

FOREST LABORATORIES INC
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FOREST LABORATORIES RESPONDS TO ICAHN FILING

Recommends Shareholders Vote the WHITE Proxy Card FOR ALL Forest Nominees

NEW YORK, July 30, 2012 – Forest Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: FRX) (“Forest”) announced that it is filing a presentation with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) in response to a presentation filed by Carl C. Icahn on July 30, 2012. The presentation is being posted to www.FRX2012annualmeeting.com and the SEC’s website, www.sec.gov.

The presentation highlights Mr. Icahn’s changing story on SG&A spending, continued attempts to mislead investors, and use of cherry picked data in an effort to defend his flawed attacks on the Company’s product performance. The misguided assertions in Mr. Icahn’s July 30 filing expose his fundamental lack of understanding of Forest’s business.

Forest’s Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on August 15, 2012. The Company urges shareholders to vote the WHITE card they have received from Forest and to vote “FOR ALL” 10 of Forest’s nominees to its Board of Directors. Shareholders can vote by telephone, Internet or by signing, dating and returning the Company’s WHITE proxy card. Forest urges shareholders NOT to sign any proxy card sent to them by the Icahn Group. Even a withhold vote for Icahn’s nominees on Mr. Icahn’s gold proxy card will cancel any previous proxy submitted by shareholders that voted “FOR ALL” of the Company’s nominees.

Forward-Looking Information

Except for the historical information contained herein, this document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including the difficulty of predicting FDA approvals, the acceptance and demand for new pharmaceutical products, the impact of competitive products and pricing, the timely development and launch of new products, and the risk factors listed from time to time in Forest Laboratories’ Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and any subsequent SEC filings.

Important Additional Information

Forest Laboratories, its directors, director nominees and certain of its executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Forest shareholders in connection with the matters to be considered at Forest Laboratories’ 2012 Annual Meeting. Forest Laboratories has filed its definitive proxy statement (as it may be amended, the “Proxy Statement”) with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) in connection with such solicitation of proxies from Forest shareholders. FOREST SHAREHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ACCOMPANYING PROXY CARD AS THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Information regarding the ownership of Forest's directors and executive officers in Forest stock, restricted stock and options is included in their SEC filings on Forms 3, 4 and 5, which can be found at the Company's website (www.frx.com) in the section "Investors." More detailed information regarding the identity of potential participants, and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is set forth in the Proxy Statement and other materials to be filed with the SEC in connection with Forest Laboratories' 2012 Annual Meeting. Information can also be found in Forest's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2012, filed with the SEC on May 25, 2012. Shareholders can obtain the Proxy Statement, any amendments or supplements to the Proxy Statement and other documents filed by Forest Laboratories with the SEC for no charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Copies are also available at no charge at Forest Laboratories' website at www.frx.com or by writing to Forest Laboratories at 909 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022.

If you have any questions, require assistance with voting your WHITE proxy card,
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About Forest Laboratories

Forest Laboratories' (NYSE: FRX) longstanding global partnerships and track record developing and marketing pharmaceutical products in the United States have yielded its well-established central nervous system and cardiovascular franchises and innovations in anti-infective, respiratory, gastrointestinal and pain management medicine. Forest's pipeline, the most robust in its history, includes product candidates in all stages of development across a wide range of therapeutic areas. The Company is headquartered in New York, NY. To learn more, visit www.FRX.com.

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