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## NOTICE OF 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To Be Held on December 8, 2016

The 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Accretive Health, Inc. will be held on December 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., local time, at the Gleacher Center, 450 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60611, to consider and act upon the following matters:

1.Elect three Class III directors, each for a term ending at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified;

2. Approve a stock option exchange program under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan;

3. Approve our Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan by 17 million shares;

4. Authorize our board of directors to amend our Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of the outstanding shares of our common stock by a ratio in the range of 2-to-1 to 10-to-1 and a proportionate decrease in the number of authorized shares of our common stock, with our board of directors having sole discretion as to whether or not the reverse stock split is to be effected and determining the exact ratio to be set within the above range;

5. Ratify the selection by the Audit Committee of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016; and

6. Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Stockholders of record at the close of business on October 28, 2016 are entitled to receive this notice of our Annual Meeting and to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments of the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Joseph Flanagan Director, President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer Chicago, Illinois November 3, 2016 YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

OF THE RECORD DATE.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR SHARES BE REPRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. THEREFORE, WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING, PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROXY (1) OVER THE INTERNET, (2) BY TELEPHONE OR (3) BY MAIL. FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS, PLEASE REFER TO THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS BEGINNING ON PAGE 2 OF THE PROXY STATEMENT AND THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE PROXY CARD RELATING TO THE ANNUAL MEETING. "STREET NAME" HOLDERS WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING WILL NEED TO BRING A COPY OF A BROKERAGE STATEMENT REFLECTING THEIR STOCK OWNERSHIP IN ACCRETIVE HEALTH, INC. AS

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ACCRETIVE HEALTH, INC. 401 North Michigan Avenue Suite 2700 Chicago, Illinois 60611 PROXY STATEMENT For our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on December 8, 2016

Accretive Health, Inc. (often referred to as the "Company," "company," "Accretive Health," "we" or "us" in this document) is sending you this proxy statement in connection with the solicitation of proxies by our board of directors for use at our 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting"), which will be held on December 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Gleacher Center, 450 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60611. You may obtain directions to the location of the Annual Meeting by contacting our Office of Investor Relations by telephone at 877-252-2170 or by e-mail at investorrelations@accretivehealth.com. If the Annual Meeting is adjourned for any reason, then the proxies may be used at any adjournments of the Annual Meeting.

On or about November 3, 2016, we are mailing these proxy materials together with an annual report (the "2015 Annual Report"), consisting of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 and other information required by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on December 8, 2016

This proxy statement and our 2015 Annual Report are available for viewing, printing and downloading at http://proxyonline.accretivehealth.com

You may request a copy of the materials relating to our Annual Meeting, including this proxy statement and form of proxy for our Annual Meeting and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, at www.accretivehealth.com, or by contacting our Office of Investor Relations by telephone at 877-252-2170 or by e-mail at investorrelations@accretivehealth.com

A copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, other than exhibits, will be furnished without charge to any stockholder upon written or oral request to:

Accretive Health, Inc. Attention: Office of Investor Relations 401 North Michigan Avenue Suite 2700 Chicago, Illinois 60611 Telephone: 877-252-2170

# INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING What is the purpose of the Annual Meeting?

At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will consider and vote on the following matters:

1. Elect three Class III directors, each for a term ending at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified;

2. Approve a stock option exchange program under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan;

3. Approve our Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan by 17 million shares;

4. Authorize our board of directors to amend our Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of the outstanding shares of our common stock by a ratio in the range of 2-to-1 to 10-to-1 and a proportionate decrease in the number of authorized shares of our common stock, with our board of directors having sole discretion as to whether or not the reverse stock split is to be effected and determining the exact ratio to be set within the above range;

5. Ratify the selection by the Audit Committee of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016; and

6. Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Who can vote?

All stockholders of record at the close of business on October 28, 2016, which we refer to as the record date, are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

What shares will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting?

Our voting securities consist of common stock, of which 106,775,458 shares (excluding any treasury shares) were outstanding on the record date, and 8.00% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), of which 210,160 shares were outstanding on the record date. Holders of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock may vote on each proposal that comes before the Annual Meeting. Holders of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock will each vote as a separate class on Proposal 4 and will vote together as a single class on Proposals 1, 2, 3 and 5.

How many votes do I have?

Each share of our common stock you owned on the record date entitles you to one vote on each matter that is voted on. On an as-converted basis, each share of our Series A Preferred Stock you owned on the record date entitles you to 400 votes per share on each matter that is voted on.

#### Is my vote important?

Your vote is important regardless of how many shares you own. Please take the time to read the instructions below and vote. Choose the method of voting that is easiest and most convenient for you and please cast your vote as soon as possible.

How do I vote?

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Included with the proxy materials you received is a proxy card or a voting instruction card from your bank, broker or other nominee for the Annual Meeting. The proxy card or voting instruction card contains instructions on how to vote either at our Annual Meeting, over the Internet, by telephone or by mail. If you return the proxy card, but do not give any instructions on a particular matter described in this proxy statement, the shares you own will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of our board of directors. Our board of directors recommends that you vote FOR Proposals 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

If you are a stockholder as of the record date and attend the meeting, you may personally deliver your completed proxy card or vote in person at the meeting.

Can I change my vote or revoke my proxy after I have voted my shares?

Yes. You may revoke your proxy or change your vote at any time before it is exercised at the Annual Meeting by delivering to our corporate secretary a written notice of revocation or a duly executed proxy bearing a later date, by voting over the Internet or by telephone, or by voting in person at the meeting. You may not change your vote over the Internet or by telephone after 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on December 7, 2016. Only your latest dated, valid proxy card received by mail not later than December 7, 2016 will be counted.

Can I vote if my shares are held in "street name"?

If the shares you own are held in "street name" by a bank or brokerage firm, your bank or brokerage firm, as the record holder of your shares, is required to vote your shares according to your instructions. In order to vote your shares, you will need to follow the directions your bank or brokerage firm provides you. Many banks and brokerage firms also offer the option of voting over the Internet or by telephone, instructions for which would be provided by your bank or brokerage firm on your vote instruction form.

If your shares are held in street name, you must bring an account statement or letter from your brokerage firm or bank showing that you are the beneficial owner of the shares as of the record date in order to be admitted to the meeting on December 8, 2016. To be able to vote your shares held in street name at the meeting, you will need to obtain a proxy card from the holder of record.

What constitutes a quorum?

In order for business to be conducted at the meeting, a quorum must be present. For all the matters that are voted upon at the Annual Meeting, a quorum consists of the holders of a majority of the common stock and the Series A Preferred Stock, issued outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person or represented by proxy, voting together as a single class on an as-converted basis. A quorum, once established at a meeting, shall not be broken by the withdrawal of enough votes to leave less than a quorum.

Shares of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock represented in person or by proxy (including broker non-votes and shares that abstain or do not vote with respect to one or more of the matters to be voted upon) will be counted for the purpose of determining whether a quorum exists.

If a quorum is not present, the meeting will be adjourned until a quorum is obtained.

What vote is required for each item and how will the votes be counted?

Each share of common stock is entitled to one vote, whether voted by a proxy or by a ballot voted in person at the meeting. On an as-converted basis, each share of Series A Preferred Stock is entitled to 400 votes, whether voted by a proxy or by a ballot voted in person at the meeting. Shares will not be voted in favor of a matter, and will not be counted as voting on a particular matter, if either (1) the holder of the shares abstains from voting on the matter or (2) the shares are broker non-votes, as described below.

Approval Requirements. If a quorum is present, the vote required to approve each of the proposals is as follows. All votes will be counted by the inspector of election appointed for the meeting.

With respect to Proposal 1, the nominees for our Class III directors receiving a plurality of the votes cast by holders of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class on an as-converted basis, at the meeting in person or by proxy, shall be elected to our board of directors as

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our Class III directors. With respect to Proposal 1, you may vote "for" or "withhold" any or all director nominees.

With respect to Proposals 2, 3 and 5, a majority in voting power of the votes cast by the holders of all shares of common stock and Series A Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class on an as-converted basis, present or represented at the meeting and voting affirmatively or negatively on such matter is required for approval. For Proposals 2, 3 and 5, abstentions are not counted for purposes of determining the minimum number of affirmative votes required for approval and, accordingly, have no effect on the outcome of voting on such proposals.

With respect to Proposal 4, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of our outstanding shares of common stock and the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of our outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock, on an as-converted basis, are each required for approval of the amendment of our Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of the outstanding shares of our common stock. For Proposal 4, abstentions have the effect of a vote against the proposal.

Broker Non-Votes. If your broker holds your shares in its name and does not receive voting instructions from you, it will still be able to vote your shares with respect to certain "discretionary" items, but will not be allowed to vote your shares with respect to certain "non-discretionary" items. In the case of non-discretionary items, the shares will be treated as "broker non-votes." Broker non-votes are shares that are held in "street name" by a bank or brokerage firm that indicates on its proxy that it does not have discretionary authority to vote on a particular matter. Proposals 4 and 5 are discretionary item under these rules, and accordingly, your bank or brokerage firm will be able to vote your shares if you do not give instructions on how to do so. The election of directors, the approval of a stock option exchange program under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan and the approval of the Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan as discussed in Proposals 1, 2 and, 3, respectively, are "non-discretionary" items. Thus, if you hold your shares in street name and you do not instruct your bank, broker, or other nominee how to vote in Proposal 1, 2 and 3, your shares may constitute broker non-votes with respect to such proposals and no votes will be cast on your behalf with respect to such proposals.

Broker non-votes will not affect the required vote with respect to Proposals 1, 2 or 3 (and will not affect the attainment of a quorum since the broker has discretion to vote on Proposals 4 and 5 and these votes will be counted toward establishing a quorum).

Who will count the votes?

Broadridge Financial Solutions will count, tabulate and certify the votes. A representative of Broadridge Financial Solutions will serve as the inspector of elections at the meeting.

How does the board of directors recommend that I vote on the proposals? Our board of directors recommends that you vote:

FOR the election of the Class III director nominees listed herein;

FOR the approval of the stock option exchange program under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan;

FOR the approval of the Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan;

FOR the approval of an amendment to our Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of the outstanding shares of our common stock and a proportionate decrease in the number of authorized shares of our common stock; and

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FOR the ratification of the selection of our independent registered public accounting firm.

Will any other business be conducted at the Annual Meeting or will other matters be voted on?

We are not aware of any other business to be conducted or matters to be voted upon at the meeting. Under our bylaws, the deadline for stockholders to notify us of any proposals or nominations for director to be presented for action at the Annual Meeting was September 26, 2016. If any other matter properly comes before the meeting, the persons named in the proxy card that accompanies this proxy statement will exercise their judgment in deciding how to vote, or otherwise act, at the meeting with respect to that matter or proposal.

Where can I find the voting results?

We will report the voting results from the Annual Meeting in a Current Report on Form 8-K, which we expect to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") within four business days after the Annual Meeting.

Can I recommend a candidate for Accretive Health's board of directors?

Yes. Stockholders may recommend director candidates for consideration by the nominating and corporate governance committee of our board of directors by submitting the stockholder's name, address and number of shares of our stock held, as well as any other information required by our bylaws and the candidate's name, age, address and resume to our corporate secretary at the address below. If a stockholder would like a candidate to be considered, then the stockholder must follow the procedures for stockholder proposals outlined immediately below under "How and when may I submit a stockholder proposal for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders?" You can find more detailed information on our process for selecting board members and our criteria for board nominees in the section of this proxy statement entitled "Board Committees - Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee" and in the Corporate Governance Guidelines posted in the "Corporate Governance" section of the "Investor Relations" page of our website, www.accretivehealth.com.

How and when may I submit a stockholder proposal for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders?

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for inclusion in the proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, you must follow the procedures outlined in Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). A proposal that a stockholder would like included in our proxy statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must satisfy all applicable requirements of Rule 14a-8 and must be received at the address below no later than July 6, 2017. This deadline may change if our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is held before November 8, 2017.

If you wish to present a proposal or a proposed director candidate at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, but do not wish to have the proposal or director candidate considered for inclusion in the proxy statement and proxy card, you must satisfy all applicable requirements set forth in our bylaws and give written notice to us at the address noted below not earlier than August 10, 2017 and not later than September 9, 2017. This deadline may change if our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is held before November 8, 2017.

Any proposals, notices or information about proposed director candidates should be sent to: Accretive Health, Inc. 401 North Michigan Avenue Suite 2700 Chicago, Illinois 60611 Attention: Corporate Secretary How can I communicate with Accretive Health's board of directors?

Our board of directors will give appropriate attention to written communications that are submitted by stockholders, and will respond if and as appropriate. The chairman of the nominating and corporate governance committee, with the assistance of our senior management, is primarily responsible for monitoring and responding to communications from stockholders and other interested parties and for providing copies or summaries of communications to the other directors, as he considers appropriate.

All communications are forwarded to the chairman of the nominating and corporate governance committee and to the chairman of another committee of the board of directors, if the communication was addressed to the attention of another committee of the board of directors. The chairman of the nominating and corporate governance committee, and, in the case of communications to be addressed by another committee of the board of directors, in consultation with the chairman of that committee, shall decide in each case whether any particular communication should be forwarded to some or all other members of the board of directors.

Our stockholders may send communications to our board of directors by forwarding them addressed to our corporate secretary, our board of directors or, in the case of matters concerning accounting, internal accounting controls and auditing, our audit committee, at the above address.

Who bears the costs of soliciting these proxies?

We will bear the costs of soliciting proxies. We have engaged Alliance Advisors LLC to assist us with the solicitation of proxies and expect to pay Alliance Advisors approximately \$15,000 for their services. In addition to solicitations by mail and the solicitation services provided by Alliance Advisors, our directors, officers and employees may, without additional pay, solicit proxies by telephone, facsimile, e-mail and personal interviews. We will also request brokerage houses, custodians, nominees and fiduciaries to forward copies of the proxy materials to the persons for whom they hold shares and request instructions for voting the proxies. We will reimburse the brokerage houses and other persons for their reasonable expenses in connection with this distribution.

How can I obtain a copy of Accretive Health's Annual Report on Form 10-K?

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K is available in the "SEC Filings" section of the "Investor Relations" page of our website at www.accretivehealth.com.

Alternatively, if you would like us to send you a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K (without exhibits), without charge, please contact: Accretive Health, Inc.

401 North Michigan Avenue Suite 2700 Chicago, Illinois 60611 Attention: Investor Relations Telephone: 877-252-2170 investorrelations@accretivehealth.com

If you would like us to send you a copy of the exhibits listed on the exhibit index of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, we will do so upon your payment of our reasonable expenses in furnishing a requested exhibit.

Whom should I contact if I have any questions?

If you have any questions about the Annual Meeting or your ownership of our common stock, please contact our Investor Relations department at the address, telephone number or e-mail address listed above.

## Householding of Annual Meeting materials

Some banks, brokers and other nominee record holders may be participating in the practice of "householding" proxy statements and annual reports. This means that only one copy of our proxy statement and annual report to stockholders may have been sent to multiple stockholders in your household. We will promptly deliver a separate copy of either document to you if you call or write our Investor Relations department at the address, telephone number or e-mail address listed above. If you want to receive separate copies of our proxy statement or annual report to stockholders in the future, or if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive only one copy per household, you should contact your bank, broker or other nominee record holder.

# PROPOSAL 1 — ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our board of directors is currently authorized to have nine members and is divided into three classes of directors. The three classes of our directors currently consist of three Class I directors, three Class II directors and three Class III directors.

At our 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on August 14, 2015, our stockholders voted to approve an amendment to our restated certificate of incorporation that provides for the phased-in declassification of our board of directors and the annual election of all directors, and our board of directors approved conforming changes to our amended and restated bylaws. Specifically, our restated certificate of incorporation, as amended, provides that (1) the Class III directors standing for election at our 2016 annual meeting will stand for election for a one-year term, (2) the Class I directors and Class III directors standing for election at our 2017 annual meeting will stand for election for a one-year term, and (3) beginning with our 2018 annual meeting, and at each annual meeting thereafter, our entire board will stand for election for a one-year term and there would no longer be any designation by classes. Our restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated by-laws also provide that the number of directors is to be established by the board of directors and that so long as the board of directors constituting the entire board of directors.

In connection with the closing of our strategic transaction (the "Transaction") with Ascension Health Alliance d/b/a Ascension ("Ascension"), on February 16, 2016 (the "Closing"), the following members of our board of directors resigned, effective as of the Closing: Edgar M. Bronfman, Jr., Michael B. Hammond, Dr. Arthur Klein, Lawrence B. Leisure, Denis J. Nayden and Robert V. Stanek. In connection with and effective upon the Closing, pursuant to the terms of an investor rights agreement between the Company and TCP-ASC ACHI Series LLLP (the "Investor"), a Delaware series limited liability limited partnership jointly owned by Ascension and investment funds affiliated with TowerBrook Capital Partners L.P. ("TowerBrook"), and upon the recommendation of the nominating and corporate governance committee of our board of directors, our board of directors approved a decrease in the number of directors comprising our board of directors to nine and to fill the resulting vacancies, appointed Joseph R. Impicciche as a Class III Director, John B. Henneman, III as a Class I Director and Neal Moszkowski, Ian Sacks and Anthony J. Speranzo as Class II Directors, each to serve until the 2016, 2017 or 2018 Annual Meeting, respectively, and thereafter until his successor is duly elected and qualified, or until his earlier death, resignation or removal.

Our Class III directors are up for election at this Annual Meeting, and our stockholders will have an opportunity to vote for three nominees for director: Charles J. Ditkoff, Joseph R. Impicciche and Alex J. Mandl.

You can find more information about the director nominees in the section of this proxy statement entitled "Information About Our Directors, Officers and 5% Stockholders - Our Board of Directors."

If elected, Messrs. Ditkoff, Impicciche and Mandl will hold office as Class III directors until the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until his successor has been duly elected and qualified, or until his earlier death, resignation or removal. All nominees have consented to being named in this proxy statement and indicated their willingness to serve if elected. However, if any of them should be unable to serve, proxies may be voted for substitute nominees nominated by our board of directors, or our board of directors may reduce the number of directors.

Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR the nominees for Class III directors.

# PROPOSAL 2 - APPROVAL OF STOCK OPTION EXCHANGE PROGRAM UNDER OUR AMENDED AND RESTATED 2010 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

Our board of directors is requesting that our stockholders approve a stock option exchange program (the "Option Exchange"). In brief, under the Option Exchange, our employees and directors would be given the opportunity to exchange stock options with an exercise price above the closing price of our common stock on the closing date of the Option Exchange for a lesser number of new stock options that have approximately the same fair value as the options surrendered. Our board of directors believes that the Option Exchange is in the best interest of stockholders and the Company, as new stock options received under the program will provide added incentive to motivate and retain talented employees and directors. In addition, it will provide the opportunity to reduce our "issued overhang" of outstanding stock options and allow the Company to make better use of the compensation costs that we have already incurred from our outstanding stock option awards.

# Background

Long-term incentive compensation has been a critical part of our total compensation program for executives and other key employees. These long-term incentives make up a meaningful part of the target total compensation of each participant. Through equity-based grants of stock options and restricted stock, our goal was to create an alignment among management, directors and our stockholders focused on the creation of value for our stockholders. Historically, we have also used stock option grants as a tool for attracting and retaining certain qualified independent directors to serve on our board of directors. (See "Director Compensation" elsewhere in this proxy statement for a summary of our director compensation policy.) A key part of these grants is the use of vesting that requires continued service in order to enjoy the full economic benefits of ownership which encourages retention of participants. Furthermore, these grants serve as a powerful tool in the retention of executives and other key employees and directors based on stock price appreciation. However, when the stock price remains flat or declines, these grants decline in value, reducing or eliminating the retention power.

As of October 21, 2016, more than 92% of the stock options that are outstanding and held by employees and directors were "underwater", meaning the stock option exercise price exceeded the market price of our common stock, rendering the options with little value to participants. This is a critical issue from the viewpoint of participant motivation, retention and, from the Company's viewpoint, issued overhang related to the underwater options that have exercise prices that are far above the current trading price of our common stock.

In light of the substantial number of underwater options and the need to retain the newly reorganized management team and other key employees and directors, our board of directors is proposing that the Option Exchange be approved by our stockholders. Under this program, each option holder will have the opportunity to surrender underwater options that have been outstanding for more than six months from the start of the Option Exchange. The options surrendered will be valued using a Black-Scholes model, and the surrendered options will be replaced with a fewer number of options having an aggregate value approximately equal to the options surrendered and an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant. The new options will have a 10-year term from the date of grant and will vest ratably over two years on the first and second anniversaries of grant. Thus, even if the surrendered options are fully vested, the new options that will be issued will be subject to a new vesting period.

In addition to this proposal regarding approval of the Option Exchange, we are separately asking our stockholders to approve our Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan by 17 million shares as described elsewhere in this proxy under "Proposal 3 - Approval of Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan." The outcome of the stockholder vote on "Proposal 3 - Approval of Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan." The outcome of the stockholder vote on "Proposal 3 - Approval of Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan." will have no impact on the Option Exchange and is not contingent upon approval of the Option Exchange.

#### Rationale for Option Exchange

The price of our common stock has been significantly impacted by our overall financial performance, our financial restatement and the delisting of our common stock from the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") in 2014. As of October 21, 2016, our common stock closed at a market price per share of \$2.37, resulting in more than 92% of our outstanding stock option grants being underwater. We consider our employees and directors a very important part of our efforts to enhance our competitive position and to prepare for future success. Many of our employees and directors have skills and experience that they have developed over a long period of time and would be difficult and costly to replace. In addition, in considering participation in the Option Exchange, we have decided to include senior management and directors. We believe that this is appropriate due to the new roles with expanded responsibilities that certain of these executives have recently assumed in the Company, and that having all members of management with the same economic motivation will create cohesion and a shared focus. We are including directors that hold options in the Option Exchange because in exchange for their board service they have received options as our common stock price was in decline, and these options remain underwater due to their limited time on our board of directors. We view our directors' service as helping to create the foundation for future growth.

Exercise prices for stock options outstanding as of October 21, 2016, ranged from \$1.93 to \$27.08, and the closing market price of our common stock was \$2.37 on that date. As a result, the current situation provides a considerable challenge to maintaining employee satisfaction and motivation, as well as creates impediments to the retention of highly valued employees until a recovery of our stock price commences. The Option Exchange would help to address both of these concerns and reinvigorate a culture based, in part, on employee stock ownership.

