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Dear Fellow Shareholders

Our upcoming annual meeting of shareholders is on May 29, 2013. I am writing to ask you to vote **FOR** Proposal 4 in our proxy statement. With Proposal 4, we are asking that you approve an amendment to our 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan to authorize an additional 5,000,000 shares and extend the term of the plan to June 28, 2016.

The ability to award equity is a fundamental component of our compensation philosophy and an essential element of our total rewards strategy. We strongly believe that this critical tool influences our ability to attract, motivate, and retain talented, key employees thereby influencing our ability to deliver superior shareholder value. We also believe equity is an essential tool to align employee and stockholder interests, link employee compensation with company performance, and maintain a culture based on employee stock ownership. Further, Illumina carefully considers the balance between achieving these objectives and minimizing shareholder dilution before issuing equity to employees.

Illumina's Board of Directors recommends voting for Proposal 4 to amend the 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan. The attached presentation outlines why we believe Proposal 4 is in the best interest of stockholders and Illumina. Thank you for your attention and consideration in supporting us on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Jay Flatley

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May 16 -
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Requests an amendment to our 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan:

Illumina's Board of Directors Recommends a Yes Vote:

Illumina Investor Presentation

Executive Summary of Proposal 4

We must attract, retain, and motivate high-performers in order to generate long-term shareholder value

We use equity compensation to align employee and shareholder interests

We have a disciplined annual share granting practice to limit dilution

We proactively manage our outstanding shares through equity repurchases

Authorize an additional 5 million shares to the plan

Extend the term of the Plan to June 28, 2016

Additional shares are expected to last three years

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2012 Revenue of \$1.15 billion

Guidance of 15% revenue growth in 2013

Over 2,400 employees globally; headquartered in San Diego, CA

Recognized leader in next-generation sequencing

>90% of the world's sequencing data generated using Illumina platforms

Recognized leader in microarrays with ~80% market share in DNA genotyping

Strong diagnostic effort in reproductive health and cancer

Unmatched history of innovation and strong R&D pipeline

Who is Illumina?

Worldwide Leader in Genomic Analysis

1. Revenue guidance given via press release and 8-K on January 28, 2013; guidance was not reaffirmed or updated post Q1 1

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Illumina's Markets 2013
Over \$12 Billion Opportunity
Improve human health by
unlocking the power of the genome
Consumer
Markets
Life Science
Research
~\$4B
Applied
Markets
~\$1B
Clinical &
Translational
~\$6B

Reproductive
Health
~\$1B
>\$50M
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Illumina's Equity Compensation Philosophy
Program is Based on Guiding Principles
Equity Compensation:
Used to attract, retain and motivate new and
existing employees
Aligns employee and stockholder interests
Granted to our highest performing employees
and senior executives to generate long-term
shareholder value

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Share Balance by Year
5 Million Shares Will Fund Program for 3 Years
Available Shares to Grant (M)
Evergreen expired in 2010
0
2,500
5,000
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
7,500

Net Grants by Year

Net Grant Levels Have Been Stable While the Number of Employees has Grown

2,500
2,000
1,500
1,000
500
0
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
Net Grants (M)
Employees
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Gross Burn Rate

Disciplined Annual Share Granting Practice

Our net burn rate averaged ~3.0% over the last five years

Gross Burn Rate (%)

4.8%

3.4%

3.8%

4.0%

3.4%

1.5%

3.0%

4.5%

2008

2009

2010

2011
2012
0.0%

Outstanding Options

Employee Interests are Closely Aligned with Non-Employee Shareholders

Employees

are holding more than 6 million in the money options at a weighted average price of \$24.49

Outstanding Options by

Expiry Date

Outstanding Options by

Strike Price

1.

Includes options being held by the Board of Directors as of December 30, 2012

2.

Includes options granted under the 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan, New Hire Stock and Incentive Plan, and the Solexa plan

1,200

1,000

800

600

400
200
-
\$5
\$10
\$15
\$20
\$25
\$30
\$35
\$40
\$45
\$50
\$55
\$60
\$65
\$70
\$75
\$80
Exercisable
Unvested
-
200
400
600
800
1,000
1,200
1,400
1,600
1,800
2013
2014
2015
2016
2017
2018
2019
2020
2021
2022
Exercisable
Unvested
10
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Repurchased Shares (M)
Capital Deployment Strategy for Long-Term Growth
Equity Buybacks Partially Offset Dilution from Shares Granted
Equity Repurchases
\$250 million authorization; ~\$140 million remaining
Committed to returning cash to shareholders
Expanded sales force
Infrastructure investments; ERP and customer
supply improvement programs
Clinical and diagnostic infrastructure
Invest for Growth
Technology and Diagnostic Acquisitions
BlueGnome: IVF, Cancer and Cytogenetics
Verinata Health: Non-invasive Prenatal Testing
1.

Repurchased shares exclude 4.9 million shares repurchased in tandem with the issuance of the 2016 convertible bond

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6

4

2

0

3.1

6.1

0.8

4.3

1.9

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

11

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Leading Talent Brings Superior Revenue & EPS Growth

2013 Guidance is for 15% Revenue Growth¹

Revenue CAGR: 19%

EPS

CAGR

:

24%

1. Revenue guidance given via press release and 8-K on January 28, 2013; guidance was not reaffirmed or updated post Q1 1

2. Non-GAAP Diluted EPS

\$0.00

\$0.40

\$0.80

\$1.20

\$1.60

\$400

\$800
\$1,200
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
Revenue (\$M)
non
-GAAP EPS
\$0
2

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Five-Year Stock Performance

Compensation Philosophy and Execution Delivers Superior Shareholder Value

HiSeq 2000 and Genome

Analyzer IIe Launched

HiScanSQ Begins Shipping

iScan Launched

Eco Real-Time PCR

System Launched

Epicentre Acquisition

MiSeq & BaseSpace Launched

HiSeq 2500 Announced

0%

50%

100%

150%

200%

250%

300%

ILMN

S&P 500

Life Sciences

188%

109%

121%

1.

Stock performance as defined by total return to shareholders

2.

Life Sciences return is an average of total shareholder return of A, AFFX, BRKR, DHR, HOLX, LIFE, PKI, QGEN, SIAL, TE

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Financial

Guidance

Financial Outlook

Illumina Will Continue to Deliver Strong Growth for the Foreseeable Future

2013

Revenue: 15% YoY Growth

Gross Margin: ~ 70%

Non-GAAP

EPS

:

\$1.55

-

\$1.62

ETR%: 31%

Stock Based Compensation

Expense: \$115M

Shares Outstanding: ~134M

1. Revenue guidance given via press release and 8-K on January 28, 2013; guidance was not reaffirmed or updated post Q1 1
2. Non-GAAP EPS guidance includes stock based compensation

Future

Growth

Drivers

2014 and Beyond

Key Target Markets:

Clinical & Translational: \$6B

Life sciences: \$4B

Reproductive Health: \$1B

Applied markets: \$1B

Consumer: \$50M

Reproductive Health Diagnostics:

1.2

1.5M IVF cycles annually

500

750K high risk pregnancies

in the U.S. alone

Carrier screening, CF assay and

MiSeq DX platform

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Illumina's Board of Directors Recommends a Yes Vote on Proposal 4
Conclusion

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We use equity compensation to align employee and shareholder interests

We have a disciplined annual share granting practice

We have a strong track record of performance stemming from our overall strategic plan, including equity compensation

We have a robust equity repurchase plan and intend to continue repurchases over the life of our 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan

