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Dynex Capital, Inc.

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

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Proxy Statement

Annual Meeting of Shareholders

May 13, 2009

## DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

April 3, 2009

#### To Our Shareholders:

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Dynex Capital, Inc. (the Company) to be held at North Shore Commons I located at 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, Virginia on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The business of the meeting is to consider and act upon the election of directors, to approve a new stock and incentive compensation plan and to ratify the selection of the auditors of the Company.

As permitted by rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, we are furnishing our proxy statement, 2008 Annual Report to Shareholders and proxy card over the Internet to shareholders. This means that most shareholders will not receive paper copies of these documents. Instead, these shareholders will receive only a notice containing instructions on how to access the proxy materials over the Internet. This approach allows us to lower the costs of delivering the annual meeting materials and reduce the environmental impact of the meeting. If you received only the notice and would like to receive a paper copy of the proxy materials, the notice contains instructions on how you can request copies of these documents.

Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, your vote is important and we encourage you to vote promptly. You may vote your shares via a toll-free telephone number or over the Internet. If you receive your proxy materials by mail, you may sign, date and mail the proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided. Instructions regarding all three methods of voting are contained in the proxy card. If you mail the proxy card and are a common shareholder and desire to vote your shares of common stock in accordance with management s recommendations, you need not mark your votes on the proxy but need only sign, date and return the common proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope in order to record your vote. If you mail the proxy card and are a preferred shareholder and desire to vote your shares of Series D Preferred Stock for one or both of the preferred nominees, you must mark your votes on the preferred proxy card and return the proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope in order to record your vote.

Sincerely,

Thomas B. Akin
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

#### DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100

Glen Allen, Virginia 23060

(804) 217-5800

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

#### To Our Shareholders:

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Dynex Capital, Inc. (the Company) will be held at North Shore Commons I located at 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, Virginia on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, to consider and act upon the following matters:

- 1. Holders of our Common Stock will:
  - A. Elect three (3) directors of the Company, to hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors are elected and duly qualified; and
  - B. Vote on the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2009 Stock and Incentive Plan; and
  - C. Vote on the ratification of the selection of BDO Seidman, LLP, independent certified public accountants, as auditors for the Company for the 2009 fiscal year; and
  - D. Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- 2. Holders of our Series D Preferred Stock will:
- A. Elect two (2) directors of the Company, to hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors are elected and duly qualified, or as otherwise provided in the Company s Articles of Incorporation.

  Only shareholders of record at the close of business on March 24, 2009, the record date, will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

Management desires to have maximum representation at the Annual Meeting. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, we urge you to vote your shares via the toll-free telephone number or over the Internet, as described in the enclosed materials. If you receive these materials by mail, you may sign, date and mail the proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided. A proxy may be revoked by a shareholder at any time prior to its use by notice in writing to the Secretary of the Company, by submitting a later-dated proxy to the Secretary of the Company, by changing your vote via the toll-free telephone number or over the Internet or by attending the Annual Meeting and requesting to vote in person.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Stephen J. Benedetti Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Secretary

Dated: April 3, 2009

#### DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100

Glen Allen, Virginia 23060

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## PROXY STATEMENT

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

May 13, 2009

#### To Our Shareholders:

This Proxy Statement is furnished to the holders of the common stock (Common Stock) and Series D 9.50% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (Series D Preferred Stock) of Dynex Capital, Inc. (the Company) in connection with the solicitation by the Company s Board of Directors of proxies to be used at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Company to be held at North Shore Commons I located at 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, Virginia on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time (the Annual Meeting). The Annual Meeting is being held for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

As permitted by rules recently adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), the Company is making this Proxy Statement and its 2008 Annual Report to Shareholders available to certain of its shareholders electronically via the Internet. On April 3, 2009, we mailed to certain shareholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials containing instructions on how to access this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report and vote over the Internet. If you separately received a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials in the mail, unless specifically requested. Instead, the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials instructs you on how to access and review over the Internet all of the important information contained in the Proxy Statement and Annual Report. The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials also instructs you on how you may submit your proxy over the Internet. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials by mail and would like to receive a printed copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions for requesting such materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials.