In addition, successful execution of the Option Exchange would significantly reduce our "issued overhang" (equity awards outstanding but not exercised, divided by total common shares outstanding). Underwater stock option awards have little or no retention value but remain in issued overhang until they are exercised, expire, or are cancelled. Our issued overhang on October 21, 2016 was approximately 19% (20,563,972 equity awards outstanding, divided by 106,775,792 total common shares outstanding). Under the Option Exchange, we expect that a reduction in our issued overhang will occur, because participating employees and directors will receive fewer new stock options than the number of stock options being surrendered, and surrendered stock options will be cancelled. The exchange ratios of old stock options for new stock options will be based on the fair value determined under applicable accounting rules shortly before we commence with the Option Exchange. The Option Exchange is intended to be a value-for-value exchange; in order to obtain a new at-the-money stock option, an employee or director will be required to surrender a higher number of underwater stock options that have value approximately equivalent to the new stock option. The total issued overhang reduction is difficult to estimate and will only be known when the actual exchange is complete. For example, if the fair values of stock options to be surrendered and received in the actual exchange, as determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, are similar to the fair values estimated as of fiscal year-end 2015, the Option Exchange could reduce the issued overhang by up to approximately 4,015,364 shares if all eligible stock options are surrendered for new stock options. Any reduction in issued overhang will be offset by any new awards granted under our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive plan, which currently has approximately 0.9 million shares available for future grants. The amount available for future grants will increase by 17 million shares if our stockholders approve "Proposal 3 - Approval of Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan" described elsewhere in this proxy statement.

Lastly, the Option Exchange will allow us to make use of expense previously recognized with the original equity awards in our efforts to enhance employee satisfaction, motivation and retention, rather than incur new, additional expenses to achieve the same goal. Generally, when stock options are granted to employees and directors, we bear an expense that reduces our net income. This expense (known as share-based compensation) is calculated at the time a stock option is granted based on the determined value of each stock option when granted. We use a mathematical formula known as the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the value of each stock option. As of October 21, 2016, there was approximately \$8.1 million in unrecognized compensation costs related to outstanding stock

options to be expensed in 2016 and beyond; however, at current stock prices, these outstanding stock option awards are of limited benefit in motivating and retaining our employees and directors. Through the Option Exchange, we believe that we can increase the significance of these stock option awards for our employees and directors and provide a more meaningful incentive. We have designed the Option Exchange so that it is not

intended to create additional share-based compensation expense; as noted above, this is known as a value-for-value exchange. Please see "Accounting Impact" below for a discussion of the possible accounting consequences of the Option Exchange.

The following table sets forth the number of options held by executive officers and directors that, based on a closing price per share of our common stock of \$2.37 on October 21, 2016, we expect would be eligible to participate in the Option Exchange:

	Eligible
Name	Stock
	Options
Joseph G. Flanagan	800,000
Christopher S. Ricaurte	231,875
Steven J. Shulman	103,174
Alex J. Mandl	180,718
Charles J. Ditkoff	193,237
John B. Henneman III	417,159

Structure of the Option Exchange

There is no written plan document for the Option Exchange, but a summary of the terms adopted by our board of directors is set forth herein. As a result, we are asking our stockholders to approve the Option Exchange with the following features:

Eligible Stock Options. The Option Exchange will be offered only with respect to stock options with an exercise price above the closing price of our stock on the closing date of the Option Exchange, and will exclude any stock options granted within the six months preceding the beginning of the exchange offer period. This approach seeks to avoid significantly shortening the vesting period on recently issued stock options, which would partially negate their retention value.

Offer an Approximate Value-for-Value Exchange. The value of an employee's or director's new stock option grant received as part of the Option Exchange is not expected to exceed in any material way the value of such employee's or director's surrendered stock options. The exercise price of the new stock options will be set on the grant date using the closing price of our stock on the closing date of the Option Exchange. The exchange ratios of shares associated with surrendered eligible stock options into new stock options will be established shortly before the start of the Option Exchange. An exchange ratio will be established for each individual outstanding option award by the Company using a Black-Scholes pricing model. (See the example in "Stock Option Exchange Ratios" below.)

Establishment of a New Vesting Period with a Term of Ten Years. New stock option awards will receive a renewed vesting period that will vest in 50% annual increments over a two-year period from grant date and will have a 10-year term. This vesting period supports the long-term nature of stock as an incentive vehicle and also provides for additional years of retention over the tendered stock options, many of which are already vested.

Completion of the Option Exchange Following Stockholder Approval. We expect that the Option Exchange will begin during the proxy solicitation period and, subject to receipt of stockholder approval, will be completed no earlier than five business days following the approval of the Option Exchange at the Annual Meeting. The actual commencement and, subject to stockholder approval, closing dates, and whether we commence this program, will be determined by our board of directors. Our board of directors reserves the right to amend, postpone, or under certain circumstances cancel the Option Exchange once it has commenced.

Impact of Option Exchange

We currently estimate that, based on our closing stock price of \$2.37 on October 21, 2016, the Option Exchange could cover approximately 5,446,197 outstanding stock options. The new stock options would be granted with an exercise price equal to the market value of an Accretive Health share on the grant date, and would be subject

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to a two-year vesting schedule and 10-year contractual life. We considered other alternatives, such as applying a shorter or, in some cases, no vesting period, but these approaches would structure the new stock option grants as short-term equity incentive vehicles. Such an approach would be inconsistent with the intent of equity as a long-term incentive vehicle. Our objective for the Option Exchange is to preserve the integrity of the new stock option grants for long-term retention and motivation. The 10-year term will be reflected in the exchange ratios that we calculate on a value-for-value basis. We believe that this is appropriate because using a 10-year term and a two-year vesting schedule better aligns our employees and directors with our other stockholders for long-term stock price growth and provides better retention.

All stock options surrendered as part of the Option Exchange will be cancelled upon completion of the exchange offer and, in accordance with the terms of our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan, will be available for future issuances.

## **Option Exchange Process**

Additional information about how we expect to conduct the Option Exchange, if approved by stockholders, is set forth below. While the terms of the Option Exchange are expected to conform to the material terms described above in this proposal, we may find it necessary or appropriate to change the terms of the Option Exchange from those described below to take into account our administrative needs, applicable laws, accounting rules, or company policy decisions. For example, we may alter the method of determining exchange ratios if we decide that there is a more efficient and appropriate way to achieve our goal of granting replacement stock options that have a fair value approximately equal to the fair value of the eligible stock options they replace, subject to any fluctuations in our stock price or other factors that may occur between the time we establish the exchange ratios and the time that new stock options are actually granted as part of the Option Exchange.

Additionally, we may decide not to implement the Option Exchange even if stockholder approval of the Option Exchange is obtained, or we may amend or terminate the Option Exchange once it is in progress. The final terms of the Option Exchange will be described in the exchange offer documents that will be filed with the SEC.

### Overview of the Option Exchange Process

Upon initiation of the Option Exchange, eligible employees and directors holding eligible stock option awards will receive a written offer setting forth the precise terms of the Option Exchange and those who desire to exchange some or all of their options under the Option Exchange will need to voluntarily elect to participate. All of our employees and directors who are employed or serving as a director on the commencement date of the exchange offer period, are still employed or serving as a director at the grant date, and hold eligible stock option awards may participate in the Option Exchange. Eligible employees and directors will be given at least 20 business days to elect to surrender eligible stock options in exchange for a lesser amount of new stock options. Upon completion of the Option Exchange, surrendered stock options will be cancelled and new stock options will be granted promptly. Our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan will govern any terms or conditions of new options not specifically addressed within the Option Exchange proposal.

### Election to Participate

Eligible employees and directors will receive a tender offer document and will be able to voluntarily elect to participate in the Option Exchange. If you are both a stockholder and an employee or director holding stock options that are potentially subject to the Option Exchange, note that voting to approve the Option Exchange does not constitute an election to participate in the Option Exchange. The written exchange offer documents described above will be provided if and when the Option Exchange is initiated; you can elect to participate after that time only.

Eligible Stock Options to Be Cancelled via the Option Exchange

If, for example, the Option Exchange grant date occurs on December 15, 2016, stock options granted from December 15, 2006 to May 15, 2016 and that meet the exercise price criteria noted earlier would be eligible to be

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surrendered for the Option Exchange. As of October 21, 2016, there were 14,684,592 stock options outstanding (which includes 5,446,107 options estimated to be eligible for the Option Exchange held by approximately 152 employees and directors). Eligible stock options would be expected to have exercise prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$27.08 per share, a weighted average exercise price of \$10.26 per share, and a weighted average remaining term of six years per share.

### Stock Option Exchange Ratios

The exchange ratios of shares associated with surrendered eligible stock options into new stock options will be established shortly before the start of the Option Exchange. An exchange ratio will be established for each individual outstanding option award by the Company based on the fair value of the eligible awards (calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model). The calculation of fair value using the Black-Scholes option pricing model). The calculation of fair value using the Black-Scholes option pricing model takes into account many variables, such as the volatility of our stock and the expected term of a stock option. Setting the exchange ratios in this manner is intended to result in the issuance of new stock options that have a fair value approximately equal to the fair value of the surrendered eligible stock options that they replace. This is designed to eliminate additional compensation expense from such new stock options, other than compensation expense that might result from changes in our stock price or other variables after the exchange ratios have been established but before the time that new stock options are granted in the Option Exchange.

Although exchange ratios cannot be determined now, we are providing an example by making certain assumptions regarding the start date of the offer, the fair value of the eligible stock options, and the fair market value of our common stock. To calculate the exchange ratios in the example, we have used the applicable inputs available as of October 21, 2016 for the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Note that only stock options with an exercise price above the closing price of our stock on the closing date of the Option Exchange and meeting all the other eligibility requirements referenced earlier will be eligible to participate in the Option Exchange.

In the table below, the exchange ratio represents the number of existing stock options that an employee would be required to surrender in exchange for one new stock option. For example, if an employee surrendered 1,000 stock options granted in 2013 that have an exercise price of \$10.00 per share, that employee (for purposes of this example only) would receive approximately 215 new stock options, using the exchange ratio of 4.65:1 as stipulated.

Examples of	Stock Option	<b>Exchange Ratios</b>
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Grant	Exercise Price of	Estimated	Example Number of Shares	Estimated Shares to be
Year	Example Grants	Exchange Ratio	Underlying Eligible Options	Received
2011	\$27.08	100:1	1,000	10
2013	\$10.00	4.65:1	1,000	215
2015	\$5.45	1.70:1	1,000	587

#### Accounting Impact

Accretive Health follows the provisions of ASC Topic 718 - Stock Compensation, which requires employee and director equity awards to be accounted for under the fair value method.

This Option Exchange is intended to be "cost neutral" from an accounting standpoint. Thus, we will establish exchange ratios with the intent not to generate incremental share-based compensation expense for the Company. To be cost neutral, the value of the stock options surrendered as calculated immediately prior to their surrender must be at least equal to the value of the new stock options received by employees and directors in the Option Exchange. We use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of all stock options granted to employees and directors, and expect to use that same model in valuing the stock options that are part of the Option Exchange. Note that the Option Exchange ratios will be established just prior to commencement of the exchange offer. Therefore, some risk of

incremental compensation does exist if there are fluctuations in the Company's common stock price or

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other key inputs to the Black-Scholes option pricing model between the date the Option Exchange ratios are established and the effective date of the Option Exchange.

Any unrecognized compensation expense from the surrendered stock options will be recognized prior to the end of the service period of the new stock options received in the Option Exchange. Incremental compensation cost, if any, associated with the new stock options under the Option Exchange will be recognized over the service period of the new awards. Compensation cost for stock options forfeited due to employees or directors not meeting the applicable service requirements will not be recognized.

## U.S. Tax Consequences

The exchange of stock options pursuant to the Option Exchange should be treated as the cancellation of existing stock options and the grant of new stock options having an exercise price equal to the fair market value of Accretive Health common stock on grant date. The Company and participating employees and directors should not recognize any income for U.S. federal income tax purposes upon either the cancellation of existing stock options or the grant of the new stock options. All new stock options granted under the Option Exchange will be non-qualified stock options for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Tax effects may vary in other countries; a more detailed summary of tax considerations will be provided to all participants in the Option Exchange documents.

### Conclusion

We strongly believe that our equity program and emphasis on key employee and director stock ownership have been integral to our success. We believe that our equity program has enhanced our ability to attract, motivate, and retain the employee and director talent critical to attaining long-term improved company performance and stockholder returns. Therefore, we consider approval of the Option Exchange to be important to our future success, as it will enable the Company to strengthen the motivational and retention value of our stock option awards to our key employees and directors.

### Recommendation of the Board

Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR the stock option exchange program.

#### PROPOSAL 3 - APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED 2010 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

#### Introduction

#### Overview of Amendment

Our Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan (the "A&R 2010 Plan"), became effective upon our initial public offering in May 2010. 29,374,756 shares of common stock (subject to adjustment in the event of changes in our capitalization or reorganization events) are authorized for issuance under the A&R 2010 Plan pursuant to stock options, awards of restricted stock, restricted stock units, stock appreciation rights and other stock-based awards (collectively, "Awards"). As of October 21, 2016, approximately 967,704 shares remain available for future grants under the A&R 2010 Plan.

Subject to approval by our stockholders at the Annual Meeting, our board of directors has approved an amendment and restatement of the A&R 2010 Plan (the "Second A&R 2010 Plan"), which authorizes the issuance of an additional 17 million shares pursuant to Awards.

Increase in Authorized Shares under the Second A&R 2010 Plan

In determining the number of additional shares to be authorized for issuance under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, our board of directors considered, among other things, our hiring plans and expected number of employees and directors, our historic share usage under the A&R 2010 Plan, our current issued overhang in shares issuable with respect to outstanding awards, the existing terms of such outstanding awards and assumptions regarding stock option exercise activity and forfeiture rates, the likelihood of stockholder approval and implementation by the Company of the Option Exchange and our expectations regarding the number of outstanding stock options that may be surrendered as part of the Option Exchange (which, based on our closing stock price of \$2.37 on October 21, 2016, we expect could cover approximately 5,446,197 stock options and could increase the number of shares available for future grants under the A&R 2010 Plan by 3,882,793 shares). In making its determination, our board of directors also considered the advice of Steven Hall & Partners, the compensation committee's compensation consultant, to our compensation committee. In light of the number of shares available for the grant of future Awards under the A&R 2010 Plan and the approval by our board of directors to implement the revised Long-Term Incentive ("LTI") program described in greater detail below, our board of directors believes that increasing the shares authorized for issuance by 17 million shares is an appropriate increase to the number of shares available for grant under the Second A&R 2010 Plan.

There is no written plan document for our LTI program, but a summary of the terms adopted by our board of directors is set forth herein.

In light of our desire for a strong focus on performance-based long term incentives to help motivate our management team to achieve our business plan, we have revised our LTI program with the goal of greater focus on long-term business performance that we believe will be key to the creation of value for our stockholders. Depending on the level of management, the LTI program will now utilize three equity-based incentive vehicles: stock options, restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs").

Our historical policy has been to make LTI grants in April of each year. In 2016, due to the reorganization of the management team, the focus on establishing a strategic business plan and the decision to review our prior LTI program to align it with that business plan, the grants of equity awards were delayed. In developing the new LTI program described herein, our board of directors decided to recognize the delay in the 2016 LTI grant, increase the retention power on executives and other key employees and focus them on achieving our business goals through the granting of both the 2016 LTI awards (the "2016 LTI Awards") and the 2017 LTI awards (the "2017 LTI Awards") in October of 2016. In considering the delay in making the grant of the 2016 LTI Awards, our board of directors set the

vesting period for such awards as if they had been made in April of 2016 (i.e., the first 25% of the 2016 LTI Awards (other than PBRSUs) will vest in April 2017). We believe that these vesting terms will benefit retention and morale,

as the results honor our historical policy of making grants in April and create an immediate, meaningful incentive opportunity that will enhance both the motivation and retention of executives and key employees.

Stock options will provide participants with the opportunity to share in the increase in stock price above the share price of our common stock on the date of grant. Each option will have a 10-year term and will vest according to the vesting schedule set forth below. Each restricted stock unit will provide participants with the right to receive, upon vesting, a share of our common stock for each restricted stock unit granted. These restricted stock units will vest according to the vesting to the vesting schedule set forth below.

2016 LTI Awards - Vesting Schedule for Time-Vesting Stock Options and Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units Vesting Date % of Award Vested April 2017 25% April 2018 50% April 2019 75% April 2020 100%

2017 LTI Awards - Vesting Schedule for Time-Vesting Stock Options and Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units Vesting Date % of Award Vested April 2018 25% April 2019 50% April 2020 75% April 2021 100%

PBRSUs will entitle participants to receive shares of our common stock based on the performance of the Company over a multi-year performance period. At the end of the performance period, the Company's actual performance will be assessed against the performance goals set at the time of grant and based on that actual performance, participants are expected to have the opportunity to earn a number of shares of our common stock within a range of 50% to 150% of a target number of shares, although the maximum percentage may be greater for certain employees, and which will generally be calculated such that the number of shares earned will correspond to the Company's actual performance against the performance goals. The award agreements are expected to provide that if the Company's actual performance against the performance goals falls below the 50% threshold set forth in a participant's grant agreement, no shares of common stock will be earned, and the award agreements are expected to provide that if the Company's actual performance exceeds the performance goals, an amount of shares exceeding the target number of shares will be awarded up to a maximum of 150% of the target amount of shares, although the maximum percentage may be greater for certain employees. The determination of the number of shares earned will be interpolated for performance between the 50% minimum threshold and target performance and for performance between target performance and the maximum set forth in the agreements. At this time, the performance criteria and goals and maximum target number of shares have not been established by our board of directors or a committee thereof. Unless otherwise noted herein, the number of PBRSUs referred to herein assumes that the Company has achieved a 150% maximum performance target, although the maximum percentage may be greater for certain employees.

Each of the restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2016 LTI Awards and each of the stock options and restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2017 LTI Awards, representing an aggregate of 3,543,687 stock options and 1,361,794 restricted stock units, were issued contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R

2010 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, the restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2016 LTI Awards and the stock options and restricted stock units that were

granted as part of the 2017 LTI Awards will be cancelled. We intend to issue the PBRSUs that are included in the 2016 LTI Awards and 2017 LTI Awards, representing an expected aggregate of 5,366,670 PBRSUs, prior to the Annual Meeting, although the actual number of PBRSUs has not been set and may be greater if certain employees are given the opportunity to achieve greater than a 150% maximum performance target. These PBRSUs will also be issued contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, and if our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, any such PBRSUs that we have issued will be cancelled.

Participants in the LTI program are employees with a title of vice president or above and certain director-level employees. Under our LTI program, the total value of a participant's LTI award is established as a percentage of such participant's base salary, depending on position with the Company as follows:

PositionValue of Aggregate LTI Award as a % of Base SalaryChief Executive Officer300%Chief Financial Officer100%Senior Vice Presidents30%Vice Presidents30%Director-Level Employees20%

The composition of the initial grant under this program for 2016 and 2017 as a percentage of the total LTI award will be based on position in the Company as follows:

Senior Vice Presidents and above:

50% Stock Options 50% PBRSUs

Vice Presidents:

37.5% Stock Options37.5% PBRSUs25% Restricted Stock Units

Director-level Employees: 33.3% Stock Options 33.3% PBRSUs 33.4% Restricted Stock Units

The following table summarizes the 2016 LTI Awards and 2017 LTI Awards that have been or will be granted to our executive officers:

	2016 LTI	Awards	2017 LTI	Awards
Employee	Number of Time-Ves Stock Options Granted	of TBRSUs Intended to be	of Time-Ves Stock Options	Number of PBRSUs Intended to be Granted (1)
Joseph Flanagan	817,390	553,203	817,390	553,203
Christopher Ricaurte	204,348	138,302	204,348	138,302
Total	1,021,738	691,505	1,021,738	691,505

(1) For illustrative purposes, assumes a 150% maximum performance target. Such amount may be different if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target.

In addition to the LTI program grants described herein, our board of directors also granted or will grant an additional, one-time equity grant to our new chief financial officer, Mr. Ricaurte, in order to recognize his promotion, encourage his retention and provide a stronger alignment with shareholder interests, and additional, one-time equity grants to certain highly valued non-executive employees (collectively, the "Top Up Grants" or the "Staking Grants") as set forth below:

			Number
Employee	Aggregate Number of Time-Vesting Stock Units	Aggregate Number of Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units	of PBRSUs Intended to be Granted
	Options as Staking	Granted as	as
	Grants	Staking	Staking
		Grants	Grants
			(1)
Christopher Ricaurte	204,348		138,302
Other Employees	903,157		611,255
Total	1,107,505		749,556

(1) For illustrative purposes, assumes a 150% maximum performance target. Such amount may be different if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target.

All of the Staking Grants were issued (and in the case of the PBRSUs, will be issued) contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, the Staking Grants will be cancelled. The Staking Grants have the same vesting terms as the 2017 LTI Awards.

The terms of our revised LTI program described herein apply only to the 2016 LTI Awards and the 2017 LTI Awards. All of the terms of our LTI program, including, without limitation, eligible participants, award levels, the composition of awards and the vesting terms for awards, for 2018 and subsequent years are all subject to revision by our board of directors in their sole discretion. In addition, our board of directors reserves the right to discontinue the LTI program, in whole or in part, replace the LTI program and/or supplement it with additional incentive equity programs.

In addition to the LTI awards described herein, on November 2, 2016, our board of directors, in recognition of the valuable contributions Mr. Shulman continues to make to our Company as chairman of our board of directors, such as providing strategic direction and leadership to our board of directors, and in order to further align his interests with that of our stockholders, granted Mr. Shulman 1,634,780 stock options, contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. One-half of Mr. Shulman's stock options have the same vesting terms as the 2016 LTI Awards and one-half of Mr. Shulman's stock options have the same vesting terms as the 2017 LTI Awards. Our board of directors also intends to issue Mr. Shulman approximately 1,106,406 PBRSUs (which PBRSU amount assumes a 150% maximum performance target and which maximum target amount may be greater if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target). Our board of directors also intends that any such grant of PBRSUs to Mr. Shulman would be contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, Mr. Shulman's stock options and PBRSUs will be cancelled.

The implementation of our revised LTI program as described herein, together with the issuance of the Staking Grants described above, would require the issuance of 8,194,879 stock options, 1,361,794 restricted stock units and at least 6,116,226 PBRSU in the aggregate under the A&R 2010 Plan. In order to implement the revised LTI program, an increase in the number of awards available under the A&R 2010 Plan is required. If the Second A&R 2010 Plan is approved by our stockholders, it will become immediately effective as of December 8, 2016. Assuming stockholder approval and implementation of the Option Exchange, which we anticipate could increase the number of shares available for issuance by 3,882,793 shares, the additional 17,000,000 shares of common stock will provide the

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Company with approximately 7,061,554 shares with which to grant Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan following the Annual Meeting and after taking into account the Awards issued and expected to be issued in connection with the LTI program and to Mr. Shulman. In addition, shares subject to awards outstanding as of December 8, 2016 that expire or are terminated, surrendered, canceled or forfeited may, in accordance with the terms of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, also be available for the future grant of Awards. We expect that if the Second A&R 2010 Plan is approved by our stockholders, the total number of shares available for issuance under the Second

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A&R 2010 Plan will be sufficient to allow us to make equity awards in the amounts we believe are necessary to attract and retain exceptional talent and key personnel through 2017.

