to the Chief Executive Officer in the event of an emergency, or resignation or retirement of the then current Chief Executive Officer;

reviewing and discussing with the Company's management the Company's succession plan for the executive officers and other associates of the Company, as determined by the Compensation Committee;

assessing the results of the most recent advisory vote(s) on executive compensation by the Company's shareholders;

at least annually, assessing whether the work performed by compensation consultants or other advisors in determining or recommending executive or director compensation has raised any conflicts of interest that are disclosed in the Company's annual proxy statement; and

assessing, on an annual basis, the independence of consultants, outside counsel and other advisors retained by the Compensation and Organization Committee or by management of the Company for advice to the Compensation and Organization Committee, in accordance with applicable NASD Listing Rules.

The Compensation and Organization Committee's processes and procedures to determine executive compensation consultants and the role of executive officers in making recommendations relating to executive compensation are described in the section captioned **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS** beginning on page 17.

Corporate Social Responsibility Committee

The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee provides oversight of the Company's attention to social responsibility issues, including diversity and inclusion, health and safety, human rights, environmental and philanthropic practices and progress with respect to such issues. Archie M. Griffin served as a member of the Committee throughout Fiscal 2014. James B. Bachmann and Sarah M. Gallagher were appointed to the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee on June 19, 2014. Kevin S. Huvane, John W. Kessler and Elizabeth A. O'Connell served on the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee during Fiscal 2014 from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014.

The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee is organized and conducts its business pursuant to its charter, which was recently revised by the Board on August 20, 2014, a copy of which is posted on the Company's Corporate Social Responsibility website at www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Investors' page. At least annually, the Committee reviews and reassesses the adequacy of its charter, in consultation with the Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee, and recommends any proposed changes to the full Board as necessary to reflect changes in regulatory guidance and evolving practices.

The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee's charter sets forth the duties and responsibilities of the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, which include:

monitoring issues and practices relating to the Company's corporate social responsibility, including diversity and inclusion, safety matters; environmental matters; human rights matters; significant philanthropic activities; and other matters relating to the Company's relations;

reviewing the prudence of having the Company prepare and publish a Corporate Social Responsibility Report, and if the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee determines such a report is prudent, overseeing the preparation of such report;

reviewing significant lawsuits, investigations by governmental entities and other significant events involving the Company or any of its affiliates that significantly affect or could significantly affect the

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Company's performance, business activities or reputation as a global corporate citizen
Corporate Social Responsibility Committee is provided with pertinent information with
the Company by the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or an equivalent
commission or division;

monitoring significant programs and activities aimed at enhancing the Company's global
management, media relations and community relations;

reviewing and monitoring the support by the Company of charitable, educational and
donation by the Company or one of its affiliates in excess of the amount determined by
Committee;

when appropriate, making recommendations to the Board with respect to any of the areas
Responsibility Committee oversees, reviews or monitors, and any other major social
Company;

reviewing and consulting with the Nominating and Board Governance Committee on
social responsibility issues;

overseeing, making recommendations and evaluating the success of the Company's
programs and monitoring current trends and opportunities in corporate diversity outreach;

monitoring and making recommendations to the Board with respect to the Company's
Minerals Policy and reporting under Rule 13p-1 under the Exchange Act and the SEC

Executive Committee

Craig R. Stapleton served as a member of the Executive Committee throughout Fiscal 2014. As
the Executive Committee as a result of his serving as the Chairman of the Board. John W. Kessler
members of the Executive Committee during Fiscal 2014 from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014.

The Executive Committee is organized and conducts its business pursuant to a written charter
Board on April 20, 2015, a copy of which is posted on the Corporate Governance page of the
www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Investors page.

The Executive Committee's charter sets forth the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Committee

during the interval between scheduled meetings of the Board, having and exercising the
matters that, in the opinion of the Company Chairman or the Lead Independent Director,
until the next previously scheduled meeting of the Board, subject to such limitations as
from time to time impose;

during the interval between scheduled meetings of the Board, acting when exigent circumstances
make it impracticable to convene a meeting of the Board at which a quorum is present
unanimous written consent of the full Board, subject to such limitations as the Board
time impose; and

from time to time or, at the discretion of the Company Chairman or the Lead Independent Director, to review the charter of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee and reassessing the adequacy of its charter.

Nominating and Board Governance Committee

Archie M. Griffin and Craig R. Stapleton served as members of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee from 2012 to 2014. Terry L. Burman was appointed to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee on 1/15/2014. Brooks and Sarah M. Gallagher were appointed to the

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Committee on June 19, 2014. Lauren J. Brisky also served on the Nominating and Board Governance Committee from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014. The Board has determined that each current member of the Governance Committee qualifies, and that during her period of service in Fiscal 2014, Ms. Brisky qualified under the applicable NYSE Rules.

The Nominating and Board Governance Committee is organized and conducts its business pursuant to its Charter, most recently revised by the Board on February 18, 2015, a copy of which is posted on the Company's website at www.abercrombie.com, accessible through the Investors' page. At least annually, the Governance Committee reviews and reassesses the adequacy of its charter and recommends any changes necessary to reflect changes in regulatory requirements, authoritative guidance and evolving practices.

The purpose of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee is to provide oversight on the composition and operation of the Board. The primary responsibilities of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee are:

- establishing and articulating the qualifications, desired background and selection criteria for director candidates; and
- evaluating the qualifications of individuals being considered as director candidates;

- developing a policy with regard to the consideration of candidates for election or appointment to the Board and procedures to be followed by stockholders in submitting proposals;

- making recommendations to the Board concerning all nominees for Board membership and the filling of any vacancies;

- reviewing, evaluating and making recommendations to the Board concerning all nominations, proposals, any other stockholder proposals and Company responses to stockholder proposals; and
- the Governance Committee is to consult with the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee regarding social responsibility issues;

- evaluating and making recommendations to the Board concerning the number and responsibilities of Board committees and Board committee assignments;

- reviewing the duties and composition of committees of the Board, including the criteria for members of the Audit and Finance Committee, the Compensation and Organization Committee and the Nominating and Board Governance Committee and identifying and recommending to the Board directors qualified to become members of the Board, taking into account all applicable NYSE Rules, SEC Rules and other regulatory criteria and other factors as the Nominating and Board Governance Committee deems appropriate;

- reviewing, receiving recommendations from the Compensation and Organization Committee and making recommendations annually to the Board regarding the compensation for the Company's directors;

- evaluating, reviewing with management of the Company and making recommendations regarding the effectiveness of the organization of the Board, the conduct of its business and the relationship between the Board and management of the Company;

maintaining policies regarding the review and approval or ratification of related person
Nominating and Board Governance Committee deems the same to be appropriate, appr
transactions in accordance with such policies as well as applicable law and NYSE Rule

identifying and bringing to the attention of the Board and management of the Company
governance trends, issues and best practices that may affect the operations, performanc

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reviewing and making recommendations to the Board regarding orientation for new directors;

developing, recommending to the Board for approval, and periodically reviewing a set of principles applicable to the Company in accordance with applicable NYSE Rules;

reviewing letters of resignation submitted by directors and making recommendations to the Board regarding action to be taken;

periodically reviewing and making recommendations to the Board regarding stock ownership;

appraising the framework for assessment of Board performance and the Board self-evaluation process and making recommendations to the Board relating to such assessment;

reviewing and approving the use of Company funds or property by any associate or officer of the Company, or any Officer, in support of any political party, organization or committee, or any candidate for public office, in violation of applicable law;

reviewing and approving any requests from any director, officer or other associate of the Company to consult or consulting services or serve on the board of directors (or similar body) of any entity that is not affiliated with the Company, with such approval to be reported to the Board; and

developing, recommending to the Board for approval, and periodically reviewing, policies and procedures (including known as insider trading policies).

Director Qualifications and Consideration of Director Candidates

Under the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, no director may be nominated by the Board for election or re-election after reaching age 75. However, the Board may nominate such a director for election or re-election if the Board determines that the director's service on the Board is in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders. On the recommendation from the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, the Board unanimously re-elected Arthur C. Martinez for re-election to the Board and believes his continued service is in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders.

As described above, the Company has a standing Nominating and Board Governance Committee that provides oversight on a broad range of issues surrounding the composition and operation of the Board, including identifying and recommending qualified to become directors and recommending director nominees to the Board.

When considering candidates for the Board, the Nominating and Board Governance Committee reviews the candidate's credentials and, other than the age guidelines mentioned above, does not have specific requirements or qualifications that must be met by a candidate. However, the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that the Board may simultaneously serve on the boards of directors of more than three public companies. The Board has determined, upon recommendation by the Nominating and Board of Governance Committee, that the directorships held would not interfere with the individual's ability to carry out his or her responsibilities. The Nominating and Board Governance Committee considers those factors it deems appropriate in evaluating a candidate's independence, judgment, strength of character, ethics and integrity; (ii) the nominee's business and knowledge useful to the oversight of the Company's business; (iii) the Company's strong interest in the candidate at all levels of the Company; and (iv) such other factors as the members of that Committee conclude are relevant to the Board. The Company believes that the Board as a whole should have competency in the

and finance; (b) business judgment; (c) management; (d) industry knowledge; (e) leadership; and
current needs of the Board, the Nominating and Board Governance Committee may weigh certain
Nominating and Board

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Governance Committee does, however, believe that all members of the Board should have the reputation for working constructively with others, sufficient time to devote to Board matters and not interfere with performance as a director.

While the Board and the Nominating and Board Governance Committee do not have specific age guidelines mentioned above, and do not, as a matter of course, weigh any of the factors the others, both the Board and the Nominating and Board Governance Committee believe that, as a diverse backgrounds and qualifications. The Company believes that the members of the Board, qualifications, although this is an area of constant focus for the Board and the Nominating and

The Nominating and Board Governance Committee considers candidates for the Board from all sources, including stockholder recommendations, and does not evaluate candidates differently based on the source for seeking and vetting additional director candidates is ongoing and is not dependent upon the source. Accordingly, the Board believes that this ongoing pursuit of qualified candidates functions as a continuous process. Pursuant to its charter, the Nominating and Board Governance Committee has the authority to retain or assist in the process of identifying and evaluating candidates and to approve the fees and other expenses of any search firm. In Fiscal 2014, the Nominating and Board Governance Committee used Spencer Stuart to help identify and evaluate director candidates. Each of Messrs. Burman, Martinez and Perrin and Mrs. Shern, was recommended to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee by Spencer

Information regarding each of our directors is set forth above under the caption **Nominees**. In addition to the information presented with respect to such individual, the Company believes that each of our directors has a high level of integrity and that our directors have worked cohesively and constructively with each other and the Company. They have each demonstrated business acumen and an ability to exercise sound judgment.

Director Nominations

The Board, taking into account the recommendations of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, elects directors at each annual meeting of stockholders. Stockholders may recommend directors to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee by giving written notice of the recommendation to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, in care of the Company, at the Company's principal executive office, 10000 Ohio 43054. The recommendation must include the candidate's name, age, business address, residence address, occupation. The recommendation must also describe the qualifications, attributes, skills or other information about the recommended director candidate. A written statement from the candidate consenting to serve as a director is required for any such recommendation.

In addition, stockholders wishing to formally nominate a candidate for election as a director may do so by giving notice procedures set forth in the Section 2.04 of the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws. The notice must be given by a stockholder of record on both the date of the giving of the required notice of proposed nomination and the date the stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the relevant meeting of the stockholders.

The notice of a nominating stockholder in respect of an annual meeting of stockholders must be given by United States certified mail, postage prepaid, and received by the Corporate Secretary of the Company at the offices of the Company, not less than 120 days nor more than 150 days prior to the anniversary of the date of the annual meeting of stockholders, which, for purposes of the Company's 2016 Annual Meeting, was held on or close of

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business on January 20, 2016 and no later than the close of business on February 19, 2016. The Company will deliver any stockholder nominations received in a timely manner for review by the Nominating and Board Governance Committee.

The informational requirements for stockholder notices with respect to the nomination of directors include the disclosure of all derivative and synthetic instruments and short interests held by the nominating stockholder, affiliates or associates as well as by any proposed nominee.

A stockholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at an annual meeting of the Company shall supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided is true and correct as of the date of the meeting. Such update and supplement must be delivered to the Company by first class air mail, United States certified mail, postage prepaid, and received by the Corporate Secretary of the Company at the principal offices of the Company, not later than five business days after the record date for the annual meeting.

No person may be elected as a director unless he or she has been nominated by a stockholder in writing to the Board or a committee of the Board.

Directors Who Substantially Change Their Job Responsibility

A director must inform the Company Chairman or the Lead Independent Director, if applicable, and the Board Governance Committee as promptly as feasible, in advance, if the director is contemplating a change in board membership on another public company board of directors, or any other board membership or position that might cause the Board to conclude that the director is no longer independent, is no longer able to continue to serve effectively or that such service otherwise is no longer appropriate. The Company may permit management of the Company to conduct a preliminary analysis of the potential impact of such change on the independence and/or service, and for the Company Chairman or the Lead Independent Director to refer the matter to the Nominating and Board Governance Committee to consider that analysis and, as appropriate, to determine whether the director commits to the proposed change. If the determination is made that the potential change in board membership interferes with the director's ability to carry out his or her responsibilities as a director of the Company, the director must submit a letter of resignation or not proceed with the potential change.

If sufficient prior notice cannot be given, the director must immediately submit a letter of resignation to the Lead Independent Director, if applicable, and the Chair of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee. Upon receipt of a letter of resignation, the Company Chairman or the Lead Independent Director, if applicable, and the Board Governance Committee will duly consider the matter and make a timely recommendation of the appropriate action, if any, to be taken with respect to the resignation.

It is not the sense of the Board that in every instance a director who is contemplating a change in board membership or other status should leave the Board. There should, however, be an opportunity for the Board, through the Lead Independent Director, if applicable, and the Chair of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, to consider any, of the proposed change on the interests of the Company.

Board Role in Risk Oversight

Our Board has overall responsibility for risk oversight with a focus on the most significant risks that the Company may face and be dealt with in the same way. Some risks may be easily perceived and controllable, and other risks may be avoided or mitigated by particular behavior, and some risks are unavoidable as a practical matter. The impact of such risks would be minor, and, as a matter of business judgment, it may not be appropriate to allocate resources to avoid or mitigate adverse impact. In

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other cases, the adverse impact could be significant, and it is prudent to expend resources to see adverse impact. Further, in some cases, a higher degree of risk may be acceptable because of a

Management of the Company is responsible for identifying risk and risk controls related to significant risks to Company strategy; and developing programs and recommendations to determine the appropriate balance of potential risk to potential reward and the appropriate manner in which to control risk. Management oversees oversight responsibilities by having management of the Company provide periodic reports on risk to the Board of Directors and how the Company is seeking to control or mitigate risk, if and when appropriate. In addition, as part of the full Board's engagement with the Office of the Chairman and other members of management, a Board committee is responsible for oversight of specific risk topics. For example, the Audit and Finance Committee is related to internal control over financial reporting, compliance with the Company's Corporate Governance Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, and the Company's financial plans and policies; the Nominating and Governance Committee reviews issues related to the Company's governance structure, corporate governance matters and related person transactions; the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee reviews issues related to diversity, safety, human rights, and environmental and philanthropic matters; and the Compensation and Organization Committee is related to compensation programs, as discussed in greater detail below.

Management of the Company periodically undertakes a comprehensive enterprise risk management review. The review of enterprise level risks and mitigation processes are the primary topics. This review is overseen by the Audit and Finance Committee and the full Board continue to monitor enterprise risk management. The Audit and Finance Committee and the full Board continue to monitor enterprise risk management.

Risk Assessment in Compensation Programs

Consistent with SEC disclosure requirements, management of the Company and the Compensation and Organization Committee assessed the Company's compensation programs. Based upon all of the facts and circumstances known to management at the filing of this Proxy Statement, management of the Company and the Compensation and Organization Committee concluded that there are no risks arising from the Company's compensation policies and practices that are likely to have an adverse effect on the Company. This assessment was overseen by the Compensation and Organization Committee and its independent counsel and independent compensation consultant.

We reviewed the compensation policies and practices in effect for our executive officers, our senior management, and assessed the features we have built into the compensation programs to discourage excessive compensation. Among other things, a balance between different elements of compensation, use of different time horizons for different elements of compensation, use of short-term incentive programs that are consistent at the Company level (for Fiscal 2014) or the branded-organization level (for Fiscal 2015), and stock ownership guidelines for senior management also included clawback provisions in its incentive plans which are applicable to all participating

Base Salary

Each job held by an associate below the Senior Vice President level is assessed against a grid. The base pay (within an overall salary grade structure) is assigned.

Individual merit pay decisions are constrained by a grid which relates the size of a pay increase to performance and/or competitive market position, subject to aggregate caps (*i.e.*, the merit increase cap).

At the Senior Vice President level and above, the Company matches job comparisons with the market. Compensation decisions are reviewed and approved by the Compensation and Organization Committee.

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Incentive Compensation

Throughout Fiscal 2014, all incentive compensation-eligible associates (including executives) participated in a common cash incentive compensation program (the Incentive Compensation Plan).

In Fiscal 2014, individual payments were strictly determined by overall Company performance (and individual performance).

Adjusted operating income, the metric used to determine the annual cash incentive pool, is based on operating results of the business, and considers both top-line and bottom-line elements.

The adjusted operating income target used to fund target award payments reflected the

The ability for a single individual to affect overall corporate operating income is limited by our delegation of authority, during Fiscal 2014 mostly vested in the Chief Executive Officer.

Individual awards are capped for every associate, and are subject to Compensation and Organization Committee approval, if necessary, the Compensation and Organization Committee's negative discretion.

Long-Term Incentive Plans

In Fiscal 2014, the Company granted a mix of stock-settled stock appreciation rights (SARs) and performance share awards (PSAs) that varied by level. The weighting of performance metrics was most significant for the Executive Officer, and also very significant for the other NEOs. Lower management level awards consisted primarily of time-vested RSUs, and awards to other associates were composed primarily of time-vested RSUs.

These awards vest over three or four years subsequent to grant, and provide a significant and considerable value should they leave the Company prior to vesting.

In Fiscal 2014, the design of the PSAs granted to the NEOs, including Mr. Jeffries, was based upon three performance metrics linked to the Company's operating and stockholder return (ROIC) per share (EPS) metric.

For PSAs, the time frame for measuring performance was extended to three years (from two years) when implemented.

Use of different metrics for annual cash incentives and PSAs, as well as a variety of time-vested awards.

Compensation of Directors

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Any officer of the Company who is also a director receives no additional compensation for services rendered from February 2, 2014, to February 2, 2014, directors who are not associates of the Company or its subsidiaries (non-associated directors) receive:

an annual cash retainer of \$65,000 (paid quarterly in arrears);

an additional annual cash retainer for each standing committee Chair and member of \$40,000 and \$25,000, respectively, other than (i) the Chair and the members of the Audit and Finance Committees, who receive \$40,000 and \$25,000, respectively; and (ii) the Chair of the Compensation and Organization Committee, who receive \$30,000, in each case for serving in the stated capacity. In each case, the retainers are paid in arrears; and

an annual grant of 3,000 RSUs.

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The annual RSU grants have been and will continue to be subject to the following provisions:

RSUs are to be granted annually on the date of the annual meeting of stockholders;

the maximum market value of the underlying shares of Common Stock on the date of grant or the market price of the Company's Common Stock on the grant date exceed \$100 per share, the grant will be automatically reduced to provide a maximum grant date market value of \$300,000);

the minimum market value of the underlying shares of Common Stock on the date of grant or the market price of the Company's Common Stock on the grant date be lower than \$40 per share, the grant will be automatically increased to provide a minimum grant date market value of \$120,000);

RSUs will vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the grant date or (ii) the date of the annual meeting of stockholders, subject to earlier vesting in the event of a director's death or the loss of control of the Company.

In connection with Mr. Martinez's appointment to the position of Non-Executive Chairman of the Board, he has received and will receive:

an additional annual cash retainer of \$200,000 (the Non-Executive Chairman Cash Retainer) payable quarterly in arrears); and

an additional annual grant of RSUs for serving in such capacity, with the market value of the underlying Common Stock on the grant date to be \$100,000 (the Non-Executive Chairman RSU Retainer). The annual Non-Executive Chairman RSU Retainer has been and will continue to be subject to the same provisions as the annual RSU grants.

RSUs are to be granted annually on the date of the annual meeting of stockholders of the Company;

RSUs will vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the grant date or (ii) the date of the annual meeting of stockholders, subject to earlier vesting in the event of Mr. Martinez's death or the loss of control of the Company.

On December 8, 2014, the Board appointed Mr. Martinez to serve as Executive Chairman of the Board. The Board also appointed Mr. Martinez as Chairman, whose members are Arthur C. Martinez, Jonathan E. Ramsden, Christos E. Angelidis, and Mr. Martinez. Mr. Martinez did not receive any additional compensation. As a result of this appointment, Mr. Martinez's full-time responsibilities of time leading the Office of the Chairman. In addition, certain officers of the Company, including the Executive Chairman, report to Mr. Martinez as a representative of the Board. Currently, the Company does not have a Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Martinez continues to provide the experienced and independent leadership necessary as the selection process for a new Chief Executive Officer of the Company. On April 20, 2015, in connection with the increased responsibilities and increased time commitment associated with his appointment as Executive Chairman, the Board determined to award additional compensation to Mr. Martinez to compensate him appropriately for the additional time and responsibilities. This additional compensation will end coincident with the appointment of a new Chief Executive Officer of the Company, unless otherwise determined by the Board.

Accordingly, in connection with Mr. Martinez's appointment to the position of Executive Chairman of the Board, effective December 8, 2014, he has received and will receive:

an additional annual cash retainer of \$625,000 (the Executive Chairman Cash Retainer) quarterly in arrears); and

an additional annual grant of RSUs for serving in such capacity, with the market value of the Company's Common Stock on the grant date to be \$1,875,000 (the Executive Chairman RSU Retainer).

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The annual Executive Chairman RSU Retainer will be subject to the following provisions:

RSUs are to be granted annually on the date of the annual meeting of stockholders of the

RSUs will vest on the earliest of (i) the date on which the Board appoints a Chief Executive Officer of the Company, unless the Board determines otherwise, (ii) the first anniversary of the grant date, or (iii) the next regularly scheduled annual meeting of stockholders, subject to earlier vesting in the event of the death or total disability or upon a change of control of the Company;

RSUs that vest due to the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer of the Company within the fiscal year that has elapsed between the grant date and the date of appointment of a Chief Executive Officer of the Company, unless the Board determines otherwise; and

if Mr. Martinez's service as Executive Chairman of the Board ends for any reason other than the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer of the Company, a pro-rata portion of unvested RSUs of the year that has elapsed between the grant date and the date on which his service as Executive Chairman of the Board ends. Directors who are elected after the beginning of the fiscal year receive pro-rated retainers and grants of RSUs for the period served during the fiscal year. As a result, the compensation received by Arthur C. Martinez, Treasurer and Executive Chairman, including the Non-Executive Chairman Cash Retainer for Mr. Martinez, was pro-rated for the period from December 8, 2014 to the date of the 2014 Annual Meeting. In determining to award the Executive Chairman Cash Retainer and the Executive Chairman RSU Retainer to Mr. Martinez, the Board provided for a full pro-ration of the Executive Chairman Cash Retainer and the Executive Chairman RSU Retainer for the period from December 8, 2014 to the date of the 2015 Annual Meeting, resulting in a cash payment of \$246,575 and provided for the grant of 44,209 RSUs with a grant date fair value of approximately \$977,500, on April 20, 2015, to coincide with the vesting of the Executive Chairman RSU Retainer grant for the period from December 8, 2014 to the date of the 2015 Annual Meeting, unless the Board appoints a Chief Executive Officer of the Company at the 2015 Annual Meeting, in which event the vesting of such award would be pro-rated from December 8, 2014 to the date of appointment of a Chief Executive Officer, unless the Board determines otherwise. The Non-Executive Chairman Cash Retainer, however, granted in the full amount immediately upon Mr. Martinez's election as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board immediately in consideration of his service for the period prior to the 2014 Annual Meeting. Mr. Martinez received respective pro-rated grants of 1,500 RSUs on February 24, 2014.

Non-associate directors are also reimbursed for their expenses for attending meetings of the Board of Directors and receive the discount on purchases of the Company's merchandise extended to all Company employees.

The Company has maintained the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan since October 1, 1999. The Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan was split into two plans (Plan I and Plan II) as of January 1, 2005 to comply with Internal Revenue Code Section 409A. Plan I governs amounts deferred (within the meaning of Section 409A) in taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2005 based on earnings thereon. The terms of Plan II govern amounts deferred in taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2005 based on earnings thereon. Voluntary participation in the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan enables a non-associate director to elect to receive all or a part of his or her retainers, meeting fees (which are no longer paid) and stock-based incentives (including shares of Common Stock and RSUs). The deferred compensation is credited to a bookkeeping account that is a share equivalent. Stock-based incentives deferred pursuant to the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan are credited to the Company's Common Stock. Amounts otherwise payable in cash are converted into a share equivalent based on the Company's Common Stock on the date the amount is credited to a non-associate director's bookkeeping account. Dividends will be credited on the shares of Common Stock credited to a non-associate director's bookkeeping account. Dividends are paid in respect of outstanding shares of Common Stock and converted into a share equivalent. A non-associate director's only right with respect to his or her bookkeeping account (and the amounts allocated to the account) is the right to receive the amount

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in the account in accordance with the terms of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan. Disposition of the shares will be made in the form of a single lump-sum transfer of the whole shares of Common Stock represented by the non-associate director's bookkeeping account (plus cash representing the value of fractional shares) in accordance with the election made by the non-associate director. Shares of Common Stock will be distributed pursuant to the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "2005 LTIP") in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' accounts on or after August 1, 2005, under the 2003 Stock Plan for Non-Associate Directors in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts between May 22, 2003 and July 31, 2003, and under the 1996 Stock Plan for Non-Associate Directors in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' accounts prior to May 22, 2003.