Printed copies of the Proxy Materials are being mailed to shareholders who were not separately mailed a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials beginning on or about April 3, 2009.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **Solicitation**

You have received these proxy materials because the Company s Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting. The costs of this solicitation will be borne by the Company. Proxy solicitations will be made by the Internet and the mail, and also may be made by personal interview, telephone and e-mail by directors and officers of the Company, acting without compensation other than their regular compensation. Brokerage houses and nominees will be requested to forward the proxy soliciting material to the beneficial owners of shares of Common Stock and Series D Preferred Stock and to obtain authorization for the execution of proxies. The Company will, upon request, reimburse such parties for their reasonable expenses in forwarding these proxy materials to such beneficial owners.

### **Voting Rights**

Common Stock. Holders of shares of Common Stock at the close of business on March 24, 2009, the record date, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. On that date, 12,169,762 shares of Common Stock were outstanding. Each share of Common Stock outstanding on the record date is entitled to one vote for each of the three directors nominated to be elected by the holders of shares of Common Stock and one vote on each other matter presented to such holders at the Annual Meeting.

Series D Preferred Stock. Holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock at the close of business on March 24, 2009, the record date, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting, voting as a single class to elect two directors to the Company s Board of Directors. Each share of Series D Preferred Stock outstanding on the record date is entitled to one vote for each of the two directors nominated to be elected by the holders of Series D Preferred Stock. The holders of Series D Preferred Stock are not entitled to vote on any other matter. There were 4,221,539 shares of Series D Preferred Stock outstanding as of March 24, 2009.

#### **Ouorum**

The presence in person or by proxy of shareholders entitled to vote a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock will constitute a quorum for all matters upon which holders of shares of Common Stock are entitled to vote. The presence in person or by proxy of shareholders entitled to vote a majority of the outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock will constitute a quorum for the matter upon which holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock are entitled to vote. Shares represented by proxy or in person at the Annual Meeting, including shares represented by proxies that reflect abstentions, will be counted as present in the determination of a quorum. An abstention as to any particular matter, however, does not constitute a vote for or against such matter. Broker non-votes (*i.e.*, where a broker or nominee submits a proxy specifically indicating the lack of discretionary authority to vote on a matter) will be treated in the same manner as abstentions.

#### **Information about Voting**

Shareholders can vote in person at the Annual Meeting or by proxy. There are three ways to vote by proxy:

By Telephone you can vote by telephone by calling toll free 1-800-690-6903 and following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or the proxy card;

By Internet you can vote over the Internet a<u>t www.proxyvote.com</u> by following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or proxy card; or

By Mail if you received these proxy materials by mail, you can vote by mail by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided.

Telephone and Internet voting for shareholders of record will be available 24 hours a day and will close at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 12, 2009. If you hold shares in the Dynex Capital, Inc. 401(k) Plan, your voting instructions for those shares must be received by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 11, 2009 to allow sufficient time for voting by the trustee of the plan.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record, you will receive voting instructions from the holder of record. You must follow the instructions of the holder of record in order for your shares to be voted. Telephone and Internet voting also will be offered to shareholders owning shares through certain banks and brokers.

Voting your shares by telephone or over the Internet or sending in a proxy card will not affect your right to attend the Annual Meeting and to vote in person. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you plan to vote in person at the Annual Meeting, you should contact your broker or agent to obtain a legal proxy or broker s proxy card and bring it to the Annual Meeting in order to vote in person.

**Common Stock.** Holders of shares of Common Stock may vote their shares using the common proxy. If you vote in time for the Annual Meeting using the common proxy, the individuals named on the common proxy (your proxies ) will vote your shares of Common Stock in accordance with the choices you specified. If you properly

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submit a common proxy without indicating your instructions, the shares of Common Stock represented by such common proxy will be voted FOR the election of the nominees named in this Proxy Statement as common shareholder directors, FOR approval of the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2009 Stock and Incentive Plan and FOR the appointment of BDO Seidman, LLP as the Company s auditors for the 2009 fiscal year.