If the reverse stock split described in "Proposal 4 - Authorize Board of Directors to Amend Certificate of Incorporation to Effect a Reverse Stock Split of the Outstanding Shares of our Common Stock" is approved by our stockholders and effectuated by our board of directors, our board of directors will adjust the number of shares reserved for issuance under our A&R 2010 Stock Incentive Plan based on the reverse stock split ratio chosen by our board of directors. As of October 21, 2016, there were 29,374,756 shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the A&R 2010 Plan, of which 967,704 remained available for future awards, and, assuming such reverse stock split is approved and implemented, such reserve will be reduced based on the reverse stock split ratio selected by our board of directors. If our stockholders approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, of which 17,967,704 would be available for future awards, and, assuming such reverse stock split is approved and implemented, such reserve would be reduced based on the reverse stock split ratio selected by our board of directors.

Our request to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance by 17 million shares is primarily being made to cover the grants of the 2016 LTI Awards and the 2017 LTI Awards, and assuming our stockholders approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, we anticipate that the continuation of our LTI program in 2018 and beyond would likely require us to request that our stockholders approve another increase in the number of shares authorized for issuance under the Second A&R 2010 Plan at our 2018 Annual Meeting.

Our board of directors believes that approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan is in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders. In reaching this conclusion, the board of directors considered the following factors:

•the impact of the decline in stock price and the limited value related to current equity plan holdings by executives and other key employees results in limited retention power;

•the reorganization of the management team and the desire to create a strong alignment among employees, officers and stockholders based on the achievement of strategic goals and the creation of value for our stockholders; and

•competitive compensation opportunities for current and prospective employees and officers with a special focus on long-term incentives that require continued employment.

In consideration of these factors, the board of directors has approved the revised LTI program described herein which is intended to reward both stock price growth as well as financial performance.

Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR the approval of our Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.

A brief summary of the Second A&R 2010 Plan is outlined below. The following summary is not a complete description of all of the provisions of the Second A&R 2010 Plan and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Second A&R 2010 Plan, a copy of which is attached to this proxy statement as Appendix A. You can request a copy of the Second A&R 2010 Plan by writing to Accretive Health, Inc., Attn: Investor Relations, 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60611. A copy of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, which is attached as Appendix A of this proxy statement filed with the SEC, may also be accessed from the SEC's home page (www.sec.gov).

Description of the Second A&R 2010 Plan

Stock Available for Awards

Authorized Number of Shares. Up to 46,374,756 shares of common stock, subject to adjustment for changes in our capitalization or reorganization events, will be authorized for issuance pursuant to Awards granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan. This number includes the number of shares of common stock subject to outstanding

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awards granted under our Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan, which awards may expire, terminate or otherwise be surrendered, cancelled, forfeited or repurchased by us at their original issue price pursuant to a contractual repurchase right (subject, in the case of incentive stock options, to any limitations under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")).

Potential Dilution. We believe that the potential dilution that may result from the Second A&R 2010 Plan is reasonable for a company of our size and in our industry. In addition, we believe that the benefits to our stockholders resulting from equity award grants to our employees, including interest alignment and mitigation of incentives to take inappropriate business risks, outweigh the potential dilutive effect of grants under the Second A&R 2010 Plan. Our board of directors believes that paying a significant portion of annual variable compensation in the form of equity awards that vest over multiple years is an effective method of aligning the interests of employees with those of our stockholders, encouraging ownership in the Company and retaining, attracting and rewarding talented employees.

Share Counting. The Second A&R 2010 Plan provides that all shares of our common stock covered by stock appreciation rights shall be counted against the number of shares available for the grant of Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan and against the sublimits contained in the Second A&R 2010 Plan; provided, however, that (i) stock appreciation rights that may be settled only in cash shall not be so counted and (ii) if we grant a stock appreciation right in tandem with an option for the same number of shares of common stock and provide that only one such Award may be exercised, which we refer to as a tandem stock appreciation right, only the shares covered by the option and not the shares covered by the tandem stock appreciation right shall be so counted, and the expiration of one in connection with the others' exercise will not restore shares to the Second A&R 2010 Plan. The Second A&R 2010 Plan also provides that shares of our common stock delivered to the us by a participant to (i) purchase shares of common stock upon exercise of an Award or (ii) satisfy tax withholding obligations (including shares retained from the Award creating the tax obligation) may no longer be added back to the number of shares available for the future grant of Awards. The Second A&R 2010 Plan also provides that shares of our common stock that shares of our common stock that we repurchase on the open market using the proceeds from the exercise of an Award shall not increase the number of shares available for future grant of Awards.

Reacquired Shares. If any Award (i) expires or is terminated, surrendered or canceled without having been fully exercised or is forfeited in whole or in part (including as the result of shares of common stock subject to such Award being repurchased by us at the original issuance price pursuant to a contractual repurchase right) or (ii) results in any common stock not being issued (including as a result of a stock appreciation right that was settleable either in cash or in stock actually being settled in cash), the unused common stock covered by such Award shall again be available for the grant of Awards; provided, however, that (1) in the case of incentive stock options, the foregoing shall be subject to any limitations under the Code, (2) in the case of the exercise of a stock appreciation right, the number of shares counted against the shares available under the Second A&R 2010 Plan and against certain sublimits contained therein shall be the full number of shares subject to the stock appreciation right multiplied by the percentage of the stock appreciation right actually exercised, regardless of the number of shares actually used to settle such stock appreciation right upon exercise and (3) the shares covered by a tandem stock appreciation right.

Substitute Awards. In connection with a merger or consolidation of an entity with us or the acquisition by us of property or stock of an entity, our board of directors may grant Awards in substitution for any options or other stock or stock-based Awards granted by such entity or an affiliate thereof. Substitute Awards may be granted on such terms as our board of directors deems appropriate in the circumstances, notwithstanding any limitations on Awards contained in the Second A&R 2010 Plan. Substitute Awards shall not count against the overall share limit of the Second A&R 2010 Plan or any sublimits contained in the Second A&R 2010 Plan, except as may be required by reason of Section 422 and related provisions of the Code.

Section 162(m) Per-Participant Limit. The maximum number of shares of common stock with respect to which Awards may be granted to any one participant under the Second A&R 2010 Plan shall be 3,000,000 per

calendar year. For purposes of the foregoing limit, the combination of an option in tandem with a stock appreciation right shall be treated as a single Award.

# Types of Awards

The Second A&R 2010 Plan provides for the grant of "incentive stock options" intended to qualify under Section 422 of the Code, nonstatutory stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units and other stock-based Awards.

Stock Options. Stock options entitle recipients to purchase a specified number of shares of common stock at a specified option price and subject to such other terms and conditions as are specified in connection with the option grant. Options may be granted at an exercise price that is no less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of grant (or less than 110% of the fair market value in the case of incentive stock options granted to any participant holding more than 10% of the voting power of our company). If our board of directors approves a grant effective as of a future date, the exercise price will be no less than 100% (or 110%, as applicable) of the fair market value of a share of common stock on such future date. Only employees may be granted incentive stock options. Options granted pursuant to the Second A&R 2010 Plan may not be granted with a term in excess of 10 years (or, in excess of five years in the case of incentive stock options granted to any participant holding more than 10% of the voting power of our company). The Second A&R 2010 Plan permits the following forms of payment of the exercise price of options: (i) payment by cash or check, (ii) subject to certain conditions, payment in connection with a "cashless exercise" through a broker, (iii) subject to certain conditions, surrender to us of shares of common stock, (iv) with respect to a nonstatutory stock option, payment in shares of common stock in the form of a "net exercise", (v) payment by any other lawful consideration as our board of directors may determine, or (vi) any combination of these forms of payment. As described above, we have issued 8,194,879 stock options in the aggregate to employees as part of our LTI program for 2016 and 2017 (including as Staking Grants), and 4,651,192 of such stock options are contingent upon approval of our Second A&R 2010 Plan by our stockholders.

Stock Appreciation Rights. Stock appreciation rights entitle recipients to receive the appreciation in the value of our common stock over the value of the common stock on the date of grant of the stock appreciation right, which we refer to as the measurement price. Stock appreciation rights may be settled by the delivery of shares of our common stock or in cash. Stock appreciation rights may be issued in tandem with options or as stand-alone rights. The measurement price will be no less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of grant. If our board of directors approves a grant effective as of a future date, the measurement price will be no less than 100% of the fair market value of a share of any stock appreciation right granted pursuant to the Second A&R 2010 Plan will be no more than 10 years from the date of grant.

Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Unit Awards. Awards of restricted stock entitle recipients to acquire shares of common stock, subject to our right to repurchase, or require the forfeiture of such shares if issued at no cost, all or part of such shares from the recipient in the event that the conditions specified in the applicable Award agreement are not satisfied prior to the end of the applicable restriction period established for such Award. Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Award agreement, any dividend declared and paid by us with respect to a share of restricted stock shall be paid to the recipient (without interest) only if and when such shares of restricted stock become free from any applicable restrictions on transferability and forfeitability. Alternatively, instead of issuing common stock that is subject to repurchase, our board of directors may grant Awards known as restricted stock units that entitle recipients to receive unrestricted shares of common stock or cash at such time as the conditions specified in the applicable Award agreement are satisfied. Our board of directors may, in its discretion, provide that settlement of restricted stock units shall be deferred, on a mandatory basis or at the election of the recipient in a manner that complies with Section 409A of the Code. A recipient has no voting rights with respect to any restricted stock units. A grant of restricted stock units may provide the recipient with a right to receive dividend equivalents, which shall be subject to the same restrictions on transfer and forfeitability as the underlying restricted stock units. A secribed above, we have issued 1,361,794

restricted stock units in the aggregate to employees as part of our LTI program for 2016 and 2017 (including as Staking Grants), all of which are contingent upon approval of our Second A&R 2010 Plan by our stockholders.

Other Stock-Based Awards. Under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, our board of directors has the right to grant other Awards that are valued in whole or in part by reference to, or are otherwise based on, shares of our common stock or other property, having such terms and conditions as our board of directors may determine. We refer to these types of Awards as other stock-based Awards. Other stock-based Awards may be available as a form of payment in the settlement of other Awards granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan or as payment in lieu of compensation to which a recipient is otherwise entitled. Other stock-based Awards may be paid in shares of our common stock or cash, as our board of directors determines. Dividend equivalents with respect to other stock-based Awards will be subject to the same restrictions on transfer and forfeitability as the underlying other stock-based Award.

Performance Awards. The compensation committee or a subcommittee thereof, made up solely of two or more outside directors (as that term is defined under Section 162(m) of the Code), may determine, at the time of grant, that a restricted stock Award, restricted stock unit Award or other stock-based Award granted to a covered employee, as such term is defined under Section 162(m) of the Code, will vest solely upon the achievement of specified performance criteria so that any such Award may qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code. The performance criteria for each such Award will be based on the relative or absolute attainment of specified levels of one or any combination of the following, which may be determined pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles (or GAAP) or on a non-GAAP basis, as determined by the compensation committee: gross cash generated from customer contracting activities; net cash generated from customer contracting activities; net cash generated from customer contracting activities per share; site operating margin; net income per share; net income; earnings before or after discontinued operations, interest, taxes, depreciation and/or amortization, and stock-based compensation expense; operating profit before or after discontinued operations and/or taxes; sales; sales growth; earnings growth; cash flow or cash position; gross margins; stock price; market share; return on sales, assets, equity or investment; improvement of financial ratings; achievement of balance sheet or income statement objectives or total stockholder return; gross profit; revenue growth; cost savings; working capital; customer satisfaction; service quality; completion of strategic acquisitions/dispositions and/or execution of customer contracts; and receipt of regulatory approvals. Such criteria may reflect absolute entity or business unit performance or a relative comparison to the performance of a peer group of entities or other external measure of the selected performance criteria and may be absolute in their terms or measured against or in relationship to other companies comparably, similarly or otherwise situated. The compensation committee may specify that such performance measures will be adjusted to exclude any one or more of: extraordinary items, gains or losses on the dispositions of discontinued operations, the cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles, the write-down of any asset, the fluctuation in foreign currency exchange rates and charges for restructuring and rationalization programs. Such performance measures may vary by participant and may be different for different Awards, may be particular to a participant or the department, branch, line of business, subsidiary or other unit in which the participant works and may cover such period as may be specified by the compensation committee, and must be set by the compensation committee within the time period prescribed by, and otherwise comply with the requirements of, Section 162(m) of the Code. Awards that are not intended to qualify as performance-based compensation may be based on these or such other performance measures as the board of directors may determine. With respect to any performance Award that is intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code, the compensation committee may adjust downwards, but not upwards, the cash or number of shares payable pursuant to such Award, and the compensation committee may not waive the achievement of the applicable performance measures except in the case of death or disability of the participant or a change in control of our company. As described above, we plan to issue 6,116,226 performance-based restricted stock units in the aggregate to employees as part of our LTI program for 2016 and 2017 (including as Staking Grants), all of which would be contingent upon approval of our Second A&R 2010 Plan by our stockholders.

## Certain Award Terms

Limitations on Repricing of Options or Stock Appreciation Rights; No Reload Options or Reload Stock Appreciation Rights. Unless approved by our stockholders or otherwise permitted under the terms of the Second A&R 2010 Plan as

a result of changes in our capitalization or reorganization events: (1) no outstanding option or stock appreciation right may be amended to provide an exercise price or measurement price per share that is lower

than the then-current exercise price or measurement price per share of the option or stock appreciation right, (2) we may not cancel any outstanding option or stock appreciation right and grant in substitution therefor new Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, other than as specifically described under the heading "Substitute Awards" above, covering the same or a different number of shares of common stock and having an exercise price or measurement price per share lower than the then-current exercise price or measurement price per share of the cancelled option or stock appreciation right, (3) we may not cancel in exchange for a cash payment any outstanding option or stock appreciation right with an exercise price or measurement price per share above the then-current fair market value of a share of our common stock, and (4) we may not take any other action under the Second A&R 2010 Plan that constitutes a "repricing" under the rules of the NYSE. No option or stock appreciation right granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan shall contain any provision entitling the recipient to the automatic grant of additional options or stock appreciation rights in connection with any exercise of the original option or stock appreciation right.

Minimum Vesting; Limitations on Acceleration. No Award granted after August 14, 2015 under the Second A&R 2010 Plan may vest earlier than the first anniversary of its date of grant unless such Award is granted in lieu of salary, bonus or other compensation otherwise earned by or payable to the recipient. This vesting limitation does not apply to (i) Awards granted on or prior to August 14, 2015, (ii) Awards granted to non-employee directors and (iii) in addition to Awards granted to non-employee directors, Awards granted after August 14, 2015 representing an aggregate of up to 5% of the maximum number of authorized shares available for issuance under the Second A&R 2010 Plan. In addition, the Second A&R 2010 Plan prohibits our board of directors from amending any Award granted after August 14, 2015 to make such Award immediately exercisable in whole or in part, free of some or all restrictions or conditions, or other wise realizable in whole or in part, as the case may be, except (i) to the extent required under any contractual obligation or other policy of the Company in effect on August 14, 2015, (ii) upon the death or disability of the recipient, (iii) upon the merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization or change in control of the Company or as a result of any circumstance described below under the heading "Adjustments for Changes in Common Stock and Certain Other Events", or (iv) in any other circumstance with respect to Awards representing an aggregate of up to 5% of the maximum number of authorized shares available for issuance under the Second A&R 2010 Plan.

# Eligibility to Receive Awards; Plan Benefits

Our employees, officers, directors, consultants and advisors are eligible to be granted Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan. As of October 21, 2016, approximately 3,568 persons are eligible to receive Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, including our two executive officers and eight non-employee directors. The amount and timing of all Awards under the Second A&R 2010 Plan will be determined in the sole discretion of our board of directors or a committee thereof and therefore cannot be determined in advance.

However, as discussed above, we have granted a number of Awards under our LTI program that are contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. If such proposal is not approved, our board of directors will consider what course of action to follow with respect to future incentive compensation.

The following table sets forth information about awards granted or to be granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan that are subject to stockholder approval, to: (i) our named executive officers; (ii) all current executive officers, as a group; (iii) all current directors who are not executive officers, as a group; and (iv) all employees who are not executive officers, as a group; and interval of the size of future awards.

				Target
Name and Position(s)	Dollar Value as of October 3, 2016 (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of	Number of	Number of
		Shares of	Shares of	Shares of
		Time-	Time-	Performance-
		Vesting	Vesting	Vesting
		Stock	Restricted	Restricted
		Options	Stock Unit	s Stock Units
				(2)
Joseph Flanagan	\$2,677,500	817,390		737,604
Christopher Ricaurte	1,115,625	408,696		276,603
All current executive officers, as a group	3,793,125	1,226,086		1,014,207
All current directors who are not executive officers, as a group	3,552,958	1,634,780		737,604
All employees, including all current officers who are not executive officers, as a group	12,615,204	43,425,106	1,361,794	3,063,277

Represents the aggregate value of (i) the Black-Scholes value of the time-vesting stock options on the date of grant (October 3, 2016, except for the stock options granted to Mr. Shulman, which were granted on November 2, 2016) and (ii) time-vesting restricted stock units and performance-vesting restricted stock units at target multiplied by the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$2.42 on October 3, 2016 (except for the

- performance-vesting restricted stock units which the Company expects to issue to Mr. Shulman, which are valued for the purposes of this table using the closing price of the Company's common stock of \$2.39 on November 2, 2016). The aggregate grant date fair value of the awards computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification No. 718 cannot be determined until such time as stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. For additional information about these awards, see "-Increase in Authorized Shares under the Second A&R 2010 Plan."
- (2) For illustrative purposes, assumes a 100% maximum performance target. Such amount may be different if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target.

## Administration

The Second A&R 2010 Plan is administered by our board of directors. Our board of directors has the authority to adopt, amend and repeal the administrative rules, guidelines and practices relating to the Second A&R 2010 Plan and to interpret the provisions of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. Pursuant to the terms of the Second A&R 2010 Plan and to the extent permitted by applicable law, our board of directors may delegate authority under the Second A&R 2010 Plan to one or more committees or subcommittees of our board of directors. Our board of directors has authorized our compensation committee to administer certain aspects of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, including the granting of options to executive officers and officers, as those terms are defined in the Exchange Act.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, our board of directors also may delegate authority under the Second A&R 2010 Plan to our officers, each of whom has the power to make awards of stock options and certain other types of Awards to all of our employees, except to executive officers and officers, as those terms are defined in the Exchange Act. Our board of directors has authorized our chief executive officer to grant stock options under our Second A&R 2010 Plan. The chief executive officer is not authorized to grant options to himself, to any other director or executive officer, to any other officer or other person whose compensation is determined by the compensation committee or to any person who our board of directors or the compensation committee may from time to time designate in writing. Our board of directors has fixed the terms of the Awards to be granted by the chief executive officer, including the formula for establishing the exercise price of such Awards and the maximum number of shares subject to Awards that the chief executive officer may make in any one year. Discretionary Awards to non-employee directors."

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Subject to any applicable limitations contained in the Second A&R 2010 Plan, our board of directors, our compensation committee, or any other committee to whom our board of directors delegates authority, as the case may be, selects the recipients of Awards and determines the number of shares of common stock covered by options and the dates upon which such options become exercisable, the exercise price of options (which may not be less than 100%, or, in certain circumstances, 110%, of the fair market value of the common stock), the duration of options (which may not exceed 10 years, or, in certain circumstances, 5 years) and the number of shares of common stock subject to any stock appreciation right, restricted stock, restricted stock units or other stock-based Awards and the terms and conditions of such Awards, including conditions for exercise, repurchase, issue price and repurchase price.

Adjustments for Changes in Common Stock and Certain Other Events

In the event of a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, combination of shares, reclassification of shares, spin-off and other similar changes in capitalization or event, or any dividend or distribution to holders of our common stock other than an ordinary cash dividend, our board of directors is required to make equitable adjustments to (i) the number and class of securities available under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, (ii) the share counting rules and sublimit set forth in the Second A&R 2010 Plan, (iii) the number and class of securities and exercise price per share of each outstanding stock option, (iv) the share- and per-share provisions and the measurement price of each outstanding stock appreciation right, (v) the number of shares subject to and the repurchase price per share subject to each Award of restricted stock or restricted stock units and (vi) the share- and per-share-related provisions and the purchase price, if any, of each outstanding other stock-based Award. The Second A&R 2010 Plan also contains provisions addressing the consequences of a reorganization event. A "reorganization event" is defined under the terms of the Second A&R 2010 Plan to mean (a) any merger or consolidation of us with or into another entity as a result of which all of our common stock is converted into or exchanged for the right to receive cash, securities or other property, or is cancelled, (b) any transfer or disposition of all of our common stock for cash, securities or other property pursuant to a share exchange or other transaction or (c) our liquidation or dissolution. If reorganization event occurs, our board of directors may take any of the following actions with respect to any or all (or any portion of) our outstanding Awards other than Awards of restricted stock and except to the extent specifically provided in an Award agreement or other agreement between us and the participant: (i) provide that Awards shall be assumed or substituted by the acquiring or succeeding corporation or an affiliate thereof, (ii) upon written notice to the participant, provide that Awards shall be terminated immediately prior to the consummation of such reorganization event unless exercised by the participant within a specified period, (iii) provide that Awards shall become exercisable, realizable, or deliverable, or restrictions applicable to an Award shall lapse, in whole or in part prior to or upon such reorganization event, (iv) in the event of a reorganization event under the terms of which holders of our common stock will receive upon consummation thereof a cash payment for each share surrendered in the reorganization event, which we refer to as the acquisition price, make or provide for a cash payment to the participants with respect to each Award held by a participant in exchange for the termination of such Awards equal to (A) the number of shares of common stock subject to the vested portion of the Award (after giving effect to any acceleration of vesting that occurs upon or immediately prior to such reorganization event) multiplied by (B) the excess, if any, of (I) the acquisition price over (II) the exercise or purchase price of such Award and any applicable tax withholdings, (v) provide that in connection with our liquidation or dissolution, Awards shall convert into the right to receive liquidation proceeds (if applicable, net of the exercise price thereof and any applicable tax withholdings) and (vi) any combination of the foregoing. Our board of directors is not obligated to treat all Awards, all Awards held by a participant, or all Awards of the same type, identically.

If a reorganization event occurs that is not a liquidation or dissolution, our repurchase and other rights under outstanding restricted stock Awards will inure to the benefit of our successor and will, unless our board of directors determines otherwise, apply to the cash, securities or other property which our common stock is converted into or exchanged for pursuant to such reorganization event in the same manner and to the same extent as such repurchase and other rights applied to our common stock under such Awards. However, our board may provide for the termination or deemed satisfaction of such repurchase or other rights under the agreement evidencing the restricted stock Award or any other agreement between the participant and us, either initially or by amendment. Upon a reorganization event involving the liquidation or dissolution of us, except to the extent specifically provided to the contrary in the instrument evidencing any restricted stock Award or any other agreement between a participant and us, all restrictions and conditions on all restricted stock then outstanding shall automatically be deemed terminated or satisfied.