The following table summarizes the compensation paid to, awarded to or earned by, each individual director at any time during Fiscal 2014 for service of the Board. Michael S. Jeffries is not included in this table as he did not receive any compensation from the Company and thus received no compensation for his services as a director. The compensation of the Company is shown in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** beginning on page 100. The following tables included under the section captioned **EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION**

Director Compensation for Fiscal 2014

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash	Stock Awards	Option Awards ⁽¹⁾
James B. Bachmann	\$ 114,375	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Lauren J. Brisky ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 38,860	\$	\$
Bonnie R. Brooks	\$ 48,331	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Terry L. Burman	\$ 90,000	\$ 177,332 ⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	\$
Sarah M. Gallagher	\$ 56,126	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Michael E. Greenlees	\$ 120,000	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Archie M. Griffin ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 102,500	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Kevin S. Huvane ^{(4) (6)}	\$ 34,121	\$	\$
John W. Kessler ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 38,860	\$	\$
Elizabeth M. Lee ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 29,382	\$	\$
Arthur C. Martinez	\$ 281,497	\$ 286,824 ⁽³⁾⁽⁷⁾	\$
Diane L. Neal	\$ 48,331	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Charles R. Perrin	\$ 102,500	\$ 177,332 ⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	\$
Stephanie M. Shern	\$ 56,126	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$
Craig R. Stapleton	\$ 140,000	\$ 125,401 ⁽³⁾	\$

⁽¹⁾ Mr. Griffin is the only individual named in this table who held outstanding options at January 31, 2015. The options, which were granted and fully vested prior to the beginning of Fiscal 2014 and, accordingly, were exercisable at any time, were exercised in respect of these options.

⁽²⁾ The aggregate value of the perquisites and other personal benefits received by each non-associate director is shown in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table**.

⁽³⁾ Each of the current non-associate directors was granted RSUs covering 3,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company. The amount of \$125,401 included in the total amount shown in this column for the current year represents the grant date fair value of the awards, as computed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles upon the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the grant date (\$42.60) and adjusted for an assumed one-year vesting period. See Note 3. Share-Based Compensation of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-Q for more information of the amounts shown and information regarding the Company's share-based compensation. Each award of RSUs granted at the Annual Meeting remained outstanding at January 31, 2015.

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- (4) Each of Ms. Brisky, Mr. Huvane, Mr. Kessler and Ms. Lee served as a director during Fiscal 2014 from
- (5) Each of Messrs. Burman and Perrin was granted RSUs governing 1,500 shares of Common Stock on February 1, 2014. The amount of expense included in the total amount shown in this column for Messrs. Burman and Perrin is reported using the fair value method and is computed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, of \$34.62 per RSU, based on the fair value of the Common Stock on the grant date (\$35.42) and adjusted for anticipated dividend payments during the period. For more information, see Share-Based Compensation of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in ITEM 8.

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STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-K, for amounts shown and information regarding the Company's share-based compensation. Each award of RSUs granted outstanding at January 31, 2015 and vested on February 24, 2015.

- (6) During Fiscal 2014, Mr. Griffin and Mr. Huvane deferred \$51,250 and \$34,121 of their respective retainers under the Company's Compensation Plan. The deferred portion of each of Mr. Griffin's and Mr. Huvane's retainer is included in the "Paid in Cash" column. Refer to page 47 for a description of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (7) Mr. Martinez was granted two awards of RSUs governing 1,500 and 2,347.418 shares of Common Stock. The amount of \$161,423 included in the total amount shown in this column for Mr. Martinez is reported using the fair market value as computed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles of \$42.20 and \$41.80, respectively, as of the price of the Company's Common Stock on the grant date (\$42.60) and adjusted for anticipated dividends and one-year vesting periods. See Note 3. Share-Based Compensation of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-K for more information of the amounts shown and information regarding the Company's share-based compensation. Each of the awards granted on June 19, 2014 remained outstanding at January 31, 2015.
- (8) This total does not include the portion of the Executive Chairman RSU Retainer, with a grant date fair value of \$92,466, Chairman Cash Retainer, in the amount of \$92,466, approved by the Board on April 20, 2015, for the period ending December 31, 2015, as more fully described on page 45 under "Compensation of Directors".

Corporate Governance Guidelines

In accordance with applicable NYSE Rules, the Board has adopted the Abercrombie & Fitch Corporate Governance Guidelines to promote the effective functioning of the Board and its committees and to reflect the Company's current corporate governance. The Board, with the assistance of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, has updated the Corporate Governance Guidelines to ensure they reflect changes in legal or regulatory requirements, industry practices and the Board's policies and procedures. The Corporate Governance Guidelines, which were adopted by the Board on April 20, 2015, are available on the "Corporate Governance" page of the Company's website, which is accessible through the "Investors" page.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

In accordance with applicable NYSE Rules, the Board has adopted the Abercrombie & Fitch Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, which was most recently amended by the Board on February 18, 2015 and is available on the Company's website at www.abc.com, accessible through the "Investors" page. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is applicable to all associates (including members of the Board), incorporates an additional Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, Controllers, the Treasurer, all Vice Presidents and designated financial associates. The Company intends to satisfy any disclosure requirements required by the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics by posting such information on the Company's website at www.abc.com, accessible through the "Investors" page.

Compensation and Organization Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

With respect to Fiscal 2014 and from February 1, 2015 through the date of this Proxy Statement, there were no relationships between any executive officer of the Company and any entity, one of whose executive officers is also an executive officer of the Company's Compensation and Organization Committee or the Board, or any other relationship that would be required to be disclosed under the applicable SEC Rules.

The Compensation and Organization Committee is currently comprised of Michael E. Greenlee, Neal, Charles R. Perrin and Craig R. Stapleton. Each of Messrs. Greenlee and Stapleton served as members of the Compensation and Organization Committee throughout Fiscal 2014. Messrs. Burman and Perrin have served as members of the Compensation and Organization Committee since February 20, 2014, and Ms. Neal has served as a member of the Compensation and Organization Committee since June 19, 2014. Kevin S. Huvane served as a member of the Compensation and Organization Committee from February 2, 2014 to June 19, 2014.

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SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND

The following table furnishes, with respect to each person who is known to the Company to be the owner of the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Company, the name and address of such person and the number of shares of Common Stock reported as beneficially owned (as determined in accordance with Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of the date of the filing of this report, the beneficial owner in the most recent Schedule 13G or Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC and the date of the filing of the most recent Schedule 13G or Schedule 13G/A for the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Company as of April 29, 2015.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	A Natur C
FMR LLC Edward C. Johnson 3d	
Abigail P. Johnson	
Fidelity Low-Priced Stock Fund 245 Summer Street Boston, MA 02210 BlackRock, Inc. 55 East 52nd Street	
New York, NY 10022 Invesco Ltd. 1555 Peachtree Street NE	
Atlanta, GA 30309 State Street Corporation State Street Financial Center	
One Lincoln Street	
Boston, MA 02111 The Vanguard Group, Inc. 100 Vanguard Blvd.	
Malvern, PA 19355 Snow Capital Management L.P. 2000 Georgetowne Drive, Suite 200	
Sewickley, PA 15143	

(1) The percent of class is based upon 69,550,630 shares of Common Stock outstanding on April 29, 2015.

(2) Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G/A filed by FMR LLC, Edward C. Johnson 3d, Abigail P. Johnson, Fidelity Low-Priced Stock Fund with the SEC on February 13, 2015 to report beneficial ownership of shares of the Company's Common Stock. Fidelity Low-Priced Stock Fund, a registered investment fund, 245 Summer Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210, owns 7,300,000 shares of Common Stock (10.5% of the shares outstanding on April 29, 2015).

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Edward C. Johnson 3d, who is a Director and the Chairman of FMR LLC, Abigail P. Johnson, who is a Executive Officer and the President of FMR LLC, and FMR LLC, through its control of Fidelity Manag wholly-owned subsidiary of FMR LLC and a registered investment advisor (FMR Co), and the vario FMR Co serves as investment adviser (the Fidelity Funds), each was reported to have sole power to o Stock owned by the Fidelity Funds. Neither FMR LLC nor Edward C. Johnson 3d nor Abigail P. Johnso vote or direct the voting of the shares of Common Stock owned directly by the Fidelity Funds, which po Funds Boards of Trustees. FMR Co was reported to carry out the voting of the shares of Common Stock Fidelity Funds Boards of Trustees.

Members of the family of Edward C. Johnson 3d, including Abigail P. Johnson, were reported to be the through trusts, of Series B voting common shares of FMR LLC, representing 49% of the voting power o group and all other Series B stockholders were reported to have entered into a stockholders voting agre common shares will be voted in accordance with the majority of the Series B voting common shares. Th common shares and the execution of the stockholders voting agreement, members of the Johnson fami Investment Company Act of 1940, to form a controlling group with respect to FMR LLC.

- ⁽³⁾ Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G/A filed by BlackRock, Inc. with the SEC on January shares of the Company s Common Stock as of December 31, 2014. BlackRock, Inc. reported that, thro

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is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 5,730,734 shares of Common Stock. BlackRock, Inc. reported sole dispositive power as to 5,730,734 shares.

(4) Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G/A filed by Invesco Ltd. with the SEC on January 12, 2015, Invesco Ltd. is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 4,752,187 shares of Common Stock as of December 31, 2014. Invesco Ltd. reported that, through its subsidiaries, it is the beneficial owner of 4,752,187 shares of Common Stock. Invesco Ltd. reported sole voting power and sole dispositive power as to all 4,752,187 shares.

(5) Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G filed by State Street Corporation with the SEC on February 10, 2015, State Street Corporation is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 4,707,532 shares of Common Stock as of December 31, 2014. State Street Corporation reported sole voting power and sole dispositive power as to all 4,707,532 shares.

(6) Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G/A filed by The Vanguard Group, Inc. with the SEC on January 12, 2015, The Vanguard Group, Inc. is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 4,205,540 shares of Common Stock as of December 31, 2014. The Vanguard Group, Inc. reported sole voting power as to 4,163,594 shares and shared dispositive power as to 41,946 shares.

Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company (VFTC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Vanguard Group, Inc., is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 41,916 shares of Common Stock (0.06% of the shares outstanding on April 29, 2015) as a result of VFTC's ownership of shares of the Company's Common Stock through various collective trust accounts.

Vanguard Investments Australia, Ltd. (VIA), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Vanguard Group, Inc., is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 6,400 shares of Common Stock (0.01% of the shares outstanding on April 29, 2015) as a result of VIA's ownership of shares of the Company's Common Stock through various investment offerings.

(7) Based on information contained in a Schedule 13G filed by Snow Capital Management, L.P. with the SEC on January 12, 2015, Snow Capital Management, L.P. is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 3,562,264 shares of Common Stock as of December 31, 2014. Snow Capital Management, L.P. reported sole voting power and sole dispositive power as to 3,562,264 shares.

The following table furnishes the number of shares of Common Stock of the Company beneficially owned (as determined in accordance with Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) by each of the current directors, by each of the named executive officers, and by all of the current directors and executive officers as a group, as of December 31, 2014.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Nature of Ownership
Christos E. Angelides	
James B. Bachmann	
Bonnie R. Brooks	
Terry L. Burman	
Diane Chang	
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	
Sarah M. Gallagher	
Michael E. Greenlees ⁽⁴⁾	
Archie M. Griffin ⁽⁴⁾	
Fran Horowitz	
Michael S. Jeffries	
Arthur C. Martinez ⁽⁴⁾	
Diane L. Neal	

Charles R. Perrin

Jonathan E. Ramsden

Stephanie M. Shern

Craig R. Stapleton⁽⁴⁾

Current directors and executive officers as a group (19 persons)

* Less than 1%.

⁽¹⁾ Unless otherwise indicated, each individual has voting and dispositive power over the listed shares of C
dispositive power is exercised solely by the named individual or shared with a spouse.

- (4) The Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership does not include the following number of shares or accounts of the following directors under the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan or that will be credited to the accounts of the following directors under the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan as of June 28, 2015 as a result of the deferral of RSUs which are to vest by June 28, 2015: Ms. Gallagher 3,000 shares; Mr. Griffin 37,452 shares; Mr. Martinez 54,037 shares; Mr. Perrin 4,500 shares; Mr. Stapleton 128,900 shares. While the directors have an economic interest in these shares, each director's only right (with respect to the amounts allocated thereto) is to receive a distribution of the whole shares of Common Stock represented by the bookkeeping account (plus cash representing the value of fractional shares) in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

To the Company's knowledge, based solely on a review of the forms furnished to the Company, forms were required, during Fiscal 2014, all directors, officers and beneficial owners of greater than 1% of the Company's Common Stock timely filed the reports required by Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act; except for one officer of the Company, filed one late Form 4 reporting two transactions. This Form 4 was filed in error in connection with the timing of the consummation of the transactions.

PROPOSAL 2 AMENDMENT OF THE COMPANY'S AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS TO PROVIDE PROXY ACCESS

Under this Proposal 2, the Board is recommending that our stockholders approve amendments to our Amended and Restated Bylaws to implement proxy access. The proposed amendments are contained in Section 2.04 of our Amended and Restated Bylaws, which is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix A (the "Amendments").

Proxy access allows eligible stockholders to include their own nominees for director in the Company's annual meeting of stockholders, along with the candidates nominated by the Board. A non-binding stockholder proposal was submitted to the Comptroller of the City of New York (the "New York City Comptroller"), in the capacity as the custodian of the New York City Employees' Retirement System, the New York City Fire Department Pension Fund, the New York City Police Pension Fund and the New York City Police Pension System and the New York City Police Pension Fund and the custodian of the New York City Police Pension System (collectively, the "New York City Pension Funds"), along with the Connecticut Retirement Plans and Trust Funds, Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement System, which requested that we adopt and present to our stockholders for approval received the support of a majority constituting 52% of the votes cast by our stockholders. After considering the views expressed by our stockholders, the Board proceeded to approve the proposed amendments to our Amended and Restated Bylaws to implement a proxy access rights proposal approved at our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

On March 11, 2015, the Company, the New York City Comptroller and the New York City Police Pension System, Retirement Plans and Trust Funds, The City of Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement System, Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement System Benefits Trust, collectively, announced an agreement that the Company would submit a proxy access proposal to our stockholders upon by stockholders at the 2015 Annual Meeting. As part of this agreement, the New York City Police Pension System, Retirement Plans and Trust Funds, The City of Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement System, Philadelphia Public Employees Retirement System Benefits Trust withdrew the stockholder proposal they had submitted for the 2015 Annual Meeting to support the Company's proposal in the form of the Amendments.

Pursuant to the Company's organizational documents, the Amendments will not become effective unless they receive the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock entitled to vote thereon. The Amendments would become effective upon the required approval by our stockholders. The Board believes that the Amendments meet the requirements and provisions designed to provide meaningful rights of proxy access while reducing the cost of the Company's annual meeting.

Description of Proposed Amendments

The following description of the proposed Amendments is only a summary and is qualified in its entirety by the text of the Amendments which is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix A. You are urged to read the Amendments in their entirety.

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Eligibility of Stockholders to Nominate Directors

Any stockholder or group of up to 20 stockholders who have maintained continuous qualifying ownership of the Company's outstanding Common Stock for at least the previous three years would be permitted to nominate director nominees in the Company's proxy materials for its annual meeting of stockholders. If the market capitalization of the Company (as determined in the manner provided in the Amendments) of the Company is at least \$2.5 billion, the maximum number of stockholders in a group constituting an eligible stockholder will be increased from 20 to 25.

Calculation of Qualifying Ownership

In order to ensure that the interests of stockholders seeking to include director nominees in the Company's proxy materials are consistent with those of other stockholders, a nominating stockholder would be deemed to own only those shares of the Company as to which the stockholder possesses both (i) the full voting and investment rights and (ii) the full economic interest in (including the opportunity for profit from and risk of loss on) such shares. The following shares will not count as "owned" shares for purposes of the Amendments:

• shares sold by the stockholder or any of the stockholder's affiliates or associates in any transaction that is not a closed transaction;

• shares borrowed by the stockholder or any of the stockholder's affiliates or associates, or shares held by the stockholder or any of the stockholder's affiliates or associates pursuant to an agreement to lend shares;

• shares subject to any option, warrant, forward contract, swap, contract of sale, other derivative instrument, or similar arrangement entered into by the stockholder or any of the stockholder's affiliates or associates, whether any such instrument is cash settled with shares or with cash based on the notional amount or value of shares of outstanding Common Stock, if the agreement or instrument has, or is intended to have, the purpose or effect of (a) reducing the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding in the future, the stockholder's or the stockholder's affiliate's or associate's full ownership of such shares, or (b) hedging, offsetting or altering to any degree gain or loss realized or realized in the future on the economic ownership of such shares by the stockholder or the stockholder's affiliate or associate;

A stockholder will be deemed to "own" shares of outstanding Common Stock that have been loaned to another person if and only if the stockholder has the right to recall such loaned shares, undertake any action with respect to such shares upon being notified that any of the stockholder's nominees will be included in the Company's proxy materials for its annual meeting. A stockholder will also be deemed to own shares of Common Stock held in the name of a nominee or other intermediary so long as the stockholder retains the right to instruct how the shares are voted in the Company's proxy materials for its annual meeting and the full economic interest in the shares.

Number of Stockholder-Nominated Candidates

The maximum number of candidates nominated by all eligible stockholders that the Company may include in the Company's proxy materials is 25% of the number of directors in office as of the last day on which the Company's proxy materials are delivered to the Company under the advance notice of nomination provisions of the Company's proxy materials described in the section captioned **PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**. If the 25% calculation does not result in a whole number, the maximum number of stockholder-nominated candidates will be the closest whole number below 25%. If one or more vacancies occur on the Board, or the Board determines to increase the number of directors in connection with the annual meeting, after the advance notice of nomination deadline, the number of stockholder-nominated candidates will be reduced to the reduced number of directors. Any stockholder-nominated candidate who is either subsequently elected to the Board or included by the Board in the Company's proxy materials as a Board-nominated candidate would not be counted against the maximum number of stockholder-nominated candidates.

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Procedure for Electing Candidates if Nominee Limit Exceeded

If the number of stockholder-nominated candidates exceeds the nominee limit, each nominating stockholder will include the name of the nominee for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials, beginning with the nominating stockholder's ownership and proceeding through the list of nominating stockholders in descending order of ownership until the nominee limit is reached.

Nominating Procedures

In order to provide adequate time to assess stockholder-nominated candidates, requests to include a nominee in the Company's proxy materials must be delivered or mailed and received at the Company's principal executive office no later than 150 days and no later than 120 days before the first anniversary of the date that the Company held its annual meeting of stockholders for the previous year.

Information Required of All Nominating Stockholders

Each stockholder seeking to include a director nominee in the Company's proxy materials will be required to provide the following information to the Company, including:

verification of, and information regarding, the stockholder's ownership of shares of the Company as of the date of the submission of the nomination and continuous qualifying ownership through the date of the annual meeting;

the information required by the advance notice of nomination provisions of the Company's charter;

a copy of the stockholder's notice on Schedule 14N that has been filed with the SEC;

the written consent of the stockholder nominee to being named in the Company's proxy materials as a director, if elected; and

the written consent of the stockholder to the public disclosure of the information provided in the notice of nomination. Nominating stockholders would also be required to make certain representations to and agree to the following:

lack of intent to change or influence control of the Company;

intent to maintain qualifying ownership through the annual meeting date;

intentions with respect to maintaining qualifying ownership for at least one additional year;

refraining from nominating any person for election to the Board other than the stockholder's nominee through the proxy access process;

intent to be present in person or by proxy to submit the stockholder's nomination at the

engaging and/or participating only in the solicitation of the stockholder's nominees or

not distributing any form of proxy for the annual meeting other than the form distributed

complying with solicitation rules and assuming liabilities related to and indemnifying the
of the nomination;

the accuracy and completeness of all facts, statements and other information provided to

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recalling any outstanding shares that have been loaned by or on behalf of the stockholder counted for purposes of determining the stockholder's qualifying ownership and eligibility; notified that any of the stockholder's nominees will be included in the Company's proxy meeting.

Information Required of All Stockholder Nominees

Each stockholder nominee would be required to make certain written representations to and agree

refraining from voting agreements or commitments to act or vote as a director on any issues disclosed to the Company;

not becoming a party to any compensatory, reimbursement or indemnification arrangements with the Company in connection with such nominee's candidacy for director or service on a

complying with applicable laws and stock exchange requirements and the Company's policies applicable to directors; and

the accuracy and completeness of all facts, statements and other information provided to the Company. Stockholder nominees would also be required to submit completed and signed questionnaires regarding conflicts of interest, officers, and provide any additional information required for the Board's independence evaluation.

Exclusion of Stockholder Nominees

The Company would not be required to include a stockholder nominee in the Company's proxy

if he or she has been nominated on an opposing slate under the advance notice of nomination provisions of the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws;

if the stockholder who nominated him or her is soliciting for one or more candidates notwithstanding the advance notice of nomination provisions of the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws;

if the nominee becomes party to a compensatory, reimbursement or indemnification arrangement with the Company in connection with such nominee's candidacy for director or service on a

if the nominee is not independent under any applicable independence standards;

if the election of the nominee would cause the Company to violate its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, any stock exchange requirements or any other applicable securities

if the nominee has been an officer or director of a competitor, as defined in Section 8 of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, during the

the nominee is the subject of a pending criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violation) or has been convicted in a criminal proceeding within the past ten years; or

the nominee or the nominating stockholder has provided false or misleading information in connection with the nomination, or such person's respective obligations under the Amendments.

The Board or the chairman of the annual meeting would declare a director nomination by a stockholder to be disregarded, if (i) the director nominee or the stockholder breaches any of the provisions of the Amendments or (ii) the stockholder does not appear at the annual meeting in person or by proxy.

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Future Disqualification of Stockholder Nominees

Any stockholder nominee who is included in the Company's proxy materials but subsequently for election at the annual meeting would be ineligible for nomination for the next two succeeding

Supporting Statement

Nominating stockholders would be permitted to include in the Company's proxy statement for 500-word statement in support of their nominee(s). The Company may omit any information or faith, believes would violate any applicable law or regulation, including by being materially false or harmful to the Company.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE *FOR* THE AMENDMENTS TO OUR AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS TO IMPLEMENT

Required Vote

Pursuant to Article FIFTH, Section 2 of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, holders of at least 75% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock entitled to vote thereon is required. Abstentions and broker non-votes, if any, will have the effect of votes ***AGAINST*** the proposal.

PROPOSAL 3 ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

We are asking stockholders to approve an advisory resolution on the Company's executive compensation Statement. As described below in the **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS** beginning on page 59, we considered the say on pay votes in 2013 and 2014, listened to our stockholders' comments and changes in the compensation program for Mr. Jeffries and the other NEOs.

The Company's compensation programs are closely aligned with the Company's performance and performance is the fact that the NEOs did not earn any annual cash incentive payments under Fiscal 2014 performance because the minimum operating income goals were not achieved. (Mr. Horowitz and Ms. Horowitz did receive payment of minimum guaranteed bonuses for Fiscal 2014 that were not subject to additional inducement to accepting employment with the Company.) In addition, the threshold (below) goal for PSAs granted to NEOs in Fiscal 2014 was not achieved and, as such, that portion of the bonus was not payable.

During Fiscal 2013, the Compensation and Organization Committee responded to stockholder comments regarding Mr. Jeffries' 2008 employment agreement by renegotiating the terms of his employment and reducing his compensation to market norms. The Company entered into a new employment agreement with Mr. Jeffries that increased the alignment between his compensation opportunities and business performance.

In connection with his retirement on December 8, 2014, the Company entered into a retirement agreement that provided compensation as if his employment had been terminated without cause pursuant to his employment agreement. The agreement provided for the forfeiture of unvested long-term incentive awards that were granted to him within two years prior to his retirement and the forfeiture of unvested long-term incentive awards that were granted at least two years prior to his retirement. The agreement also provided for performance-based awards which would vest, if at all, based on actual performance over the entire term of the agreement. The benefits Mr. Jeffries was entitled to upon retirement under the terms of his employment agreement provide for cash payments and benefits continuation in the aggregate amount of \$5,300,000.

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In Fiscal 2014, we:

Continued to provide under the cash Incentive Plan that awards were eligible to be earned over a one-year performance period, rather than two semi-annual periods as had been the case prior to Fiscal 2013.

Changed the mix of the annual long-term incentive awards granted to the NEOs to emphasize performance metrics. 100% of the annual equity award granted to Mr. Jeffries in Fiscal 2014 was in the form of PSAs and 25% of the annual equity award granted to Mr. Ramsden in Fiscal 2014 consisted of PSAs and 75% consisted of RSUs. The annual equity awards granted to the other NEOs in Fiscal 2014 consisted of PSAs and RSUs. The equity awards granted to Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz were in connection with their hiring by the Company which occurred after the annual long-term incentive awards were granted to the other NEOs. Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz received inducement grants rather than annual equity awards in Fiscal 2014.

Extended the time frame for measuring performance and vesting of PSAs to three years.

Revised the design of the PSAs granted to the NEOs, including Mr. Jeffries, to provide performance metrics linked to the Company's stated operating and stockholder return goals rather than relative performance metrics.

Weighted the three new PSA metrics as follows: one-third based on Relative Total Stockholder Return versus the S&P Retail Select Industry Index; one-third based on Return on Equity (ROE); and one-third based on the improvement in Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) margin (EBIT Margin).

Set rigorous goals incorporating a high degree of difficulty.

Required that Mr. Jeffries forfeit the PSAs to be earned based on relative TSR if absolute TSR performance is below target for the performance period.

Capped the percentage which may be earned by the other NEOs at 100% of the target EBIT Margin over the three-year performance period.

In recent years, the Company has made other changes to its executive compensation programs to conform with best practices. The Company's annual and long-term incentive compensation programs allow the Company to seek repayment of any incentive amounts that were erroneously paid to the part of the plan participant before the clawback is triggered. Further, the Company has implemented a policy that prohibits all directors and executive officers. The Company also prohibits associates (including the NEOs) from engaging in hedging activities with respect to, or pledging, any equity securities of the Company held by them.

Stockholders are urged to read the **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS** beginning on page 10 for more detail how the Company's executive compensation policies and procedures achieve the Company's goals, as well as the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** beginning on page 74 and related information which provide detailed information on the compensation of the NEOs.

In accordance with Section 14A of the Exchange Act, and as a matter of good corporate governance, we are asking our stockholders to approve the following advisory resolution at the Annual Meeting:

RESOLVED, that the stockholders of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. (the Company) approve, on the basis of the information furnished by the Company's named executive officers disclosed in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, Table and the related compensation tables, notes and narrative in the Proxy Statement for the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Company's Stockholders.

This advisory resolution, commonly referred to as a Say on Pay vote, is non-binding on the Company and the Compensation and Organization Committee will carefully review and

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consider the voting results when evaluating our executive compensation programs for Fiscal 2014. In addition to account the advisory vote of stockholders regarding the frequency of future advisory votes to be held at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the Board’s current policy is to include an advisory resolution on executive compensation of our named executive officers annually. Accordingly, unless the Board modifies its policy, the next advisory vote to approve our executive compensation will occur at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE “FOR” THE PROPOSAL.

THE APPROVAL OF THE ADVISORY RESOLUTION ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION IS A NON-BINDING MATTER.

Required Vote

The approval of the advisory resolution on executive compensation requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting thereon. Under applicable NYSE Rules, abstentions will not be counted as votes *FOR* or *AGAINST* the proposal.

COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis provides important information on our executive compensation programs and the amounts shown in the executive compensation tables that follow. In this Proxy Statement, the term “named executive officers” (sometimes referred to as “NEOs”) means the individual executive officers named in the executive compensation tables (and listed below). The compensation programs are governed by the Compensation and Organization Committee (the “Committee”), which is comprised solely of independent directors.

The Company’s NEOs include the following individuals:

NEO	Position
Michael S. Jeffries	Former Chief Executive Officer
Jonathan E. Ramsden	Chief Operating Officer
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	Executive Vice President
Christos E. Angelides	Brand President of Abercrombie Kids
Fran Horowitz	Brand President of Home Goods
Diane Chang	Executive Vice President

(1) On December 8, 2014, Mr. Jeffries retired from the position of Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

Executive Summary

Year of Transition

We made a number of organizational changes at the end of Fiscal 2013 and during Fiscal 2014, designed to support a transition in leadership in the event of Michael S. Jeffries’ eventual retirement. These changes reflect our organizational model. They also reflect our commitment to best practices in corporate governance.

On January 27, 2014, the Board separated the positions of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board from Arthur C. Martinez, Terry L. Burman and Charles R. Perrin to three newly-created director positions. Subsequently, the Board elected Arthur C. Martinez as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board. Subsequently, the Board elected Bonnie R. Brooks, Sarah M. Gallagher, Diane L. Neal and Stephanie M. Shuman as directors. In connection with the decision of four incumbent directors not to stand for re-election, at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the Board

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On January 27, 2014, the Board created the new position of Chief Operating Officer (COO) and appointed Jonathan E. Ramsden, the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, to the position of COO. Mr. Ramsden is responsible for overseeing the Company's operations and in managing the overall execution of the Company's long-range strategic plan.

On May 5, 2014, Joanne C. Crevoiserat commenced employment as our new Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

We created two new Brand President positions to lead the execution of our brand-based strategy. In 2014, Christos E. Angelides and Fran Horowitz each commenced employment as our new Brand Presidents for Fitch and abercrombie kids and of Hollister, respectively.

On December 8, 2014, Michael S. Jeffries retired from the position of Chief Executive Officer and a director of the Company. At that time, Mr. Martinez was appointed Executive Chairman of the Company, Mr. Martinez was appointed as Interim Principal Executive Officer, and we formed an Office of the Chairman. Mr. Martinez, Mr. Ramsden, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz. This allows for effective management of this transition period. As a result of this appointment, Mr. Martinez is spending a significant amount of time as the Chairman. In addition, certain officers of the Company, including the members of the Board, have been appointed to provide the necessary support to Mr. Martinez as a representative of the Board. Mr. Martinez continues to provide the necessary support as the Board continues its search and selection process for a new Chief Executive Officer.

Our Board has established a working group to conduct a search and selection process for a new Chief Executive Officer. During Fiscal 2013, the Compensation Committee responded to stockholder concerns related to Mr. Jeffries' employment agreement by renegotiating the terms of his employment and reducing his compensation to reflect the Company's performance. The Company entered into a new employment agreement with Michael S. Jeffries that was effective as of December 8, 2014, which aligns his compensation opportunities and business performance.

In connection with his retirement, the Company entered into a retirement agreement with Mr. Jeffries. If his employment had been terminated without cause pursuant to his employment agreement, including any cash incentive awards that were granted to him within two years prior to his retirement. No portion of the cash incentive awards that had been granted to him at least two years prior to his retirement vested as a result of his retirement. Mr. Jeffries was entitled to upon retirement under the terms of his employment agreement. The retirement agreement provide for cash payments and benefits continuation in the aggregate amount of \$5,000,000.

Pay for Performance Culture

Fiscal 2014 was a year of significant change for the Company. The Company continues to evolve to meet the changes and challenges in the macroeconomic and consumer environment and remains committed to the interests of our stockholders. The Company is focused on executing its long-term strategic plan, with an emphasis on driving sales trend, continuing to invest in direct-to-consumer operations and omnichannel capabilities, improving operational management, pursuing additional opportunities to expand the brand reach, and ensuring we are focused on growth and increased accountability to the bottom line. In addition, the Company has implemented a new compensation model with the appointment of Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz. The successful transition to a new compensation model is expected to sharpen the focus on and accountability for the performance of the Company's brands.

The Company's compensation programs are closely aligned with the Company's performance. A key factor in our compensation and performance is the fact that the NEOs did not earn any annual cash incentive payments under their employment agreements for Fiscal 2014 performance because the minimum operating performance goal was not achieved.

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income goals were not achieved. (However, Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz guaranteed bonuses for Fiscal 2014 that were provided on a one-time basis as an additional inducement to the Company.) In addition, the PSAs granted to NEOs in March 2013 were forfeited because the Company did not achieve the threshold EBIT Margin Improvement goal for PSAs granted in March 2013. Additionally, the threshold EBIT Margin Improvement goal for PSAs granted in March 2013 was not achieved. That portion of those PSA awards was forfeited.

As reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table**, beginning on page 74, for Fiscal 2014, the total compensation (base salary, annual cash incentive payments and long-term incentives) paid to or earned by the NEOs was as follows:

Named Executive Officer	Base Salary (\$)	Annual Cash Incentive Payment ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	PSAs	Long-Term Incentives
Michael S. Jeffries	\$ 1,303,846	\$ 0	\$ 5,291,182 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$ 962,693	\$ 0	\$ 1,425,644 ⁽⁴⁾	
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	\$ 522,500	\$ 300,000	\$ 0	
Christos E. Angelides	\$ 267,885	\$ 250,000	\$ 0	
Fran Horowitz	\$ 267,885	\$ 262,500	\$ 417,976 ⁽⁴⁾	
Diane Chang	\$ 995,000	\$ 0	\$ 792,005 ⁽⁴⁾	

(1) Although no annual cash incentive payments were earned under the Incentive Plan for Fiscal 2014 per the terms of the Incentive Plan, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz had been guaranteed the minimum annual cash incentive payment notwithstanding their termination of employment with the Company. Going forward, none of the current executive officers is guaranteed a minimum annual cash incentive payment.

(2) The RSU award amount shown for our three newly-hired executive officers, Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz, reflects grants of equity replacement awards designated to compensate each executive officer for the value of the RSUs they received from their former employers that were forfeited as a result of the termination of their employment with the Company upon their commencement of employment with the Company. These RSUs will vest for Ms. Crevoiserat and Ms. Horowitz on the first four anniversaries of the grant date; and for Mr. Angelides, 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 25% on the second anniversary of the grant date and 20% on the third anniversary of the grant date.

(3) The PSAs granted to Mr. Jeffries were subsequently forfeited pursuant to the terms of his retirement agreement.

(4) The PSA values shown for each of Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Ramsden, Ms. Horowitz and Ms. Chang do not include the value of the Fiscal 2014 PSAs that are based on an annual EBIT Margin Improvement metric for each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016. The EBIT Margin Improvement metrics for such portions of these Fiscal 2014 PSA grants are to be established by the Company in the first quarter of each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016, and, therefore, the values of such portions were not determinable as of the end of Fiscal 2014.

Stockholder Outreach on Say on Pay Vote

As a result of the Company's extensive stockholder outreach efforts and responsiveness to stockholder feedback, representing over 90% of the votes cast voted in favor of the Company's executive compensation proposal at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. The Company continued in Fiscal 2014 to have extensive dialogue with our stockholders. In the first six months, we held discussions with stockholders who, in the aggregate represented approximately 10% of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting. The Company expects to continue such meetings prior to the Annual Meeting. The Company's practice, fosters and encourages engagement with our stockholders on compensation and other matters.

Stockholders generally indicated that they were interested in:

Performance-based equity compensation for NEOs that is aligned with stockholder return

Alignment of compensation arrangements between the Chief Executive Officer and other

Rigorous performance metrics that include relative metrics;

Different metrics for long-term incentives;

Multi-year performance periods;

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Willingness to see management highly rewarded for strong performance; and

Linkage of metrics to stated operational goals.

The Compensation Committee responded to the feedback we received from our stockholders and on Pay votes. The Compensation Committee demonstrated its commitment to ensuring that the policies and practices are effective in aligning the interests of executives with the achievement of long-term stockholder value by implementing changes to the design and disclosure of our executive compensation program for Fiscal 2014.

Changes to the Compensation Program for Fiscal 2014

The Company implemented significant changes in its compensation programs for its NEOs for

Ø Effective in Fiscal 2013 and continuing in Fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee revised the cash Incentive Plan to provide that awards are eligible to be earned based on an annual performance period or semi-annual periods.

Ø Changed the mix of the annual long-term incentive awards granted to the NEOs to emphasize the annual equity award granted to Mr. Jeffries in Fiscal 2014 consisted of PSAs. 75% of the award granted to Mr. Ramsden in Fiscal 2014 consisted of PSAs and 25% consisted of SARs. Between 40% and 50% of the awards granted to the other NEOs in Fiscal 2014 consisted of PSAs and the remainder consisted of SARs and RSUs. The awards granted to Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz in Fiscal 2014 were made in connection with the acquisition of the Company and occurred after the annual long-term incentive awards were granted to the other NEOs. Ms. Crevoiserat and Ms. Horowitz received inducement grants and equity replacement grants rather than annual equity awards.

Ø For PSAs, the time frame for measuring performance was extended to three years (from two years) when the program was implemented.

Ø Revised the design of the PSAs granted to the NEOs, including Mr. Jeffries, to provide for metrics linked to the Company's stated operating and stockholder return goals rather than a simple percentage increase in stock price.

Ø Weighted the three new PSA metrics as follows: one-third based on Relative Total Stock Return (RTSR) to the Retail Select Industry Index; one-third based on Return on Equity (ROE); and one-third based on Operating Interest and Taxes (EBIT) margin (EBIT Margin Improvement).

Ø Incorporated a high degree of difficulty in the relative TSR goals by requiring performance to be in the top quartile of companies in the S&P Retail Select Industry Index before the target PSA payout is earned and in the top decile before the maximum PSA payout is earned.

Ø Required that Mr. Jeffries forfeit the PSAs to be earned based on relative TSR if absolute performance period.

Ø Capped the percentage which may be earned by the NEOs (other than Mr. Jeffries) at 100% of negative TSR over the three-year performance period.

Ø Selected ROE as a PSA metric associated with long-term value creation and set the performance level at 10.5%, with the performance level for maximum payout set at 20%, to reward superior performance.

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A summary of the financial targets approved by the Committee for PSAs granted in Fiscal 2014

Payout Level Under Performance Metric	Total Stockholder Return vs. the S&P Retail Select Industry Index for Fiscal Years 2014 through 2016*	Return on Equity for Fiscal 2014 through 2016*
Maximum	90 th Percentile or More	20% or more
Target	60 th Percentile	15%
Threshold	30 th Percentile	10.5%

* If the performance level falls between Threshold and Target or between Target and Maximum, the performance level will be determined by linear interpolation.

Best Practices

In addition to the changes to the compensation programs described above, the following compensation programs demonstrate how the Company's executive compensation program reflects best practices and market values:

Ø ***Emphasis on At-Risk Pay*** For NEOs, the majority of their total compensation opportunity is based on financial performance and appreciation in the market price of the Company's Common Stock.

Ø ***Rigorous Performance Metrics*** Both the annual cash incentive payments and the PSA awards are based on results. Annual cash incentive payments are earned for meeting challenging operating income goals. PSA awards are earned for meeting three metrics: relative TSR, ROE and EBIT Margin Improvement.

Ø ***Challenging Performance Targets*** No annual cash incentive payments were earned in Fiscal 2014 because the minimum operating income goals were not met. (However, Ms. Creveling and Ms. Horowitz did receive payment of minimum guaranteed bonuses for Fiscal 2014 that were not subject to additional inducement to accepting employment with the Company.) In addition, the PSAs granted to Mr. Horowitz were forfeited because the minimum EPS goal was not met. Additionally, the threshold EBIT Margin Improvement goal for NEOs in Fiscal 2014 was not achieved and, as such, that portion of those PSA awards was forfeited.

Ø ***No Excise Tax Gross-Up Payments*** None of the NEOs is entitled to gross-up payment of excise tax benefits provided to him or her by the Company are subject to the golden parachute excise tax under Section 280E of the Internal Revenue Code.

Ø **Stock Ownership Guidelines** Executive officers and directors are subject to stock ownership guidelines that align their long-term financial interests with those of the Company's stockholders.

Ø **Clawback Policy** Each of the plans pursuant to which annual and long-term incentive compensation is paid to the Company's executive officers includes a stringent clawback provision, which allows the Company to recover amounts that were erroneously paid, without any requirement of misconduct on the part of the executive officer.

Ø **Derivatives and Hedging Policy** The Company prohibits associates (including the NEOs) from entering into derivatives and hedging transactions with respect to any equity securities of the Company held by them.

Ø **Policy Against Pledging** The Company prohibits associates (including the NEOs) from pledging their personal securities of the Company held by them.

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Further Changes to the Compensation Program for Fiscal 2015

For Fiscal 2015, the Company is implementing additional changes to its compensation program practices and ensure continued alignment between executive incentives and achievement of financial and stockholder value. These changes for Fiscal 2015 take into account the anticipated challenges from the leadership transition in identifying a new Chief Executive Officer and continues to face a difficult

The annual cash incentive for NEOs and selected other senior executives in Fiscal 2015 will provide support during the leadership transition and challenging business conditions by enabling the Compensation Committee to determine individual awards based on Company performance and individual performance, in addition to Company and strategic goal(s), as long as minimum operating income goals are met. However, individual awards for NEOs and selected other senior executives have not changed and will continue to be capped at 100% of base salary. For Fiscal 2015 will ensure that the Compensation Committee has the flexibility in an uncertain year to award NEOs and selected other senior executives as appropriate based on performance, in alignment with the Company's strategy. The Compensation Committee intends that any payments under this approach qualify as performance-based under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code and under the Company's stockholder-approved performance-based award plan that guarantee that any individual payment would so qualify.

For PSAs granted to NEOs and selected other senior executives in Fiscal 2015, the time frame for the awards will continue to be three years, and metrics will continue to be linked to both operating goals and stockholder value. The Fiscal 2015 PSA metrics will be 50% based on Relative TSR versus the S&P Retail Select Index and 50% based on Return on Invested Capital (ROIC). The ROIC metric replaces the ROE metric used for Fiscal 2014. The Company believes the ROIC metric is a more appropriate metric for companies in the retail industry. The ROE metric, which was used for PSAs granted in Fiscal 2014, was eliminated as a PSA metric for equity awards to simplify the program. In addition, the mix of long-term incentive awards for Fiscal 2015 will be 50% performance-based awards, with a significant portion of equity awards for NEOs and selected other senior executives PSAs.

Finally, for associates other than NEOs and selected other senior executives, the short-term cash incentive will be based on two semi-annual periods, to help enhance retention and engagement by accelerating performance. In addition, in conjunction with the Company's shift to a brand-based strategy and organizational changes, the short-term cash incentive for brand-based divisional associates will be based 50% on the financial results of their respective divisions and 50% on the financial results for the Company; for corporate associates, the short-term cash incentive will be based on the Company's financial results. This brand-focused incentive compensation for brand-based divisional associates is designed to align between performance and short-term cash incentives. By focusing on accountability and results, the Fiscal 2015 approach will provide greater line-of-sight and motivation for Incentive Plan participants and drive overall Company performance.

Compensation Process and Objectives

The Compensation Committee, in consultation with management of the Company and the Compensation Committee advisors, oversees the executive compensation and benefits program for the Company's NEOs and selected other senior executives. The program is comprised of a combination of base salary, annual incentive compensation, long-term incentive compensation and restricted stock. One of the objectives of the executive compensation program is to attract, motivate and retain key creative and managerial talent in the highly-competitive specialty retail industry. The executive compensation program is designed to align compensation and reward individuals for achieving challenging financial and operational objectives that will drive the Company's sustaining of long-term stockholder value.

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The Company operates in the fast-paced and highly-competitive arena of specialty retail. To be successful, the Company must attract, hire, develop, and retain key creative and management talents who thrive in this environment. The Company's compensation structure is designed to attract and retain top talent and drive performance from these individuals. The Company's executive compensation structure is designed to drive performance from these individuals. The Company's executive compensation and benefit programs are designed to:

Drive high performance to achieve financial goals and create long-term stockholder value;

Reflect the strong team-based culture of the Company;

Support the transition to a brand-based organizational model; and

Provide compensation opportunities that are competitive with those offered by similar companies with which the Company competes for high caliber executive talent.

Elements of Compensation Program

The Company's compensation program for Fiscal 2014 consisted of the following elements:

	Pay Element	What It Does	
	Cash	Fixed pay that takes into account an individual's role and responsibilities, experience, expertise and individual performance	Expected goals
Base Salary	Annual Cash Incentive Payments under the Incentive Plan	Variable pay that is designed to reward the attainment of short-term business goals, with target award opportunities expressed as a percentage of base salary	Adjusted
Annual Incentive	PSAs		Performance Fiscal
			(3%)
		Stock-based awards tied to increases in stockholder value over longer periods of time, achievement of operating objectives and retention that are intended to align the interests of associates to those of stockholders	(3%)
			(3%)
	RSUs		Share

	SARs	Share
Other	Benefits	N/A
		Additional programs offered to attract and retain capable associates

- (1) Relative TSR as measured versus the S&P Retail Select Industry Index at both the beginning and the end of the performance period.
- (2) ROE as measured on an average basis over the performance period and calculated as GAAP Net Income divided by average quarterly stockholders' equity for the year.
- (3) EBIT Margin Improvement as measured by comparing the prior year and current year adjusted EBIT margin improvement.

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Fiscal 2014 Compensation Actions

Base Salary

The base salaries of the NEOs reflect the Company's operating philosophy, culture and business strategy, which are determined based upon an annual assessment of a number of factors, including the individual's role, internal equity considerations, impact on development and achievement of business strategy, the individual's performance relative to job requirements, the Company's ability to attract and retain talent, and the salaries paid for comparable positions within an identified compensation peer group. No specific factors are considered in setting the level of base salary, and thus the process relies on the subjective judgment of the Compensation Committee's judgment.

At the time of his appointment as COO, Mr. Ramsden's base salary was increased to \$995,000 and went into effect, at Mr. Ramsden's request, until the date on which base salary adjustments went into effect for the Company on March 23, 2014. The initial base salaries for Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Chang were set in offer letters entered into in connection with their hiring by the Company. In approving the base salaries, the Compensation Committee reviewed market data on base salaries published by numerous sources, including those described below and surveys published by Hay Group and Equilar. These base salaries were based on market data above, and were primarily driven by internal equity considerations and market comparisons, and not by performance rating. Ms. Chang did not receive a base salary adjustment, because her base salary was already within the industry.

Annual Cash Incentive Plan

The annual cash Incentive Plan is designed to focus on and reward short-term operating performance. The Company's management incentive programs with eligibility approaching 1,000 participants, in

The Incentive Plan has target incentive levels, expressed as a percentage of base salary, for each NEO. The target levels under the Incentive Plan vary based upon the performance of the Company relative to the goals set for the beginning of each fiscal year. The maximum incentive opportunity that can be earned under the Incentive Plan is the target award, and is designed for the achievement of outstanding performance. For performance below the target and maximum performance levels, the Company awards incentive payout amounts which are based on performance falling below the threshold performance level, no incentive payouts are made.

The table below shows the potential payouts for Fiscal 2014 to the NEOs under the Incentive Plan.

NEO	Minimum Annual Cash Incentive Payment ⁽¹⁾	Payment at Threshold Performance Level as a % of Base Salary ⁽²⁾
Michael S. Jeffries	\$ 0	0%
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$ 0	0%
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	\$ 300,000	0%
Christos E. Angelides	\$ 250,000	0%
Fran Horowitz	\$ 262,500	0%
Diane Chang	\$ 0	0%

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(1) Although no annual cash incentive payments were earned under the Incentive Plan for Fiscal 2014 performance, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz had been guaranteed the minimum annual cash incentive payment upon their employment as an inducement to accepting employment with the Company. Going forward, none of the current executive officers will receive a minimum annual cash incentive payment.

(2) Payments would only occur if a level above the threshold operating income goal were achieved. For Fiscal 2014, the Company's Incentive Plan was based upon a single, twelve-month period, as opposed to the six-month periods as had been the design prior to Fiscal 2013.

The Compensation Committee intends that payments under the Incentive Plan qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, although there can be no guarantee that any individual payment will so qualify.

Consistent with prior years, the Company performance measure for Fiscal 2014 was operating income, excluding restructuring or similar costs approved by the Board, consulting fees and other costs in connection with the Company's profit improvement initiative, or other extraordinary items or impairment charges. For Fiscal 2014, no executive officers received a bonus under the Incentive Plan because the minimum operating income goal was not met. However, Ms. Crevoiserat and Ms. Horowitz did receive payment of minimum guaranteed bonuses for Fiscal 2014 that were not subject to the Incentive Plan as additional inducement to accepting employment with the Company. The metrics and actual results for Fiscal 2014 performance period were as follows:

	Threshold ⁽¹⁾	Target ⁽²⁾
% Payout	0%	100%
Operating Income	\$ 222,877	\$ 292,500

(1) Payout would be achieved for any performance greater than the operating income goal of \$222,877,000.

(2) The actual Fiscal 2014 Operating Income was less than the threshold level of \$222,877,000, which was not met.

Sign-on and Relocation Bonuses

In addition to the annual incentive award opportunities described above, in connection with the employment of Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz received a sign-on bonus as an inducement to their employment with the Company. These sign-on bonuses to Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz were made up of grants at former employers that would not occur because of their move to the Company. The sign-on bonuses were a single lump sum in cash upon the executive officer's commencement of employment with the Company and were not required to repay the sign-on bonus in full if he or she resigns without good reason or is terminated without cause on or her first day of employment. The amounts of the sign-on bonuses were as follows: Ms. Crevoiserat \$100,000; and Ms. Horowitz \$450,000. Mr. Angelides also received a supplemental sign-on bonus of \$100,000, subject to the forfeiture of the target bonus he would have received from his former employer, subject to the same terms as the sign-on bonus under the same terms as the sign-on bonus. In addition, Ms. Crevoiserat and Mr. Angelides received relocation bonuses in the amounts of \$25,000 and \$50,000, respectively.

Long-Term Equity Incentives

Long-term equity incentives are used to balance the annual focus of the Incentive Plan by tying executive compensation to performance achieved over multi-year periods. Under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP (the "Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2007 LTIP)"), the Compensation Committee may grant a variety of equity-based incentives.

including stock options, SARs, RSUs, and PSAs. As noted above, in Fiscal 2014, the Company performance-based RSUs, SARs and PSAs.

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The aggregate grant date fair value of the long-term incentives granted to the NEOs as part of the target mix of such awards is shown below. The grant date fair values of the awards made to our NEOs are detailed below in the section captioned ***Inducement and Equity Replacement Grants***. Mr. Ramsden was established pursuant to his employment agreement that became effective February 2, 2014 and is required to deliver 100% of his award in PSAs. The PSAs granted to Mr. Jeffries were subsequently forfeited pursuant to his retirement agreement with the Company. Mr. Ramsden's grant date fair value was determined based on performance, market pay data, and consideration of the competitiveness of her overall compensation and the mix was designed to emphasize PSAs. The grant to Ms. Chang represents her annual equity award based on performance, market pay data, and consideration of the competitiveness of her overall compensation.

Aggregate Grant Date Fair Value and Target Mix of Annual Long-Term Incentives

Named Executive Officer	Aggregate Grant Date Fair Value
Michael S. Jeffries	\$ 5,291,182 ⁽¹⁾
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$ 2,001,644 ⁽¹⁾
Diane Chang	\$ 1,844,180 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The PSA values for each of Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Ramsden and Ms. Chang do not include values representing 2014 PSAs that are based on an annual EBIT Margin Improvement metric for each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016. EBIT Margin Improvement metrics for such portions of these Fiscal 2014 PSA grants are to be determined by the Compensation Committee at the beginning of each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016, and, therefore, the values of these PSAs are not determinable during Fiscal 2014.

Performance Share Awards. The number of PSAs earned will vary from 0% to 200% of target, with respect to the rigorous performance criteria described above. The threshold EBIT Margin Improvement metric for NEOs in Fiscal 2014 was not achieved and, as such, that portion of those PSA awards was forfeited. The PSA awards for NEOs in March 2013 were forfeited because the minimum EPS goal was not achieved.

Restricted Stock Units (Annual Grant). The Company typically includes a performance component for the NEOs. Subject to continued employment with the Company, performance-based RSUs will vest 25% a year over a four-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. If the non-GAAP net income is positive for the fiscal year ended immediately preceding the date the performance hurdle is not met, the RSUs will not vest in accordance with the vesting schedule. The Company provides an opportunity to earn back this unvested portion of the RSU award if the cumulative performance hurdle is met, subject to her continued employment with the Company. The Compensation Committee retains the right to modify the vesting schedules for specific circumstances.

Stock Appreciation Rights. The SARs granted in Fiscal 2014 to Mr. Ramsden and Ms. Chang vest beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date, subject to continued employment with the Company.

Inducement and Equity Replacement Grants

In connection with their hiring by the Company, each of Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Mr. Ramsden received equity replacement grants designed to induce each executive officer to commence employment with the Company. The unvested equity grants awarded to each executive officer by his or her former employer that were forfeited upon termination of employment with the former employer.

Ms. Crevoiserat received inducement and equity replacement grants in the form of RSUs and SARs (subject to continued employment) 25% a year over a four-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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Mr. Angelides received an inducement grant in the form of SARs which will vest (assuming continued employment) 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date and an additional 20% on the second anniversary of the grant date and an additional 20% on the third anniversary of the grant date. Mr. Angelides also received an inducement grant in the form of RSUs which will vest (assuming continued employment) 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date and an additional 20% on the second anniversary of the grant date and an additional 20% on the third anniversary of the grant date. Mr. Angelides also described an inducement grant to be made in Fiscal 2015 in the form of PSAs with an approximate grant date fair value of \$1,875,000. As part of the Fiscal 2015 annual grant (made on March 24, 2015), Mr. Angelides received PSAs, SARs and RSUs with an approximate grant date fair value of \$2,106,544 (this grant will be discussed in more detail in the Proxy Statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders).