Series D Preferred Stock. Holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock may vote their shares using the preferred proxy. If you vote in time for the Annual Meeting using the preferred proxy, the individuals named on the preferred proxy (your proxies ) will vote your shares of Series D Preferred Stock in accordance with the choices you specified. If you properly submit a preferred proxy without indicating your instructions, the shares of Series D Preferred Stock represented by such preferred proxy will not be voted.

### Revocability of Proxy

You may change or revoke your proxy at any time before your shares are voted at the Annual Meeting, by any of the following methods:

By submitting a written notice of revocation to the Secretary of the Company by the close of business on May 12, 2009;

By submitting a completed proxy card bearing a later date than your original proxy card by the close of business on May 12, 2009;

By calling 1-800-690-6903 and following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or proxy card, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 12, 2009;

By visiting <u>www.proxyvote.com</u> and following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or proxy card, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 12, 2009; or

By attending the Annual Meeting and requesting to vote in person. Your most current proxy card or telephone or Internet proxy is the one that is counted.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record, you should contact the holder of record to change your vote.

#### **Other Matters**

The management and the Board of Directors of the Company know of no other matters to come before the Annual Meeting other than those stated in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders. However, if any other matters are properly presented to the shareholders for action, it is the intention of the individuals named in the proxy card to vote in their discretion on all matters on which the shares represented by such proxy are entitled to vote.

## **Annual Report on Form 10-K**

The Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K, including financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, which is available on the Internet as set forth in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials and is being mailed together with this Proxy Statement to shareholders who receive the proxy materials by mail, contains financial and other information about the activities of the Company, but is not incorporated into this Proxy Statement and is not to be considered a part of these proxy soliciting materials.

#### PROPOSAL ONE

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### General

Common Stock Directors. Three directors of the Company are to be elected by the holders of shares of Common Stock at the Annual Meeting to serve until the next annual meeting and until their successors are elected and duly qualified. On the recommendation of the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee, the Board of Directors has nominated Thomas B. Akin, Daniel K. Osborne and James C. Wheat, III for election by the holders of shares of Common Stock to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Wheat was recommended for nomination by Mr. Akin, the Company s Chief Executive Officer. Unless otherwise indicated, a common proxy representing shares of Common Stock will be voted FOR the election of Messrs. Akin, Osborne and Wheat to the Board of Directors. Each Common Stock Director nominee has agreed to serve if elected. Selected biographical information regarding each Common Stock Director nominee is set forth below.

Series D Preferred Stock Directors. Pursuant to Section 10 of Article IIID of the Company s Articles of Incorporation, as amended, the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock are entitled to elect two directors to the Board of Directors of the Company. Except as otherwise provided in the Company s Articles of Incorporation, each such director will serve until the next annual meeting of the shareholders of the Company and until their successors are elected and duly qualified. Leon A. Felman and Barry Igdaloff have been nominated for election by the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. Each Preferred Stock Director nominee has agreed to serve if elected. Selected biographical information regarding each Preferred Stock Director nominee is set forth below.

#### **Vote Required**

Common Stock Directors. With regard to the election of the Common Stock Directors, votes may be cast in favor or withheld. The three directors to be elected by the holders of shares of Common Stock will be elected by a favorable vote of a plurality of the shares of Common Stock represented and entitled to vote with respect to each Common Stock Director, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting. Accordingly, abstentions or broker non-votes as to the election of the Common Stock Directors will have no effect on the outcome of the election. Unless instructed to the contrary, the shares represented by each common proxy will be voted FOR the election of each of the three Common Stock Director nominees named below. Although it is anticipated that each Common Stock Director nominee will be able to serve as a director, should any nominee become unavailable to serve, the shares represented by each common proxy will be voted for another person or persons designated by the Company s Board of Directors. In no event will a common proxy be voted for more than three Common Stock Directors.