## Amendment or Termination

Except as otherwise provided under the Second A&R 2010 Plan with respect to repricing outstanding stock options or stock appreciation rights, performance Awards, the minimum vesting rules and exclusions thereto, the prohibitions on acceleration of vesting and exclusions thereto, or actions requiring stockholder approval, our board of directors may

amend, modify or terminate any outstanding Award, including substituting another Award therefor of the same or a different type, changing the date of exercise or realization, and converting an incentive stock option to a nonstatutory stock option, provided that we must obtain the participant's consent unless our board of directors

determines that such action, taking into account any related action, does not materially and adversely affect the participant's rights under the plan or the change is otherwise permitted under the terms of the Second A&R 2010 Plan in connection with a change in capitalization or reorganization event.

In addition, our board of directors may amend, suspend or terminate the Second A&R 2010 Plan or any portion thereof at any time, provided that (i) to the extent required by Section 162(m) of the Code, no Award granted to a participant that is intended to comply with Section 162(m) after the date of such amendment shall become exercisable, realizable or vested, as applicable, unless and until such amendment shall have been approved by our stockholders if required by Section 162(m) and (ii) no amendment that requires stockholder approval under the rules of the NYSE will be effective unless and until our stockholders approve such amendment. If the NYSE amends its corporate governance rules so that such rules no longer require stockholder approval of "material revisions" to equity compensation plans, then, from and after the effective date of such amendment to the NYSE rules, no amendment to the Second A&R 2010 Plan that (a) subject to certain exceptions, materially increases the number of shares authorized under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, (b) expands the types of Awards that may be granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan shall be effective unless and until the Company's stockholders approve such amendment. If at any time the approval of our stockholders is required as to any other modification or amendment under Section 422 of the Code or any successor provision with respect to incentive stock options, our board of directors may not effect such modification or amendment without stockholder approval.

Unless otherwise specified in the amendment, any amendment to the Second A&R 2010 Plan adopted in accordance with the procedures described above shall apply to, and be binding on the holders of, all Awards outstanding under the Second A&R 2010 Plan at the time the amendment is adopted, provided that the board of directors determines that such amendment, taking into account any related action, does not materially and adversely affect the rights of participants under the Second A&R 2010 Plan.

# Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following is a summary of the United States federal income tax consequences that generally will arise with respect to Awards granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan. This summary is based on the federal tax laws in effect as of the date of this proxy statement. In addition, this summary assumes that all Awards are exempt from, or comply with, the rules under Section 409A of the Code regarding nonstatutory deferred compensation. Changes to these laws could alter the tax consequences described below.

# Incentive Stock Options

A participant will not recognize income upon the grant of an incentive stock option. Also, except as described below, a participant will not recognize income upon exercise of an incentive stock option if the participant has been employed by us or our corporate parent or 50% or more-owned corporate subsidiary at all times beginning with the option grant date and ending three months before the date the participant exercises the option. If the participant has not been so employed during that time, then the participant will be taxed as described below under "Nonstatutory Stock Options." The exercise of an incentive stock option may subject the participant to the alternative minimum tax. A participant will recognize income upon the sale of the stock acquired under an incentive stock option at a profit (if sales proceeds exceed the exercise price). The character of that income will depend on when the participant sells the stock. If a participant sells the stock more than two years after the option was granted and more than one year after the option was exercised, then all of the profit will be long-term capital gain. If a participant sells the stock prior to satisfying these waiting periods, then the participant will have engaged in a disqualifying disposition and the portion of the profit up to, but not exceeding, the spread value of the stock option on the exercise date will be compensation income, and any additional profit (representing increase in the value of the stock from the exercise date to the sale date) will be capital gain. This capital gain will be long-term if the participant has held the stock for more than one

year and otherwise will be short-term. If a participant sells the stock at a loss (sales proceeds are less than the exercise price), then the loss will be a capital loss. This capital loss will be long-term if the participant held the stock for more than one year and otherwise will be short-term.

# Nonstatutory Stock Options

A participant will not recognize income upon the grant of a nonstatutory stock option. A participant will recognize compensation income upon the exercise of a nonstatutory stock option equal to the value of the stock on the day the participant exercised the option less the exercise price. Upon sale of the stock, the participant will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between the sales proceeds and the value of the stock on the day the option was exercised. This capital gain or loss will be long-term if the participant has held the stock for more than one year and otherwise it will be short-term.

## Stock Appreciation Rights

A participant will not recognize income upon the grant of a stock appreciation right. A participant will recognize compensation income upon the exercise of a stock appreciation right equal to the amount of the cash and the fair market value of any stock received. Upon the sale of the stock, the participant will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between the sales proceeds and the value of the stock on the day the stock appreciation right was exercised. This capital gain or loss will be long-term if the participant held the stock for more than one year and otherwise will be short-term.

## Restricted Stock Awards

A participant will not recognize income upon the grant of restricted stock unless an election under Section 83(b) of the Code is made within 30 days of the date of grant. If a timely election under Section 83(b) is made, then a participant will recognize compensation income equal to the value of the stock on the grant date less the purchase price, if any. When the stock is sold, the participant will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between the sales proceeds and the value of the stock on the date of grant. If the participant does not make an 83(b) election, then the participant will recognize compensation income on the vesting date equal to the value of the stock on the vesting date less the purchase price, if any. When the stock is sold, the participant will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the vesting date less the value of the stock on the vesting date. Any capital gain or loss will be long-term if the participant held the stock for more than one year following the vesting date and otherwise will be short-term.

## **Restricted Stock Units**

A participant will not recognize income upon the grant of a restricted stock unit. A participant is not permitted to make a Section 83(b) election with respect to a restricted stock unit Award. The participant will recognize compensation income when stock is delivered with respect to the restricted stock unit on the vesting date in an amount equal to the fair market value of the stock on the vesting date less the purchase price, if any. When the stock is sold, the participant will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the sales proceeds less the value of the stock on the vesting date. Any capital gain or loss will be long-term if the participant held the stock for more than one year and otherwise it will be short-term.

## Other Stock-Based Awards

The tax consequences associated with any other stock-based Awards granted under the Second A&R 2010 Plan will vary depending on the specific terms of such Award. Among the relevant factors are whether or not the Award has a readily ascertainable fair market value, whether or not the Award is subject to forfeiture provisions or restrictions on transfer, the nature of the property to be received by the participant under the Award, whether the participant makes a Section 83(b) election with respect to the award (where permitted), and the participant's holding period and tax basis for the Award or underlying common stock.

Tax Consequences to Us

There will be no tax consequences to us except that we will be entitled to a deduction when a participant has compensation income. Any such deduction will be subject to the limitations of Section 162(m) of the Code.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table summarizes information about the securities authorized for issuance under our equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2015:

	(a)	(b)	(c)
Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upor Exercise of Outstanding Options	Exercise Price	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities reflected in Column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders (1)(2)	8,130403	\$10.94	5,148,848
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders (3)(4)	<sup>1</sup> 7,103,801	\$9.42	0
Total	15,260,266	\$10.23	5,148,848

(1) Includes all outstanding stock options awarded under our Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan and A&R 2010 Plan.

(2) Excludes 7,855,952 shares of restricted stock that were unvested and not forfeited as of December 31, 2015.

(3)Represents stock option inducement grants made pursuant to the NYSE inducement grant rules.

(4) Excludes 1,399,980 shares of restricted stock that were unvested and not forfeited as of December 31, 2015.

# PROPOSAL 4 - AUTHORIZE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO AMEND CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION TO EFFECT A REVERSE STOCK SPLIT OF THE OUTSTANDING SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK.

# General

Our board of directors has recommended that our stockholders authorize our board of directors to amend our current Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Current Certificate") to effect a reverse stock split (the "Reverse Stock Split") of the outstanding shares of our common stock at a ratio of not less than 2-to-1 and not more than 10-to-1, with our board of directors having sole discretion as to whether the Reverse Stock Split is to be effected and determining the exact ratio of any reverse split (the "Ratio") to be set within the above range. If this proposal is approved by our stockholders, our board of directors would have the discretion and authority to file a certificate of amendment (the "Reverse Stock Split Amendment") to the Current Certificate with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware effecting the Reverse Stock Split or to abandon the Reverse Stock Split altogether.

The Reverse Stock Split Amendment will effect the Reverse Stock Split by reducing the number of outstanding shares of common stock based on the Ratio selected by our board of directors, but will not increase the par value of common stock, and will proportionately reduce the number, based on the final Ratio as determined by our board of directors of (i) issued and outstanding treasury shares of our common stock and (ii) authorized shares of our common stock. If implemented, the number of shares of our common stock owned by each of our stockholders will be reduced by the same proportion as the reduction in the total number of shares of our common stock outstanding, so that the percentage of our outstanding common stock owned by each of our stockholders will remain approximately the same, except to the extent that the Reverse Stock Split could result in any of our stockholders receiving cash in lieu of a fractional share. The proposed Reverse Stock Split Amendment under this Proposal No. 4 is set forth in Appendix B to this Proxy Statement.

There are 370,000 shares of Series A Preferred Stock authorized, of which 210,160 shares of Series A Preferred Stock are issued and outstanding. The Reverse Stock Split will have the effect of commensurately adjusting the Conversion Rate (as defined in the Certificate of Designations of the 8.00% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A CoD")) of the Series A Preferred Stock as set forth in the Series A CoD. The Reverse Stock Split will not affect the number of shares of preferred stock we are authorized to issue.

## Background and Purpose of the Proposed Reverse Stock Split

Our common stock was traded on the NYSE until March 2014, when our common stock was delisted. Since March 2014, our common stock has traded through the facilities of the OTC Markets Group, Inc. (the "OTC Market"). The Company is currently in the process of applying to list its common stock for trading on either the NASDAQ Stock Market ("NASDAQ") or the NYSE. Our board of directors believes that listing on either NASDAQ or the NYSE is an important element of our status as a publicly-traded company. One of the conditions to listing our common stock on either NASDAQ or the NYSE is a minimum trading price of \$4.00 per share. As of the close of business on October 21, 2016, our common stock traded at a price of \$2.37 per share. Our board of directors has determined that in order to meet either NASDAQ's or the NYSE's \$4.00 minimum trading price requirement, it would be in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to effect a reverse stock split of our common stock.

Our board of directors believes that our delisting from the NYSE has negatively affected the value and liquidity of our common stock because the OTC Market is generally considered to be a less efficient market. An investor likely would find it less convenient to trade, or to obtain accurate quotations in seeking to trade, our common stock on the OTC Market. Many investors have likely not bought or sold our common stock due to low liquidity on the OTC Market, policies preventing them from trading in securities not listed on a national exchange or other reasons. If our common stock is listed on either NASDAQ or the NYSE, our board of directors believes that the trading market for our common stock could become significantly more liquid, which could increase the trading price of our common stock

and decrease the transaction costs of trading in shares of our common stock.

Our board of directors also believes that the increased market price of our common stock expected as a result of implementing a reverse stock split could improve the marketability and liquidity of our common stock and could encourage interest and trading in our common stock. A reverse stock split could allow a broader range of institutions to invest in our stock (namely, funds that are prohibited from buying stocks whose price is below a certain threshold), potentially increasing the liquidity of our common stock. A reverse stock split could help increase analyst and broker interest in our stock as their policies can discourage them from following or recommending companies with low stock prices. Because of the trading volatility often associated with low-priced stocks, many brokerage houses and institutional investors have internal policies and practices that either prohibit them from investing in low-priced stocks or tend to discourage individual brokers from recommending low-priced stocks to their customers. Additionally, because brokers' commissions on low-priced stocks generally represent a higher percentage of the stock price than commissions on higher-priced stocks, a low average price per share of common stock can result in individual stockholders paying transaction costs representing a higher percentage of their total share value than would be the case if the share price were higher.

The primary purpose of the Reverse Stock Split is to decrease the total number of shares of our common stock outstanding and increase the market price of our common stock. Our board of directors intends to effect the Reverse Stock Split only if it believes that a decrease in the number of shares outstanding is in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders and is likely to improve the trading price of our common stock and improve the likelihood that we will be permitted to list our common stock on either NASDAQ or the NYSE. If stockholders approve the Reverse Stock Split, no further action on the part of the stockholders will be required to either effect or abandon the Reverse Stock Split.

If the Reverse Stock Split is approved by our stockholders, our board of directors will have the discretion to implement the Reverse Stock Split or to not effect the Reverse Stock Split. If stockholders approve the Reverse Stock Split at the Annual Meeting, our board of directors currently intends to effect the Reverse Stock Split within 180 days following the Annual Meeting unless it determines that doing so would not have the desired effect of facilitating the listing our common stock on either NASDAQ or the NYSE. If the trading price of our common stock increases without the Reverse Stock Split, the Reverse Stock Split may not be necessary. Following the Reverse Stock Split, if implemented, there can be no assurance that the market price of our common stock will rise in proportion to the reduction in the number of outstanding shares resulting from the Reverse Stock Split. There also can be no assurance that our common stock will not be listed on either NASDAQ or the NYSE for other reasons.

We believe that enabling our board of directors to set the ratio within the stated range will provide us with the flexibility to implement the Reverse Stock Split in a manner designed to maximize the anticipated benefits for our stockholders. In determining a ratio, if any, our board of directors may consider, among other things, factors such as:

the listing requirements of either NASDAQ or the NYSE

the historical trading price and trading volume of our common stock

the number of shares of our common stock outstanding

the then-prevailing trading price and trading volume of our common stock and the anticipated impact of the Reverse Stock Split;

the trading market for our common stock

• the anticipated impact of a particular ratio on our ability to reduce administrative and transactional costs and

prevailing general market and economic conditions.

The market price of our common stock is dependent upon our financial performance and other factors, some of which are unrelated to the number of shares outstanding. If the Reverse Stock Split is effected and the market price of our common stock declines, the percentage decline as an absolute number and as a percentage of our overall market capitalization may be greater than would occur in the absence of the Reverse Stock Split. In addition, the liquidity of

our common stock is dependent upon a variety of factors, and the reduced number of shares that will be outstanding after the Reverse Stock Split could reduce the trading volume and otherwise adversely affect the liquidity of our common stock.

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We have not proposed the Reverse Stock Split in response to any effort of which we are aware to accumulate our shares of common stock or obtain control of the Company, nor is it a plan by management to recommend a series of similar actions to our board of directors or our stockholders. Notwithstanding the decrease in the number of outstanding shares of common stock following the Reverse Stock Split, our board of directors does not intend for this transaction to be the first step in a "going private transaction" within the meaning of Rule 13e-3 of the Exchange Act.

We do not believe that our executive officers or directors have interests in this proposal that are different from or greater than those of any other of our stockholders.

## Effects of the Reverse Stock Split

If the Reverse Stock Split is approved and implemented, the principal effect will be to proportionately decrease the number of outstanding shares of our common stock based on the Reverse Stock Split ratio selected by our board of directors. Pursuant to the Reverse Stock Split, each holder of our common stock outstanding immediately prior to the effectiveness of the Reverse Stock Split ("Old Common Stock") will become the holder of fewer shares of our common stock ("New Common Stock") after consummation of the Reverse Stock Split.

Although the Reverse Stock Split will not, by itself, impact our assets or prospects, the Reverse Stock Split could result in a decrease in the aggregate market value of our common stock. The Board believes that this risk is outweighed by the benefits of listing our common stock on either NASDAQ or the NYSE.

If effected, the Reverse Stock Split will result in some stockholders owning "odd-lots" of less than 100 shares of common stock. Brokerage commissions and other costs of transactions in odd-lots are generally higher than the costs of transactions in "round-lots" of even multiples of 100 shares.

The Reverse Stock Split will affect all stockholders equally and will not affect any stockholder's proportionate equity interest in the Company, except to the extent that the Reverse Stock Split could result in any of our stockholders receiving cash in lieu of a fractional share. These cash payments will reduce the number of post-Reverse Stock Split stockholders to the extent there are presently stockholders who would otherwise receive less than one share of our common stock after the Reverse Stock Split. None of the rights currently accruing to holders of our common stock will be affected by the Reverse Stock Split. Following the Reverse Stock Split, each share of New Common Stock will entitle the holder thereof to one vote per share and will otherwise be identical to Old Common Stock. The Reverse Stock Split also will proportionately reduce the number of authorized shares of our common stock based on the final Ratio, as determined by our board of directors. The shares of New Common Stock will be fully paid and non-assessable.

The par value per share of the common stock will remain unchanged at \$0.01 per share after the Reverse Stock Split. As a result, on the effective date of the Reverse Stock Split, if any, the stated capital on our balance sheet attributable to the common stock will be reduced proportionately based on the Reverse Stock Split ratio selected by our board of directors, from its present amount, and the additional paid-in capital account will be credited with the amount by which the stated capital is reduced. After the Reverse Stock Split, net income or loss per share and other per share amounts will be increased because there will be fewer shares of our common stock outstanding. In future financial statements, net income or loss per share and other per share amounts for periods ending before the Reverse Stock Split would be recast to give retroactive effect to the Reverse Stock Split. As described below under "Effects of the Reverse Stock Split on Outstanding Options and Warrants to Purchase Common Stock," the per share exercise price of outstanding option awards and warrants would increase proportionately, and the number of shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options and warrants would decrease proportionately, in each case based on the Reverse Stock Split ratio selected by our board of directors. We do not anticipate that any other accounting consequences would arise as a result of the Reverse Stock Split.

We are currently authorized to issue a maximum of 500,000,000 shares of our common stock. As of October 21, 2016, there were 116,817,253 shares of our common stock issued and outstanding (excluding 9,610,606 shares of common stock held in treasury). If and when our board of directors elects to effect the Reverse Stock Split, we will also reduce the number of authorized shares of our common stock under our Current Certificate in proportion to

the Ratio. Our board of directors would effect this reduction of authorized shares by filing the Reverse Stock Split Amendment. The below table illustrates the number of shares of common stock that would be outstanding and the number of shares of common stock that we would have the ability to issue (in each case, based on the number of shares of our common stock issued and outstanding as of October 21, 2016) based on the Ratios as set forth in Appendix B to this Proxy Statement:

Reverse Stock Split Ratio	Number of Outstanding Shares of Common Stock (excluding Shares Held in Treasury)	Common Stock Available for Issuance After
2:1	58,408,627	191,591,374
3:1	38,939,084	127,727,582
4:1	29,204,313	95,795,687
5:1	23,363,451	76,636,549
6:1	19,469,542	63,863,791
7:1	16,688,179	54,740,392
8:1	14,602,157	47,897,843
9:1	12,979,695	42,575,861
10:1	11,681,725	38,318,275

The below table illustrates the total number of authorized shares of common stock under our Current Certificate after the proportional reduction of such shares based on the Ratios as set forth in Appendix B to this Proxy Statement: Reverse Stock Split Ratio Number of Authorized Shares of Common Stock after Proportional Reduction

2:1	250,000,000
3:1	166,666,667
4:1	125,000,000
5:1	100,000,000
6:1	83,333,334
7:1	71,428,572
8:1	62,500,000
9:1	55,555,556
10:1	50,000,000

If the Board elects to abandon or otherwise to not effect the Reverse Stock Split for whatever reason, we will also abandon the reduction in the number of authorized shares of common stock.

With respect to the number of shares reserved for issuance under our A&R 2010 Stock Incentive Plan, our board of directors will adjust such reserve in accordance with the terms of the A&R 2010 Stock Incentive Plan. As of October 21, 2016, there were 29,374,756 shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the A&R 2010 Plan, of which 967,704 remained available for future awards, and following the Reverse Stock Split, if any, such reserve will be reduced based on the Reverse Stock Split Ratio selected by our board of directors. If our stockholders approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, there would be 46,374,756 shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the Second A&R 2010 Plan, of which 17,967,704 would be available for future awards, and following the Reverse Stock Split, such reserve would be reduced based on the Reverse Stock Split Ratio selected by our board of directors.

Effects of the Reverse Stock Split on Outstanding Options and Warrants to Purchase Common Stock

If the Reverse Stock Split is effected, all outstanding options and warrants entitling their holders to purchase shares of our common stock will be proportionately reduced by our board of directors in the same ratio as the reduction in the number of shares of outstanding common stock and, correspondingly, the per share exercise price of such options or warrants will be increased in direct proportion to the Reverse Stock Split Ratio selected by our board of directors, such that the aggregate dollar amount payable for the purchase of the shares subject to the options and warrants will remain unchanged (provided that in the case of the warrant to purchase shares of our common stock held by the Investor, any fractional shares resulting from the exercise of such warrant will, at our option, either (i) be rounded up to the nearest whole number or (ii) paid out in cash according to the terms of the warrant).

# Shares of Common Stock Issued and Outstanding

With the exception of the number of shares issued and outstanding, the rights and preferences of the shares of our common stock prior and subsequent to the Reverse Stock Split will remain the same. After the effectiveness of the Reverse Stock Split, we do not anticipate that our financial condition, the percentage ownership of management, the number of our stockholders, or any aspect of our business would materially change as a result of the Reverse Stock Split.

Our common stock is currently registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, and as a result, we are subject to the periodic reporting and other requirements of the Exchange Act. If effected, the Reverse Stock Split will not affect the registration of our common stock under the Exchange Act or our periodic or other reporting requirements thereunder.

# Effectiveness of the Reverse Stock Split

The Reverse Stock Split, if approved by our stockholders, will become effective upon the filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware of a certificate of amendment to our restated certificate of incorporation in the form approved by our board of directors. The exact timing of the filing of the Reverse Stock Split Amendment will be determined by our board of directors based upon its evaluation of when such action will be most advantageous to the Company and our stockholders. Our board of directors reserves the right, notwithstanding stockholder approval and without further action by our stockholders, to elect not to proceed with the Reverse Stock Split if, at any time prior to filing such Reverse Stock Split Amendment, our board of directors, in its sole discretion, determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders. Our board of directors. Our board of directors currently intends to effect the Reverse Stock Split unless it determines that doing so would not have the desired effect of listing our common stock on either NASDAQ or the NYSE.

## Effect on Registered and Beneficial Stockholders

Upon the Reverse Stock Split, the Company intends to treat stockholders holding shares of our common stock in "street name" (that is, held through a bank, broker or other nominee) in the same manner as stockholders of record whose shares of common stock are registered in their names. Banks, brokers or other nominees will be instructed to effect the Reverse Stock Split for their beneficial holders holding shares of our common stock in "street name;" however, these banks, brokers or other nominees may apply their own specific procedures for processing the Reverse Stock Split. If you hold your shares of our common stock with a bank, broker or other nominee, and have any questions in this regard, we encourage you to contact your nominee.

## Effect on "Book-Entry" Stockholders of Record

Our stockholders of record may hold some or all of their shares electronically in book-entry form. These stockholders will not have stock certificates evidencing their ownership of our common stock. They are, however, provided with a statement reflecting the number of shares of common stock registered in their accounts.

If you hold registered shares of Old Common Stock in a book-entry form, you do not need to take any action to receive your shares of New Common Stock in registered book-entry form, if applicable. A transaction statement will automatically be sent to your address of record as soon as practicable after the effective time of the Reverse Stock Split indicating the number of shares of New Common Stock you hold.

# Effect on Registered Certificated Shares

Some stockholders of record hold their shares of our common stock in certificate form or a combination of certificate and book-entry form. If any of your shares of our common stock are held in certificate form, you will receive a transmittal letter from the Company's transfer agent as soon as practicable after the effective time of the Reverse Stock Split, if any. The transmittal letter will be accompanied by instructions specifying how to exchange your certificate representing the Old Common Stock for a statement of holding or a certificate of New Common Stock.