Ms. Horowitz received an inducement grant in the form of SARs which will vest (assuming continued employment) 25% a year over a four-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date and an inducement grant in the form of PSAs earned will vary from 0% to 200% of target, depending on the level of achievement with the criteria described above. For Fiscal 2014, the threshold EBIT Margin Improvement goal was not met and the PSA award granted to Ms. Horowitz was forfeited. Ms. Horowitz also received an equity replacement grant which will vest (assuming continued employment) 25% a year over a four-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

The following table shows a calculated aggregate grant date fair market value of the inducement grants that were granted to Mr. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz in Fiscal 2014.

Aggregate Grant Date Fair Value and Mix of Inducement and Equity Replacement

Named Executive Officer	Aggregate Grant Date Fair Value
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	\$ 4,012,608
Christos E. Angelides	\$ 8,222,092
Fran Horowitz	\$ 3,462,698 ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The Aggregate Grant Date Fair Value shown for Ms. Horowitz does not include the PSA values for the Fiscal 2014 PSAs that are based on an annual EBIT Margin Improvement metric for each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016, and, therefore, are not determinable during Fiscal 2014.

Equity Grant Policy

The Compensation Committee follows an Equity Grant Policy pursuant to which the Committee reviews and approves equity grants for the NEOs, as well as the total number of shares covered by PSAs, RSUs and SARs. The Compensation Committee's regular meetings typically are reviewed and approved at the Compensation Committee's regular meetings. Annual equity grants typically are reviewed and approved at the Compensation Committee's regular meetings. Awards are generally approved at the time an executive officer commences employment with the Company. The date of the annual equity grants is the date of the Compensation Committee meeting at which they are approved. The date of the SAR awards is managed by the Company's human resources department with specific instructions from the Compensation Committee. The Company has no intention, plan or practice to select annual equity grants with the release of material, non-public information, or to time the release of such information.

Benefits

As associates of the Company, the NEOs are eligible to participate in all of the broad-based Company benefit plans on the same basis as other full-time associates.

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In addition to the qualified Abercrombie & Fitch Co. Savings and Retirement Plan (the "401(k) deferred compensation plan, the Abercrombie & Fitch Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan"), that allows members of senior management to defer and above the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") limits imposed on the Company's 401(k) Plan retirement contributions to the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan on behalf of the Company. The Company's retirement contributions have a five-year vesting schedule from the date of employment by the Company. The Supplemental Retirement Plan allows participants the opportunity to save and invest their own money (up to a certain percentage of their compensation) as other associates under the 401(k) Plan. Furthermore, the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan is competitive, and the Company's contribution element provides retention value. The Company's Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan is further described and Company contributions and NEOs are disclosed under the section captioned **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION - Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan** beginning on page 83. The Company provides a separate Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan for Executive Officers, the material provisions of which are described under the section captioned **Pension Benefits** on page 83. There are no other participants in this plan.

The Company offers a life insurance benefit for all full-time associates equal to two times base salary. The death benefit is set at four times base salary, up to a maximum of \$2,000,000.

The Company offers a long-term disability benefit to all full-time associates which covers 60% of base salary. In addition, the Company offers an Executive Long-Term Disability Plan for all associates earning above a certain threshold which covers an additional 15% of base salary and 75% of target annual cash incentive compensation.

The Company does not offer perquisites to its executive officers that are not widely available to other employees, with the exception of the former Chief Executive Officer, who was provided certain perquisites, including a company car, security, and limited personal use of Company aircraft, as more fully described in the footnotes to the **Compensation Table** beginning on page 74.

Role of the Compensation Committee

In Fiscal 2014, Compensation Advisory Partners LLC ("CAP") served as the Compensation Committee's consultant and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP ("Gibson Dunn") served as the Committee's independent advisor. The services that CAP and Gibson Dunn perform for the Company are at the direction of the Compensation Committee. Gibson Dunn provided any services to the Company in Fiscal 2014 other than executive and director advisory services. In this regard, the Compensation Committee has adopted a policy regarding the use of outside consultants that provides as follows:

If the Committee retains a compensation consultant to provide advice, information and other services regarding the compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer, its officers identified in Rule 16a-1(c), non-associate directors or other matters within the responsibility of the Committee, such consultant shall be engaged under the direction of, the Committee and is prohibited from providing any other services to the Company.

The Compensation Committee has the right to terminate the services of the outside counsel and consultants at any time. While the Compensation Committee retains Gibson Dunn and CAP directly, Gibson Dunn and CAP are managed by the Senior Vice President of Human Resources, the Company's General Counsel and the Company's Chief Financial Officer, who are carrying out assignments in order to obtain compensation and performance data for the executive officers. In addition, the Compensation Committee's advisors may, at their discretion, seek input and feedback from the Company's employees regarding their work product prior to presentation to the Compensation Committee in order to ensure that the work product is accurate and complete.

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information is accurate or address other similar issues. Representatives from Gibson Dunn and Compensation Committee meetings, and generally attend executive sessions of the Committee. perspectives on any management proposals. In Fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee reviewed listing standards and determined that each of CAP and Gibson Dunn was independent and their conflict of interest.

Decisions regarding the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer and the other NEOs are made by the Compensation Committee, although it does receive input from its independent advisors and management of the Chief Executive Officer provided recommendations for the compensation of the other NEOs. The Compensation Committee provided input regarding his own goals, targets and performance. The Compensation Committee requires that executive officers to be present at Compensation Committee meetings where executive compensation performance are discussed and evaluated so they can provide input into the decision-making process. Compensation performance are discussed and evaluated so they can provide input into the decision-making process. Compensation insight, suggestions or recommendations regarding executive compensation during periods of growth. Compensation vote in any decision-making.

Compensation and Benefits Structure

Pay Level Determination of the appropriate pay opportunity

Pay levels for all associates of the Company, including the NEOs listed in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** on page 74, are based on a number of factors, including each individual's role and responsibilities, performance, compensation, experience and expertise, pay levels in the competitive market for similar positions, including those between the executive officers and the former Chief Executive Officer and the former Chief Executive Officer, the area of responsibility and the Company as a whole. The Compensation Committee approves the compensation of executive officers. In determining the pay levels, the Compensation Committee considers all elements of compensation.

The primary data source used in setting competitive market levels for the NEOs is information from peer companies listed below, based on a comparison prepared annually by the independent compensation consultant. The Compensation Committee does not precisely benchmark each NEO's compensation. The Compensation Committee does review market information as a general reference. In a given year, the Compensation Committee does a more detailed review which may result in significant adjustments to a given executive officer's compensation. Compensation in a given year will vary above or below the individual's target compensation level based on the overall Company financial goals and the creation of stockholder value.

The peer retail companies used by the Compensation Committee in determining the competitive market compensation decisions are included in the table below. At the time the peer group was determined, the Company approximated the peer group median and the Company's market capitalization was positioned at the 38th percentile. At the end of Fiscal 2014, the Company was positioned at the 38th percentile in terms of revenue and market capitalization.

Aéropostale, Inc.	Guess?, Inc.
American Eagle Outfitters, Inc.	Kate Spade & Company (f/k/a Fifth & Pacific Companies, Inc.)
Ann Inc.	L Brands, Inc. (f/k/a Limited Brands, Inc.)
Coach, Inc.	Nordstrom, Inc.
Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc.	PVH Corp.
Express, Inc.	Quiksilver, Inc.
Foot Locker, Inc.	Ralph Lauren Corporation

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Employment Agreements, Severance and Change-in-Control Benefits

The Compensation Committee carefully considers the use and conditions of employment agreements and recognizes that, in certain circumstances, formal written employment contracts are necessary in the case of senior executive officers. Consistent with this approach, in connection with their commencement of employment, each of Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz entered into offer letters with the Company. Each offer letter sets forth the terms and conditions of employment and/or upon a change in control of the Company. The Compensation Committee believes it is in the best interest of the Company to enter into these offer letters as a means of securing the employment of these executives and to provide the executives with a degree of security given the transition occurring at the Company. All of the Company's executive officers participate in the Company's stock-based compensation plans, including the NEOs, are entitled to participate in the Company's stock-based compensation plans. The terms and conditions of these arrangements are discussed in the section captioned **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**.

In addition, while employed by the Company, Mr. Jeffries was party to an employment agreement with the Company. The Compensation Committee believed it was in the best interest of the Company to ensure that Mr. Jeffries was employed through the use of a contract. In connection with his retirement, Mr. Jeffries entered into a retirement agreement providing him compensation as if his employment had been terminated without cause pursuant to the terms of the termination benefits for Mr. Jeffries under the employment agreement provided for accelerated vesting in limited circumstances. Unvested long-term incentive awards that were granted to Mr. Jeffries while employed by the Company prior to such retirement were forfeited. Unvested long-term incentive awards held by Mr. Jeffries prior to such retirement became fully vested as of the retirement date, except that to the extent such awards were performance-based vesting criteria, vesting occurred at the end of the applicable performance period. The amounts paid to Mr. Jeffries in connection with his retirement are discussed in the section captioned **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control** on page 86.

Clawback Policy

Each of the plans pursuant to which annual and long-term incentive compensation is paid to the Company's executive officers (the Incentive Plan, the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP) includes a stringent clawback provision, which requires the repayment of any incentive amounts that were erroneously paid. Each of the plans provides that if a participant (other than a NEO) has received payments under the plan pursuant to the achievement of a performance goal and the Compensation Committee determines that the earlier determination as to the achievement of the performance goal was incorrect, in fact the performance goal had not been achieved or had been achieved to a lesser extent than originally determined, such payment would not have been paid given the correct data, then such portion of any such payment would be repaid by such participant to the Company, without any requirement of misconduct on the part of the participant. There is no requirement for there to have been misconduct on the part of any executive officer for the clawback provision to apply.

Stock Ownership Guidelines

As disclosed above under the caption **Executive Summary Best Practices** on page 63, the Company's executive officers and directors have, and are recognized both internally and externally as having, adopted stock ownership guidelines aligned with those of the Company's stockholders. Accordingly, the Board adopted stock ownership guidelines for the Company's executive officers effective as of November 12, 2009, which were made more robust as of June 2010. The Company's stock ownership guidelines are posted on the Corporate Governance page of the Company's website and can also be accessed through the Investors page.

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Stock ownership guidelines for the Company's executive officers are determined as a multiple of the Company's guideline for the Company's Chief Executive Officer is set at five times annual base salary. The guideline for the Company's executive officers is set at one times annual base salary. The guidelines are initially calculated using the executive officer's base salary as of the date the guidelines were adopted or the date the person was first designated as an executive officer. The guidelines may be re-calculated, in the discretion of the Nominating and Board Governance Committee, when the executive officer's base salary changes (from senior vice president to executive vice president) and otherwise from time to time.

Until the amount contemplated by the guideline is achieved, the executive officer is required to hold the net shares received as a result of the exercise of stock options or stock-settled SARs or the vesting of restricted stock or RSUs. For purposes of the guidelines are those shares that remain after shares are sold or netted against the exercise of options or SARs (if applicable) and any withholding taxes associated with such exercise or (2) the vesting of restricted stock or RSUs.

Failure to meet or, in unique circumstances, to show sustained progress toward meeting the stock ownership guideline is considered by the Compensation and Organization Committee in determining future long-term incentive compensation appropriate levels of incentive compensation.

Executive officers who are subject to the stock ownership guidelines are to be notified each fiscal year of their compliance with the guidelines based on information available to the Company's benefits department. The Company may provide supplemental information regarding shares held in street name, individual brokerage accounts or other accounts of an immediate family member, if such information would be relevant to the calculation of such executive officer's stock ownership guidelines.

Directors are required to hold shares of the Company's Common Stock with an initial value equal to the annual retainer paid to directors, calculated using the annual retainer as of the later of the date of the grant of the shares or the date the director is elected to the Board. It is anticipated that directors should be able to achieve the guideline within one year of the Board.

Compensation Considerations Related to Tax Deductibility under Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m)

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code generally prohibits any publicly-held corporation from deducting compensation in excess of \$1,000,000 in any taxable year to the Chief Executive Officer and the two most highly compensated executive officers (excluding the Chief Financial Officer) whose compensation is disclosed pursuant to Item 402 of SEC Regulation S-K. Section 162(m) exempts qualified performance-based compensation, other things, from this deductibility limitation. However, the Compensation Committee's policy is to limit executive compensation, to the extent compatible with the needs of the business, as the Committee believes that compensation and benefits decisions should be primarily driven by the needs of the business, rather than by tax policy. The Compensation Committee may make pay decisions (such as the determination of the base salary of the former CEO) that result in a non-deductible compensation expense that is not fully deductible under Section 162(m). Further, the application of Section 162(m) may change with time (with potentially retroactive effect).

Compensation Considerations Related to Accounting

When determining amounts of long-term incentive grants to executive officers and other associated personnel, the Compensation Committee examines the accounting cost associated with the grants. Under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, RSUs, PSAs and other share-based payments result in an accounting charge for the Company. The Compensation Committee considers the accounting implications of the executive compensation program, including the estimated cost of the program, the accounting cost of equity compensation as well as the aggregate grant date fair value of equity compensation compensation. For more information, see Topic 718.

Table of Contents**REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION AND ORGANIZATION****COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

The Compensation and Organization Committee reviewed the **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS** with management of the Company. Based on such review and discussion, the Compensation and Organization Committee recommended to the Board that the **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

Submitted by the Compensation and Organization Committee:

Michael E. Greenlees (Chair) *Terry L. Burman** *Diane L. Neal*** *Charles R. ...*

* Became member of Compensation and Organization Committee on February 20, 2014.

** Became member of Compensation and Organization Committee on June 19, 2014.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION**Summary Compensation Table**

The following table summarizes the compensation paid to, awarded to or earned by the NEOs for Fiscal 2012 in accordance with the rules promulgated by the SEC effective as of February 28, 2012.

Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table

Name and Principal Position	Fiscal Year	Salary ⁽¹⁾	Bonus ⁽²⁾	Stock Awards ⁽³⁾	Option Awards and SARs ⁽⁴⁾	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation
Michael S. Jeffries Chief Executive Officer ⁽⁸⁾	2014	\$ 1,303,846		\$ 5,291,182		
	2013	\$ 1,500,000				
	2012	\$ 1,528,846				\$ 1,731,600
Jonathan E. Ramsden Chief Operating Officer ⁽⁹⁾	2014	\$ 962,693		\$ 1,425,644	\$ 576,000	
	2013	\$ 782,693		\$ 1,574,179	\$ 1,176,360	
	2012	\$ 781,346		\$ 1,615,095	\$ 1,588,275	\$ 588,810
Joanne C. Crevoiserat Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer ⁽¹⁰⁾	2014	\$ 522,500	\$ 450,000	\$ 2,783,208	\$ 1,229,400	\$
Christos E. Angelides Brand President Abercrombie & Fitch and abercrombie kids ⁽¹¹⁾	2014	\$ 267,885	\$ 912,000	\$ 7,626,592	\$ 595,500	\$
Fran Horowitz Brand President Hollister ⁽¹²⁾	2014	\$ 267,885	\$ 712,500	\$ 3,214,039	\$ 248,659	\$
Diane Chang Executive Vice President Sourcing	2014	\$ 995,000		\$ 1,340,180	\$ 504,000	
	2013	\$ 995,000		\$ 1,492,709	\$ 1,117,760	
	2012	\$ 1,011,539		\$ 1,615,095	\$ 1,588,275	\$ 858,280

⁽¹⁾ The amounts included in the Salary column for each of Fiscal 2013 and Fiscal 2014 reflect a 52-week fiscal year. The amounts included in the Salary column for Fiscal 2012 reflect a 53-week fiscal year.

- (2) The amounts included in the Bonus column for Fiscal 2014 reflect sign-on bonus payments as follows: (a) Joanne C. Crevoiserat \$25,000; (b) Christos E. Angelides \$612,000 (includes supplemental sign-on bonus of \$512,000); and (c) Frank J. Horowitz \$25,000. The amounts included in the Bonus column for Fiscal 2014 also reflect relocation bonus payments as follows: (a) Joanne C. Crevoiserat \$25,000; and (b) Christos E. Angelides \$250,000. As no annual cash incentive payments were earned under the Incentive Plan for Fiscal 2014, Ms. Crevoiserat has not been guaranteed the following minimum annual cash incentive payments for Fiscal 2014 as an addition to her salary with the Company: (a) Ms. Crevoiserat \$300,000; (b) Mr. Angelides \$250,000; and (c) Ms. Horowitz \$25,000. The amounts included in the Bonus column for Fiscal 2014 reflect the amounts included in the Bonus column for Fiscal 2014.

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- (3) The amounts included in the "Stock Awards" column represent the grant date fair value related to PSA, inducement grants and/or equity replacement grants made to Joanne C. Crevoiserat, Christos E. Angelos, and other NEOs in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The PSAs and RSUs that were granted to the NEOs are subject to forfeiture if the performance-based criteria to which they are subject are achieved. For a discussion of valuation and forfeiture of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS and SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-K. The actual number of PSAs and RSUs granted in the "2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards" table beginning on page 74. Pursuant to applicable SEC Rules, the amounts shown do not necessarily reflect the actual values received or to be received by the NEOs. The maximum grant date fair value related to the PSAs (target) was as follows: Michael S. Jeffries \$10,582,364; Jonathan E. Ramsden \$2,851,288; Fran H. Horowitz \$1,584,010. The PSA values shown for each of Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Ramsden, Ms. Horowitz and Ms. Chappell represent portions of the Fiscal 2014 PSAs that are based on an aggregate EBIT Margin Improvement metric for Fiscal 2014. Annual EBIT Margin Improvement metrics for such portions of these Fiscal 2014 grants are to be established at the beginning of each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016, and therefore, the values of such portions were not known at the time the amounts shown do not necessarily reflect the actual values received or to be received by the NEOs. The amounts shown do not necessarily reflect the actual values received or to be received by the NEOs. The amounts shown do not necessarily reflect the actual values received or to be received by the NEOs.
- (4) The amounts included in the "Option Awards and SARs" column represent the grant date fair value related to inducement grants and/or equity replacement grants made to Joanne C. Crevoiserat, Christos E. Angelos, and other NEOs in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The SARs that were granted to the NEOs are subject to forfeiture if the performance-based criteria to which they are subject are achieved. For a discussion of valuation and forfeiture of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS and SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-K. The actual number of SARs granted in the "2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards" table beginning on page 74. Pursuant to applicable SEC Rules, the amounts shown do not necessarily reflect the actual values received or to be received by the NEOs.
- (5) Represents the aggregate of the performance-based incentive cash compensation for Spring and Fall 2012 for Fiscal 2012. None of the NEOs earned performance-based incentive cash compensation for Fiscal 2012. See footnote (2) to this table, above.
- (6) For all NEOs other than Mr. Jeffries, the amounts shown in this column for Fiscal 2014, Fiscal 2013 and Fiscal 2012 represent above-market earnings on their respective Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan balances. Above-market earnings are defined as earnings in excess of 120% of the monthly applicable federal long-term rate (APR). The AFR for January 2015 was 1.25%.

For Mr. Jeffries, (i) the amount shown in this column for Fiscal 2014 represents above-market earnings on his Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan and does not include the decrease in the actuarial present value of \$4,403,573 in respect of Mr. Jeffries' accumulated benefit under the Chief Executive Officer Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan; (ii) the amount shown in this column for Fiscal 2013 represents above-market earnings of \$48,445 on his Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan balance plus the increase in actuarial present value of \$4,403,573 in respect of Mr. Jeffries' accumulated benefit under the Chief Executive Officer Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan; and (iii) the amount shown in this column for Fiscal 2012 represents above-market earnings on his Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan balance plus the increase in actuarial present value of \$4,403,573 in respect of Mr. Jeffries' accumulated benefit under the Chief Executive Officer Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan.

- (7) The amounts shown in this column reflect All Other Compensation which included the following for Fiscal 2014, Fiscal 2013 and Fiscal 2012:

All Other Compensation Table

Name	Company			Relocation Expenses ^(d)	Personal Compensation Security	A
	Company Contributions to 401(k) Plan ^(a)	Nonqualified Supplemental Retirement Plan ^(b)	Life and Long-Term Disability Insurance Premiums Paid ^(c)			

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Michael S. Jeffries	\$ 12,302	\$ 99,962	\$ 145,113	\$ 77,187	\$
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$ 19,958	\$ 88,672	\$ 7,526	\$	\$
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	\$	\$ 14,025	\$ 4,794	\$ 14,139	\$
Christos E. Angelides	\$	\$ 4,592	\$ 1,031	\$ 31,369	\$
Fran Horowitz	\$	\$ 5,740	\$ 446	\$	\$
Diane Chang	\$ 19,339	\$ 65,605	\$ 12,618	\$	\$

- (a) For each NEO, the amount shown in this column represents the aggregate amount of Company matching contributions to his or her accounts under the Company's 401(k) Plan during Fiscal 2014.
- (b) For each NEO, the amount shown in this column represents the aggregate amount of Company matching and supplemental contributions to his or her accounts under the Company's Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan during Fiscal 2014.
- (c) For each NEO, the amount shown in this column represents life and long-term disability insurance during Fiscal 2014.

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- (d) For Ms. Crevoiserat and Mr. Angelides, the amount shown in this column represents the total amount of the Company on behalf of the executive officer for Fiscal 2014.
- (e) For Mr. Jeffries, the amount shown in this column for Fiscal 2014 represents the aggregate increase in the value of Company-owned aircraft calculated according to applicable SEC guidance (the reported aggregate increase in value of Company-owned aircraft includes the reported aggregate increase in value of Company-owned aircraft less the costs associated with operating a flight, including fuel, landing fees, pilot and flight attendant fees, and excluding the value of the disallowed corporate income tax deductions associated with the reported aggregate increase in value of Company-owned aircraft. In fact that the Company-owned aircraft is used primarily for business travel, the reported aggregate increase in value of Company-owned aircraft do not change based on usage, including depreciation and monthly management fees).
- (f) For Mr. Jeffries, the amount shown in this column reflects the cash payments and benefits continuation provided for under the terms of his retirement agreement with the Company which is discussed in the section captioned **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control - Jeffries Retirement Agreement** beginning on page 86.
- (8) Mr. Jeffries served as Chief Executive Officer of the Company until his retirement on December 8, 2012 and during Fiscal 2013 until January 27, 2014.
- (9) Mr. Ramsden had been promoted to the Chief Operating Officer of the Company on January 27, 2014 and Executive Officer of the Company on December 8, 2014. Until May 5, 2014, he also held the positions of Chief Financial Officer of the Company, positions he held throughout Fiscal 2012 and Fiscal 2013.
- (10) On May 5, 2014, Ms. Crevoiserat commenced employment with the Company as Executive Vice President. As a result, the table shows information for Ms. Crevoiserat only for Fiscal 2014.
- (11) On October 20, 2014, Mr. Angelides commenced employment with the Company as Brand President. As a result, the table shows information for Mr. Angelides only for Fiscal 2014.
- (12) On October 20, 2014, Ms. Horowitz commenced employment with the Company as Brand President. As a result, the table shows information for Ms. Horowitz only for Fiscal 2014.

Grants of Plan-Based Awards

The following table sets forth information regarding cash and stock-based incentive awards granted during the period.

Fiscal 2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards

Name	Grant Date	Estimated Future Payouts under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards ⁽¹⁾			Estimated Future Payouts under Equity Incentive Plan Awards			All Other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stock or Units ⁽²⁾
		Threshold	Target	Maximum	Threshold	Target	Maximum	
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(#)	(#)	(#)	

Michael S. Jeffries	Fiscal 2014 3/31/2014	\$ 0	\$ 2,250,000	\$ 4,500,000	0 ⁽⁵⁾	151,380 ⁽⁵⁾	302,760 ⁽⁵⁾	
Jonathan E. Ramsden	Fiscal 2014 3/31/2014	\$ 0	\$ 945,250	\$ 1,890,500	0 ⁽⁵⁾	45,000 ⁽⁵⁾	90,000 ⁽⁵⁾	
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	Fiscal 2014 5/29/2014	\$ 0	\$ 536,250	\$ 1,072,500				65,000 ⁽⁷⁾
	5/29/2014							15,000 ⁽⁸⁾
	5/29/2014							
	5/29/2014							
Christos E. Angelides	Fiscal 2014 12/3/2014	\$ 0	\$ 1,243,750	\$ 2,487,500				277,682 ⁽⁹⁾
	12/3/2014							
Fran Horowitz	Fiscal 2014 12/3/2014	\$ 0	\$ 1,243,750	\$ 2,487,500	0 ⁽⁵⁾	27,126 ⁽⁵⁾	54,252 ⁽⁵⁾	104,131 ⁽⁷⁾
	12/3/2014							
	12/3/2014							
Diane Chang	Fiscal 2014 3/31/2014	\$ 0	\$ 945,250	\$ 1,890,500		15,000 ⁽⁶⁾		
	3/31/2014				0 ⁽⁵⁾	25,000 ⁽⁵⁾	50,000 ⁽⁵⁾	
	3/31/2014							

(1) These columns show the potential cash payouts under the Company's Incentive Plan for Fiscal 2014. full annualized amounts. Based on their respective dates of hire, Ms. Crevoiserat would have been eligible for 0% pro-rata. Refer to page 67 for Incentive Plan. If threshold performance criteria are not satisfied, then the payouts for all associates, in amounts were paid to the NEOs under the Incentive Plan for Fiscal 2014 as shown in the Non-Equity **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** on page 74.