# STOCKHOLDERS SHOULD NOT DESTROY ANY SHARE CERTIFICATE(S) AND SHOULD NOT SUBMIT ANY CERTIFICATE(S) UNTIL REQUESTED TO DO SO.

# Fractional Shares

Fractional shares will not be issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Instead, we will pay to each registered stockholder, in cash, the value of any fractional share interest in our New Common Stock arising from the Reverse Stock Split. Any cash payment will equal the fraction of a share of New Common Stock to which the stockholder would otherwise be entitled, multiplied by the closing price of our New Common Stock as reported by the OTC Market on the effective date of the Reverse Stock Split. This cash payment may be subject to applicable U.S. federal, state and local income tax. No transaction costs will be assessed on our stockholders for the cash payment.

Our stockholders will not be entitled to receive interest for the period of time between the effective date of the Reverse Stock Split and the date payment is made for their fractional share interest in our New Common Stock. You should also be aware that, under the escheat laws of certain jurisdictions, sums due for fractional interests that are not timely claimed after the funds are made available may be required to be paid to the designated agent for each such jurisdiction. Thereafter, stockholders otherwise entitled to receive such funds may be required to obtain the funds directly from the state to which they were paid.

Shares of our Old Common Stock held in registered form (that is, stock held by you in your own name in the our stock register records maintained by our transfer agent) and Old Common Stock held in "street name" (that is, stock held by you through a bank, broker or other nominee) for the same investor will be considered held in separate accounts and will not be aggregated when effecting the Reverse Stock Split.

## No Appraisal Rights

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, our stockholders are not entitled to appraisal or dissenter's rights with respect to the Reverse Stock Split, and we will not independently provide our stockholders with any such rights.

## Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following is a discussion of certain material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Reverse Stock Split to U.S. holders (as defined below). This discussion is included for general information purposes only and does not purport to address all aspects of U.S. federal income tax law that may be relevant to U.S. holders in light of their particular circumstances. This discussion is based on the Code and current Treasury regulations, administrative rulings and court decisions, all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis, and any such change could affect the continuing validity of this discussion.

STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE PARTICULAR FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, OR FOREIGN TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF THE REVERSE STOCK SPLIT.

This discussion does not address tax consequences to stockholders that are subject to special tax rules, such as banks, insurance companies, regulated investment companies, personal holding companies, U.S. holders whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, partnerships (or other flow-through entities for U.S. federal income purposes and their partners or members), persons who acquired their shares in connection with employment or other performance of services, broker-dealers, foreign entities, nonresident alien individuals and tax-exempt entities. This summary also assumes that the Old Common Stock shares were, and the New Common stock shares will be, held as a "capital asset," as defined in Section 1221 of the Code.

As used herein, the term "U.S. holder" means a holder that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation or other entity taxed as a corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof;

an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of its source; or a trust (A) if a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more "U.S. persons" (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (B) that has a valid election in effect to be treated as a U.S. person.

Other than with respect to cash received in lieu of fractional shares, discussed below, a stockholder generally will not recognize a gain or loss by reason of such stockholder's receipt of shares of New Common Stock pursuant to the Reverse Stock Split solely in exchange for shares of Old Common Stock held by such stockholder immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split. A stockholder's aggregate tax basis in the shares of New Common Stock received pursuant to the Reverse Stock Split (including any fractional shares) will equal the stockholder's aggregate basis in the Old Common Stock exchanged therefore and will be allocated among the shares of New Common Stock received in the Reverse Stock Split on a pro-rata basis, reduced by the portion of the tax basis that is allocable to a fractional share for which cash is received. Stockholders who have used the specific identification method to identify their basis in the shares of Old Common Stock held immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split should consult their own tax advisers to determine their basis in the shares of New Common Stock received in the shares of New Common Stock held immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split should consult their own tax advisers to determine their basis in the shares of New Common Stock received in exchange therefor in the Reverse Stock Split. A stockholder's holding period in the shares of New Common Stock received pursuant to the Reverse Stock Split.

In general, the receipt of cash by a U.S. holder in lieu of a fractional share will result in a taxable gain or loss to such U.S. holder for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The amount of the taxable gain or loss to the U.S. holder will be determined based upon the difference between the amount of cash received by such U.S. holder and the portion of the basis of the shares of Old Common Stock allocable to such fractional interest. The gain or loss recognized will constitute capital gain or loss and will constitute long term capital gain or loss if the U.S. holder's holding period is greater than one year as of the effective date of the Reverse Stock Split.

No gain or loss will be recognized by us as a result of the Reverse Stock Split.

## Vote Required

The affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of each of the common stock and Series A Preferred Stock on the record date is required to approve the Reverse Stock Split.

Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR the approval of the amendment to our Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of outstanding shares of our common stock and a proportionate decrease in the number of authorized shares of our common stock.

# PROPOSAL 5 — RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The audit committee of our board of directors has selected Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016. Although stockholder approval of the audit committee's selection of Ernst & Young is not required by law, we believe that it is important to give stockholders an opportunity to ratify this selection. If our stockholders do not ratify this selection, then our audit committee will reconsider the selection. We expect that a representative of Ernst & Young LLP, which is serving as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ended December 31, 2016 and served as our independent registered public accounting firm for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, will be present at the Annual Meeting to respond to appropriate questions and make a statement if he or she wishes.

The following table sets forth the fees we paid to Ernst & Young LLP during 2015 and 2014 (in thousands):

Fee Category	2015	2014
	(in thousands)	
Audit and Restatement Fees	\$1,894	\$2,500
Audit-Related Fees	80	25
Tax Fees	6	-
All Other Fees	2	2
Total Fees	\$1,982	\$2,527

Audit Fees. Audit fees consist of fees for the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements, the review of the interim consolidated financial statements, subsidiary audits and other professional services provided in connection with our filings with the SEC for each respective year. The amounts presented for audit fees for 2015 consisted of fees associated with the audit of our 2015 consolidated financial statements and strategic review process. The amounts presented for audit fees for 2014 represent estimated final fees in connection with the ongoing audit of our 2014 consolidated financial statements, as well as the ongoing review of our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the quarterly periods in 2014.

Audit-Related Fees. Audit-related fees for 2015 and 2014 consisted of fees for audits of employee benefit plans and other assurance related services.

Tax Fees. Tax fees for 2015 consisted of fees for tax advice related to the Company's strategic review process.

All Other Fees. All other fees for 2015 and 2014 consisted of a subscription for access to an accounting research tool.

The audit committee of our board of directors believes that the non-audit services described above did not compromise Ernst & Young LLP's independence. The audit committee's charter, which you can find in the "Corporate Governance" section of the "Investor Relations" page of our website, www.accretivehealth.com, requires that all proposals to engage Ernst & Young LLP for services, and all proposed fees for these services, be submitted to the audit committee for approval before Ernst & Young LLP may provide the services. None of the above fees were approved using the "de minimis exception" under SEC rules.

Pre-Approval of Audit and Non-Audit Services

Our audit committee has adopted policies and procedures relating to the approval of all audit and non-audit services that are to be performed by our registered public accounting firm. This policy generally provides that we will not engage our registered public accounting firm to render audit or non-audit services unless the

service is specifically approved in advance by our audit committee.

From time to time, our audit committee may pre-approve specified types of services that are expected to be provided to us by our registered public accounting firm during the next 12 months. Any such pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or type of services to be provided and is also generally subject to a maximum dollar amount. Our audit committee pre-approved all of the services described under the headings "Audit Fees," "Audit- Related Fees," "Tax Fees" and "All Other Fees" above.

Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR the ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT OUR DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND 5% STOCKHOLDERS

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The following table contains information as of October 21, 2016 about the beneficial ownership of shares of our common stock by:

each person, or group of affiliated persons, who is known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of our common stock;

each of our directors and nominees for director;

each of our named executive officers; and

all of our directors and executive officers as a group.

For purposes of the table below, and in accordance with SEC rules, we deem shares of common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016 to be outstanding and beneficially owned by the person holding the options for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of that person, but we do not treat them as outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. As of October 21, 2016, there were 106,775,792 shares of our common stock outstanding. Except as otherwise noted, the persons or entities in this table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all of the shares of common stock beneficially owned by them, subject to community property laws, where applicable. Except as otherwise set forth below, the street address of the beneficial owner is c/o Accretive Health, Inc., 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

	Common Stock Beneficially Owned		Series A Preferred Stock Beneficially Owned	
Name	Shares	%	Shares	%
5% Stockholders				
TCP-ASC ACHI Series LLLP (1)	144,456,299	957.5%	6210,16	0100.0%
Mary A. Tolan (2)	10,184.964	8.4%		*
FMR, LLC (3)	12,480,495	11.79	<i>6</i> —	*
Amici Capital (4)	5,630,650	5.3%		*
J. Michael Cline (5)	6,056,317	5.7%		*
Jasper Ridge Partners, L.P. (6)	8,434,609	7.9%		
Directors and Named Executive Officers				
Emad Rizk	295,416	0.3%		*
Peter Csapo	714,300	0.7%		*
Joseph G. Flanagan (7)	2,540,283	2.4%		*
Christopher S. Ricaurte (8)	311,902	*		*
Steven J. Shulman (9)	2,527,382	2.4%		*
Alex J. Mandl (10)	366,496	*		*
Charles J. Ditkoff (11)	48,309	*		*
John B. Henneman III (12)	92,433	*		*
Joseph R. Impicciche		*		*
Neal Moszkowski (1)	144,456,29957.5%210,160100.0%			
Ian Sacks		*		*
Anthony J. Speranzo		*		*
All current executive officers and directors as a group (10 persons)	150,343,104	459.89	6210,16	0100.0%

\* Less than 1%

Includes 84,456,299 shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of 210,160 shares of Series A Preferred Stock and 60,000,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant, such Series A Preferred Stock and warrant issued to the Investor upon Closing of the Transaction (which occurred on February 16, 2016). The Investor, TCP-ASC GP, LLC (the "Partnership GP"), TI IV ACHI Holdings GP, LLC (the "Aggregator GP"), TI IV ACHI Holdings, LP (the "Aggregator"), TowerBrook Investors Ltd. ("TBI"), Neal Moszkowski, Ramez Sousou and Ascension Health may all be deemed to have shared voting and investment power with respect to all or a portion of the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock or upon exercise of its warrant and the Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by the Investor. Each of the Aggregator, the Aggregator GP, TBI, Ascension Health, and Messrs. Moszkowski and Sousou disclaims beneficial interest of the shares reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein. The business address of each director and executive officer of the Investor, the Partnership GP, the Aggregator, and TBI is c/o TowerBrook Capital Partners L.P., Park Avenue Tower, 65 East 55th Street, 27th Floor, New York, New York 10022. The business address of each executive officer of Ascension Health Alliance is 101 S. Hanley Road, Suite 450, Saint Louis,

(1) Missouri 63105. We obtained information regarding beneficial ownership of these shares solely from Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D that was filed with the SEC on September 13, 2016. The Investor, the Partnership GP, the Aggregator GP, the Aggregator, TBI, Neal Moszkowski, Ramez Sousou and Ascension Health may all be deemed to have shared voting and investment power with respect to all or a portion of the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock or upon exercise of its warrant and the Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by the Investor. Each of the Aggregator, the Aggregator GP, TBI, Ascension Health, and Messrs. Moszkowski and Sousou disclaims beneficial interest of the shares reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein. The business address of each director and executive officer of the Investor, the Partnership GP, the Aggregator, and TBI is c/o TowerBrook Capital Partners L.P., Park Avenue Tower, 65 East 55th Street, 27th Floor, New York, New York 10022. The business address of each executive officer of Ascension Health Alliance is 101 S. Hanley Road, Suite 450, Saint Louis, Missouri 63105. We obtained information regarding beneficial ownership of these shares solely from Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D that was filed with the SEC on September 13, 2016.

Consists of: (i) 6,421,764 shares of common stock held directly by Mary A. Tolan, (ii) 2,587,200 shares of common stock held by Tolan Family Trust U/A/D 6/29/03, the beneficiaries of which are Mary A. Tolan's children, and (iii) 1,176,000 shares subject to entire ensuring held within sintu days of Ostahen 21, 2016. The principal

- (2) and (iii) 1,176,000 shares subject to options exercisable within sixty days of October 21, 2016. The principal address of the stockholder is c/o CP Founders, 980 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1998, Chicago, IL 60611. We obtained information regarding beneficial ownership of these shares solely from the Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13G that was filed with the SEC on February 16, 2016 and other publicly available information. Consists of 12,480,495 shares of common stock as reported as beneficially owned by FMR LLC, of which FMR LLC reports sole voting power over 165,600 shares and sole dispositive power over 12,480,495 shares. Fidelity OTC Portfolio reports sole voting power over 6,962,302 shares. Abigail P. Johnson is a Director, the Vice Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer and the President of FMR LLC. Members of the family of the Johnson family, including Abigail P. Johnson, are the predominant owners, directly or through trusts, of Series B voting common shares of FMR LLC, representing 49% of the voting power of FMR LLC. The Johnson family group and all other FMR LLC Series B stockholders have entered into a stockholders' voting agreement under which all Series B voting shares will be voted in accordance with the majority vote of Series B voting common shares.
- (3) Accordingly, through their ownership of voting common shares and the execution of the shareholders' voting agreement, members of the Johnson family may be deemed, under the Investment Company Act of 1940, to form a controlling group with respect to FMR LLC. Neither FMR LLC nor Edward C. Johnson, III or Abigail P. Johnson has the sole power to vote or direct the voting of the shares owned directly by the various investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Fidelity Funds"), which powers reside with the Fidelity Funds' board of trustees. Fidelity Management & Research Company carries out the voting of the shares under written guidelines established by the Fidelity Funds' boards of trustees. The address of FMR LLC is 245 Summer Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210. We obtained information regarding beneficial ownership of these shares solely from Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13G that was filed with the SEC on February 12, 2016.

The business address of the stockholder is Amici Capital, LLC, 666 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3402, New York, New

- (4) York 10103. We obtained information regarding beneficial ownership of these shares solely from the Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13G that was filed with the SEC on February 16, 2016.
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- Includes (i) 60,078 of common stock held directly by J. Michael Cline (ii) 5,987,516 shares of common stock held (5) directly by JMC Holdings, LP, and (iii) 8,723 shares of common stock held directly by the Cline Foundation, a charitable trust of which Mr. Cline is the trustee, and as to which Mr. Cline has no pecuniary

interest. The principal business address of the stockholder is c/o Accretive, LLC, 51 Madison Avenue, 31st Floor, New York, New York 10010.

Includes the shares beneficially owned by Jasper Ridge Partners, L.P. (formerly known as Oak Hill Investment Management, L.P.), or Jasper Ridge, that are managed by Jasper Ridge on behalf of various advisory clients pursuant to Investment Advisory Agreements. Pursuant to such agreements, Jasper Ridge has sole voting and investment power over the shares. Mark Wolfson is a managing partner of Jasper Ridge and may be deemed to

- (6) share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Jasper Ridge. Mark Wolfson disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities listed above except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein. Does not include 332,835 shares owned by JRP GP Holding, L.P. (formerly known as OHIM GP Holdings, L.P.), or JP Holdings, an entity affiliated with Jasper Ridge. The address of Jasper Ridge is 201 Main Street, Suite 1000, Fort Worth, Texas 76102.
- (7) Includes (i) 1,232,754 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016, and (ii) 1,324,196 shares of restricted stock, of which 305,556 shares were vested as of October 21, 2016.
- (8) Includes (i) 157,969 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016, and (ii) 171,604 shares of restricted stock, none of which were vested as of October 21, 2016.
- (9) Includes (i) 77,382 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016, and (ii) 2,450,000 shares of restricted stock, of which 1,166,664 shares were vested as of October 21, 2016.
- (10) Includes 166,496 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016.
- (11) Includes 48,309 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016.
- (12) Includes 42,433 shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days of October 21, 2016.

# Our Board of Directors

Set forth below is information about each of our directors, including the nominees for election of our class III directors, as of November 3, 2016. The information below includes each director's age, length of service as a director of our company, his or her principal occupation and business experience for at least the past five years and the names of other publicly held companies of which he or she serves as a director. There are no family relationships among any of our directors, nominees for director or executive officers.

### Class III Directors and Nominees

Charles J. Ditkoff. Age 54. Mr. Ditkoff has been a member of our board of directors since May 2015. Mr. Ditkoff has been counsel at the law firm of McDermott Will & Emery since July 2012 and has served as chairman of the Healthcare Advisory Board of The Vistria Group, a private equity firm focusing on healthcare, education and financial services, since January 2014, a member of the advisory board of Opera Solutions, a data analytics company, since September 2013, a senior advisor to FTI Consulting, Inc., a global business advisory firm, since September 2016, a senior advisor to Alvarez & Marsal, a global turnaround management and professional services firm, from July 2012 to August 2016, and a senior advisor to the Marwood Group, a healthcare focused advisory and consulting firm, since July 2012. Mr. Ditkoff served as vice chairman of healthcare corporate and investment banking from May 2010 to July 2012, group head of global healthcare group from 2005 to 2009 and managing director, head of healthcare services from 1999 to 2004 at Bank of America Merrill Lynch. Previously, he was principal/vice president of the corporate finance group at Morgan Stanley. Mr. Ditkoff is currently a member of the board of directors of Cumberland Consulting Group. We believe Mr. Ditkoff's experience leading the healthcare division of a large investment bank, as well as his experience as an advisor or director to several healthcare and financial organizations, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Joseph R. Impicciche. Age 58. Mr. Impicciche has been a member of our board of directors since February 2016. Mr. Impicciche has been the Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Ascension Health Alliance d/b/a Ascension, the parent corporation of Ascension Health, since the corporation's formation in September 2011. From July 2004 to September 2011, Mr. Impicciche served as the Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Ascension

Health. Prior to joining Ascension Health, Mr. Impicciche was a shareholder and director at Hall Render Killian Heath & Lyman, P.C., where his practice focused on mergers and acquisitions, public finance, business and tax law for nonprofit organizations. While with the law firm, Mr. Impicciche also served as General Counsel for St. Vincent Health in Indianapolis, Indiana from 1998 to 2004. Mr. Impicciche is a member of the Indiana State and Missouri State Bar Associations and has served on the boards of numerous organizations, including currently, the Board of Trustees of the St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis and the Board of Trustees of Marian University in Indianapolis. Mr. Impicciche received a B.A. in political science from Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, a J.D. from Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis, Indiana, and a Masters in health care administration from Indiana University. We believe Mr. Impicciche's deep legal experience and knowledge about the healthcare industry and nonprofit organizations, as well as his experience

serving on the boards of numerous organizations in the healthcare industry, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Alex J. Mandl. Age 72. Mr. Mandl has been a member of our board of directors since November 2013.Mr. Mandl is currently the non-executive chairman of Gemalto N.V., a digital security company resulting from the merger of Axalto Holding N.V. and Gemplus International S.A. From June 2006 until December 2007, Mr. Mandl served as executive chairman of Gemalto. From 2002 to June 2006, Mr. Mandl was president, chief executive officer and a member of the board of directors of Gemplus. He has served as principal of ASM Investments, a company focusing on early stage funding in the technology sector, since 2001. From 1996 to 2001, Mr. Mandl was chairman and CEO of Teligent, Inc., a telecommunications company. Mr. Mandl was AT&T's president and chief operating officer from 1994 to 1996, and its executive vice president and chief financial officer from 1991 to 1993. From 1988 to 1991, Mr. Mandl was chairman and chief executive officer of Sea-Land Services Inc. Mr. Mandl served as a director of Dell Inc. from 1997 to October 2013. Mr. Mandl served from 2007 to 2010 as a director of Hewitt Associates, Inc. and from March 2008 to October 2010 as a director of Visteon Corporation. Mr. Mandl was a member of the board of directors of Horizon Lines, Inc. from January 2007 and became the chairman in February 2011, retiring in April 2012. Mr. Mandl is currently a member of the board of directors of Gemalto N.V., Arise Virtual Solutions Inc., Levant Power Corp. and Genpact Limited. We believe that Mr. Mandl's experience as chief executive officer of several large organizations, as well as his experience as a director of private and publicly-held corporations, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

### **Class I Directors**

Joseph Flanagan. Age 45. Mr. Flanagan has served as our President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer since May 2016, after having serviced as our President and Chief Operating Officer since April 2016. Mr. Flanagan joined Accretive Health as Chief Operating Officer in April 2013 after serving as Senior Vice President of worldwide operations and supply chain at Applied Materials, Inc. from February 2010 to April 2013, and previously as President of Nortel Business Services for Nortel Networks. Previously, Mr. Flanagan served most of his career working for General Electric (GE), holding leadership positions in many divisions. We believe Mr. Flanagan's leadership experience, skill and depth of understanding of our business and market gained from serving as our Chief Operating Officer and Chief Executive Officer, and his experience serving as senior vice president and president of business units at large, publicly held corporations with global operations, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

John B. Henneman III. Age 54. Mr. Henneman has been a member of our board of directors since February 2016. Mr. Henneman has more than 20 years of combined financial and operational management experience in the life sciences industry. Since October 2014, Mr. Henneman has been the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of NewLink Genetics Corporation, a biotechnology company focused on cancer immunotherapy, where he is responsible for finance, quality, law and administration. Prior to joining NewLink Genetics, Mr. Henneman served Integra LifeSciences Holdings Corp., a publicly-held medical device company, from 1998 to 2014. Before becoming Integra's Chief Financial Officer in 2007, Mr. Henneman served Integra in several capacities, including as General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer, responsible at various times for Integra's regulatory affairs, quality systems, clinical affairs, human resources, information systems and legal affairs functions and the management of Integra's surgical instruments business. Mr. Henneman led Integra's business development function during his entire tenure with Integra, and was responsible for the more than 40 acquisitions and alliances that Integra completed during that time. Mr. Henneman also serves on the boards of directors of SeaSpine Holdings Corporation, a publicly-held medical technology company focused on surgical solutions for the treatment of spinal disorders, and Alafair Biosciences, Inc., a privately-held medical device company. Mr. Henneman received an A.B. degree in Politics from Princeton University and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School, and is licensed to practice law in Illinois. We believe Mr. Henneman's senior management experience at NewLink and Integra and his service on the board of SeaSpine, as well as his extensive experience in the areas of finance, financial accounting, business transactions, and

mergers and acquisitions, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Steven J. Shulman. Age 65. Mr. Shulman has been a member of our board of directors since April 2013, and was appointed chairman of our board of directors effective April 2, 2014. Since 2008, Mr. Shulman has served as managing partner of Shulman Family Ventures, a private equity firm. Mr. Shulman has served as an operating partner at Water Street Health Partners, a healthcare-focused private equity firm, from 2008 until March 2015. From 2008 until December 2013, Mr. Shulman served as operating partner at Tower Three Partners LLC, a private equity firm. From December 2002 to February 2008, Mr. Shulman served as chairman and chief executive officer of Magellan Health Services, a specialty healthcare management organization. From 2000 to 2002, he served as chairman and chief executive officer of Internet Healthcare Group (IHCG), an early-stage healthcare services and technology venture fund that he founded. From 1997 to 1999, Mr. Shulman served as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Prudential Healthcare, Inc. Mr. Shulman serves on the boards of several privately-held companies. He also serves on the Dean's Council at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. We believe that Mr. Shulman's experience in private equity investment, his experience as an operating partner for a healthcare private equity firm and his experience as chief executive of several large organizations in the healthcare industry, as well as his experience as a director of several privately held companies, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

# **Class II Directors**

Neal Moszkowski. Age 50. Mr. Mozkowski has been a member of our board of directors since February 2016. Mr. Moszkowski is a co-founder of TowerBrook and has served as the firm's co-chief executive officer since its inception in March 2005. Previously, Mr. Moszkowski was co-head of Soros Private Equity Partners, a division of Soros Fund Management LLC. Prior to Soros, Mr. Moszkowski was a member of the Principal Investment Area of Goldman Sachs in London and New York. Mr. Moszkowski earned his B.A. from Amherst College and received his M.B.A. from the Stanford Graduate School of Business. He serves as a director of True Religion Apparel, Inc., a TowerBrook portfolio company. Mr. Moszkowski's past directorships include service on the boards of WellCare Health Plans and Sound Inpatient Holdings, former TowerBrook portfolio companies, as well as the board of Integra LifeSciences Corporation. We believe Mr. Moszkowski's senior executive leadership skills and experience, finance and investment background and experience serving on numerous corporate boards, including for public and private companies operating in the health care industry, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Ian Sacks. Age 45. Mr. Sacks has been a member of our board of directors since February 2016. Mr. Sacks has been with TowerBrook since its inception in 2005. Previously, Mr. Sacks was with Soros Private Equity Partners. Mr. Sacks was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of HelpCare. Prior to that, he was a Partner at MESA Partners. Prior to MESA, he was a consultant with APM. Mr. Sacks earned a B.S. from Tufts University. Mr. Sacks serves as a director of Sound Inpatient Physicians, TriMedx and Vistage Worldwide, each of which is a TowerBrook portfolio company, as well as HealthEquity, Inc. Previously, Mr. Sacks served as a director of The Broadlane Group, a then TowerBrook portfolio company. We believe Mr. Sacks' deep knowledge of the healthcare services and technology sectors, investment experience, as well as his experience serving on the boards of public and private companies operating in the healthcare industry, qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Anthony J. Speranzo. Age 68. Mr. Speranzo has been a member of our board of directors since February 2016. Mr. Speranzo has been the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Ascension Health Alliance d/b/a Ascension, the parent corporation of Ascension Health, since the corporation's formation in September 2011. From 2002 to September 2011, Mr. Speranzo served as the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Ascension Health. Prior to joining Ascension Health, Mr. Speranzo served as Managing Director at U.S. Bancorp Piper Jaffray (USBPJ) in Newport Beach, California. Mr. Speranzo has also served on several hospital and corporate boards. Mr. Speranzo received a B.A. in economics from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Massachusetts and an M.B.A. from Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts. We believe Mr. Speranzo's proven leadership, extensive healthcare experience, experience serving on hospital and corporate boards and expertise in finance qualify him to serve on our board of directors.