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- (2) This column shows the number of performance-based RSUs and PSAs granted in Fiscal 2014 under the
- (3) This column shows the number of SARs granted in Fiscal 2014 under the Company's 2005 LTIP.
- (4) Represents the grant date fair value of the RSU, SAR or PSA award, as appropriate, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The grant date fair values for RSU and performance-based PSA awards are based on the price of Common Stock on the grant date adjusted for anticipated dividend payments during the vesting period. The grant date fair value for market based PSA awards are calculated using a Monte Carlo simulation. The grant date fair value for SAR awards is the Black-Scholes value on the grant date.
- (5) Represents the threshold, target and maximum number of PSAs granted under the 2005 LTIP, which is based on the Company's achievement against the three-year performance metrics of Relative TSR vs. the S&P Return. The PSA values shown for Ms. Horowitz and Ms. Chang do not include values representing the portions of the Fiscal 2014 PSAs that are contingent on the EBIT Margin Improvement metric for each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016. The annual EBIT Margin Improvement metric for each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016 PSA grants are to be established by the Compensation Committee at the beginning of each of Fiscal 2015 and Fiscal 2016. The values of such portions were not determinable during Fiscal 2014.
- (6) Represents RSUs granted in Fiscal 2014 under the Company's 2005 LTIP that will vest in four equal installments beginning in 2015, contingent upon the Company reporting a positive net income at the end of the fiscal year immediately following the grant date. The NEO has the opportunity to earn back one or more installments of the award if the cumulative net income is negative in the subsequent year.
- (7) Represents the RSU portion of equity replacement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (8) Represents the RSU portion of the inducement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (9) Represents the RSU portion of the equity replacement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date, an additional 30% on the second anniversary and the remaining 20% on the third anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (10) The SARs vest in four equal installments beginning on March 15, 2015, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (11) Represents the SAR portion of the inducement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on May 29, 2015, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (12) Represents the SAR portion of the equity replacement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on May 29, 2015, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (13) Represents the SAR portion of the inducement grant made pursuant to the NEO's offer letter and will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on December 3, 2015, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

Employment Agreement with Mr. Jeffries – In Effect from February 2, 2014 to December 31, 2015

During Fiscal 2013, the Company entered into a new employment agreement with Michael S. J. 2014. Mr. Jeffries served as the Chief Executive Officer of the Company under this employment that position and his resignation as director of the Company on December 8, 2014. The employment and the Company continued until December 31, 2014, which date was the termination date and the Mr. Jeffries employment agreement. On December 8, 2014, Mr. Jeffries and the Company (Jeffries Retirement Agreement) which addresses the compensation and benefits to which Mr. Jeffries retirement. The Jeffries Retirement Agreement is discussed below in the section captioned **Change of Control - Jeffries Retirement Agreement** beginning on page 86.

Under his employment agreement, the Company had been obligated to cause Mr. Jeffries to be Company, prior to his retirement.

Under his employment agreement, Mr. Jeffries was to receive an annual base salary of \$1,500, participated in the Company's Incentive Plan with an annual target bonus opportunity of 150% target, subject to a maximum bonus opportunity of 300% of base salary. Mr. Jeffries was also eligible for awards with a total target value of \$6,000,000. For Fiscal 2014, 100% of Mr. Jeffries' annual bonus was based on the achievement of PSAs

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subject to rigorous performance criteria determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee. For more information regarding these performance criteria in the section captioned **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**, see the **Summary** *Changes to the Compensation Program for Fiscal 2014* beginning at page 62.

During Fiscal 2014, Mr. Jeffries was entitled to term life insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 under the Company's employee benefit plans and arrangements generally made available to the Company's employees. Mr. Jeffries was also entitled to use, for security purposes, the Company's aircraft for up to \$250,000 per year. Mr. Jeffries remained eligible to receive benefits under the Chief Executive Officer Supplemental Executive Benefit Plan.

Under his employment agreement, Mr. Jeffries agreed not to compete, directly or indirectly, with the Company or solicit, directly or indirectly, any associates, customers or suppliers of the Company during the employment term and for one year thereafter.

Offer Letters with Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz

Ms. Crevoiserat

In connection with the commencement of her employment with the Company, Joanne C. Crevoiserat (the "Crevoiserat Offer Letter") with the Company (which was dated April 3, 2014 and signed by Mr. Jeffries on April 27, 2014) which addresses the compensation and benefits she is to receive as a Senior Financial Officer of the Company. The Crevoiserat Offer Letter provides that Ms. Crevoiserat's base salary is \$715,000 (which was reviewed in March 2015 and remains at the same level for Fiscal 2015) and that her opportunity under the Incentive Plan will be 75% of her base salary (the maximum annual incentive is 100% of base salary). Ms. Crevoiserat was guaranteed a minimum annual incentive payout of \$300,000 (the "Guaranteed Minimum Bonus"), subject to her agreeing to repay the same if she resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for gross misconduct within twelve months of the date of payout. The Crevoiserat Grant is reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** in the **Board of Directors' Report** for Fiscal 2014.

Upon joining the Company, Ms. Crevoiserat received a one-time sign-on bonus of \$125,000, such sign-on bonus in full if she resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for gross misconduct on her first day of employment (which was May 5, 2014). Ms. Crevoiserat also received a one-time bonus of \$14,139 for miscellaneous relocation costs and to assist with periodic pre-relocation travel costs between her home and the Company's offices in Ohio, and \$14,139 as of April 29, 2015 (all of which was received in Fiscal 2014) in accordance with the terms of the Company's relocation policy. Payment of these relocation costs is contingent on Ms. Crevoiserat agreeing to repay the relocation bonus and the relocation expenses in full if she resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for gross misconduct within 36 months (in the case of the relocation costs, the relocation expenses) of her first day of employment.

Ms. Crevoiserat received an inducement grant (the "Crevoiserat Inducement Grant") of (a) 15,000 shares of Common Stock and (b) RSUs covering 15,000 shares of Common Stock. In addition, she received an equity replacement grant (the "Crevoiserat Equity Replacement Grant") of (a) SARs covering 15,000 shares of Common Stock and (b) RSUs covering 15,000 shares of Common Stock, which was designed to replace unvested equity grants awarded to Ms. Crevoiserat by her former employer as a result of the termination of her employment with the former employer in order to commence her employment with the Company. For more information regarding the terms of the Crevoiserat Inducement Grant and the Crevoiserat Equity Replacement Grant, see the **Fiscal 2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards** table beginning on page 76 of this Proxy Statement.

Ms. Crevoiserat is also entitled to participate in the Company's benefit plans and receive limited perquisites generally provided to other senior executives of the Company.

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In connection with her employment, Ms. Crevoiserat entered into an agreement not to compete with the Company, its subsidiaries and/or affiliates during the period she is employed by the Company and for 24 months thereafter. Ms. Crevoiserat also agreed not to solicit, directly or indirectly, any associates, customers or suppliers of the Company during the period she is employed by the Company and for 24 months thereafter.

The terms of the Crevoiserat Offer Letter relating to the termination of Ms. Crevoiserat's employment are set forth in the section captioned **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control - Other Matters** on page 87.

If Ms. Crevoiserat and the Company enter into the form of severance agreement discussed below **Approved by Compensation Committee on April 20, 2015**, she will be deemed to have executed the agreement and to have participated in the change of control, no cause and/or good reason termination benefits program and the post-termination payments and benefits provided in the form of severance agreement with the Company. Any post-termination payment or benefits provided under the terms of the Crevoiserat Offer Letter will be subject to the terms of the agreement.

Mr. Angelides

In connection with the commencement of his employment with the Company, Christos E. Angelides entered into an **Angelides Offer Letter** with the Company (which was dated May 30, 2014 and signed by the Company on June 10, 2014) which addresses the compensation and benefits he is to receive as Brand President of Abercrombie Kids. The Angelides Offer Letter provides that Mr. Angelides will receive an annual bonus (subject to a performance review in March 2016) and his target annual incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan will be 250% of his base salary (his maximum annual incentive opportunity will be 250% of his base salary). Mr. Angelides was guaranteed a minimum annual payout of \$250,000 for Fiscal 2014 (the **Angelides Guaranteed Minimum Bonus**). The Angelides Offer Letter provides that Mr. Angelides will be paid in Fiscal 2015 but is reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** in this Proxy Statement in respect to Fiscal 2014.

Upon joining the Company, Mr. Angelides received a one-time sign-on bonus of \$100,000, subject to the terms of the **Angelides Offer Letter**. The sign-on bonus is payable in full if he resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for gross misconduct within 36 months of his first day of employment (which was October 20, 2014). In addition, Mr. Angelides received a supplemental sign-on bonus to compensate him for the forfeiture of the target bonus he would have received from his former employer. Mr. Angelides must repay the supplemental sign-on bonus under the same terms as the sign-on bonus. Mr. Angelides also received a payment of \$50,000 for miscellaneous relocation costs and to assist with periodic pre-relocation expenses in the United Kingdom and the Company's offices in Ohio, and approximately \$31,369 as of April 30, 2014 (Fiscal 2014) in other relocation expenses in accordance with the terms of the Company's relocation policy. The sign-on bonus and expenses is subject to Mr. Angelides agreeing to repay them in full if he resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for gross misconduct within 36 months of his first day of employment.

In Fiscal 2014, Mr. Angelides received an inducement grant (the **Angelides Inducement Grant**) with a fair value of \$595,000 and was to receive a grant of PSAs with an aggregate approximate grant date fair value of \$2,106,544 (the **Fiscal 2015 Annual Grant**) as part of the Fiscal 2015 annual grant (made on March 24, 2015), Mr. Angelides received a grant of PSAs, SARs and RSUs with an approximate grant date fair value of \$2,106,544 (the **Fiscal 2015 Annual Grant**) (see Proxy Statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company). In Fiscal 2014, Mr. Angelides received a replacement grant (the **Angelides Equity Replacement Grant**) of 277,682 RSUs with a grant date fair value of \$2,106,544 (the **Fiscal 2015 Annual Grant**) designed to replace the estimated present value of equity awards granted to Mr. Angelides by his former employer in order to compensate him for the termination of his employment with the former employer in order to commence his employment with the Company. The Angelides Equity Replacement Grant is subject to a later offset in the event that the replacement grant is overvalued. The replacement grant is subject to a later offset in the event that the replacement grant is overvalued. Please see the **Fiscal 2015 Summary Compensation Table** beginning on page 76 of this Proxy Statement for more information on the terms of the Angelides Equity Replacement Grant.

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Mr. Angelides is also entitled to participate in the Company's benefit plans and receive limited benefits provided to other senior executives of the Company.

In conjunction with the Angelides Offer Letter, Mr. Angelides signed a non-competition and non-solicitation provision prohibits Mr. Angelides from competing, as defined by the agreement, with any entity deemed to be a competitor of the Company (with specific competitors named in the agreement) during his employment with the Company and for a period of twelve months after the termination of such employment. The non-solicitation provision is for the period of Mr. Angelides' employment with the Company and for a period of twelve months after the termination of such employment.

The terms of the Angelides Offer Letter relating to the termination of Mr. Angelides' employment are set forth in section captioned **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control** *Other NEO* on page 88.

If Mr. Angelides and the Company enter into the form of severance agreement discussed below *Approved by Compensation Committee on April 20, 2015*, he will be deemed to have executed and accepted the agreement. In the event of participation in the change of control, no cause and/or good reason termination benefits program, the post-termination payments and benefits provided in the form of severance agreement would be the same as the post-termination payment or benefits provided under the terms of the Angelides Offer Letter.

Ms. Horowitz

In connection with the commencement of her employment with the Company, Fran Horowitz entered into an Offer Letter with the Company (which was dated October 8, 2014 and signed by Ms. Horowitz on October 8, 2014) which addresses the compensation and benefits she is to receive. The Offer Letter provides that Ms. Horowitz will receive an annual base salary of \$995,000 and her target annual incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan will be 125% of her base salary and her target annual incentive opportunity will be 250% of her base salary. Ms. Horowitz was guaranteed a minimum annual bonus for 2014 (the Horowitz Guaranteed Minimum Bonus). The Horowitz Guaranteed Minimum Bonus is set forth in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** in the Bonus column since it was earned.

Upon joining the Company, Ms. Horowitz received a one-time sign-on bonus of \$450,000, to cover the bonus and stock awards she would have received from her former employer subject to her agreement that if she resigns without good reason or is terminated by the Company for cause within 36 months of her start date (which was October 20, 2014).

Ms. Horowitz received an inducement grant (the Horowitz Inducement Grant) of (a) 24,483 RSUs with a grant date fair value of \$248,659 and (b) 27,126 PSAs with a grant date fair value of \$417,976. In addition, she received a Horowitz Equity Replacement Grant of 104,131 RSUs with a grant date fair value of \$2,790,000, which represents the estimated present value of equity awards granted to Ms. Horowitz by her former employer that she would have received upon termination of her employment with the former employer in order to commence employment with the Company. For more information, see the **2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards** table beginning on page 76 of this Proxy Statement for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the Horowitz Inducement Grant and the Horowitz Equity Replacement Grant.

Ms. Horowitz is also entitled to participate in the Company's benefit plans and receive limited benefits provided to other senior executives of the Company.

In conjunction with the Horowitz Offer Letter, Ms. Horowitz signed a non-competition and non-solicitation provision prohibits Ms. Horowitz from competing, as defined by the agreement, with any entity deemed to be a competitor of the Company (with specific competitors named in the agreement) during her employment with the Company and for a period of twelve months after the termination of such employment. The non-solicitation provision is for the period of Ms. Horowitz's employment with the Company and for a period of twelve months after the termination of such employment.

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The terms of the Horowitz Offer Letter relating to the termination of Ms. Horowitz's employment are set forth in the section captioned **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control - Other Matters** on page 89.

If Ms. Horowitz and the Company enter into the form of severance agreement discussed below **Approved by Compensation Committee on April 20, 2015**, she will be deemed to have executed and accepted the terms of participation in the change of control, no cause and/or good reason termination benefits program. The post-termination payments and benefits provided in the form of severance agreement would be in addition to any post-termination payment or benefits provided under the terms of the Horowitz Offer Letter.

Outstanding Equity Awards

The following table sets forth information regarding the outstanding equity awards held by the

Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal 2014 Year-End

Name	Option/ SAR Grant Date	Option/SAR Awards		Option/ SAR Exercise Price	Option/ SAR Expiration Date	Stock Award Grant Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested
		Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options/SARs Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options/SARs Unexercisable				
Michael S. Jeffries	12/19/2008	800,000	0	\$ 22.840	12/19/2015		
	12/19/2008	200,000	0	\$ 27.408	12/19/2015		
	12/19/2008	200,000	0	\$ 31.976	12/19/2015		
	12/19/2008	200,000	0	\$ 36.544	12/19/2015		
	12/19/2008	200,000	0	\$ 41.112	12/19/2015		
	3/2/2009	600,000	0	\$ 20.750	12/19/2015		
	3/2/2009	150,000	0	\$ 24.900	12/19/2015		
	3/2/2009	150,000	0	\$ 29.050	12/19/2015		
	3/2/2009	150,000	0	\$ 33.200	12/19/2015		
	3/2/2009	150,000	0	\$ 37.350	12/19/2015		
	9/1/2009	600,000	0	\$ 31.660	12/19/2015		
	9/1/2009	150,000	0	\$ 37.992	12/19/2015		
	9/1/2009	150,000	0	\$ 44.324	12/19/2015		
	9/1/2009	150,000	0	\$ 50.656	12/19/2015		
	9/1/2009	150,000	0	\$ 56.988	12/19/2015		
	9/22/2009	668,367	0	\$ 33.530	9/22/2016		
3/23/2010	826,412	0	\$ 44.860	3/23/2017			
3/23/2010	3,285	0	\$ 44.860	3/23/2017			
3/22/2011	1,590,908	0	\$ 54.870	3/22/2018			
9/20/2011	288,287	0	\$ 67.830	9/20/2018			
Jonathan E. Ramsden	12/8/2008	10,000	0	\$ 20.440	12/8/2018		
	12/8/2008	50,000	0	\$ 20.440	12/8/2018		
	3/23/2010	140,000	0	\$ 44.860	3/23/2020		
	3/22/2011	52,500	17,500 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 54.870	3/22/2021	3/22/2011	
	3/20/2012	33,750	33,750 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 52.890	3/20/2022		

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						3/20/2012	
	3/26/2013	9,000	27,000 ⁽²⁾	\$ 45.690	3/26/2023	3/20/2012	
	5/8/2013	5,000	15,000 ⁽²⁾	\$ 52.480	5/8/2023	3/26/2013	
	3/31/2014	0	40,000 ⁽³⁾	\$ 39.636	3/31/2024	5/8/2013	
						3/31/2014	
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	5/29/2014	0	75,000 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 37.140	5/29/2024		
	5/29/2014	0	15,000 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 37.140	5/29/2024		
						5/29/2014	65,000
						5/29/2014	15,000
Christos E. Angelides	12/3/2014	0	58,633 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 28.810	12/3/2024		
						12/3/2014	277,682
Fran Horowitz	12/3/2014	0	24,483 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 28.810	12/3/2024		
						12/3/2014	104,131
						12/3/2014	

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Name	Option/ SAR Grant Date	Number of Securities Underlying		Option/ SAR Exercise Price	Option/ SAR Expiration Date	Stock Award Grant Date	Number of Shares Have I Vested
		Options/SARs Exercisable	Options/SARs Unexercisable				
Diane Chang	3/5/2007	50,000	0	\$ 73.420	3/5/2017		
	3/4/2008	50,000	0	\$ 78.650	3/4/2018		
	3/23/2010	105,000	0	\$ 44.860	3/23/2020		
	3/22/2011	52,500	17,500 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 54.870	3/22/2021		
						3/22/2011	
	3/20/2012	33,750	33,750 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 52.890	3/20/2022		
						3/20/2012	
						3/20/2012	
	3/26/2013	14,000	42,000 ⁽²⁾	\$ 45.690	3/26/2023		
						3/26/2013	
3/31/2014	0	35,000 ⁽³⁾	\$ 39.636	3/31/2024			
					3/31/2014		
					3/31/2014		

(1) Each of these SAR awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(2) Each of these SAR awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 15, 2014, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(3) Each of these SAR awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on April 1, 2015, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(4) Each of these RSU awards vests in four equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(5) This RSU award vests 50% on the one-year anniversary of the grant date, an additional 30% on the two-year anniversary of the grant date, and an additional 20% on the three-year anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(6) Each of these RSU awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company and the Company's achievement of positive adjusted non-GAAP net income at the end of the fiscal year immediately preceding the vesting date. The NEO has the opportunity to earn back one or more installments of this award if the cumulative non-GAAP net income in the subsequent year, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

(7) Each of these RSU awards will vest in two equal installments in Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2015 so long as the NEO has positive adjusted non-GAAP net income in Fiscal 2013 and Fiscal 2014, respectively, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.

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- (8) Each of these RSU awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 15, 2014, contingent upon the achievement of positive adjusted non-GAAP net income at the end of the fiscal year immediately preceding the award. The NEO has the opportunity to earn back one or more installments of this award if the cumulative performance over the subsequent year, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (9) The number shown assumes that the PSAs granted for the Fiscal 2014 to Fiscal 2016 performance period are earned on the Company achieving the target metrics for Relative TSR, ROE, and EBIT Margin Improvement. The number of PSAs is shown in the "Number of PSAs" column of the "Fiscal 2014 Grants of Plan-Based Awards" table of the Equity Incentive Plan Awards.
- (10) Each of these RSU awards vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 15, 2015, contingent upon the achievement of positive adjusted non-GAAP net income at the end of the fiscal year immediately preceding the award. The NEO has the opportunity to earn back one or more installments of this award if the cumulative performance over the subsequent year, subject to the NEO's continued employment with the Company.
- (11) Market value represents the product of the closing price of Common Stock as of January 30, 2015, multiplied by the number of RSUs or PSAs.

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The following table provides information regarding the aggregate dollar value realized by the NEOs during Fiscal 2014 from the exercise of stock options and SARs and the vesting of RSUs during Fiscal 2014. No stock options or SARs were exercised by any of the NEOs during Fiscal 2014.

Fiscal 2014 Restricted Stock Units Vested

Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting
Michael S. Jeffries	
Jonathan E. Ramsden	24,375
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	
Christos E. Angelides	
Fran Horowitz	
Diane Chang	24,375

(1) Value realized upon the vesting of RSU awards is calculated by multiplying the number of shares of Common Stock acquired by the portion of each RSU award by the closing price of a share of Common Stock on the vesting date.

Pension Benefits

In conjunction with the employment agreement entered into by the Company and Mr. Jeffries, the Company established the Chief Executive Officer Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan effective February 1, 2013. Under the terms of the 2013 Jeffries Agreement discussed above, Mr. Jeffries remained eligible for the SERP. Subject to the conditions described in the SERP, as a result of his retirement, Mr. Jeffries is to receive a lump sum payment equal to 50% of his final average compensation (base salary and actual annual incentive as averaged over the 36 months ending prior to his retirement), which aggregates to an annual benefit of \$1,038,600.

Pension Benefits at End of Fiscal 2014⁽¹⁾

Name	Plan Name	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit
Michael S. Jeffries	Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	\$

(1) Due to the structure of the SERP, years of service credited are not applicable. As a result, the column for years of service is not included in the table above.

(2) The present value of Mr. Jeffries' accumulated benefit under the SERP as of the end of Fiscal 2014 was determined based upon benefits earned as of the date Mr. Jeffries' employment terminated (December 31, 2014), using a discount rate of 3.26% and the 2014 Group Annuity Mortality Table for males. Mr. Jeffries recorded net income of \$1.0 million in conjunction with the SERP primarily due to a decrease in Mr. Jeffries' compensation, partially offset by an increase in his life expectancy resulting from the Society of Actuaries' mortality table used in 2014. More information on the SERP can be found in Note 16. Retirement Benefits of the Notes to the Financial Statements of the Company for Fiscal 2014. ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA of the Company's Fiscal 2014 Form 10-K.

(3) Although a payment in the amount of \$86,550 was accrued for Fiscal 2014, this amount was not paid to Mr. Jeffries due to the distribution requirements applicable to specified employees under Internal Revenue Code Section 409(a).

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation

The Company maintains the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan for associated management levels and above, including the NEOs. The Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan allows participants to defer up to 75% of base salary each year and up to 75% of cash payouts to be received by the Incentive Plan. The Company will match the first 3% that the participant defers on a dollar-for-dollar basis for associates who most recently began participation prior to January 1, 2014, if the participant has

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permitted and the Company's 401(k) Plan, which was \$17,500 in calendar 2014, the Company's contribution equal to 3% of the amount by which the participant's base salary and cash payout under the Incentive Plan (after reduction by the participant's deferral) exceed the annual maximum compensation under the Company's 401(k) Plan (the IRS Compensation Limit), which was \$260,000 in calendar 2014. The Company's 401(k) Plan is not available for associates who most recently commenced participation on or after January 1, 2014. The Company also makes discretionary retirement contributions for participants who most recently began participation prior to January 1, 2014.

The Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan allows for a variable earnings rate determined by the committee which administers the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan. The account balances was fixed at 4% per annum for Fiscal 2014. Participants are 100% vested in the account balances on those contributions, at all times. Participants who most recently began participation prior to January 1, 2014 receive Company bi-weekly matching contributions and earnings on those matching contributions ratably over the year of hire. Participants who most recently began participation on or after January 1, 2014 become vested in the account balances on contributions and earnings on those matching contributions after five years of service.

The following table provides information regarding the participation by the NEOs in the portion of the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan providing for participant deferral contributions and Company matching contributions.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for Fiscal 2014 – Executive Compensation**Company Matching Contributions**

Name	Executive Contributions in Fiscal 2014 ⁽¹⁾	Company Contributions in Fiscal 2014 ⁽²⁾	Aggregate Earnings in Fiscal 2014 ⁽³⁾
Michael S. Jeffries	\$ 39,115	\$ 75,623	\$ 304,465
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$ 28,881	\$ 75,102	\$ 51,711
Joanne C. Crevoiserat	\$ 55,000	\$ 14,025	\$ 755
Christos E. Angelides	\$ 15,308	\$ 4,592	\$ 42
Fran Horowitz	\$ 5,740	\$ 5,740	\$ 34
Diane Chang	\$ 91,463	\$ 50,905	\$ 107,778

(1) The amounts shown in this column reflect the base salary payments for Fiscal 2014 which were deferred to the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan. No deferrals or payouts were made to any of the NEOs for Fiscal 2014 and, thus, none could be subject to deferral. All amounts are reported in the "Salary" column totals for Fiscal 2014 reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table**.

(2) The amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate Company contributions which accrued during the year of participation in the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan for each respective account in Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2015. The total is comprised of the following: (a) matching contributions on the participant's deferrals of base salary compensation for Fiscal 2014; (b) a make-up match that is equal to the match that would have been made if the participant had the dollars deferred to the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan not directly received by the participant; and (c) if the NEO had most recently begun participation in the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan on or after January 1, 2014 and had maximized the deferral to the 401(k) Plan, the Company made an additional contribution to the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan for the eligible compensation above the IRS Compensation Limit. These amounts are included in the "All Other Compensation" column totals for Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2015 reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** on page 74.

(3) Nonqualified deferred compensation balances earn fixed rates of interest. The rate for all account balances was 4% for Fiscal 2014. The portion of the Fiscal 2014 earnings with respect to amounts credited to the NEOs' accounts in the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan as a result of their deferral contributions and Company matching contributions for prior fiscal years) which are above-market for purposes of the applicable SEC Rules are included in the "All Other Compensation" column totals for 2014 reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table**.

are included as part of the aggregate earnings reported in this Aggregate Earnings in Fiscal 2014 co
(b) Mr. Ramsden \$10,859; (c) Ms. Crevoiserat \$159; (d) Mr. Angelides \$9; (e) Ms. Horowitz

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- (4) These amounts are as of January 31, 2015 and do not take into account the amounts in the Company table above that were accrued during Fiscal 2014 but were credited to the NEOs' respective accounts included in the balance as of January 31, 2015 and previously were reported as compensation to the listed officers in the Compensation Tables for Fiscal 2006 through Fiscal 2014 (except for Mr. Ramsden, who was not a listed officer until Fiscal 2014): (a) Mr. Jeffries \$1,000,000; (b) Mr. Ramsden \$139,470; and (c) Ms. Chang \$696,175.

Under the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan, the Company also made contributions for participants who most recently began participation prior to January 1, 2014, in respect of Fiscal 2014, which the associate's base salary and cash payouts to be received under the Company's Incentive Compensation Limit, which was \$260,000 for calendar 2014. There is a one-year wait period following commencement of Company retirement contributions begin, with the first retirement contribution then made by the end of the year of employment. Participants become vested in Company retirement contributions and earn them ratably over a five-year period.