Our Executive Officers

Our executive officers and their respective ages and positions are described below. Our officers serve until they resign or the board terminates their position. There are no family relationships among any of our directors, nominees for director and executive officers.

Joseph Flanagan. Age 45. President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer. For more information, see "Our Board of Directors" above.

Christopher Ricaurte. Age 57. Mr. Ricaurte has served as our chief financial officer since April 2016. Prior to that, Mr. Ricaurte served as Senior Vice President, Revenue Cycle Operations for Accretive Health since 2013 and has been responsible for all of the company's centers of excellence in the U.S. and India. Before joining Accretive Health, Mr. Ricaurte served as CFO, Silicon Systems Group at Applied Materials, Inc. from January 2013 to August 2013, and prior to that Mr. Ricaurte served as CFO, World Wide Operations at Applied Materials Inc. from October 2011 to January 2013. Prior to this he was President of Nortel Business Services, where he had also previously held the position of CFO, Global Operations. Before this, Mr. Ricaurte was CFO of CHEP Europe in London. He also worked for GE for more than 20 years, where he held positions of increasing responsibility, including CFO for GE Consumer & Industrial in Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), and CFO of GE's Industrial Solutions division.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Our board of directors believes that good corporate governance is important to ensure that our company is managed for the long-term benefit of our stockholders. This section describes key corporate governance guidelines and practices that we have adopted. Complete copies of the corporate governance guidelines, committee charters and code of business conduct and ethics described below are available in the "Corporate Governance" section of the "Investor Relations" page of our website, www.accretivehealth.com. Alternatively, you can request a copy of any of these documents by writing to Accretive Health, Inc., 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Attention: Investor Relations.

#### Corporate Governance Guidelines

Our board of directors has adopted corporate governance guidelines to assist the board in the exercise of its duties and responsibilities and to serve the best interests of our company and our stockholders. A copy of these guidelines is posted on the "Investor Relations" section of our website. These guidelines, which provide a framework for the conduct of the board's business, provide that:

the board's principal responsibility is to oversee the management of Accretive Health;

directors have an obligation to become and remain informed about our company and business;

directors are responsible for determining that effective systems are in place for periodic and timely reporting to the board on important matters concerning our company;

directors are responsible for attending board meetings and meetings of committees on which they serve;

a majority of the members of the board of directors shall be independent directors;

each director must limit the number of other public company boards on which he or she serves so that he or she is able to devote adequate time to his or her duties to Accretive Health, including preparing for and attending meetings;

the non-management directors meet in executive session at least semi-annually;

directors have full and free access to officers and employees of our company, and the right to hire and consult with independent advisors at our expense;

new directors are expected to participate in an orientation program and all directors are expected to participate in continuing director education on an ongoing basis; and

at least annually, the board of directors and its committees will conduct self-evaluations to determine whether they are functioning effectively.

### Board Leadership Structure

Our board of directors has determined that the roles of chairman of the board and chief executive officer should be separated at the current time. Accordingly, our board has appointed Steven Shulman, an independent director within the meaning of NYSE and NASDAQ rules (see "Board Determination of Independence" below), as the chairman of the board of directors. Mr. Shulman's duties as chairman of the board include the following:

chairing meetings of the non-management or independent directors in executive session;

meeting with any director who is not adequately performing his or her duties as a member of our board or any committee;

facilitating communications between other members of our board and the chief executive officer;

preparing or approving the agenda for each board meeting;

determining the frequency and length of board meetings and recommending when special meetings of our board should be held; and

reviewing and, if appropriate, recommending action to be taken with respect to written communications from stockholders submitted to our board (see "Communicating with the Directors" below).

Our board decided to separate the roles of chairman and chief executive officer because it believes that leadership structure offers the following benefits:

increasing the independent oversight of Accretive Health and enhancing our board's objective evaluation of our chief executive officer;

freeing the chief executive officer to focus on company operations instead of board administration;

providing the chief executive officer with an experienced sounding board;

• providing greater opportunities for communication between stockholders and our board;

enhancing the independent and objective assessment of risk by our board; and

providing an independent spokesman for our company.

#### Board Determination of Independence

Our securities are traded through the OTC Market, which does not have requirements that a majority of the board of directors be independent, so we have elected to apply the requirements for independence under the listing standards of the NYSE, where our common stock was traded until March 2014. Pursuant to the corporate governance listing standards of the NYSE, a director currently or recently employed by us or not satisfying other bright-line independence standards under NYSE rules cannot be deemed to be an "independent director." In addition, in accordance with the NYSE corporate governance listing standards, each other director will qualify as "independent" only if our board of directors affirmatively determines that he or she has no material relationship with us, either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with us. Ownership of a significant amount of our stock, by itself, does not constitute a material relationship.

As of December 31, 2015, our board of directors consisted of Edgar M. Bronfman, Jr., Charles J. Ditkoff, Michael Hammond, Arthur Klein, Lawrence B. Leisure, Alex J. Mandl, Denis J. Nayden, Emad Rizk, Steven J. Shulman and Robert V. Stanek. Our board of directors had affirmatively determined that each of Messrs. Bronfman, Ditkoff, Hammond, Klein, Leisure, Mandl, Nayden, Shulman and Stanek is "independent" in accordance with Section 303A.02 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. In connection with the Transaction, our board of directors was reconstituted to consist of the following members: Charles J. Ditkoff, John B. Henneman III, Joseph R. Impicciche, Alex J. Mandl, Neal Moszkowski, Emad Rizk, Ian Sacks, Steven J. Shulman and Anthony J. Speranzo. In May 2016, Dr. Rizk stepped down from his positions of Chief Executive Officer and director and Mr. Joseph Flanagan was appointed President, Chief Executive Officer and director. Our board of directors has affirmatively determined that each of

Messrs. Ditkoff, Henneman, Mandl, Moszkowski, Sacks and Shulman is "independent" within the meaning of NYSE and NASDAQ rules. In determining that Mr. Ditkoff is independent, our board of directors considered payments that we made to Alvarez & Marsal, where Mr. Ditkoff served as a Senior Advisor and as an employee, for facilities and transformation services. The payments that we made to Alvarez & Marsal in any of the last three fiscal years did not exceed the greater of (i) \$200,000 or (ii) 2% of Alvarez & Marsal's consolidated gross revenues for the year in which such payments were received. In

determining that Mr. Ditkoff is independent, our board of directors also considered payments that we made to McDermott, Will & Emery, where Mr. Ditkoff is of counsel, for audit services. The payments that we made to McDermott, Will & Emery in any of the last three fiscal years did not exceed the greater of (i) \$200,000 or (ii) 2% of McDermott, Will & Emery's consolidated gross revenues for the year in which such payments were received. Additionally, Mr. Ditkoff's salary is not affected in any way by our relationship with McDermott, Will & Emery.

### **Director Nomination Process**

The process followed by the nominating and corporate governance committee to identify and evaluate director candidates includes requests to board members and others for recommendations, meetings from time to time to evaluate biographical information and background material relating to potential candidates and interviews of selected candidates by members of the nominating and corporate governance committee and our board.

In considering whether to recommend any particular candidate for inclusion in our board's slate of recommended director nominees, the nominating and corporate governance committee applies the criteria set forth in our Corporate Governance Guidelines. These criteria include the candidate's integrity, business acumen, knowledge of our business and industry, experience, diligence, conflicts of interest and the ability to act in the interests of all stockholders. In addition to these criteria, the nominating and corporate governance committee also considers diversity in its evaluation of candidates for board membership. Our board believes that diversity with respect to viewpoint, skills and experience should be an important factor in board composition. The committee does not assign specific weights to particular criteria and no particular criterion is a prerequisite for each prospective nominee. We believe that the backgrounds and qualifications of our directors, considered as a group, should provide a composite mix of experience, knowledge and abilities that will allow our board to fulfill its responsibilities.

Additionally, in connection with the Transaction we entered into an Investor Rights Agreement with the Investor, that among other things, provides the Investor with certain rights regarding the nomination of directors while it maintains certain ownership thresholds. See "Related Person Transactions-Strategic Transaction-Investor Rights Agreement."

Stockholders may recommend individuals to the nominating and corporate governance committee for consideration as potential director candidates by submitting their names, together with appropriate biographical information and background materials and a statement as to whether the stockholder or group of stockholders making the recommendation has beneficially owned more than 5% of our common stock for at least a year as of the date such recommendation is made, to: Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, c/o Accretive Health, Inc., 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Attention: Corporate Secretary. Assuming that appropriate biographical and background material has been provided on a timely basis, the committee will evaluate stockholder-recommended candidates by following substantially the same process, and applying substantially the same criteria, as it follows for candidates submitted by others. If our board determines to nominate a stockholder-recommended candidate and recommends his or her election, then his or her name will be included in our proxy card for the next annual meeting.

### Board Meetings and Attendance

The board met 11 times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, either in person or by teleconference. During 2015, each incumbent director attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the number of board meetings and the number of meetings held by all committees on which he or she then served.

Director Attendance at Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that directors are encouraged to attend meetings of stockholders at which non-routine matters will be considered. Nine of the then-current directors attended our last annual meeting of

stockholders in 2015.

**Risk Management** 

Our audit committee is responsible for overseeing our risk management function. While the audit committee has primary responsibility for overseeing risk management, our entire board of directors is actively involved in overseeing our risk management. For example, our board engages in periodic discussions with such company officers as the board deems necessary, including the chief executive officer, chief financial officer and other

executive officers. We believe that the leadership structure of our board supports effective risk management oversight.

### **Board Committees**

Our board of directors has established an audit committee, a compensation committee, a nominating and corporate governance committee and a compliance and ethics committee. Each committee operates under a charter that has been approved by our board of directors. Copies of each committee's charter are posted on the "Investor Relations" section of our website, www.accretivehealth.com.

### Audit Committee

During the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending February 16, 2016, each of Stanley Logan, Alex Mandl, Michael Hammond, Steven Kaplan, Denis Nayden and Mark Wolfson served as members of our audit committee, and our board of directors determined that each of the foregoing members was independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE. In connection with the Transaction and effective February 16, 2016, our audit committee was reconstituted to include the following members: Messrs. Ditkoff, Henneman and Mandl. Our board of directors has determined that each of the members of our audit committee is independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE and NASDAQ and satisfies the requirements for financial literacy under the current requirements of NYSE and NASDAQ rules and regulations. Our board of directors has further determined that each of Mr. Mandl and Mr. Henneman is an "audit committee financial expert" as such term is defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K.

Our audit committee assists our board of directors in its oversight of our accounting and financial reporting process and the audits of our financial statements. The audit committee met 12 times during 2015.

Our audit committee's responsibilities include:

appointing, evaluating, retaining, terminating the engagement of, setting the compensation of and assessing the independence of our independent registered public accounting firm;

overseeing the work of our independent registered public accounting firm, including the receipt and consideration of reports from the firm and reviewing with the firm audit problems, internal control issues and other accounting and financial reporting matters;

coordinating the board's oversight of our internal control over financial reporting, disclosure controls and procedures, code of business conduct and ethics, and internal audit function;

establishing procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of accounting related complaints and concerns;

reviewing and discussing with management and our independent registered public accounting firm our annual and quarterly financial statements and related disclosures;

periodically meeting separately with our independent registered public accounting firm, management and internal auditors;

discussing generally the type and presentation of information to be disclosed in our earnings press releases, as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts, rating agencies and others;

reviewing our policies and procedures for approving and ratifying related person transactions, including our related person transaction policy;

establishing policies regarding the hiring of employees or former employees of our independent registered public accounting firm;

discussing our policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management;

preparing the audit committee report required by SEC rules;

in coordination with the compensation committee, evaluating our senior financial management; and

at least annually, evaluating its own performance.

All audit services to be provided to us and all non-audit services, other than de minimis non-audit services, to be provided to us by our independent registered public accounting firm must be approved in advance by our audit committee.

#### **Compensation Committee**

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During the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending February 16, 2016, each of Steven N. Kaplan, Edgar Bronfman, Jr., Denis J. Nayden and Steven J. Shulman served as members of our compensation committee. In connection with the Transaction and effective February 16, 2016, our compensation committee was reconstituted to include the following members: Ian Sacks, Steven J. Shulman and Anthony J. Speranzo. Our board of directors determined that each of the foregoing members was independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE and NASDAQ, other than Mr. Speranzo.

Our compensation committee assists our board of directors in the discharge of its responsibilities relating to the compensation of our executive officers and directors. Certain actions of the compensation committee, such as granting equity compensation awards and performance awards, may be taken by a sub-committee of the compensation committee. The compensation committee met six times during 2015.

The compensation committee's responsibilities include:

approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of our chief executive officer, evaluating our chief executive officer's performance in light of those goals and objectives and, either as a committee or together with the other independent directors (as directed from time to time by the board of directors), determining and approving our chief executive officer's compensation;

reviewing in consultation with our chief executive officer, and approving or making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to, compensation of our executive officers (other than our chief executive officer);

overseeing the evaluation of our senior executives, in consultation with our chief executive officer in the case of all senior executives other than the chief executive officer and in conjunction with the audit committee in the case of our senior financial management;

reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to incentive-compensation and equity-based plans that are subject to board approval;

administering our equity incentive plans, including the authority to delegate to one or more of our executive officers the power to grant options or other stock awards to employees who are not directors or executive officers of our company, but only if consistent with the requirements of the applicable plan and law;

reviewing and making recommendations to the board of directors with respect to director compensation;

reviewing and discussing with management the compensation discussion and analysis required by SEC rules;

preparing the compensation committee report required by SEC rules; and

at least annually, evaluating its own performance.

The processes and procedures followed by our compensation committee in considering and determining executive and director compensation are described below under the headings "Director Compensation" and "Executive Compensation Discussion and Analysis."

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

During the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending February 16, 2016, each of Edgar Bronfman, Jr., Steven N. Kaplan and Steven J. Shulman served as members of our nominating and corporate governance committee. In connection with the Transaction and effective February 16, 2016, our nominating and corporate governance committee was reconstituted to include the following members: Ian Sacks, Steven J. Shulman and Anthony J. Speranzo. Our board of directors determined that each of the foregoing members was independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE and NASDAQ, other than Mr. Speranzo. The nominating and corporate governance committee met one time during 2015.

The nominating and corporate governance committee's responsibilities include:

recommending to the board of directors the persons to be nominated for election as directors or to fill vacancies on the board of directors, and to be appointed to each of the board's committees;

applying the criteria for selecting directors approved by the board, and annually reviewing with the board the requisite skills and criteria for new board members as well as the composition of the board of directors as a whole;

developing and recommending to the board corporate governance guidelines applicable to our company;

overseeing an annual evaluation of the board of directors;

at the request of the board of directors, reviewing and making recommendations to the board relating to management succession planning; and

at least annually, evaluating its own performance.

The processes and procedures followed by the nominating and corporate governance committee in identifying and evaluating director candidates are described above under the heading "Director Nomination Process."

Communicating with the Directors

The board will give appropriate attention to written communications that are submitted by stockholders, and will respond if and as appropriate. The chairman of the nominating and governance committee, with the assistance of our corporate secretary, is primarily responsible for monitoring communications from stockholders and for providing copies or summaries to the other directors as he or she considers appropriate.

Communications are forwarded to all directors if they relate to important substantive matters and include suggestions or comments that our corporate secretary considers to be important for the directors to know. In general, communications relating to corporate governance and corporate strategy are more likely to be forwarded than communications relating to ordinary business affairs, personal grievances and matters as to which we tend to receive repetitive or duplicative communications.

Stockholders who wish to send communications on any topic to the board of directors should address such communications to Board of Directors, c/o Accretive Health, Inc., 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Attention: Corporate Secretary.

# Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

Our board of directors has adopted a written code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our directors, officers and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions. A copy of the code of business conduct and ethics is posted on the Investor Relations section of our website. In addition, we intend to post on our website all disclosures that are required by law or NYSE listing standards concerning any amendments to, or waivers of, our code.

Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors

The audit committee has reviewed our audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 and has discussed these financial statements with our management and our independent registered public accounting firm.

The audit committee has also received from, and discussed with, our registered public accounting firm various communications that our independent registered public accounting firm is required to provide to the audit committee, including the matters to be discussed as required by Auditing Standard No. 16, Communications with Audit Committees, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB").

Our independent registered public accounting firm also provided the audit committee with the written disclosures and the letter required by the applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent auditor's communication with the audit committee concerning independence. The audit committee has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm their independence from our company.

Based on its discussions with management and the independent registered public accounting firm, and its review of the representations and information provided by management and the independent registered public accounting firm, the audit committee recommended to our board of directors that our audited financial statements be included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

By the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Accretive Health, Inc.

Alex J. Mandl (chair) Charles J. Ditkoff John B. Henneman, III

#### DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

We pay each non-employee director, other than Messrs. Impicciche, Moszkowski, Sacks, Shulman and Speranzo, a \$60,000 annual retainer. The chairs of the board of directors and the audit committee receive an additional annual retainer of \$20,000, and the chairs of the compensation committee and the nominating and corporate governance committee receive an additional annual retainer of \$10,000. There are no additional fees for attending board or board committee meetings. Cash fees are paid quarterly in arrears to the non-employee directors who were serving as directors at the end of a quarter. Messrs. Impicciche, Moszkowski, Sacks and Speranzo have declined to receive director fees.

In lieu of cash fees, non-employee directors may elect to receive fully-vested options to purchase shares of our common stock. Elections must be received by the Company by the 75th day of a quarter and apply to all subsequent quarterly cash fees until a new election is received. Such options are granted on the first trading day of each quarter with respect to the fees payable for the preceding quarter, and the exercise price equals the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. The number of shares subject to such options is calculated by dividing the dollar amount of the cash fees for the quarter by the Black-Scholes option value we used for purposes of determining the share-based compensation expense that we recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in that quarter.

Unless a different arrangement is specifically agreed to, any non-employee director who joins our board in the future will be granted a stock option on the date of such director's first board meeting. The option will have a total Black-Scholes value of \$520,000 (based on the target value of \$130,000 per year), and the exercise price will equal the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. Each such option will vest in four equal annual installments, based on continued service as a director. Messrs. Impicciche, Moszkowski, Sacks and Speranzo have declined their option awards.

In lieu of an annual retainer, Mr. Shulman is entitled to the compensation and benefits for his services as chairman of our board of directors set forth in the Chairman Services Agreement between us and Mr. Shulman as described under "Agreement with Mr. Steven Shulman " in the "Agreements with Directors" section below. As discussed above in "Proposal Three - Approval of Second Amended and Restated 2010 Stock Incentive Plan," in recognition of the valuable contributions Mr. Shulman continues to make to our Company as chairman of our board of directors, such as providing strategic direction and leadership to our board of directors, and in order to further align his interests with that of our stockholders, our board of directors granted Mr. Shulman 1,634,780 stock options, contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. One-half of Mr. Shulman's stock options have the same vesting terms as the 2016 LTI Awards and one-half of Mr. Shulman's stock options have the same vesting terms as the 2017 LTI Awards. Our board of directors also intends to issue Mr. Shulman approximately 1,106,406 PBRSUs (which PBRSU amount assumes a 150% maximum performance target and which maximum target amount may be greater if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target). Our board of directors also intends that any such grant of PBRSUs to Mr. Shulman would be contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, Mr. Shulman's stock options and PBRSUs will be cancelled.

We reimburse each non-employee director for ordinary and reasonable expenses incurred in attending board and board committee meetings.

2015 Director Compensation. The following table sets forth, for each of our non-employee directors in 2015, information concerning compensation earned or paid for services in all capacities during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

	Fees			
	Earned	Stock	Option	
Name	or Paid	Awards	Awards	Total (\$)
	in Cash	(\$)(1)	(\$)(1)	
	(\$)			
Edgar Bronfman, Jr.	(8)—		\$70,000	\$70,000
J. Michael Cline	(3)\$15,000			\$15,000
Charles J. Ditkoff	\$45,000		\$520,000(4	)\$565,000
Michael B. Hammond	(8)\$45,000		\$520,000(4	)\$565,000
Steven N. Kaplan	(5)\$35,000			\$35,000
Arthur A. Klein	(8)\$45,000		\$520,000(4	)\$565,000
Lawrence B. Leisure	(8)\$45,000		\$520,000(4	)\$565,000
Stanley L. Logan	(5)\$40,000			\$40,000
Alex J. Mandl	—		\$70,000	\$70,000
Denis J. Nayden	(8)\$60,000			\$60,000
Amir Dan Rubin	(7)—		\$535,000(7	)\$535,000
Stephen F. Schuckenbrock	t (6)—		\$15,000	\$15,000
Steven J. Shulman	\$500,000(2	)\$4,825,000(2	)—	\$5,325,000
Arthur H. Spiegel	(3)\$15,000			\$15,000
Robert V. Stanek	(8)\$60,000			\$60,000
Mary A. Tolan	(3)\$15,000			\$15,000
Mark A. Wolfson	(5)—		\$30,000	\$30,000

Valuation of these stock and option awards is based on the dollar amount of share-based compensation expense that we recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in 2015 computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 ("ASC 718"), excluding the impact of

(1) estimated forfeitures related to service-based vesting conditions. These amounts do not represent the actual amounts paid to or realized by the director during 2015. The assumptions used by us with respect to the valuation of option awards are the same as those set forth in Note 5, Share-Based Compensation, to our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 as filed with the SEC on March 10, 2016.

This amount represents fees paid to Mr. Shulman as chairman of our board of directors pursuant to the Chairman

- <sup>(2)</sup> Services Agreement between us and Mr. Shulman. Mr. Shulman was appointed chairman of the board of directors effective April 2, 2014. See "Agreement with Mr. Steven Shulman" in the section "Agreements with Directors" for more information.
- (3) Resigned from our board of directors, effective May 15, 2015.
- (4) The option was issued to the reporting person pursuant to the Accretive Health director compensation plan and vests in four equal annual installments beginning on May 21, 2016 based on continued service as a director.

Messrs. Hammond, Klein and Leisure resigned from our board of directors effective February 16, 2016 and as a result, forfeited all unvested option awards.

(5) Did not stand for re-election at the Annual Meeting held on August 14, 2015.

(6) Resigned from our board of directors, effective May 18, 2015.

(7) This amount includes \$520,000 in option awards issued pursuant to the Accretive Health director compensation plan and

vests in four equal annual installments beginning on May 21, 2016 based on continued service as a director. Mr. Rubin resigned from our board of directors effective September 24, 2015 and as a result, forfeited all unvested option awards.

(8) Resigned from our board of directors effective February 16, 2016.

As of December 31, 2015, our non-employee directors held the following options to acquire shares of our common stock and shares of restricted common stock:

Name	Aggregate Option Awards (Exercisable/ Unexercisable)Outstanding as of December 31, 2015	Option Awards (Exercisable) Exercisable a December 31 2015	t(Unvested)
Edgar Bronfman, Jr.	135,382	135,382	
Charles J. Ditkoff	193,237		
Michael B. Hammond	193,237		
Arthur A. Klein	193,237		
Lawrence B. Leisure	193,237		
Alex J. Mandl	152,154	27,368	
Denis J. Nayden	108,335	108,335	
Steven J. Shulman	103,174	51,587	1,666,667
Robert V. Stanek	109,473	27,368	—

Agreements with Directors

Agreement with Mr. Steven Shulman

As part of our strategy to navigate significant business challenges in March 2014, including the initiation of NYSE delisting proceedings and the continuing effects of both the negative publicity in connection with the lawsuit filed against us in January 2012 by the Minnesota Attorney General and our financial restatement, our board of directors appointed Steven Shulman as the chairman of our board of directors on April 2, 2014 and negotiated a compensation package for Mr. Shulman's services as our chairman. Since being appointed as our chairman, Mr. Shulman has played a pivotal role in assisting us in navigating this challenging business environment, including by leading and successfully concluding our Chief Executive Officer succession planning and implementation, as well as assisting us to strengthen our relationships with certain of our key customers and helping to provide strategic direction for our company.

Our Chairman Services Agreement with Mr. Shulman, which reflects terms that were agreed upon in principle during late March and April 2014, but which was not executed until November 2014, provides for the following benefits to

Mr. Shulman:

Annual cash fee of \$500,000;

A one-time payment of \$291,667 in respect of services provided by Mr. Shulman between April 2, 2014 (the date of Mr. Shulman's appointment as chairman of our board of directors) and the date of execution of the Chairman Services Agreement;

A restricted stock award of 2,250,000 shares of our common stock, of which 1,750,000 generally will vest in equal • annual installments on each of the first three anniversaries of the date Mr. Shulman was appointed as our chairman, subject to Mr. Shulman's continued service as chairman. These shares will also vest upon a termination of Mr. Shulman's Chairman Services Agreement by us without cause, as defined in the Chairman Services Agreement. The remaining 500,000 shares will vest on the third anniversary of the date Mr. Shulman was appointed as our chairman (or upon a change in control transaction or our termination of the Chairman Services Agreement without cause, as defined in the Chairman Services Agreement), subject to (i) Mr. Shulman's continued service as chairman and (ii) the average closing price of our common stock as reported on the NYSE (or if not then traded on NYSE, the principal national securities exchange in the United States on which our common stock is then traded), measured over ninety days exceeding 200% of the closing price of a share of our common stock on April 2, 2014 (or, if the average trading price of our common stock measured over a ninety day period exceeds the closing price of our common stock on April 2, 2014 by less than 200%, a pro-rata portion of these 500,000 shares of restricted common stock will vest based on the percentage of the closing price of our common stock on April 2, 2014 represented by such average trading price, using a linear interpolation between 100% and 200%).

### EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

#### Compensation Discussion and Analysis

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A"), provides information about our executive compensation philosophy and the components of our compensation programs, including information about how we align the compensation for our named executive officers ("NEOs"), with our goals and performance. This CD&A is intended to help readers better understand the information found in the tables and narrative that follow.

#### Compensation Objectives and Philosophy

Our executive compensation program aims to attract and retain highly talented executives by providing competitive pay and benefits and to reward our executives for performance that aligns with our operating and strategic goals, with the ultimate objective of increasing stockholder value. The structure of our executive compensation program enables us to provide a competitive total compensation package that ties a portion of each executive's overall compensation to key corporate financial goals and significant accomplishments. Both short-term and long-term incentives are intended to align executives with stockholder interests and the successful execution of long-term strategic plans.

We attract and retain executives by providing a market competitive compensation program consisting of base salary, annual bonus and long-term incentives, coupled with benefits to support health, wellness and other life events. The box below highlights the key considerations behind the development, review and approval of our NEOs' compensation in 2015.

Objectives

Our NEO compensation program is designed to:

- Align the interests of our executives with those of our stockholders

- Pay for performance by rewarding the achievement of our annual and long-term operating and strategic goals

- Recognize individual contributions

- Attract, retain and motivate highly talented individuals who have the breadth and depth of experience to successfully execute our business strategy

This CD&A focuses on the following executive officers who served during 2015:

Dr. Emad Rizk, former President and Chief Executive Officer - Dr. Rizk joined Accretive Health as President and Chief Executive Officer in July 2014.

Peter Csapo, former Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer - Mr. Csapo joined Accretive Health as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in August 2014.

Joseph Flanagan, Chief Operating Officer - Mr. Flanagan joined Accretive Health as Chief Operating Officer in April 2013.

On April 21, 2016, we announced a number of management changes including the appointment of Mr. Flanagan as President and Chief Operating Officer and the promotion of Christopher Ricaurte to Chief Financial Officer, as Peter Csapo stepped down as our Chief Financial Officer.

On May 26, 2016, we announced the appointment of Mr. Flanagan as President, Chief Executive Officer and director, as Dr. Rizk stepped down as our Chief Executive Officer and director.

No new or amended compensation arrangements were entered into at the time of such changes. However, our compensation committee considered such changes in connection with its ongoing review of our compensation

programs, objectives and philosophy in light of the Transaction discussed below.

#### 2015 Performance

#### **Company Achievements**

During 2015, we continued to focus our efforts on several key strategic and operational imperatives aimed at delivering on our critical customer obligations and continued to expand the depth and breadth of our services. While our financial results fell below expectations, our NEOs achieved important goals during this period, including:

In response to a letter received in July 2015 from Ascension Health, our largest customer and the nation's largest Catholic and non-profit health system, we commenced a strategic review process to enhance stockholder value. The strategic review process concluded in December 2015 with the announcement of the Transaction with Ascension, the parent of Ascension Health, and TowerBrook. As part of the Transaction, we renewed, revised and expanded our existing services agreement with Ascension Health by entering into the Amended and Restated Master Professional Services Agreement (the "A&R MPSA"), for a 10-year term effective February 16, 2016 subject to further terms and conditions that are more fully described herein. This long-term strategic partnership provided our business with approximately \$200 million in new capital, will expand our relationship with Ascension Health hospital base.

Deepening our focus on scalable infrastructure and applications, operational excellence, and shared services capacity in preparation of our anticipated addition of more than \$8 billion in net patient revenue under management due to the long-term strategic partnership with Ascension Health.

Significant sequential improvement in financial results in the fourth quarter and over the prior year, including net cash generated from customer contracting activities of \$26.4 million, compared to \$7.8 million for 2014.

Becoming current with our SEC filings.

Continuing to make meaningful progress towards remediating our control environment deficiencies.

Completing our mid-term HITRUST assessment and successfully maintaining our HITRUST CSF certification.

Linking Pay with Performance

Executive compensation for 2015 was consistent with our compensation objectives and reflects our operating performance, demonstrating our commitment to pay our executives for the performance they deliver. In light of the fact that our NEOs received retention equity grants in connection with the Transaction, notwithstanding the achievements described above, our NEOs did not receive an annual cash incentive bonus for 2015 performance, other than Mr. Flanagan, who received a discretionary bonus of \$500,000 to reward his leadership of the cross-functional team that retained Ascension Health as a customer and negotiated a meaningful expansion of the A&R MPSA with Ascension. See page 63 for details.

Overview of 2015 Compensation Decisions and Actions

Factors Guiding Our Decisions

The following factors guided the planning and decisions for 2015 executive compensation:

Executive compensation program objectives;

Operating performance;

Recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer for other NEOs;

• Advice of an independent compensation consultant;

Uncertainties related to our strategic review;

Our stock price performance; and

Competitive market practices.

Key 2015 Executive Compensation Decisions

We have faced significant business challenges since 2012, which have informed our executive compensation decision making. The compensation decisions made during 2015, as outlined below, demonstrate our commitment to providing incentives tied to improved financial and stock performance.

### Base Salary

None of our NEOs received a base salary increase in 2015 based on our market analysis of compensation data for similarly situated executives.

# Annual Cash Incentive Bonus

2015 Awards: Although our NEOs achieved significant accomplishments critical to the success of our company, in light of the fact that they received retention equity grants in connection with the Transaction, our compensation committee determined that no bonus payouts would be awarded to our NEOs for 2015 performance, except that our compensation committee awarded a discretionary bonus of \$500,000 to Mr. Flanagan for 2015 performance to reward his leadership of the cross-functional team that retained Ascension Health as a customer and negotiated a meaningful expansion of the A&R MPSA with Ascension Health.

2014 Awards: In light of the fact that our 2014 annual cash incentive bonus awards, which were paid to certain employees (either entirely or in part) in the form of restricted shares of our common stock that vested monthly over twelve months, significantly declined in value shortly after the grant because of the decline in the price of our common stock, our compensation committee approved a grant of cash bonuses to those employees, including each of the NEOs. See page 64 for details.

# Equity Incentive Awards

Equity incentive awards are generally granted to NEOs when they enter into or renew an employment agreement with us. On occasion, our compensation committee also awards discretionary equity grants to retain NEOs, reward exceptional performance and/or recognize expanded responsibility.

In connection with the Transaction, each NEO received a retention equity grant in the form of restricted stock on December 31, 2015, designed to promote retention of the services and skills of the recipient, as well as to maintain the recipient's focus on ongoing operations during a critical time for our business. In connection with these retention equity grants, Dr. Rizk received 1,500,000 shares, Mr. Csapo received 676,800 shares and Mr. Flanagan received 952,000 shares. Each of these equity grants vests in equal annual installments over three years. See page 66 for details.

Retention Bonus Program and Enhanced Change of Control Severance Program

In July 2015, our board of directors approved a targeted retention program (the "Retention Bonus Program")

and enhanced change-of-control severance arrangements (the "Enhanced Change of Control Severance Program") for key employees, including our NEOs and critical members of their management team. The Retention Bonus Program and Enhanced Change of Control Severance Program were adopted to retain these key leaders during our strategic alternatives review process to enhance stockholder value, which was announced on July 16, 2015. These programs were also intended to mitigate any uncertainty regarding future employment resulting from Ascension Health's unsolicited proposal to acquire us, or other strategic alternatives.

In connection with the Transaction, the retention agreements that were entered into in connection with the Retention Bonus Program and the Enhanced Change of Control Severance Program were ultimately canceled and, for our NEOs, replaced in their entirety by a one-time retention equity grant on December 31, 2015. Other severance and change-of-control arrangements were not impacted and remain in place. See page 75 for details.

### Pay-for-Performance Focus

#### Aligning Pay with Performance

Pay-for-performance is one of the objectives of our executive compensation philosophy. NEOs can earn target compensation only to the extent we achieve our corporate goals. Additionally, their actual annual incentive award takes into account their individual performance in supporting several key business objectives. Our incentive compensation program for NEOs is designed to link total compensation with the achievement of our corporate goals, some of which are short-term, while others may take several years to achieve.

	Annual Cash Incentive Bonus	Stock Options	Restricted Stock Awards
	Short-Term (Cash)	Long-Term (Equity)	Long-Term (Equity)
Objective	Short-term business performance	Stockholder value creation	Stockholder value creation Generally vest over 4
Time Horizon	1 Year	Generally vest over 4 years Subject to continued employment with the Company, exercisable for up to 10 years	years Subject to continued employment with the Company
Metrics	Specific tactical, strategic and financial business objectives and Individual performance	Stock price	Stock price

Our executive compensation decisions in recent years have been affected by our efforts to build and retain a leadership team that will help ensure we perform at our highest level. This focus, however, has not changed our strong emphasis on pay-for-performance. While we require competitive compensation packages to attract and retain leaders who will help us perform well both internally and externally, we follow a compensation strategy that heavily emphasizes performance.

For our Chief Executive Officer, this means that the greatest portion of his compensation is in the form of incentive compensation, and the majority of this incentive compensation is focused on delivering long-term performance.

During the leadership transitions we have experienced in recent years, we have made decisions to ensure that the majority of long-term incentives are focused on increasing value to our stockholders as well as our company's future, leveraging our plans to build stockholder value. By making the greatest portion of our Chief Executive Officer's compensation package in the form of performance-based pay, with value directly tied to the increase in value of our organization and thus our stock price, we aim to ensure that our executive compensation packages are strongly

focused on pay-for-performance, not merely attraction and retention.

Consideration of "Say-on-Pay" Vote

Our stockholders approved the non-binding advisory proposal on the compensation of our NEOs with an 84% favorable vote at our annual meeting of stockholders held in August 2015, our most recent annual meeting at which such a vote was taken. Based in part on this approval from stockholders, at that time our compensation committee determined that no changes to our 2016 executive compensation program were warranted.

At our 2011 annual meeting of stockholders, our stockholders voted to adopt the recommendation of our board of directors to conduct future advisory votes on the compensation of our NEOs every three years. Accordingly, the next stockholder advisory vote on the compensation of our NEOs will be held at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

# Determining Executive Compensation

In determining compensation changes for NEOs from year to year, our compensation committee generally focuses on total direct executive compensation, which consists of base salary, annual cash incentive bonus and long- term equity incentive awards.

Factors Guiding Decisions

Executive compensation program objectives

Company financial performance and important achievements

Assessment of leaders' adherence to company values, their leadership traits and achievement of individual objectives Recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer for other NEOs

Stockholder input through the "say-on-pay" vote

Advice of an independent compensation consultant on market and peer group pay practices

#### Role of our Compensation Committee

Our compensation committee oversees our executive compensation program and has done so historically. In this role, our compensation committee reviews and approves compensation decisions relating to our NEOs. Certain actions of the compensation committee, such as granting equity compensation awards and performance awards, may be taken by a sub-committee of the compensation committee. Our compensation committee has the authority, without approval of our board of directors, to retain and terminate an independent compensation consultant to assist in the evaluation of executive officer compensation.

During the period beginning January 1, 2015 and ending February 16, 2016, each of Steven N. Kaplan, Edgar Bronfman, Jr., Denis J. Nayden and Steven J. Shulman served as members of our compensation committee. In connection with the Transaction and effective February 16, 2016, our compensation committee was reconstituted to include the following members: Ian Sacks, Steven J. Shulman and Anthony J. Speranzo. Our board of directors determined that each of the foregoing members was independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE and NASDAQ, other than Mr. Speranzo.

Our newly reconstituted compensation committee is undertaking a substantial review of our existing compensation programs, objectives and philosophy and determining whether such programs, objectives and philosophy are appropriate in light of the Transaction. In connection with this review, our compensation committee has engaged Steven Hall & Partners as its new independent compensation consultant. As a result of this review, a sub-committee of the compensation committee has approved a revised LTI program as described below under "2016 and 2017 Equity Incentive Decisions."

# Role of our Chief Executive Officer

Our Chief Executive Officer annually reviews the performance of each of our other executive officers and, based on these reviews, provides recommendations to our compensation committee with respect to salary adjustments, annual cash incentive bonus targets and awards, and equity incentive awards.

Our compensation committee meets with our Chief Executive Officer annually to discuss and review our Chief Executive Officer's recommendations regarding executive compensation for our executive officers, excluding our Chief Executive Officer. Our compensation committee typically meets in executive session to discuss those recommendations before our compensation committee makes final decisions regarding our executive officers' compensation and informs our board of directors of such decisions. Our Chief Executive Officer is not present for discussions regarding our Chief Executive Officer's compensation.

For fiscal year 2015, our Chief Executive Officer was authorized by our compensation committee to grant options to employees who are not directors or executive officers of the company and to determine the number of shares covered by, and the timing of, these option grants. Our board of directors has, and it exercises, either directly or through its delegation of authority to our compensation committee, the ability to materially increase or decrease amounts of compensation payable to our executive officers pursuant to recommendations made by our Chief Executive Officer or otherwise.

# Role of the Compensation Consultant

Our compensation committee engages an independent compensation consulting firm from time to time to provide advice regarding our executive compensation program and general information regarding executive compensation practices in our industry. At our compensation committee's request, the independent compensation consulting firm, Towers Watson (now Willis Towers Watson), advised our compensation committee in 2015 and provided advice on some, but not all, executive compensation actions and decisions related to 2015. Our compensation committee considered Towers Watson's advice regarding our executive compensation program and then, ultimately, made their own decisions about these matters.

Towers Watson took direction from our compensation committee, as appropriate, and reported directly to our compensation committee. With respect to 2015, Towers Watson did not raise any conflicts of interest to our compensation committee, and the compensation committee determined that no conflicts of interest existed, that would affect its independence pursuant to SEC and NYSE rules or would prevent it from independently representing our compensation committee.

In connection with the substantial review of our existing compensation programs, objectives and philosophy being undertaken by our newly constituted compensation committee, our compensation committee has engaged Steven Hall & Partners as its new independent compensation consultant.

# Executive Compensation Survey Data

In 2015, our compensation committee used the Towers Watson 2014 Compensation Data Bank (CDB) General Industry Executive Compensation Survey Report - U.S. to evaluate 2015 executive compensation. The surveys provide general industry data, and the data used was size-adjusted to reflect our revenue.

While our compensation committee considers survey data in determining the competitiveness of our executive compensation, it is only one factor taken into consideration when determining the total compensation for our NEOs. Our compensation committee also considers the other factors listed in "Factors Guiding Decisions" above.

As discussed above, our newly reconstituted compensation committee is undertaking a substantial review of our existing compensation programs, objectives and philosophy and determining whether such programs, objectives and philosophy are appropriate in light of the Transaction. As such, the compensation committee may in the future change its benchmarking practices, including utilizing a formal peer group.

Risk Considerations in our Executive Compensation Program

We provide a mix of executive compensation elements, and design such elements, in order to discourage management from assuming excessive risk. We believe that risks arising from our compensation policies and practices for our employees are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on our business. In addition, our compensation committee believes that the mix and design of the components of executive compensation do not encourage management to assume excessive risks.

Elements of the Executive Compensation Program

The following table describes how elements of compensation are intended to satisfy our executive compensation objectives.

Objectives. Compensation		Type of	
Element	Purpose	Compensation	Link to Program Objectives
Base Salary	Fixed level of cash compensation to attract and retain key talent in a competitive marketplace Target incentive opportunity (set	Cash	Determined based on evaluation of individual's experience, position, current performance, internal pay equity, peer group compensation data and external market competitive data Provides compensation based on achievement
Annual Cash Incentive Bonus	as a percentage of base salary) that encourages executives to achieve annual company operating plan goals	Cash	of our operating plan goals, as well as individual performance against specific corporate objectives No minimum guaranteed payout
	Helps ensure executive compensation is directly linked to the achievement of our long-term objectives		Provides our NEOs with a strong link to our long-term performance by enhancing their accountability for long-term decision making
Long-Term Equity Incentive Awards	Creates an ownership culture by aligning the interests of our	Long-Term Equity	Delivered through stock options and/or restricted stock awards
	NEOS with the creation of value for our stockholders Furthers our goal of executive retention		Time-based awards generally vest ratably over a four-year period; performance-based awards vest at the end of an applicable performance period based on the achievement of performance goals
Benefits	Important element of a total rewards program and helps attract and retain executive talent	Benefit	Same broad-based benefits that are provided to all employees, including our 401(k) retirement plan, a medical care plan, vacation, short- and long-term disability coverage and standard company holidays
			Our NEOs do not receive a matching 401(k) contribution from Accretive Health
Change of Control Benefits	Attracts and retains employees in a competitive market	Combination of Cash, Benefit and Long-Term Equity	Combination of "single trigger" and "double trigger" vesting, along with severance
( <b>0</b> )			

Employment	Ensures continued dedication of employees in case of personal	
Employment	uncertainties or risk of job loss	N/
Agreements	Provides confidentiality and non-compete protections	

N/A Specific for the individual

Analysis of 2015 Compensation Decisions

Base Salary

We use competitive base salaries to attract and retain qualified talent to help us achieve our growth and performance goals. Base salaries take into account each NEO's experience, knowledge and responsibilities. The independent compensation consultant periodically provides our compensation committee with analyses of competitive salary ranges for the NEO positions, based in part on external compensation survey data.