The following table provides information concerning the participation by the NEOs in the portability Supplemental Retirement Plan providing for Company retirement contributions, for Fiscal 2014 and 2015.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for Fiscal 2014 - Company**Annual Retirement Contribution**

Name	Executive Contributions in Fiscal 2014 (\$)	Company Contributions in Fiscal 2014 (\$) ⁽¹⁾	Aggregate Earnings in Fiscal 2014 (\$) ⁽²⁾	Value of Nonqualified Deferred Compensation as of January 31, 2015 (\$) ⁽³⁾
Michael S. Jeffries	\$	\$ 24,338	\$ 210,598	\$ 1,000,000
Jonathan E. Ramsden	\$	\$ 13,569	\$ 5,923	\$ 139,470
Joanne C. Crevoiserat ⁽⁴⁾	\$	\$	\$	\$
Christos E. Angelides ⁽⁴⁾	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fran Horowitz ⁽⁴⁾	\$	\$	\$	\$
Diane Chang	\$	\$ 14,700	\$ 56,249	\$ 696,175

- (1) The amounts shown in this column reflect the Company's retirement contributions which accrued during Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2015. These retirement contributions are included in the Compensation Tables for Fiscal 2014 and 2015 reported in the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** on page 74.

- (2) The amounts included in the Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earned column of the **Fiscal 2014 Summary Compensation Table** on page 74 represent earnings in Fiscal 2014 with respect to the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan as a result of retirement contributions (including contributions for prior fiscal years) which are above-market for purposes of the applicable SEC Rules. These amounts are reported in the Aggregate Earnings in Fiscal 2014 column for: (a) Mr. Jeffries \$44,226; (b) Mr. Ramsden \$5,923; and (c) Ms. Chang \$14,700.

- (3) These amounts are as of January 31, 2015 and do not take into account the amounts in the Company table above that were accrued in Fiscal 2014 but were credited to the NEOs' respective accounts in the balance as of January 31, 2015 and previously were reported as compensation to the listed officers in the Compensation Tables for Fiscal 2006 through Fiscal 2013 (except for Mr. Ramsden, who was not a listed officer until Fiscal 2014): (a) Mr. Jeffries \$1,000,000; (b) Mr. Ramsden \$139,470; and (c) Ms. Chang \$756,497.

- (4) Ms. Crevoiserat, Mr. Angelides and Ms. Horowitz were not eligible to receive Company retirement contributions because none of them began participation in the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan prior to January 1, 2014.

Payouts under the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan are based on the pa
and may be made in a single lump sum or in annual installments over a five-year or ten-year pe
will only apply if at the time of the separation from service, the participant is retirement eligibl
five years of service. If there is no distribution election on file, the payment will be made in ten
election on

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file, if the participant terminates before retirement, dies or becomes disabled, the benefit will be the participant dies while receiving annual installments, the beneficiary will continue to receive The committee which administers the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan a participant's account under the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan in a including the IRS definition of a financial hardship.

Participants' rights to receive their account balances from the Company are not secured or guaranteed. In the quarter of Fiscal 2006, the Company established an irrevocable rabbi trust, the purpose of which is to satisfy its respective funding obligations to participants in the Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.

In the event of a change in control of the Company, the payment of the aggregate balance of each participant's account will be accelerated and such balance will be paid out as of the date of the change in control unless otherwise provided in the plan documents.

The Nonqualified Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan is subject to requirements affecting Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and is being administered in compliance with the requirements of Section 409A.

Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following tables describe: (i) the approximate payments that have been and will be made to Mr. Jeffrey M. Jeffries pursuant to the Jeffries Retirement Agreement as a result of his retirement as an associate of the Company effective December 31, 2014; (ii) approximate payments that would have been made to the other NEOs pursuant to offer letters (including Mr. Christos E. Angelides and Fran Horowitz) or other plans or individual award agreements in effect as of December 31, 2014, in the event of the termination of employment of these other NEOs under the circumstances in which such termination took place on January 31, 2015. The table captioned **Outstanding Equity Awards** beginning on page 81 of this Proxy Statement contains more information regarding the vested and unvested equity awards of the end of Fiscal 2014.

Jeffries Retirement Agreement

The Jeffries Retirement Agreement, which includes a general release of claims by Mr. Jeffries, provides for the payment of compensation as if his employment had terminated without cause pursuant to his employment agreement and unpaid base salary through December 31, 2014, any previously deferred compensation, reimbursement of expenses, and any other benefits and payments to which he was entitled as of December 31, 2014 under the Company's benefit plans in each case in accordance with the terms of the respective plans. He is also to receive a lump-sum payment of his base salary as of December 31, 2014, pro-rated for the portion of Fiscal 2014 prior to his retirement, in compliance with the timing requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 409A.

Unvested long-term incentive awards that were granted to Mr. Jeffries within two years prior to his retirement date and the portion of the unvested long-term incentive awards that had been granted to him at least two years prior to his retirement will result of his retirement.

Mr. Jeffries will continue to receive his base salary as of December 31, 2014 as well as medical and dental benefits for two years after his retirement date (*i.e.*, until December 31, 2016). The Company will also continue to pay for Mr. Jeffries' term life insurance policy (providing coverage in the amount of \$10,000,000) for two years after his retirement date. In addition, Mr. Jeffries will be provided with a retirement benefit in accordance with the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan described in the section captioned **Pension Benefits**.

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The following table represents payments made and to be made in connection with the retirement Retirement Agreement:

Cash	Benefits	Equity	Retir
Payments	Continuation	Value ⁽³⁾	Plan V
\$5,191,071 ⁽¹⁾	\$319,976 ⁽²⁾	\$0	\$19,3

(1) Under the Jeffries Retirement Agreement, the Company is required to pay his accrued and unpaid base salary, previously deferred compensation, reimbursement of reasonable expenses and any other benefits or payments as of December 31, 2014. The Jeffries Retirement Agreement called for the payment of Mr. Jeffries' base salary at the time of his termination and payment of a lump-sum cash payment equal to 150% of his base salary as of December 31, 2014 prior to his retirement date.

(2) The Jeffries Retirement Agreement calls for the continuation of Mr. Jeffries' medical, dental and other benefits until his termination. This includes the continuation of the \$10,000,000 life insurance coverage until the last day of his coverage.

(3) As of December 31, 2014, the total value for all of Mr. Jeffries' outstanding equity awards was \$10,181,400. The \$10,181,400 value of equity awards which were vested by their terms on December 31, 2014. The value of equity awards included in the table above since it could be realized independently from Mr. Jeffries' retirement.

(4) Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan of \$6,323,449 and the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit of \$13,003,130.

Other NEOs***Crevoiserat Offer Letter***

The Crevoiserat Offer Letter provides that if the Company undergoes a change in control (defined as such term in the 2005 LTIP) within the first year of Ms. Crevoiserat's employment with the Company, if her employment is terminated by the Company, the compensation and benefits provided for in the Crevoiserat Offer Letter shall be diminished prior to the one-year anniversary of her employment with the Company as long as she remains employed by the Company, its successor or assign.

If the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of Ms. Crevoiserat's employment with the Company, if her employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or her duties or compensation reduced, she shall be entitled to receive a minimum of six months of salary continuation from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to the continuation of her medical and life insurance benefits, and would have paid her the Crevoiserat Guaranteed Minimum Bonus. Her medical and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company during the continuation period. With regard to the Crevoiserat Inducement Grant and the Crevoiserat Equity Award, the Company will recommend to the Compensation and Organization Committee of the Board of Directors that, in the event of a termination of Ms. Crevoiserat's employment by the Company without cause or by the Company (including in her duties or compensation) following a change in control,

If the employment of Ms. Crevoiserat is terminated by the Company without cause or by Ms. Crevoiserat, on the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company will continue her base salary from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to the continuation of her medical and life insurance benefits, and would have paid her the Crevoiserat Guaranteed Minimum Bonus. Her medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company, through the salary continuation period. Upon the execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company will

\$4,000,000, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards which will be paid to her upon the termination of her employment with the Company.

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If the employment of Ms. Crevoiserat is terminated by the Company without cause or by Ms. Crevoiserat on the six-month anniversary of her employment date, but prior to the date when the Crevoiserat Inducement Grant and Replacement Grant would fully vest, the Company will continue her base salary through the six-month anniversary date and her medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company, through the salary continuation period. The Company will also pay Ms. Crevoiserat, on the six-month anniversary of her separation date, a pro-rated bonus based on her target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan that occurs and the number of days in the fiscal year through her separation date. In addition, the Company will pay Ms. Crevoiserat an additional amount, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards that would have been earned upon termination of her employment with the Company, which amount will vary based on her separation date.

Angelides Offer Letter

The Angelides Offer Letter provides that if the Company undergoes a change in control (defined as a "change of control" under such term in the 2005 LTIP) within the first year of Mr. Angelides' employment with the Company, and if his employment is terminated by the Company, the compensation and benefits provided for in the Angelides Offer Letter will not be diminished prior to the one-year anniversary of his employment with the Company as long as he remains employed by the Company, its successor or assign.

If the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of Mr. Angelides' employment with the Company, and if his employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or his duties or compensation reduced, the Company will continue his base salary from his separation date through the first anniversary of his employment date, subject to the same terms of salary continuation, and the Company (i) would have paid him the Angelides Guaranteed Minimum Bonus if the termination had occurred during Fiscal 2014 (for purposes of the calculations below, the termination is deemed to have occurred on the last day of Fiscal 2014) and (ii) will pay him a pro-rated bonus based upon his target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan that occurs and the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date if the termination occurs during Fiscal 2015. His medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company, through the salary continuation period.

If the employment of Mr. Angelides is terminated by the Company without cause or by Mr. Angelides on the six-month anniversary of his employment date, the Company will continue his base salary from his separation date through the six-month anniversary of his employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation. His medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company, through the salary continuation period. If the termination by the Company is without cause, the Company (i) would have paid Mr. Angelides the Guaranteed Minimum Bonus if the termination had occurred during Fiscal 2014 (for purposes of the calculations below, the termination is deemed to have occurred on the last day of Fiscal 2014) and (ii) will pay him a pro-rated bonus based upon his target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan and the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date if the termination occurs during Fiscal 2015. If Mr. Angelides terminates his employment for good reason, the Company will pay Mr. Angelides a lump-sum cash payment that is equal to a pro-rated portion of \$1,250,000, based on the number of days in the fiscal year through the separation date. Subject to Mr. Angelides' execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of his separation date, the Company will also pay Mr. Angelides \$8,000,000, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards and the Replacement Grant, which will be forfeited as a result of the termination of his employment with the Company.

If the employment of Mr. Angelides is terminated by the Company without cause or by Mr. Angelides on the six-month anniversary of his employment, but prior to the date when the Angelides Inducement Grant and Replacement Grant would fully vest, the Company will continue his base salary through the six-month anniversary of his separation date and his medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company, through the salary continuation period.

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to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company during the continuation period. If the termination is by the Company without cause, the Company will also pay Mr. Angelides a lump-sum cash payment on the six-month anniversary of his separation date, based on his target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan and the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to his separation date. If the termination occurs during Fiscal 2014, the Company will also pay Mr. Angelides a lump-sum cash payment of \$1,250,000, based on the number of days in the fiscal year in which the separation occurs lapsed prior to the separation date. If the termination occurs during Fiscal 2015, the Company will also pay Mr. Angelides an additional amount, less normal taxes and other withholdings, equal to a pro-rated portion of \$1,250,000 based on the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date. The Replacement Grant forfeited as a result of the termination of his employment with the Company will be forfeited as of the separation date.

Horowitz Offer Letter

The Horowitz Offer Letter provides that if the Company undergoes a change in control (defined as a change of control under the term in the 2005 LTIP) within the first year of Ms. Horowitz's employment with the Company, the compensation and benefits provided for in the Horowitz Offer Letter will not be affected. If the Company undergoes a change in control on or after the one-year anniversary of her employment with the Company as long as she remains actively employed with the Company, the compensation and benefits provided for in the Horowitz Offer Letter will not be affected. If the Company undergoes a change in control on or after the one-year anniversary of her employment with the Company as long as she remains actively employed with the Company, the compensation and benefits provided for in the Horowitz Offer Letter will not be affected.

If the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of Ms. Horowitz's employment with the Company, and her employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or her duties diminished or her compensation reduced, the Company will continue her base salary from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment with the Company, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation, and the Company (i) would have paid her the Horowitz Guaranteed Minimum Bonus if the termination had occurred during Fiscal 2014 (for purposes of the calculations below, the termination is deemed to have occurred on the last day of Fiscal 2014) and (ii) will pay her a pro-rated bonus based upon her target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan and the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date if the termination occurs during Fiscal 2014. If the termination occurs during Fiscal 2015, the Company will also pay Ms. Horowitz a lump-sum cash payment that is equal to a pro-rated portion of \$1,250,000 based on the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date. Her medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company through the salary continuation period.

If the employment of Ms. Horowitz is terminated by the Company without cause or by Ms. Horowitz on or after the one-year anniversary of her employment date, the Company will continue her base salary from her separation date through the six-month anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation. Her medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company during the continuation period. If the termination by the Company is without cause, the Company (i) will pay Ms. Horowitz the Horowitz Guaranteed Minimum Bonus if the termination had occurred during Fiscal 2014 (for purposes of the calculations below, the termination is deemed to have occurred on the last day of Fiscal 2014) and (ii) will pay her a pro-rated bonus based upon her target incentive opportunity under the Incentive Plan and the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date. If the termination occurs during Fiscal 2015, the Company will also pay Ms. Horowitz a lump-sum cash payment that is equal to a pro-rated portion of \$1,250,000 based on the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date. Subject to Ms. Horowitz's execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company will also pay Ms. Horowitz \$3,000,000, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in addition to the Replacement Grant, which will be forfeited as a result of the termination of her employment with the Company.

If the employment of Ms. Horowitz is terminated by the Company without cause or by Ms. Horowitz on or after the one-year anniversary of her employment date, but prior to the date when the Horowitz Inducement Grant would fully vest, the Company will continue her base salary through the six-month anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation. Her medical benefits and life insurance will continue to be provided, on the same basis as applies to similarly-situated active associates of the Company during the continuation period.

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through the salary continuation period. If the termination by the Company is without cause, the pro-rated bonus, on the six-month anniversary of her separation date, based on her target incentive Plan for the fiscal year in which the termination occurs and the number of days in the fiscal year. Ms. Horowitz's employment is terminated by her for good reason, the Company will pay her a pro-rated portion of \$1,250,000, based on the number of days in the fiscal year in which the s prior to her separation date. The Company will also pay Ms. Horowitz an additional amount, le in lieu of the Horowitz Equity Replacement Grant which would be forfeited as a result of the te Company, which amount will vary based on her separation date.

Other Arrangements

As of the date of this Proxy Statement, other than the provisions of the Crevoiserat Offer Letter Horowitz Offer Letter discussed currently in the usual course of business or upon a change of control, to the currently-employed NEOs. How Compensation Committee approved forms of severance agreements for members of the Compa NEOs, but these severance agreements have not been fully executed or become effective, as of

Each NEO will receive the value of his or her accrued benefits under the Company's 401(k) Plan Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan in the event of any termination of employment (*e.g.* Company with or without cause or voluntary termination by the NEO). However, the Company agreement with an NEO as consideration for entering into restrictive covenants related to prosp

In the case of a termination of employment within three months prior to or 18 months after a ch retirement and termination due to death or disability, in addition to the benefits under the plans the vesting of all outstanding SARs, stock options and RSUs held by the NEO would accelerate respect to which more than 50% of the performance period has elapsed as of the date of the cha pro-rated basis, based on the performance achieved through a date occurring within three mont PSAs with respect to which less than 50% of the performance period has elapsed as of the date on a pro-rated basis, at the target level of achievement.

Jonathan E. Ramsden

Normal Course of Business	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value ⁽¹⁾
Severance	\$	\$	\$
Death ⁽³⁾	\$	\$	\$ 2,348,937
Disability	\$	\$	\$ 2,348,937

Change of Control	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value ⁽¹⁾
	\$	\$	\$ 2,348,937

(1) The value of Mr. Ramsden's equity holdings is calculated as \$2,348,937 and relates to invested RSUs January 31, 2015. This \$2,348,937 is the sum of: (a) the number of invested RSUs multiplied by \$25. Common Stock as of January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (b) the number of u (the market price of the Company's Common Stock as of January 30, 2015 (the last business day of F the invested SARs on the same date. This total does not include \$304,800 of value in equity awards w year-end. This vested value is not included in the table above as it could be realized independently from

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Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.

- (3) Although not shown in the above table, Mr. Ramsden also participates in the Company's life insurance plan for salaried associates. The plan pays out a multiple of base salary up to a maximum of \$2,000,000. Under

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insurance plan, if Mr. Ramsden passed away, his beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000. In addition, and dismemberment plan for all salaried associates. If Mr. Ramsden's death were accidental as defined in the plan, his beneficiaries would receive an additional \$2,000,000.

Joanne C. Crevoiserat

Normal Course of Business	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value⁽⁴⁾
Voluntary Termination	\$	\$	\$
Death ⁽⁶⁾	\$	\$	\$ 2,041,600
Not for Cause	\$ 4,657,500 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 11,545 ⁽³⁾	\$
Good Reason	\$ 4,657,500 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 11,545 ⁽³⁾	\$
Disability	\$	\$	\$ 2,041,600
Change of Control	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value⁽⁴⁾
	\$ 657,500 ⁽²⁾	\$ 11,545 ⁽³⁾	\$ 2,041,600

- (1) Under the Crevoiserat Offer Letter, if the employment of Ms. Crevoiserat is terminated by the Company for good reason before the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company would be required to continue her base salary from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$357,500 if termination occurred on January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay her the Crevoiserat Guaranteed Bonus (\$300,000) since the termination occurred in Fiscal 2014. Subject to Ms. Crevoiserat's execution of a satisfactory release of claims, if the employment of Ms. Crevoiserat is terminated by the Company for good reason after the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company would also be required to pay Ms. Crevoiserat \$4,000,000, less normal course of business severance and unvested equity awards which would be forfeited as of the result of the termination of her employment.
- (2) Under the Crevoiserat Offer Letter, if the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of the Company and her employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or her duties or compensation is reduced, the Company would be required to continue her base salary from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$357,500 if termination occurred on January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay Ms. Crevoiserat the Crevoiserat Guaranteed Bonus (\$300,000) since the termination occurred in Fiscal 2014.
- (3) The Crevoiserat Offer Letter calls for the continuation of Ms. Crevoiserat's medical, dental and other benefits from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of continuation.
- (4) The value of Ms. Crevoiserat's equity holdings is calculated as \$2,041,600 and relates to unvested RSUs. This \$2,041,600 is the sum of: (a) the number of unvested RSUs multiplied by \$25.52 (the market price of the Company's common stock on January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (b) the in-the-money value of the unvested RSUs.
- (5) Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.
- (6) Although not shown in the above table, Ms. Crevoiserat also participates in the Company's life insurance plan for salaried associates. The plan pays out a multiple of base salary up to a maximum of \$2,000,000. Under the plan, if Ms. Crevoiserat passed away, her beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000. In addition, the Company maintains a dismemberment plan for all salaried associates. If Ms. Crevoiserat's death were accidental as defined in the plan, her beneficiaries would receive an additional \$2,000,000.

Christos E. Angelides

	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value⁽⁵⁾
Normal Course of Business			
Voluntary Termination	\$	\$	\$
Death ⁽⁷⁾	\$	\$	\$ 7,086,44
Not for Cause	\$ 8,965,690 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 6,074 ⁽⁴⁾	\$
Good Reason	\$ 9,965,690 ⁽²⁾	\$ 6,074 ⁽⁴⁾	\$
Disability	\$	\$	\$ 7,086,44
Change of Control	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value⁽⁵⁾
	\$ 965,690 ⁽³⁾	\$ 6,074 ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 7,086,44

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- (1) Under the Angelides Offer Letter, if the employment of Mr. Angelides is terminated by the Company on or after his employment date, the Company would be required to continue his base salary from his separation date through his employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$715,690 if termination occurred on or after January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay him the Angelides Guaranteed Minimum Bonus (\$250,000) since the termination occurred during Fiscal 2014. Subject to Mr. Angelides' execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of his employment date, the Company would pay Mr. Angelides \$8,000,000, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards which would have been payable as a result of the termination of his employment with the Company.
- (2) Under the Angelides Offer Letter, if the employment of Mr. Angelides is terminated by Mr. Angelides on or after his employment date, the Company would be required to continue his base salary from his separation date through his employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation. (\$715,690 if termination occurred on or after January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay him a lump-sum cash payment that is equal to a pro-rated portion of the Angelides Guaranteed Minimum Bonus for the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date (\$1,250,000 if termination occurred on January 31, 2015). Subject to Mr. Angelides' execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of his employment date, the Company would pay Mr. Angelides \$8,000,000, less normal taxes and other withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards which would have been payable as a result of the termination of his employment with the Company.
- (3) Under the Angelides Offer Letter, if the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of the Company and his employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or his duties or compensation is reduced, the Company would be required to continue his base salary from his separation date through the first anniversary of his employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$715,690 if termination occurred on January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay him the Angelides Guaranteed Minimum Bonus (\$250,000) since the termination occurred during Fiscal 2014.
- (4) The Angelides Offer Letter calls for the continuation of Mr. Angelides' medical, dental and other associated benefits from his separation date through the first anniversary of his employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation.
- (5) The value of Mr. Angelides' equity holdings is calculated as \$7,086,445 and relates to unvested RSUs. This \$7,086,445 is the sum of: (a) the number of unvested RSUs multiplied by \$25.52 (the market price of the Company's common stock on January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (b) the in-the-money value of the unvested RSUs.
- (6) Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.
- (7) Although not shown in the above table, Mr. Angelides also participates in the Company's life insurance plan for salaried associates. The plan pays out a multiple of base salary up to a maximum of \$2,000,000. Under the plan, if Mr. Angelides passed away, his beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000. In addition, the Company maintains a death benefit dismemberment plan for all salaried associates. If Mr. Angelides' death were accidental as defined by the plan, his beneficiaries would receive an additional \$2,000,000.

Fran Horowitz

	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value ⁽⁵⁾
Normal Course of Business			
Voluntary Termination	\$	\$	\$
Death ⁽⁷⁾	\$	\$	\$ 3,349,670
Not for Cause	\$ 3,978,190 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 15,036 ⁽⁴⁾	\$
Good Reason	\$ 4,965,690 ⁽²⁾	\$ 15,036 ⁽⁴⁾	\$
Disability	\$	\$	\$ 3,349,670

Change of Control	Cash Severance	Benefits Continuation	Equity Value⁽⁵⁾
	\$ 978,190 ⁽³⁾	\$ 15,036 ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 3,349,67

- (1) Under the Horowitz Offer Letter, if the employment of Ms. Horowitz is terminated by the Company within 180 days of the anniversary of her employment date, the Company would be required to continue her base salary from the date of termination to the anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$715,000 per year through January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay her the Horowitz Guaranteed Minimum Payout if the termination occurred during Fiscal 2014. Subject to Ms. Horowitz's execution of a satisfactory release, if the termination occurs on or after the anniversary of her employment date, the Company would also be required to pay Ms. Horowitz \$3,000,000, less normal tax, and the value of all unvested equity awards which would be forfeited as the result of the termination of her employment.
- (2) Under the Horowitz Offer Letter, if the employment of Ms. Horowitz is terminated by Ms. Horowitz within 180 days of the anniversary of her employment date, the Company would be required to continue her base salary from the date of termination to the anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$715,000 per year through January 31, 2015).

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first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (through January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay her a lump-sum cash payment totaling \$1,250,000, based on the number of days in the fiscal year lapsed prior to the separation date (\$1,250,000 divided by 365 days times the number of days lapsed prior to the separation date) (the "Lump-Sum Payment"). Subject to Ms. Horowitz's execution of a satisfactory release, on the first anniversary of her employment date, the Company would be required to pay Ms. Horowitz \$3,000,000, less normal taxes and withholdings, in lieu of all unvested equity awards as a result of the termination of her employment with the Company.

- (3) Under the Horowitz Offer Letter, if the Company undergoes a change in control within the first year of the Company and her employment is subsequently terminated by the Company or her duties or compensation is reduced, the Company would be required to continue her base salary from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of salary continuation (\$715,690 if termination occurred on January 31, 2015). In addition, the Company would be required to pay Ms. Horowitz a Guaranteed Minimum Bonus (\$262,500) since the termination occurred during Fiscal 2014.
- (4) The Horowitz Offer Letter calls for the continuation of Ms. Horowitz's medical, dental and other associated benefits from her separation date through the first anniversary of her employment date, subject to a minimum of six months of continuation.
- (5) The value of Ms. Horowitz's equity holdings is calculated as \$3,349,679 and relates to unvested RSUs. This \$3,349,679 is the sum of: (a) the number of unvested RSUs multiplied by \$25.52 (the market price of the Company's Common Stock as of January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (b) the in-the-money value of the unvested SARs on the same date. None of the vested equity awards at year-end were in the money.
- (6) Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.
- (7) Although not shown in the above table, Ms. Horowitz also participates in the Company's life insurance plan for salaried associates. The plan pays out a multiple of base salary up to a maximum of \$2,000,000. Under the plan, if Ms. Horowitz passed away, her beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000. In addition, the Company maintains a disability dismemberment plan for all salaried associates. If Ms. Horowitz's death were accidental as defined by the plan, her beneficiaries would receive an additional \$2,000,000.

Diane Chang

	Cash	Benefits	Equity
Normal Course of Business	Severance	Continuation	Value ⁽¹⁾
Severance	\$	\$	\$
Death ⁽³⁾	\$	\$	\$ 1,852,344
Disability	\$	\$	\$ 1,852,344

	Cash	Benefits	Equity
Change of Control	Severance	Continuation	Value ⁽¹⁾
Severance	\$	\$	\$ 1,852,344

- (1) The value of Ms. Chang's equity holdings is calculated as \$1,852,344 and relates to unvested RSUs, unvested SARs and unearned restricted stock. This \$1,852,344 is the sum of: (a) the number of unvested RSUs multiplied by \$25.52 (the market price of the Company's Common Stock as of January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (b) the number of unearned restricted stock awards multiplied by \$25.52 (the market price of the Company's Common Stock as of January 30, 2015 (the last business day of Fiscal 2014)) plus (c) the value of unvested SARs on the same date. None of the vested equity awards at year-end were in the money.

- (2) Represents the present value of the vested accumulated retirement benefit under the Company's 401(k) Savings and Supplemental Retirement Plan.
- (3) Although not shown in the above table, Ms. Chang also participates in the Company's life insurance plan for salaried associates. The plan pays out a multiple of base salary up to a maximum of \$2,000,000. Under the plan, if Ms. Chang passed away, her beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000. In addition, the Company maintains a death benefit plan for all salaried associates. If Ms. Chang's death were accidental as defined by the plan, her beneficiaries would receive \$2,000,000.