Base Salary Adjustments

From time to time, at their discretion, our compensation committee evaluates and adjusts NEOs' base salary levels based on factors determined to be relevant, including:

Executive officer's skills and experience

Particular importance of the executive officer's position to us

Executive officer's individual performance

Executive officer's growth in his or her position

Market level increases

Base salaries for comparable positions within our company

Inflation rates

2015 Base Salary Decisions

In February 2015, our compensation committee elected not to increase base salaries for any NEOs based on our market analysis of compensation data for similarly situated executives.

	Base Salary (Annualized)			
	2014 Salary	2015 Salary	Percent Change	
Emad Rizk	\$750,000	\$750,000	_%	
Peter Csapo	\$470,000	\$470,000	_%	
Joseph Flanagan	\$595,000	\$595,000	_%	

# Annual Cash Incentive Bonus

We maintain an annual cash incentive bonus program in which each of our NEOs participates. These annual cash incentive bonuses are intended to compensate our NEOs for achievement of corporate goals, as well as individual performance in the areas of:

Economic and financial contributions
Operations
Customer satisfaction
Business development
Organizational and leadership development

Annual Cash Incentive Bonus Design

Our annual cash incentive bonus awards have varied significantly from year to year, and we expect that they will continue to vary, depending on actual corporate and individual performance results.

At the beginning of each year, our board of directors establishes our corporate financial and operational goals and through our compensation committee, individual incentive bonus targets for our executive officers. The goals established by our board of directors are based on our historical operating results and growth rates, as well as our expected future results, and are designed to require significant effort and operational success on the part of our NEOs and Accretive Health. However, during the course of the year, our board of directors and our compensation committee may (based in part on recommendations of our Chief Executive Officer, with respect to our other NEOs) adjust such goals as they deem appropriate.

In addition to corporate goals, each NEO is also responsible for setting individual performance goals at the beginning of each year. The goals are based on the executive's role and responsibilities and are designed to help drive our success.

Each NEO's initial target annual bonus is established upon commencement of employment as part of the executive's overall compensation package. The target annual bonus amount is then reviewed and may be adjusted in each subsequent year, if appropriate, based on external market data to ensure that the values reflect external competitiveness and internal equity. Our compensation committee's independent compensation consultant, using the same approach as described for annual base salary, periodically reviews the competitive range for annual cash incentive pay for our Chief Executive Officer and each other NEO (which is set as a percentage of annual base salary) and provides such data to our compensation committee, which determines annual bonus targets, subject to any limitations contained in any applicable agreement with such NEO.

If growth and performance expectations for corporate and individual performance are exceeded, bonuses above target can be awarded. If they are not met, then bonuses below target, or no bonuses at all, may be awarded. Prior years' performance and corresponding bonus award levels are considered when setting bonus targets. We believe this helps to calibrate incentive compensation with our performance.

Our compensation committee approves actual annual cash incentive bonus payouts, which are based on input from our Chief Executive Officer in the case of NEOs other than the Chief Executive Officer. There are no minimum or maximum payout levels, and our compensation committee has broad discretion to make adjustments to the awards.

2015 Annual Cash Incentive Target Bonus Decisions

For 2015, our compensation committee based annual cash incentive bonus decisions for our NEOs on the achievement of the following corporate goals, as well as their personal performance. These goals were designed to help us build critical infrastructure and consistent operational execution capability to support sustainable growth in

the future.

	2015 Goal	2015 Achievements Met over half of the operational performance
Operations	Hit operational performance targets Standardize Accretive Health Playbook Institutionalize Denials Reduction Program by year-end Complete Phase 1 of shared services expansion	targets Completed standardization of Accretive Health Playbook Almost fully institutionalized Denials Reduction Program before year-end Completed Phase 1 of shared services expansion
	project Complete work to support modular services (shared services)	project Made significant progress but did not complete the work to support modular services (shared services)
Financial	Deliver net cash generated from customer contracting activities of \$34.1M and gross cash generated from customer contracting activities of \$248.7M	Delivered net cash generated from customer contracting activities of \$26.4M and gross cash generated from customer contracting activities of \$230.2M
Customer Satisfaction and Growth	Launch NPS plan and completion on follow up items Develop renewal strategy for key customer contract expiring in 2016 Close targeted net new revenue cycle deals Move targeted prospective revenue cycle transactions into contracting stage	Launched NPS plan and completed follow up items Completed development of renewal strategy for key customer contract expiring in 2016 Missed targeted net new revenue cycle deals Met our targeted number of prospective revenue cycle transactions moved into contracting stage
Employees	Achieve targeted field attrition rate Achieve targeted shared services attrition rate Hold Company-wide all hands calls quarterly	Fell short of the field attrition goal Exceeded the shared services attrition goal Completed half of the planned Company-wide all hands calls

In light of the fact that our NEOs received retention equity grants in connection with the Transaction, notwithstanding the achievements described above, our compensation committee elected not to award bonus payouts to any of our NEOs, other than to Mr. Flanagan who received a discretionary bonus award of \$500,000 to reward his leadership of the cross-functional team that retained Ascension Health as a customer and negotiated a meaningful expansion of the A&R MPSA with Ascension Health.

The table below shows the annual target for 2015 and actual bonus payments for 2015 for each NEO:

	2015 Annual Cash Incentive Bonus		
	Target Award Opportunity	Target as a % of Base Salary	Actual Bonus Awarded
Emad Rizk	\$750,000	100%	\$—
Peter Csapo	\$376,000	80%	\$—
Joseph Flanaga	n \$595,000	100%	\$500,000

Payment of 2014 Annual Incentive Awards

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In July 2015, our compensation committee approved the grant of cash bonuses to employees, including each of our NEOs, who received all or a portion of their 2014 annual incentive award in the form of restricted shares of our common stock that vested monthly over twelve months. Our compensation committee determined that it was appropriate to grant these bonuses to mitigate the effect of a significant decrease in the price of our common stock that occurred shortly after the grant of the 2014 annual incentive award restricted stock as a result of our disclosure of Ascension Health's unsolicited proposal to acquire us. These cash bonuses, paid in August 2015, were equal to the

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product of (i) \$2.66 (which amount reflects the difference between our per share closing trading price on the date that we determined the number of restricted shares to be granted less the trading price per share of our common stock as of the close of trading on the second business day following our earnings release for the second quarter of 2015), multiplied by (ii) the number of restricted shares granted to each recipient (which was 78,067, 34,944 and 132,714 for Dr. Rizk, and Messrs. Csapo and Flanagan, respectively).

### 2016 NEO Compensation Decisions

In October 2016, in connection with Mr. Ricaurte's promotion to Chief Financial Officer and in recognition of his new responsibilities in this role, our board of directors or a committee thereof approved (i) an increase in Mr. Ricaurte's annual cash incentive bonus target from 56% of his annual base salary to 65% of his annual base salary, effective upon his appointment as Chief Financial Officer, (ii) an increase in Mr. Ricaurte's severance in the event of a termination by the Company without "cause" (as defined in the Company's severance plan) from six months of base salary and benefits continuation to 12 months of base salary and benefits continuation and (iii) amending Mr. Ricaurte's existing incentive equity agreements with us to provide for "double trigger" benefits in the event that Mr. Ricaurte's employment with us is terminated within one year following the occurrence of a change in control of our Company.

### Equity Incentive Awards

Our equity incentive award program is the primary vehicle for offering long-term incentives to our NEOs. Equity incentive awards to our NEOs may be made in the form of restricted stock and/or stock options. Awards are generally granted to NEOs when they enter into or renew an employment agreement with us. On occasion, our compensation committee also grants discretionary equity awards to NEOs to retain and reward exceptional performance or recognize expanded responsibility.

Although we do not have any equity ownership guidelines or requirements for our NEOs, we believe that equity incentive awards:

Provide our NEOs with a strong link to our long-term performance by enhancing their accountability for long- term decision making;

Help balance the short-term orientation of our annual cash incentive bonus program;

Create an ownership culture by aligning the interests of our NEOs with the creation of value for our stockholders; and

Further our goal of executive retention.

In determining the size of equity incentive awards to NEOs, our compensation committee generally considers the executive's experience, skills, level and scope of responsibilities, competitive practices for similar positions externally, and internal comparisons to other comparable positions in our company.

#### Focus on Stockholder Value

Long-term incentive grants are intended to align the long-term financial interests of senior management with those of our stockholders.

# Stock Options

Stock options are a performance-based compensation component that only provides value when the market price exceeds the exercise price, tying executive compensation to stock price value and stockholder appreciation. Stock option grant date value is estimated using the Black-Scholes method of stock option valuation. Information about Accretive Health's Black-Scholes valuation is presented as part of the summary compensation tables. Stock options are generally granted with a four-year vesting period, vesting ratably on each of the first four anniversaries of the applicable grant date.

# Restricted Stock Awards

Restricted stock awards are time-based or performance-based. Time-based restricted stock awards generally vest ratably over four years. Time-based restricted stock awards are valued on an actual basis and their valuation is presented as part of the summary compensation tables.

Performance-based restricted stock awards vest at the end of the applicable performance period, subject to the achievement of specified stock price goals. Performance-based restricted stock awards are valued on an actual basis (assuming that the applicable performance target has been fully achieved).

# 2015 Equity Incentive Decisions

In connection with the Transaction (which closed on February 16, 2016), each NEO received a retention equity grant in the form of restricted stock on December 31, 2015, designed to promote retention of the services and skills of the recipient, as well as to maintain the recipient's focus on ongoing operations during a critical time for our business. These restricted shares vest in equal installments over a three-year period (on February 16 of 2017, 2018 and 2019).

2015 Retention Equity Grant<br/>Number of Restricted SharesEmad Rizk1,500,000Peter Csapo676,800Joseph Flanagan 952,000

By accepting these awards, NEOs agreed to forfeit the Retention Bonus Program and Enhanced Change of Control Severance Program, approved by our compensation committee in July and described in detail on page 75. Other severance and change of control arrangements were not impacted and remain in place.

# 2016 and 2017 Equity Incentive Decisions

In October 2016, our board of directors approved a revised LTI program with the goal of greater focus on long-term business performance that we believe will be key to the creation of value for our stockholders. Depending on the level of management, the LTI program will now utilize three equity-based incentive vehicles: stock options, restricted stock units and PBRSUs.

Our historical policy has been to make LTI grants in April of each year. In 2016, due to the reorganization of the management team, the focus on establishing a strategic business plan and the decision to review our prior LTI program to align it with that business plan, the grants of equity awards were delayed. In developing the new LTI program described herein, our board of directors decided to recognize the delay in the 2016 LTI grant, increase the

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retention power on executives and other key employees and focus them on achieving our business goals through the granting of both the 2016 LTI Awards and the 2017 LTI Awards in October of 2016. In considering the delay in making the grant of the 2016 LTI Awards, our board of directors set the vesting period for such awards as if they had been made in April of 2016 (i.e., the first 25% of the 2016 LTI Awards (other than PBRSUs) will vest in April 2017). We believe that these vesting terms will benefit retention and morale, as the results honor the historical policy of grants in April and create an immediate, meaningful incentive opportunity that will enhance both the motivation and retention of executives and key employees.

Stock options will provide participants with the opportunity to share in the increase in stock price above the share price of our common stock on the date of grant. Each option will have a 10-year term and will vest according to the vesting schedule set forth below. Each restricted stock unit will provide participants with the right to receive, upon vesting, a share of our common stock for each restricted stock unit granted. These restricted stock units will vest according to the vesting to the vesting schedule set forth below.

2016 LTI Awards - Vesting Schedule for Time-Vesting Stock Options and Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units Vesting Date % of Award Vested April 2017 25% April 2018 50% April 2019 75% April 2020 100%

2017 LTI Awards - Vesting Schedule for Time-Vesting Stock Options and Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units Vesting Date % of Award Vested April 2018 25% April 2019 50% April 2020 75% April 2021 100%

PBRSUs will entitle participants to receive shares of our common stock based on the performance of the Company over a multi-year performance period. At the end of the performance period, the Company's actual performance will be assessed against the performance goals set at the time of grant and based on that actual performance, participants are expected to have the opportunity to earn a number of shares of our common stock within a range of 50% to 150% of a target number of shares, although the maximum percentage may be greater for certain employees, and which will generally be calculated such that the number of shares earned will correspond to the Company's actual performance against the performance goals. The award agreements are expected to provide that if the Company's actual performance against the performance goals falls below the 50% threshold set forth in a participant's grant agreement, no shares of common stock will be earned, and the award agreements are expected to provide that if the Company's actual performance exceeds the performance goals, an amount of shares exceeding the target number of shares will be awarded up to a maximum of 150% of the target amount of shares earned will be interpolated for performance between the 50% minimum threshold and target performance and for performance between target performance and the maximum set forth in the agreements. At this time, the performance criteria and goals and maximum target number of shares have not been established by our board of directors or a committee thereof.

Each of the restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2016 LTI Awards and each of the stock options and restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2017 LTI Awards, representing an aggregate of 3,543,687 stock options and 1,361,794 restricted stock units, were issued contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, the restricted stock

units that were granted as part of the 2016 LTI Awards and the stock options and restricted stock units that were granted as part of the 2017 LTI Awards will be cancelled. We intend to issue the PBRSUs that are included in the 2016 LTI Awards and 2017 LTI Awards, representing an expected aggregate of 5,366,670 PBRSUs, prior to the Annual Meeting, although the actual number of PBRSUs has not been set and may be greater if certain employees are are given the opportunity to achieve greater than a 150% maximum performance target. These PBRSUs will also be issued contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan, and if our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, any such PBRSUs that we have issued will be cancelled.

Participants in the LTI program are employees with a title of vice president or above and certain director-level employees. Under our LTI program, the total value of a participant's LTI award is established as a percentage of such participant's base salary, depending on position with the Company as follows:

Position

Value of Aggregate LTI Award as a % of Base Salary

Chief Executive Officer300%Chief Financial Officer100%Senior Vice Presidents30%Vice Presidents30%Director-Level Employees20%

The composition of the initial grant under this program for 2016 and 2017 as a percentage of the total LTI award will be based on position in the Company as follows:

Senior Vice Presidents and above:50% Stock Options50% PBRSUs

Vice Presidents: 37.5% Stock Options 37.5% PBRSUs 25% Restricted Stock Units

Director-level Employees: 33.3% Stock Options 33.3% PBRSUs 33.4% Restricted Stock Units

The following table summarizes the 2016 LTI Awards and 2017 LTI Awards that have been or will be granted to our NEOs:

	2016 LTI	Awards	2017 LTI	Awards
Employee	Number of Time-Ves Stock Options Granted	of TBRSUs Intended to be	of Time-Ves Stock Options	Number of PBRSUs Intended to be Granted (1)
Joseph Flanagan	817,390	553,203	817,390	553,203
Christopher Ricaurte	204,348	138,302	204,348	138,302
Total	1,021,738	691,505	1,021,738	691,505

(1) For illustrative purposes, assumes a 150% maximum performance target. Such amount may be different if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target.

In addition to the LTI program grants described herein, our board of directors also granted or will grant an additional, one-time Staking Grant to our new chief financial officer, Mr. Ricaurte, in order to recognize his

promotion, encourage his retention and provide a stronger alignment with shareholder interests, and additional, one-time Staking Grants to certain highly valued non-executive employees as set forth below:

Employee	Aggregate Number of Time-Vesting Stock Units Options as Staking Grants	Aggregate Number of Time-Vesting Restricted Stock Units Granted as Staking Grants	Number of PBRSUs Intended to be Granted as Staking Grants (1)
Christopher Ricaurte	204,348		138,302
Other Employees	903,157		611,255
Total	1,107,505		749,556

(1) For illustrative purposes, assumes a 150% maximum performance target. Such amount may be different if our board of directors or a committee thereof sets a greater target.

All of the Staking Grants were issued (and in the case of the PBRSUs, will be issued) contingent upon stockholder approval of the Second A&R 2010 Plan. If our stockholders do not approve the Second A&R 2010 Plan, the Staking Grants will be cancelled. The Staking Grants have the same vesting terms as the 2017 LTI Awards.

The terms of our revised LTI program described herein apply only to the 2016 LTI Awards and the 2017 LTI Awards. All of the terms of our LTI program, including, without limitation, eligible participants, award levels, the composition of awards and the vesting terms for awards, for 2018 and subsequent years are all subject to revision by our board of directors in their sole discretion. In addition, our board of directors reserves the right to discontinue the LTI program, in whole or in part, replace the LTI program and/or supplement it with additional incentive equity programs.

# Other Employee Benefits

We maintain broad-based benefits that are provided to all employees, including our 401(k) retirement plan, flexible spending accounts, a medical care plan, vacation, short- and long-term disability insurance and standard company holidays. Our NEOs are eligible to participate in each of these programs on the same terms as non- executive employees; however, we do not provide a matching 401(k) contribution for any of our NEOs.

Consistent with our executive compensation philosophy and our commitment to emphasize performance- based pay, we limit the perquisites and other personal benefits that we provide to executives, and any such benefits are provided to help achieve our business objective.

**Employment Agreements** 

Agreement with Dr. Emad Rizk

In connection with his appointment to Chief Executive Officer, in July 2014, we entered into an offer letter agreement with Dr. Rizk that provides him the following:

Annual base salary of \$750,000;

Annual target bonus opportunity of at least 100% of base salary;

Eligibility to participate in the employee benefit programs generally available to senior executives of our company; and

A non-statutory stock option to purchase up to 2,700,000 shares of our common stock at a per share exercise price equal to the closing price of our common stock on the grant date, and a restricted stock award for 1,000,000 shares of our common stock.

The stock option generally will vest in equal annual installments over four years following the grant date, subject to continued service with our company.

One-half of the restricted stock award generally will vest in equal annual installments over four years following the grant date, subject to continued service with our company. The remaining one-half of the restricted stock award generally will vest based on a stock price performance goal of two times the closing price of a share of our common stock on the grant date, which must be equaled or exceeded for at least 20 consecutive trading days based on the average closing price for such 20-consecutive trading day period.

In the event that Dr. Rizk's employment is terminated by us without "cause" or by Dr. Rizk for "good reason" (as defined in the offer letter agreement), in addition to any earned but unpaid salary and his accrued and vested benefits under our employee benefit programs, which are payable upon any termination of employment, Dr. Rizk also will be entitled to receive the following payments and benefits:

A cash amount equal to two times Dr. Rizk's base salary plus two times his target bonus, paid monthly for a period of 24 months following such termination, subject to Dr. Rizk's timely execution of a general release of claims in favor of us and our affiliates;

Continued company-subsidized health benefits for a period of 24 months following the date of such termination, subject to Dr. Rizk's timely execution of a general release of claims in favor of us and our affiliates;

A pro-rata portion of an annual bonus for the calendar year in which such termination occurs based on actual results for such year;

A pro-rata portion of the time-based vesting equity awards will become vested and exercisable (as applicable) on such termination determined by multiplying the number of shares of common stock underlying such time-based vesting equity awards that would have become vested and exercisable (as applicable) on the anniversary of the grant date immediately following the date of such termination had such termination not occurred, by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during which Dr. Rizk was employed by us for the period beginning on the anniversary of the grant date immediately preceding the date of such termination (or the grant date, if such termination occurs prior to the first anniversary of the grant date) and ending on the date of such termination, and the denominator of which is 365;

An additional portion of the time-based vesting equity awards will become vested and exercisable (as applicable) with respect to 25% of the shares of common stock underlying such time-based vesting equity awards;

The performance vesting restricted stock will vest or be forfeited on such termination based on achievement of the stock price goal, except that if such termination occurs prior to the second anniversary of the grant date, the two times stock price goal multiple will be replaced with a 1.5 times multiple, if such termination occurs prior to the first anniversary of the grant date, or a 1.75 times multiple, if such termination occurs on or following the first anniversary of the grant date but prior to the second anniversary of the grant date; and

In the case of such termination upon or within two years following the occurrence of a "change in control" (as defined in the offer letter agreement) of our company, full accelerated vesting of the outstanding, unvested portion of the time-based vesting equity awards.

In addition, with regard to the performance vesting restricted stock, upon the occurrence of the first change in control to occur following the date of grant and while Dr. Rizk remains in our continued employment, to the extent that the stock price goal has not previously been achieved, the performance vesting restricted stock will vest or be forfeited upon the occurrence of such change in control based on the achievement of the stock price goal in relation to the

highest per share price for our common stock in the change of control, except that if such change in control occurs prior to the second anniversary of the grant date, the two times stock price goal multiple

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will be replaced with a 1.5 times multiple, if such change in control occurs prior to the first anniversary of the grant date, or a 1.75 times multiple, if such change in control occurs on or following the first anniversary of the grant date but prior to the second anniversary of the grant date.

General Release and Mutual Non-Disparagement Agreement with Dr. Rizk

On May 25, 2016, the Company entered into a General Release and Mutual Non-Disparagement Agreement with Dr. Rizk (the "General Release Agreement") pursuant to which he will receive the payments and benefits that are generally consistent with those described in the agreements previously entered into by Dr. Rizk and the Company for a no-cause termination, which are described in detail above, other than the restricted stock awards he would have been entitled to under that certain Restricted Stock Award Agreement dated December 31, 2015, which Dr. Rizk has agreed to forfeit. The General Release Agreement also includes a general release of all legal claims and mutual nondisparagement provisions.

Agreement with Mr. Peter Csapo

In connection with his appointment to Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, in August 2014, we and Mr. Csapo entered into an offer letter agreement that provides him the following:

Annual base salary of \$470,000;

Annual target bonus opportunity of at least 80% of base salary;

Eligibility to participate in the employee benefit programs generally available to senior executives of our company; and

A non-statutory stock option to purchase up to 300,000 shares of our common stock at a per share exercise price equal to the closing price of our common stock on the grant date, and a restricted stock award for 200,000 shares of our common stock, both of which will vest in equal annual installments over four years following the grant date, subject to continued service with us. These incentive equity grants were issued outside of our 2010 Plan as employment inducement grants in accordance with the rules of the NYSE.

In the event that Mr. Csapo's employment is terminated by us without "cause" or by Mr. Csapo for "good reason" (as defined in the offer letter agreement), in addition to any earned but unpaid salary and his accrued and vested benefits under the employee benefit programs of our company, which are payable upon any termination of employment, Mr. Csapo also is entitled to receive the following payments and benefits:

A cash amount equal Mr. Csapo's base salary rate, paid monthly for a period of 12 months following the date of such termination, subject to Mr. Csapo's timely execution of a general release of claims in favor of us and our affiliates;

Continued company-subsidized health benefits for a period of 12 months following the date of such termination, subject to Mr. Csapo's timely execution of a general release of claims in favor of us and our affiliates;

If Mr. Csapo's annual bonus for the fiscal year preceding the date of termination has not been paid prior to such termination, an annual bonus for such fiscal year equal to the amount of Mr. Csapo's target bonus opportunity multiplied by the payout percentage that is approved by our board of directors for company-wide bonus payouts with respect to such fiscal year;

A pro-rata portion (based on the number of days that Mr. Csapo was employed by us during the fiscal year in which such termination occurred) of an annual bonus for the fiscal year in which such termination occurs based on actual

results for such year, payable at the same time as it would have otherwise been paid had such termination not occurred;