Agreements Approved by Compensation Committee on April 20, 2015

On April 20, 2015, the Compensation Committee approved forms of severance agreements for key executives, including the NEOs. The agreements are targeted to support the Company's retention strategy relative to the industry and among the Company's peer group. Based on a comparison prepared by the Company's compensation consultant of the key provisions of the agreements with data collected from the Company's peer companies, the

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Compensation Committee and the Board believe that the agreements are aligned with mainstream Company's peer group and the broader market.

The agreements would have a two-year fixed term, with no automatic renewal or extension. However, if the agreements occur during the original term, each agreement's term would extend until the later of the original term or the date of control.

If an executive officer's employment were to be terminated by the Company without cause (other than death) or by the executive officer for good reason, in each case other than during the one-year period following the termination, the agreements would contemplate the continuation of each executive officer's base salary for a period of 12 months, depending on the executive officer, and medical benefits continuation for the salary continuation period. In addition, each executive officer would receive a pro-rated bonus based on actual performance in the year of termination (if at all) in accordance with the respective award agreements. Executive officers who are party to the agreements during their employment with the Company would receive the payments (if any) provided under their respective award agreements.

If an executive officer's employment were to be terminated by the Company without cause (other than death) or by the executive officer for good reason, in each case during the one-year period following the termination, the agreements would contemplate either the payment of a lump sum equal to 12 months or 18 months of base salary, depending on the executive officer, or base salary continuation (paid in bi-weekly installments), depending on the executive officer, and medical benefits continuation for the number of months of base salary upon which the base salary continuation would be paid. In addition, the executive officer would receive a lump-sum payment equal to the executive officer's short-term cash bonus plan. Outstanding equity awards would vest (if at all) in accordance with the terms of the agreements.

Subsequently, for Mr. Ramsden, the Compensation Committee also approved a retention grant with a market value of \$2,000,000 as of the date the RSUs are granted, which would vest over time, subject to the terms and conditions agreed upon by the Company and Mr. Ramsden.

As of the date of this Proxy Statement, the severance agreements and Mr. Ramsden's retention grant are not yet effective. However, when the agreements and Mr. Ramsden's retention grant are executed and filed with the SEC, a Current Report on Form 8-K describing the terms and conditions of the agreements and the retention grant will be filed.

EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

The Company has five equity compensation plans under which shares of Common Stock are authorized for issuance to directors, officers and associates: (i) the 1996 Stock Plan for Non-Associate Directors (the 1996 Stock Plan); (ii) the 2002 Stock Plan for Associates (the 2002 Associates Stock Plan); (iii) the 2003 Director Stock Plan (the 2003 Director Stock Plan); (iv) the 2005 LTIP; and (v) the 2007 LTIP. Since June 13, 2007, the total number of shares of Common Stock authorized under two of the five equity compensation plans under which shares of Common Stock are authorized for issuance is 1,000,000 shares of Common Stock under the 2007 LTIP.

Any shares of Common Stock distributable in respect of amounts deferred by non-associate directors under the Compensation Plan will be distributed: (i) under the 2005 LTIP in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts on or after August 1, 2005; (ii) under the 2003 Director Stock Plan in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts between May 22, 2003 and July 31, 2003; and (iii) under the 2003 Director Stock Plan in respect of deferred compensation allocated to the non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts on or after July 31, 2003.

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The following table summarizes equity compensation plan information for the 1998 Director Stock Plan, all stockholder-approved plans, as a group and for the 2002 Associates Stock Plan and the 2003 Director Stock Plan, all non-stockholder-approved plans, as a group, in each case as of January 31, 2015:

Plan category	Number of shares underlying outstanding options, restricted stock units and rights ^(a)	Equity Compensation Plan Weighted-average exercise price of shares underlying outstanding options and rights ^(b)
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders ⁽¹⁾	11,009,641 ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 40.00
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders ⁽²⁾	80,200 ⁽⁷⁾	\$ 70.00
Total	11,089,841	\$ 41.00

(1) The 1998 Director Stock Plan was terminated as of May 22, 2003 in respect of future grants of options and distributions of shares of Common Stock other than issuances of Common Stock upon the exercise of options granted under the 1998 Director Stock Plan and distributions of shares of Common Stock in respect of non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts under the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan as of May 21, 2003.

(2) The 2002 Associates Stock Plan and the 2003 Director Stock Plan were terminated as of June 13, 2007 in respect of future grants of options and distributions of shares of Common Stock other than: (a) issuances of shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of options granted under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan; (b) issuances of shares of Common Stock upon the vesting of restricted shares granted under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan; and (c) issuances and distributions of shares of Common Stock in respect of the vesting of stock units granted under the 2003 Director Stock Plan; and (d) issuances and distributions of shares of Common Stock in respect of deferred compensation allocated to non-associate directors' bookkeeping accounts under the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan as of June 13, 2007.

(3) Represents the number of underlying shares of Common Stock associated with outstanding options, SARs and Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) under stockholder-approved plans and includes 2,005 share equivalents attributable to compensation deferred by non-associate directors participating in the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (and dividends applied to previous deferrals) and 8,030,059 SARs and 115,000 PSAs distributed in the form of shares of Common Stock under the 1998 Director Stock Plan, 170,000 options granted under the 2005 LTIP, 58,126,794 PSAs granted under the 2005 LTIP, 923,616 SARs granted under the 2005 LTIP, 64,595 shares of Common Stock granted under the 2005 LTIP, 78,200 options granted under the 2007 LTIP, 115,000 PSAs granted under the 2007 LTIP and 8,030,059 SARs granted under the 2007 LTIP. The 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP reflect targeted award amounts as of January 31, 2015. Subject to the achievement of the threshold EBIT Margin Improvement goal for PSAs granted in Fiscal 2014 and the minimum EBIT Margin Improvement goal for PSAs granted in Fiscal 2015, if these goals were not achieved and, as such, those portions of the respective PSA awards were forfeited. Of the PSAs granted under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP, a maximum of 126,864 and 85,832 PSAs could be earned under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP, respectively.

(4) Represents the weighted-average exercise price of options and SARs outstanding under the 2005 LTIP and the weighted-average price of share equivalents attributable to compensation deferred by non-associate directors participating in the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan distributable in the form of shares of Common Stock under the 1998 Director Stock Plan and the 2003 Director Stock Plan, RSUs and PSAs granted under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP. The weighted-average price does not take these awards into account.

(5) Represents the notional deficit under stockholder-approved equity compensation plans and is comprised of a notional deficit of (2,249,185) shares under the 2005 LTIP and a notional deficit of (2,249,185) shares under the 2007 LTIP.

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Based on the net share counting methodology adopted by the Company in accordance with the terms of the LTIPs, SARs are measured on an intrinsic value basis, which means that a SAR does not have any value and does not have any value on a net basis unless the Common Stock price increases above the initial grant price and then only reduces the number of shares available for future issuance to the extent of the intrinsic value above the initial grant price. Under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP, the number of shares available for future issuance is reduced by the number of PSAs that are expected to be earned. In addition, under the 2005 LTIP and the 2007 LTIP, the number of shares available for future issuance are measured net of shares expected to be retained by the Company to cover tax withholdings, which are calculated using an estimated tax rate of 35%.

On a net basis, as of January 31, 2015, there were 774,724 shares available for future issuance under the 2005 LTIP and 774,724 shares available for future issuance under the 2007 LTIP.

- (6) Represents the gross number of underlying shares of Common Stock associated with outstanding options and restricted stock equivalents under plans not approved by stockholders and includes 72,400 options granted under the 2005 LTIP.

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300 restricted shares granted under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan, 7,500 options granted under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan, and 10,000 share equivalents attributable to compensation deferred by non-associate directors participating in the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (dividends applied to previous deferrals) and distributable in the form of shares of Common Stock under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan.

- (7) Represents weighted-average exercise price of options outstanding under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan and weighted-average price of share equivalents attributable to compensation deferred by non-associate directors participating in the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan distributable in the form of shares of Common Stock under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan.
- (8) Except as described in footnote (6) to this table, no further shares of Common Stock may be issued or sold under the 2002 Associates Stock Plan or the 2003 Director Stock Plan.

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MATTERS

Report of the Audit and Finance Committee for the Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2015

Management of the Company has the responsibility for the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Company's consolidated financial statements, for the appropriateness of the accounting principles and reporting policies used, and for the establishment and maintenance of systems of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC"), has audited the Company's annual consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 31, 2015, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, and for reviewing the Company's consolidated financial statements included in the Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. The Audit and Finance Committee's role is to provide independent, objective oversight of the integrity of the Company's consolidated financial statements. To ensure the independence of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, the performance of its audit function and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and the annual independent audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit and Finance Committee met with management of the Company, the Head of Internal Audit and PwC throughout the year. Since the beginning of Fiscal 2014, the Audit and Finance Committee has met with the Company's Head of Internal Audit and PwC, with and without management of the Company, to discuss their respective annual audit plans, the results of their respective audits, the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, including management's and PwC's reports thereon and the bases for the Company's conclusions regarding the overall quality of the Company's financial reporting. Throughout that period, the Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed management's plan for documenting and testing controls, the results of their documentation and testing, and the resulting remediation of the deficiencies. In addition, the Audit and Finance Committee reviewed the Company's compliance with matters required by the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB"), including PCAOB Auditing Standard 16, *Communication with Audit Committees*, and AU Section 150, *General Standards*, adopted by the PCAOB in Rule 3100.

The Audit and Finance Committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from PwC regarding the PCAOB regarding PwC's communications with the Audit and Finance Committee concerning PwC's independence. The Audit and Finance Committee has concluded that PwC's independence with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries is compatible with PwC's independence.

Management of the Company and PwC have represented to the Audit and Finance Committee that the Company's consolidated financial statements as of and for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015 were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, and the Audit and Finance Committee has reviewed and approved the Company's consolidated financial statements with management of the Company and PwC.

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Based on the Audit and Finance Committee's discussions with management of the Company and the Committee's review of the report of PwC to the Audit and Finance Committee, the Audit and Finance Committee recommended to the Board that the Company's audited consolidated financial statements be included (in full or in part, as appropriate) in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015.

Submitted by the Audit and Finance Committee:

James B. Bachmann (Chair) Michael E. Greenlees Charles R. Perrin Stephanie...*

* Became member of Audit and Finance Committee on February 20, 2014.

** Became member of Audit and Finance Committee on June 19, 2014.

Pre-Approval Policy

Under applicable SEC rules, the Audit and Finance Committee is required to pre-approve the audit services to be provided to the Company by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm (also referred to as the "audit firm") to ensure that the provision of these services does not impair the independence of the Company's independent audit firm and its subsidiaries. The SEC rules specify the types of non-audit services that an independent audit firm may provide to its audit client and establish the Audit and Finance Committee's responsibility for administering the pre-approval process for the independent audit firm.

Annually, the Company's management and the Company's independent audit firm are to jointly submit to the Audit and Finance Committee a Non-Audit Services Matrix (the "Matrix") of the types of audit and non-audit services to be provided to the Company under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules of the SEC and the PCAOB and of which the Company's management and the Audit and Finance Committee will review the Matrix and either approve or reject the specific categories of services. The Matrix is merely an approval of the types of services permitted by the Audit and Finance Committee and does not constitute an approval of specific services. The Matrix will then be revised to include only those categories of services approved by the Audit and Finance Committee and distributed by the Company's management to appropriate personnel and by the independent audit firm to its partners serving the Company.

Annually, the Company's management and the Company's independent audit firm must jointly submit to the Audit and Finance Committee an Annual Pre-Approval Request (the "Pre-Approval Request") listing all known and anticipated non-audit services for the upcoming fiscal year. The Pre-Approval Request is to list the services by category and to describe the services in reasonable detail and include an estimated budget (or budgeted range) for each category of services.

The Audit and Finance Committee will review each Pre-Approval Request with both the Company's management and the independent audit firm. A final list of Annual Pre-Approved Non-Audit Services and budgeted ranges will be distributed by the Company's management to appropriate personnel and by the independent audit firm to its partners providing services to the Company. The pre-approval of audit and non-audit services contained in the Pre-Approval Request constitutes authorization for the Company's management to potentially utilize the Company's independent audit firm to provide allowable services. Once the Audit and Finance Committee has pre-approved the audit and non-audit services, the Company's management has the discretion to either engage the Company's independent audit firm or another independent audit firm. Additionally, the Audit and Finance Committee, in concert with the Company's management, will review and approve the engagement, negotiate the fees (within the approved budget range) and execute the letters of engagement.

During the course of the year, there may be additional audit or non-audit services that are identified and desired but were not contained in the Annual Pre-Approval Request. The Audit and Finance Committee has authorized its members to have the authority to pre-approve interim requests for additional non-audit services. If the independent audit firm for services, the Company's management is to submit a request for approval of the services to the Audit and Finance Committee.

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designated Audit and Finance Committee member(s). The designated Audit and Finance Committee member(s) shall request as expeditiously as possible by either approving or rejecting the request and notifying the Audit and Finance Committee. Interim pre-approval procedures are to be used only for audit or non-audit services that are less than \$100,000. Non-audit services greater than \$100,000 must be approved by the full Audit and Finance Committee.

At each subsequent Audit and Finance Committee meeting, the designated Audit and Finance Committee member(s) shall present interim audit or non-audit service pre-approvals since the last Audit and Finance Committee meeting. At each Audit and Finance Committee meeting, the Company's management and the Company's independent audit firm shall present to the Audit and Finance Committee with a summary description of ongoing projects and a year-to-date report of the actual and budgeted audit or non-audit services, pre-approved budget for audit or non-audit services and an updated estimate of expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Fees of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Fees billed for services rendered by PwC for each of Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013 were as follows:

Audit Fees
Audit-Related Fees
Tax Fees
All Other Fees
Total

(1) The previously presented Fiscal 2013 Audit Fees were revised to reflect the actual fees associated with the Company's filings, as these fees had historically been presented one year in arrears. In addition, Audit-Related Fees were revised for comparability with the Fiscal 2014 presentation.

Audit Fees represent fees for professional services rendered by PwC in connection with the internal and external consolidated financial statements, statutory audits, reviews of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other services provided in connection with such engagements.

Audit-Related Fees for Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013 represent fees for financial audit and attestation services or regulation.

Tax Fees for Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013 represent fees relating to customs and tax compliance.

All Other Fees for Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013 represents fees for products other than those included in the above categories, attestation services and payments made to PwC related to the use of an accounting regulatory database.

All of the services rendered by PwC to the Company and its subsidiaries during Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013 were approved by the Audit Committee.

PROPOSAL 4 RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT

INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

As noted above, PwC served as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for Fiscal 2014 and Fiscal 2013. PwC rendered a report on the Company's consolidated financial statements as of and for the fiscal year ending January 31, 2015, over control over financial reporting as of January 31, 2015. Subject to ratification by the stockholders, the Audit Committee has unanimously reappointed PwC as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit the Company's consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ending January 30, 2016.

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governing documents do not require the submission of PwC's appointment to stockholders for desirable to do so. If the appointment of PwC is not ratified, the Audit and Finance Committee

Representatives of PwC are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting. They will be available and may make a statement if they so desire.

**THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMEND
RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PwC**

Required Vote

The ratification of the appointment of PwC as the Company's independent registered public accountant on January 30, 2016 requires the affirmative vote of a majority in voting interest of the stockholders voting thereon. Abstentions will not be treated as votes cast.

**PROPOSAL 5 STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL ON A POLICY REGARDING ACCUMULATED
AWARDS OF NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS UPON A CHANGE OF CONTROL**

The Company expects the following stockholder proposal to be presented for consideration at the 2016 Annual Meeting. Supporting Statement quoted below were submitted by The Teamster Affiliates Pension Plan (the "Teamster Plan") which has held 4,100 shares of our Common Stock as of January 6, 2015.

The proposal is set forth below. The Company accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of the Supporting Statement.

RESOLVED: The shareholders ask the board of directors of Abercrombie & Fitch Co., to adopt a policy regarding the vesting of equity awards in control (as defined under any applicable employment agreement, equity incentive plan or other agreement) of vesting of any equity award granted to any senior executive officer, provided, however, that the policy may provide in an applicable grant or purchase agreement that any unvested award will vest on the date of the named executive officer's termination, with such qualifications for an award as the Company may determine.

For purposes of this Policy, "equity award" means an award granted under an equity incentive plan or plan amendment, as defined in Regulation S-K, which addresses elements of executive compensation to be disclosed to shareholders, which is implemented so as not affect any contractual rights in existence on the date this proposal is adopted, including awards made under equity incentive plans or plan amendments that shareholders approve after the date of the award.

Supporting Statement

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. ("Company"), allows senior executives to receive an accelerated award of unearned equity in certain conditions after a change of control of the Company. We do not question that some form of accelerated award is appropriate in that situation. We are concerned, however, that current practices at the Company may permit unearned equity to vest with an executive's performance.

This is an opportune time to adopt the policy given our CEO Michael Jefferies' [sic] retirement agreement in 2013 called for pro-rata vesting in certain circumstances. However, the change in policy regarding unearned equity remaining in place for senior executives allows for the acceleration of unearned equity. A change in policy in the fiscal year 2014 could have accelerated the vesting of \$8.7 million in unearned equity for the Company's senior executives.

We are unpersuaded by the argument that executives somehow "deserve" to receive unvested equity on the theory that an executive was denied the opportunity to earn those shares through his or her performance philosophy worthy of the name.

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We do believe, however, that an affected executive should be eligible to receive an accelerated basis as of his or her termination date, with the details of any *pro rata* award to be determined by

Other major corporations, including; Apple, Chevron, ExxonMobil, IBM, Intel, Microsoft, and on accelerated vesting of unearned equity, such as, providing pro rata awards or simply forfeiting. James Reda & Associates found that over one-third of the largest 200 companies now pro rate, performance shares upon a change of control.

The Company's Response

The Board has carefully considered the proposal submitted by the proponent and believes that it is in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders. The Board believes our current treatment of outstanding awards in the event of a change of control of the Company, serves the best interests of our stockholders, advances the Company's program by creating retention incentives and strengthening the alignment between the interests of the Company and its stockholders, and is consistent with best practices and the practices of our peer companies. The implementation of the proposal would frustrate these objectives and make it harder to attract and retain key executives.

The concerns underlying the proposal have been substantially addressed.

The Company has already taken steps to address the underlying concerns raised by the proposal. Under the agreement, which was in effect from February 2, 2014 until his retirement on December 31, 2014, Mr. Jeffries was entitled to a double trigger for vesting in connection with a change of control. For all other NEOs, in the event of a change of control, the company assumes outstanding stock-based awards, a double trigger involving an involuntary termination of employment is required for accelerated vesting in connection with a change of control. For a change of control where the company does not assume the outstanding stock-based awards, no double trigger is required.

In addition, outstanding PSAs held by the NEOs with respect to which more than 50% of the performance award would be paid, on a pro-rated basis, based on the performance achieved in the three months of the change of control. Outstanding PSAs with respect to which less than 50% of the performance award would be paid, on a pro-rated basis, at the target level of achievement. The implementation of the proposal addresses the concerns underlying the proposal have been substantially addressed.

Accelerated vesting strengthens alignment between interests of our NEOs and stockholders.

A significant portion of each of our NEOs' compensation opportunity is provided in the form of performance awards that have no value if vesting occurs, and that vesting is dependent, in large measure, upon the achievement of performance goals. The implementation of the proposal would result in forfeiture of a significant portion of our NEOs' compensation opportunity if they leave their jobs after pursuing and executing a transaction that is in the best interests of the Company. The acceleration of the vesting of stock-based awards in the event a NEO's employment is terminated upon a change of control serves to align the interests of our NEOs with those of our stockholders and properly incentivize them to meet the Company's objective, avoid conflicts of interest and stay focused on executing a strategic change that maximizes shareholder value in a change of control situation.

The proposal could adversely affect the Company's performance in connection with a change of control.

Implementation of the proposal would also **make it more difficult for the Company to retain control**, which could make it difficult for the potential transaction to progress in a timely manner.

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manner that would serve the best interests of the Company's stockholders. The risk of job loss and stock-based awards, in connection with a change of control, could lead NEOs or other key executives to be eliminated after the consummation of the transaction to begin seeking new employment. The success of the Board is negotiating a change of control transaction, or during the critical post-announcement period, could be distracting to management of the Company and the Board and potentially conflict with the Company's stockholders' interests and maximizing stockholder value. In this respect, the proposal is particularly concerning because it places no restriction on accelerations upon terminations of employment prior to a change of control. Accelerations altogether in situations where the likelihood of, and anxiety surrounding, termination of employment and termination protections are most critical and beneficial to stockholder value.

The proposal could harm the Company's competitive position.

Implementation of the proposal also could place the Company at a competitive disadvantage in comparison to our peer retail companies. The Company believes that accelerated vesting, in many cases without the conditions that we have, remains the policy of the vast majority of our peer retail companies, and is market practice. The proposal, that the proponent cites as examples for the proposal, none are in the apparel industry, let alone in the computer/software industry and three are in the petrochemical industry); and all have market capitalizations in excess of one billion (more than 40 times the Company's current market capitalization) and are highly unlikely to be acquired. The Board believes that implementing the proposal could adversely affect our ability to attract and retain key management personnel to our specialty apparel company and could place us at a disadvantage in comparison to our peers. This could hinder our ability to deliver high performance and create long-term stockholder value.

For the foregoing reasons, we believe that the proponent's one size fits all approach to executive stock-based awards, viewed in the context of the Company's existing equity award program, would not serve the best interests of the Company and would place the Company at a competitive disadvantage to our peers.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE AGAINST THIS PROPOSAL IF IT IS PROPERLY PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

Required Vote

The approval of this stockholder proposal requires the affirmative vote of a majority in voting interest of the Company's stockholders present in person or by proxy and voting thereon. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be counted as votes on the proposal.

STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Any stockholder of the Company seeking to present a proposal pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act, for inclusion in the Company's proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, must submit the proposal to the Company in writing, in accordance with Rule 14a-8 and deliver it to the Company at the address set forth below no later than the close of business on the date of those proposals that comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act will be included in the proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Stockholders of the Company seeking to bring business before the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, to propose amendments to the Exchange Act, or to nominate candidates for election as directors at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, must submit written notice to the Company and comply with certain other requirements specified in the Company's proxy statement. The notice of a proposing stockholder must be in writing and delivered in person or by United States mail to the Company and

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received by the Secretary of the Company, at the address set forth below, not less than 120 days before the June 18, 2016 anniversary date of the 2015 Annual Meeting. As a result, notices with respect to proposals (as defined in Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act, or nominations for election as directors, for the 2016 Annual Meeting) must be received no earlier than the close of business on January 20, 2016 and not later than the close of business on January 21, 2016. The requirements applicable to nominations are described above in the section captioned **PROPOSALS FOR ELECTION OF DIRECTORS Director Nominations** beginning on page 42.

Under Section 1.09 of the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws, a stockholder wishing to propose a matter for consideration (or for election to the Board) before the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be a stockholder of record as of the date giving of the required notice of proposed business and the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The notice to be submitted by a proposing stockholder must include the following information:

as to each matter the stockholder proposes to bring before the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (or nominations for election to the Board), a brief description of the business desired to be considered at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, including the complete text of any resolutions to be proposed and the text of any conducting such business at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

as to the stockholder giving notice and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the notice is being given

the name and address of each such person

(A) the class and number of all shares of the Company owned beneficially or of record by such person or any affiliates or associates of such person; (B) the name of each nominee holder of shares of the Company of record by such person or any affiliates or associates of such person, and the number of shares of the Company held by each such nominee holder; (C) whether and the extent to which any derivative security, call option, short interest, hedge or profit interest or other transaction has been entered into by such person or any affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to the shares of the Company; (D) whether and the extent to which any other transaction, agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any loan, lease, license, lending of shares of the Company) has been made by or on behalf of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to, or to manage risk or benefit such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, or to increase or decrease the value of the economic interest of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to the shares of the Company

a description of all agreements, arrangements or understandings (written or oral) entered into by such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, and any other person or persons, in connection with the proposal of such business and any material interest of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, in such business, including any anticipated benefit therefrom to such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person

a representation that the stockholder giving notice intends to appear in person or by proxy at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to bring the business described in the stockholder's notice

any other information relating to such person that would be required to be disclosed in the proxy statement required to be made in connection with the solicitation of proxies by such person or any other person, or any information to be brought by such person pursuant to the SEC's proxy rules

Proposals by stockholders intended to be presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders
Company's proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders should be delivered
6301 Fitch Path, New Albany, Ohio 43054, Attention: Corporate Secretary.

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DELIVERY OF PROXY MATERIALS TO HOUSEHOLDERS

Only one copy of this Proxy Statement and one copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 will be sent to multiple registered stockholders who share an address unless the Company has received contrary instructions from the individual stockholders. A separate form of proxy and a separate notice of the Annual Meeting are being sent to each individual address.

Registered stockholders who share an address and would like to receive a separate copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 and/or a separate copy of this Proxy Statement, or have questions regarding the householding process, should contact our transfer agent: American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, by calling 1-800-937-5449, or by writing to American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, 6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11220. To request a separate copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 and/or a separate copy of this Proxy Statement, please contact American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, registered stockholders' transfer agent. By contacting American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, registered stockholders can request that the registered stockholders wish to receive separate annual reports to stockholders, proxy statements and/or Notices of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, as applicable, in the future or (ii) request delivery of a separate copy of this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 to the registered stockholders, proxy statements and/or Notices of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, as applicable, to the registered stockholders at the shared address are receiving multiple copies.

Many brokers, brokerage firms, broker/dealers, banks and other holders of record have also sent multiple copies of materials to multiple stockholders who share an address. If your family has one or more stockholders who you beneficially own shares of Common Stock, you may have received householding information from a broker/dealer, bank or other nominee in the past. Please contact the holder of record directly if you wish to receive multiple copies of this Proxy Statement or our Annual Report on Form 10-K for Fiscal 2014 or wish to request that you not receive multiple copies. You should also contact the holder of record if you wish to instruct the holder of record to request that you not receive multiple copies.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We caution that any forward-looking statements (as such term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) contained in this Proxy Statement or made by us, our management or our spokespeople are subject to change based on various factors, many of which may be beyond our control. Words such as "may," "could," "expect," "anticipate," "intend" and similar expressions may identify forward-looking statements. Under applicable law, we assume no obligation to publicly update or revise our forward-looking statements.

The following factors could affect our financial performance and could cause actual results to differ from those implied in any of the forward-looking statements:

changes in global economic and financial conditions, and the resulting impact on consumer confidence and consumer spending, as well as other changes in consumer discretionary spending habits that could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations and liquidity;

the inability to manage our inventory commensurate with customer demand and changes in customer preferences that could impact our sales levels and profitability;

fluctuations in the cost, availability and quality of raw materials, labor and transportation costs that could increase our costs;

we are currently involved in a selection process for a new Chief Executive Officer and if the process is delayed, our business could be negatively impacted;

failure to realize the anticipated benefits of our recent transition to a brand-based organization;
negative impact on our business;

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a significant component of our growth strategy is international expansion, which requires success of which is dependent on a number of factors that could delay or prevent the operations;

direct-to-consumer sales channels are a focus of our growth strategy, and the failure to these channels could have an adverse impact on our results of operations;

our inability to successfully implement our strategic plans could have a negative impact

fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could adversely impact our financial co

our business could suffer if our information technology systems are disrupted or cease

we may be exposed to risks and costs associated with cyber-attacks, credit card fraud and incur unexpected expenses and loss of revenues;

our market share may be negatively impacted by increasing competition and pricing pr merchandise competitive with ours;

our ability to attract customers to our stores depends, in part, on the success of the shop which most of our stores are located;

our failure to protect our reputation could have a material adverse effect on our brands;

we rely on the experience and skills of our senior executive officers, the loss of whom our business;

we depend upon independent third parties for the manufacture and delivery of all our m result in lost sales and could increase our costs;

our reliance on two distribution centers domestically and third-party distribution center disruptions or adverse conditions affecting our distribution centers;

we may be exposed to liabilities under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and any dete. Corrupt Practices Act could have a material adverse effect on our business;

in a number of our European stores, associates are represented by workers' councils and could adversely affect our profitability or operating standards for our brands;

our facilities, systems and stores, as well as the facilities and systems of our vendors and suppliers, and our operations, and our ability to conduct our business, and our financial condition and results of operations, and our ability to raise capital, and our ability to attract and retain key personnel, and our ability to comply with applicable laws and regulations, and our ability to manage our growth, and our ability to respond to natural disasters, pandemic disease and other unexpected events, any of which could result in a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition, and adversely affect our operating results;

our litigation exposure could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations;

our inability or failure to adequately protect our trademarks could have a negative impact on our ability to penetrate new markets;

fluctuations in our tax obligations and effective tax rate may result in volatility in our operating results;

extreme weather conditions and the seasonal nature of our business may cause net sales and results of operations to fluctuate;

the impact of war or acts of terrorism could have a material adverse effect on our operations and results of operations;

changes in the regulatory or compliance landscape could adversely affect our business and results of operations;

our Asset-Based Revolving Credit Agreement and our Term Loan Agreement include certain restrictive covenants that may limit our flexibility in operating our business; and

compliance with changing regulations and standards for accounting, corporate governance and other matters could result in increased costs and adversely affect our business, results of operations and reported financial results.

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OTHER MATTERS

As of the date of this Proxy Statement, the Board knows of no matter that will be presented for Meeting other than those discussed in this Proxy Statement. If any other matter requiring a vote before the Annual Meeting, the individuals acting under the proxies solicited by the Board will judgment, to the extent permitted under applicable law.

It is important that your form of proxy be submitted promptly. If you do not expect to attend the complete, date, sign and return the accompanying form of proxy in the self-addressed envelope Internet or by telephone in accordance with the instructions on the accompanying form of proxy.

If you have any questions or require any assistance with voting your shares, please contact Inni (888) 750-5834 or directly at (412) 232-3651. Banks and brokers may call collect at (212) 750-

May 14, 2015

By Order of the Board of

Robert E. Bostrom

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

SECTION 2.04 OF AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF ABERCROMBIE

Section 2.04. Nominations.

~~Section 2.04.1~~ Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the corporation, except as may be otherwise provided in the corporation's certificate of incorporation and the articles of incorporation, and holders of preferred stock of the corporation, if any, to nominate and elect a specified number of directors.

(a) Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made at any annual meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, ~~(a)~~ by or at the direction of a stockholder or a committee of stockholders authorized by the stockholders (or an authorized committee thereof).

(b) Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may also be made at any annual meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, by any stockholder or a committee of stockholders authorized by the stockholders (or an authorized committee thereof) on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 2.04(b), or at a special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, by any stockholder or a committee of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at such annual meeting or special meeting, provided that the notice procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(b).

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a stockholder, timely notice thereof in proper written form to the secretary of the corporation.

To be considered timely, a stockholder's notice to the secretary must be delivered either in person or by mail, postage prepaid, and received at the principal executive offices of the corporation ~~(a)~~ in the case of an annual meeting, not more than 120 days nor more than 150 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting, and however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 25 days of the anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs; and ~~(b)~~ in the case of a special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which notice of the date of the special meeting was made, whichever first occurs. In no event shall the adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or a special meeting called for the purpose of electing directors, or the adjournment or postponement of such an adjournment or postponement, commence a new time period (or extend any time period) for the giving of notice as described above.

To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the secretary must set forth the following information: (i) the name of the person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election as a director ~~(i)~~ the name, age, business address, and residence address of such person; ~~(ii)~~ the principal occupation or employment of such person; ~~(iii)~~ ~~(A)~~ ~~(1)~~ the class or classes of the corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by such person and any affiliates or associates of such person, and the number of such shares of all stock of the corporation owned beneficially but not of record by such person, and the number of such shares of stock of the corporation held by each of such affiliates or associates of such person, and the number of such shares of stock of the corporation held by each of such affiliates or associates of such person, and the extent to which any derivative instrument, swap, option, warrant, short interest, hedge or other financial instrument has been entered into by or on behalf of such person, or any

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affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to stock of the corporation and ~~(D4)~~ whether a transaction, agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares of the corporation) has been made by or on behalf of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, or to increase or decrease the voting power or pecuniary or economic interest of such person, or to manage risk or benefit of stock price changes for such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to stock of the corporation; and ~~(ivD)~~ any information that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made pursuant to the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder, including ~~(bii)~~ as to the stockholder giving the notice, and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the notice is given, the name and record address of the stockholder giving the notice and the name and principal place of business of such person; ~~(ii)(AB)(1)~~ the class and number of all shares of stock of the corporation which are owned beneficially by such person, and any affiliates or associates of such person, ~~(B2)~~ the name of each nominee holder of shares of the corporation but not of record by such person or any affiliates or associates of such person, and the number of shares held by each such nominee holder, ~~(E3)~~ whether and the extent to which any derivative instrument, swap agreement, hedge or profit interest or other transaction has been entered into by or on behalf of such person or any affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to stock of the corporation and ~~(D4)~~ whether and the extent to which any arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares of the corporation) has been made by or on behalf of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, the effect or purpose of which is to increase or decrease the voting power or pecuniary or economic interest of such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, with respect to stock of the corporation; ~~(iiiC)~~ a description of all agreements, arrangements, or understandings (written or oral) between such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, and any proposed nominee(s) (including their names) pursuant to which the nomination(s) are being made by such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person, in such nomination, including any anticipated benefits to such person, or any affiliates or associates of such person; ~~(ivD)~~ a representation that the stockholder giving notice of nomination at the annual meeting or special meeting to nominate the persons named in ~~its~~ such stockholder's notice relating to such person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made pursuant to the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder, including with the solicitation of proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder. Such notice must be accompanied by a written consent of each proposed nominee and to serve as a director if elected.

A stockholder providing notice of any nomination proposed to be made at an annual meeting or special meeting shall update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information provided or required to be provided pursuant to Section 2.04(b) shall be true and correct as of the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting or special meeting, and such update and supplement shall be delivered either in person or by first class mail, postage prepaid, and received by the secretary at the principal executive offices of the corporation no later than 10 business days after the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to receive notice of such annual meeting or special meeting. Notwithstanding to the extent of any conflict, avoidance of doubt, the obligation to update and supplement as set forth in this paragraph or any other provision of these Bylaws, shall not be deemed to extend or waive any applicable deadlines under these Bylaws, cure deficiencies or amend or modify a change in the nominee(s) or nomination(s) proposed to be made at a meeting of the stockholders pursuant to Section 2.04(b). In addition, the stockholder shall promptly provide any other information reasonably requested by the secretary.

No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04. If the Chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the procedures, the Chairman(c)The corporation shall include in its proxy statement for an annual meeting or special meeting any persons nominated for election by the

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Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), the name, together with the Required Information (as defined in this Section 2.04(c)), of any person nominated for election (the Stockholder Nominee) to the Board of Directors by a group of not more than 20 stockholders, that (i) satisfies (or, in the case of a group of stockholders, satisfy) the requirements of this Section 2.04(c) (such individual stockholder or stockholder group as the context requires, the Eligible Stockholder), (ii) expressly requests in the notice of nomination the Stockholder Nominee(s) included in the corporation's proxy statement pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) to be included in the corporation with the information called for by the last two paragraphs of Section 2.04(b) of these Bylaws, the Eligible Stockholder and each such Stockholder Nominee, as applicable. The corporation shall include the Stockholder Nominee on the form of proxy for such annual meeting of stockholders, subject to

In the event that the Market Capitalization of the corporation is or exceeds \$2.5 billion (calculated as the maximum number of stockholders that may form a group constituting an Eligible Stockholder under the purposes of this Section 2.04(c), Market Capitalization shall be calculated as the product of the corporation's common stock outstanding as of the last trading day of the corporation's fiscal year and the volume weighted average price per share (calculated to the nearest one-hundredth of one cent) of the corporation on the principal U.S. stock exchange(s) upon which the common stock of the corporation is then listed or trades, the period of ten (10) trading days beginning on the fifteenth trading day immediately preceding the last trading day and ending at the close of trading on the fifth trading day immediately preceding the last trading day, as calculated under the function VWAP.

For purposes of this Section 2.04(c), the Required Information that the corporation will include in its proxy statement concerning the Stockholder Nominee and the Eligible Stockholder that is required to be included in the proxy statement by the rules and regulations promulgated under the Exchange Act; and (ii) the Required Information Statement (as defined below in this Section 2.04(c)).

The corporation shall not be required to include, pursuant to this Section 2.04(c), any information concerning the Stockholder Nominee in the corporation's proxy statement for any annual meeting of stockholders (u) if such person is not an Eligible Stockholder (or any member of any group of stockholders that together is such Eligible Stockholder), (v) if the information to the corporation in connection with such nomination that was untrue in any material respect, (w) if the fact necessary in order to make any statement made, in light of the circumstances under which the statement was made, the corporation, in good faith, believes would violate any applicable law or regulation; (v) with respect to the corporation receives a notice that a stockholder has nominated such person for election to the Board of Directors in advance notice requirements for stockholder nominees for director set forth in Section 2.04(b) of these Bylaws, the number of Stockholder Nominees included in the corporation's proxy statement to exceed the number of directors of the corporation as set forth in Section 2.04(c), (x) who is not independent under the listing standards of the principal U.S. stock exchange upon which the common stock of the corporation is then listed or trades, any applicable rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the disclosed standards used by the Board of Directors in determining and disclosing the independence of the Stockholder Nominee (collectively, the Independence Standards), (y) (A) whose election as a member of the Board of Directors would be in violation of these Bylaws, the corporation's certificate of incorporation, the rules and regulations of the principal stock exchange(s) upon which the common stock of the corporation is then listed or trades or any applicable law or regulation, (B) who has been an officer or director of a competitor, as defined in Section 8.01 of these Bylaws, within the past three years, or (C) who is a named subject of a pending criminal proceeding (excluding minor offenses) or has been convicted in such a criminal proceeding within the past ten years, or (z) who is a member

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of any group of stockholders that together is such Eligible Stockholder) or applicable Stockholder with such person's obligations pursuant to these Bylaws, including, without limitation, this Section 2.04(c).

The Nominating and Board Governance Committee shall determine if the Stockholder Nominee based on the information regarding the independence of such Stockholder Nominee that is received from the corporation, each Stockholder Nominee must complete and submit the questionnaire that is attached to the Bylaws and executive officers. The corporation may also request such additional information as is necessary to determine if each Stockholder Nominee satisfies the Independence Standards, and the Stockholder Nominee shall promptly provide such information. If a Stockholder Nominee (or group of stockholders that together is such Eligible Stockholder) shall promptly provide such additional requested information.

If a Stockholder Nominee or an Eligible Stockholder fails to continue to meet the requirements of this Section 2.04(c), the Stockholder Nominee shall not be eligible for nomination or election at the annual meeting of stockholders if the Stockholder Nominee fails to meet all of the requirements of the notice provisions set forth in the last two paragraphs of this Section 2.04(c) or if the Stockholder Nominee withdraws, dies, becomes disabled or is otherwise disqualified from being nominated for election as a director of the corporation prior to the annual meeting of stockholders: (i) The corporation may, to the extent permitted by law, remove the Stockholder Nominee and the Statement from the corporation's proxy statement, remove the Stockholder Nominee's name from the corporation's form of proxy, and otherwise communicate to the corporation's stockholders that the Stockholder Nominee is not eligible for nomination or election at the annual meeting of stockholders; and (ii) The Eligible Stockholder may nominate another Stockholder Nominee or, subsequent to the last day on which a stockholder's notice of nomination is received, timely, otherwise cure in any way any defect preventing the nomination of the Stockholder Nominee pursuant to this Section 2.04(c).

The maximum number of Stockholder Nominees nominated by all Eligible Stockholders (including those that were submitted by one or more Eligible Stockholders for inclusion in the corporation's proxy statement but who are either subsequently withdrawn or disqualified pursuant to this Section 2.04(c), or who are subsequently nominated as Board of Director's nominees) appearing in the corporation's proxy statement will be limited. The number of Stockholder Nominees shall not exceed 25% of the number of directors in office as of the last day on which notice of nomination in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(c) may be delivered pursuant to this Section 2.04(c). If the number of Stockholder Nominees, the closest whole number below such 25%; provided, however, that if one or more vacancies exist on the Board of Directors after the last day on which notice of a nomination in accordance with the provisions of this Section 2.04(c) may be delivered but before the date of the annual meeting of stockholders and the Board of Directors is reduced, the maximum number of Stockholder Nominees shall be calculated based on the number of directors in office as of the last day on which notice of a nomination in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(c) may be delivered. In the event that the number of Stockholder Nominees submitted by Eligible Stockholders exceeds this maximum number, each Eligible Stockholder will select one Stockholder Nominee for inclusion in the corporation's proxy statement until the maximum number is reached, going in order of the number (greatest to fewest) of shares owned by the corporation each Eligible Stockholder disclosed as owned in the written notice of the nomination. If the maximum number is not reached after each Eligible Stockholder has selected one Stockholder Nominee, the Eligible Stockholder may continue as many times as necessary, following the same order each time, until the maximum number of Stockholder Nominees is reached. If an Eligible Stockholder is not an Eligible Stockholder, and shall not be eligible to participate in a group of stockholders that together is such Eligible Stockholder, if, as of the last day on which notice of a nomination in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(c) may be delivered pursuant to this Section 2.04(c), greater than 25% of the number of directors in office as of the last day on which notice of a nomination in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(c) may be delivered, the closest whole number below 25%) were elected to the Board of Directors pursuant to this Section 2.04 by such stockholder or any of such stockholder's affiliates or stockholders of which such stockholder or any of such stockholder's

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affiliates or associates is or has been a part or (ii) nomination of such directors by the corporation into between the corporation and such stockholder or such stockholder's affiliates or associate

For purposes of this Section 2.04(c), an Eligible Stockholder shall be deemed to own only th
of the corporation as to which the stockholder possesses both (i) the full voting and investment
(ii) the full economic interest in (including the opportunity for profit and risk of loss on) such s
shares calculated in accordance with clauses (i) and (ii) shall not include any shares (x) sold by
stockholder's affiliates or associates in any transaction that has not been settled or closed, (y) b
such stockholder's affiliates or associates for any purposes or purchased by such stockholder o
associates pursuant to an agreement to resell or (z) subject to any option, warrant, forward cont
derivative or similar agreement entered into by such stockholder or any of such stockholder's s
instrument or agreement is to be settled with shares or with cash based on the notional amount
common stock of the corporation, in any such case which instrument or agreement has, or is int
(1) reducing in any manner, to any extent or at any time in the future, such stockholder's or su
full right to vote or direct the voting of any such shares, and/or (2) hedging, offsetting or alterin
realizable from maintaining the full economic ownership of such shares by such stockholder or
whether any such shares held by an Eligible Stockholder are subject to any instruments or agree
described in clause (1) of the immediately preceding sentence, and notwithstanding the failure
full voting rights pursuant to clause (i) of the immediately preceding sentence to the extent such
or agreements, an Eligible Stockholder shall be deemed to own outstanding shares of comm
loaned by or on behalf of the Eligible Stockholder to another person, if and only if the Eligible
loaned shares, and undertakes in accordance with the following paragraph of this Section 2.04(c)
upon being notified that any of such Eligible Stockholder's Stockholder Nominee(s) will be in
statement and the corporation's form of proxy for the applicable annual meeting pursuant to th
that any such shares are deemed not to be owned by such Eligible Stockholder for any other
preceding sentence. A stockholder shall own shares held in the name of a nominee or other r
retains the right to instruct how the shares are voted with respect to the election of directors and
the shares. A stockholder's ownership of shares shall be deemed to continue during any period
any voting power by means of a proxy, power of attorney or other instrument or arrangement w
stockholder. The terms owned, owning and other variations of the word own shall hav
shares of the common stock of the corporation are owned for these purposes shall be determ

An Eligible Stockholder must have owned (as defined in the immediately preceding paragraph)
corporation's outstanding common stock continuously for at least three years (the Required S
notice of the nomination is delivered to or mailed and received by the corporation in accordanc
record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting of stockholders:
of stockholders. Within the time period specified in this Section 2.04(c) for providing notice of
procedures set forth in this Section 2.04(c), an Eligible Stockholder must provide the following
of the corporation: (i) one or more written statements from the record holder of the shares (and
the shares are or have been held during the requisite three-year holding period) verifying that, a
prior to the date the written notice of the nomination is delivered to or mailed and received by t
Eligible Stockholder owns, and has owned continuously for the preceding three years, the Requ
Stockholder's agreement to provide, within five business days after the record date for the ann
statements from the record holder and intermediaries verifying the Eligible

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Stockholder's continuous ownership of the Required Shares through the record date; (ii) inform the Eligible Stockholder of the Required Shares through the record date; (iii) inform the Stockholder Nominee and Eligible Stockholder that is the same as that which would be required to be set forth in the proxy statement of such Stockholder Nominee pursuant to Section 2.04(b), together with the written consent of the Eligible Stockholder to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected; (iii) if the proxy statement has not been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as required by Rule 14a-18 under the Exchange Act, the proxy statement has not been amended; (iv) a representation that the Eligible Stockholder (A) acquired the Required Shares in connection with the annual meeting of stockholders and for at least one additional year after the annual meeting of stockholders, (B) has not nominated and will not nominate for election to the Board of Directors any person other than the Stockholder Nominee(s) being nominated pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) and will not engage in, and has not and will not be a participant in another person's solicitation of proxies under the Exchange Act in support of the election of any individual as a director at the annual meeting of stockholders other than the Stockholder Nominee of the Eligible Stockholder or a nominee of the Board of Directors, (D) will not use the form of proxy for the annual meeting of stockholders other than the form of proxy distributed by the corporation, and (E) will comply with all laws and regulations applicable in connection with the annual meeting of stockholders, (F) will not disseminate any information in all communications with the corporation and the stockholders of the corporation that is materially false or misleading in all material respects and do not and will not omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the information true and accurate in all circumstances under which they were made, not misleading and (G) will recall any outstanding securities of the corporation that have been loaned by or on behalf of the Eligible Stockholder to another person for the purpose of determining the Required Shares and the Eligible Stockholder's eligibility hereunder in accordance with this Section 2.04(c) upon being notified that any of the Required Shares of the corporation owned by the Eligible Stockholder will be included in the corporation's proxy statement and the corporation's annual meeting; (v) in the case of a nomination by a group of stockholders who together constitute an Eligible Stockholder, all group members of one group member that is authorized to act on behalf of all members of the group shall be bound with respect to the nomination and matters related thereto, including withdrawal of the nomination; (vi) the Eligible Stockholder (including each member of any group of stockholders that together is an Eligible Stockholder) agrees to (A) assume all liability stemming from any legal or regulatory violation arising out of the information provided in the proxy statement, (B) indemnify and hold harmless the corporation, and each of the corporation's directors and officers, individually, against any liability, loss or damages in connection with any threatened or pending or actual legal, administrative or investigative, against the corporation or any of the corporation's directors, officers, employees or agents, any nomination submitted by the Eligible Stockholder pursuant to Section 2.04(c), and (C) comply with all laws and regulations applicable to any solicitation in connection with the annual meeting of stockholders.

The Eligible Stockholder may provide to the secretary of the corporation, at the time the information is provided, a written statement for inclusion in the corporation's proxy statement for the annual meeting of stockholders of not more than 500 words, in support of the Stockholder Nominee's candidacy (the "Statement"). Notwithstanding this Section 2.04(c), the corporation may omit from its proxy statement any information or statement if the corporation, in good faith, believes would violate any applicable law or regulation, including without limitation by the corporation, or would otherwise cause harm to the corporation.

Within the time period specified in this Section 2.04(c) for providing notice of a nomination in accordance with this Section 2.04(c), a Stockholder Nominee must deliver to the secretary of the corporation a written agreement that such Stockholder Nominee (i) is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, and has not given any

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commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such Stockholder Nominee, if elected, will act or vote on any issue or question that has not been disclosed to the corporation, (ii) is not an agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the corporation with respect to compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director of the corporation, and (iii) will comply with all the corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality and trading policies and guidelines of the corporation, as well as any other policies and guidelines of the corporation. If the Stockholder Nominee fails to comply with any of the requirements included in this paragraph, Section 2.04(c) or of Section 2.04(b) of these Bylaws, the Stockholder Nominee will not be eligible to be named in the corporation's proxy statement or on the corporation's form of proxy.

Any Stockholder Nominee who is included in the corporation's proxy statement and on the corporation's annual meeting of stockholders but withdraws from or becomes ineligible or unavailable for election at the annual meeting will be ineligible to be a Stockholder Nominee pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) for the next two successive annual meetings of stockholders.

Whenever the Eligible Stockholder consists of a group of more than one stockholder, each proxy statement submitted by the group requires the Eligible Stockholder to provide any written statements, representations, undertakings or agreements to meet any other conditions shall be deemed to require each stockholder that is a member of such group to provide any written statements, representations, undertakings, agreements or other instruments and to meet such other conditions. If an individual Eligible Stockholder may have held less than 3% of the shares of outstanding common stock of the corporation in the eighth and ninth paragraphs of this Section 2.04(c), so long as the outstanding common stock of the corporation being aggregated to meet the 3% threshold for the nominating group meets the three-year continuity requirement set forth in Section 2.04(c). No person may be a member of more than one group of persons constituting an Eligible Stockholder at any annual meeting of stockholders.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to be timely, a stockholder's notice of a nomination must be delivered or mailed and received at the principal executive office of the corporation no later than 120 days nor more than 150 days prior to the first anniversary of the date that the corporation held its annual meeting of stockholders for the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders.

(d) No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04. If the chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.04, the chairman of the meeting shall declare to the meeting that the nomination is a defective nomination and shall be disregarded.

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ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

A. Election of Directors

The Board of Directors recommends you vote **FOR** the

election of each of the following nominees:

For Against Abstain

1a. James B. Bachmann " " "

B. Proposals

1b. Bonnie R. Brooks " " "

				The Board of Directors recommends the approval of amendments to the Amended and Restated Bylaws to improve proxy access under Item 2, FOR the approval of executive compensation under Item 4: FOR the proposal in Item 4:
1c. Terry L. Burman	..	..	..
1d. Sarah M. Gallagher	..	..	..
1e. Michael E. Greenlees	..	..	..	2. Approval of amendments to the Amended and Restated Bylaws regarding proxy access .
1f. Archie M. Griffin	..	..	..	3. Advisory resolution to approve executive compensation.
1g. Arthur C. Martinez	4. Ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent registered public accountant for the fiscal year ending January 31, 2014.

1h. Charles R. Perrin	C. Stockholder Proposals
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				The Board of Directors recommends AGAINST the following proposal:
1i. Stephanie M. Shern	
1j. Craig R. Stapleton	..	..	..	5. Stockholder proposal on adoption of a resolution regarding accelerated vesting of restricted stock of named executive officers upon change of control, if the stockholder proposal is approved, presented at the Annual Meeting of the Company.

For address changes and/or comments, please check this box and write them on the back where indicated.

Please indicate if you plan to attend this meeting.

Yes No

Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator or fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners must each sign personally. All holders must sign. If a partnership or other entity, please sign in full entity name by duly authorized officer.

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX]Date

Signature (Joint Owners)

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. to be Held on June 18, 2015: Abercrombie & Fitch Co.'s Notice of Annual Meeting and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015 are available at www.abc.com

ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TO BE HELD ON JUNE 18, 2015

The undersigned holder(s) of shares of Class A Common Stock of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. hereby constitute(s) and appoint(s) Jonathan E. Ramsden and Robert E. Bostrom, or either of them, as the undersigned, with full power of substitution in each, to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of the Company to be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015, at the Company's offices, 1000 New Albany, Ohio 43054, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, and to vote all of the shares of Class A Common Stock of the Company that the undersigned is entitled to vote at such Annual Meeting as directed on the reverse side with respect to each item set forth on the reverse side, and to vote such shares with discretionary authority on all other matters that may come before the Annual Meeting.

This proxy, when properly executed, will be voted in the manner you specify. If no instruction is given, in the case of broker non-votes, the proxies will vote FOR the election of each of the nominees for directors in Item 1, FOR the approval of amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation under Item 2, FOR the advisory resolution to approve executive compensation under Item 3, FOR the proposal in Item 4 and AGAINST the proposal in Item 5 and in accordance with the recommendation of the Company's Board of Directors. All proxies previously given or executed by the undersigned are hereby revoked. The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting.

and Proxy Statement for the June 18, 2015 meeting and the Annual Report on Form 10-K
ended January 31, 2015.

Address Changes/Comments: _____

(If you noted any Address Changes/Comments above, please mark corresponding

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