Series D Preferred Stock Directors. With regard to the election of the Preferred Stock Directors, votes may be cast in favor or withheld. The two directors to be elected by the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock will be elected by a favorable vote of a plurality of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock represented and entitled to vote with respect to each Preferred Stock Director, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting. Accordingly, abstentions or broker non-votes as to the election of the Preferred Stock Directors will have no effect on the outcome of the election. If a preferred proxy is not completed in accordance with its instructions or no choices are specified on the preferred proxy, the shares of Series D Preferred Stock represented by such preferred proxy will not be voted. Although it is anticipated that each Preferred Stock Director nominee will be able to serve as a director, should any nominee become unavailable to serve, the shares represented by each preferred proxy will not be voted for another person or persons. In no event will a preferred proxy be voted for more than two directors.

## **Common Stock Director Nominees**

The following information sets forth as of March 13, 2009 the names, ages, principal occupations and business experience for the Company s Common Stock Director nominees. Unless otherwise indicated, the business experience and principal occupations shown for each director has extended five or more years.

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Thomas B. Akin (56) has been a director of the Company and Chairman since 2003. Mr. Akin was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Company in February of 2008. Mr. Akin has served as the managing general partner of Talkot Capital, LLC located in Sausalito, California since 1995 and continues to serve in this role. Talkot Capital is the general partner for various limited partnerships investing in both private and public companies. From 1991 to 1994, Mr. Akin was the managing director for the Western United States for Merrill Lynch Institutional Services. He had been the regional director of the San Francisco and Los Angeles regions for Merrill Lynch Institutional Services from 1981 to 1991. Prior to Merrill Lynch, Mr. Akin was an employee of Salomon Brothers from 1978 to 1981. He is currently on the board of directors for Acacia Research Corporation, CombiMatrix Corporation, and he serves as Chairman of the Board for both Advance Data Exchange and Centiv Services, Inc. Mr. Akin holds a B.A. from the University of California at Santa Cruz and an M.B.A. from the Anderson School of Management, UCLA.

Daniel K. Osborne (44) has been a director of the Company since 2005. Mr. Osborne has been Managing Member of Vantage Pointe Capital, LLC, an investment advisory firm that serves as the general partner of Vantage Pointe Capital Partners LP, and provides research and other services to various private investment funds. Prior to founding Vantage Pointe Capital, LLC in 2003, Mr. Osborne was a co-founder of Apex Mortgage Capital, Inc. He was Apex Mortgage Capital s Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer from September 1997 to September 2001. Concurrently with his role with Apex Mortgage Capital, Inc., Mr. Osborne was a Managing Director of Trust Company of The West from July 1994 to December 2001. Mr. Osborne began his career with Deloitte & Touche, LLP. He holds a B.S. degree in accounting from Arizona State University.

James C. Wheat, III (56) joined the Board of Directors in August 2008. Mr. Wheat is the co-founder and managing director of Colonnade Capital Corporation, a private equity firm dedicated to sponsoring friendly growth buyouts of middle market companies. Since 1995, Mr. Wheat has also been the manager of Jasper, LLC, an investment firm investing in publicly traded securities, hedge funds, private equity and debt, and real estate, and has been the manager of Blandfield Associates, LLC, a timberland and working farm, since 1992. In addition, Mr. Wheat has been a general partner of Riverfront Partners since 1992. He was the managing director and a member of the board of directors of Wheat First Butcher Singer (formerly Wheat, First Securities) from 1984 to 1993. Mr. Wheat earned a B.A. from Hampden-Sydney College in 1975 and an M.B.A. from the University of Virginia in 1978.

### **Series D Preferred Stock Director Nominees**

The following information sets forth as of March 13, 2009, the names, ages, principal occupations and business experience for the Company s Preferred Stock Director nominees. Unless otherwise indicated, the business experience and principal occupations shown for each director has extended five or more years.

Leon A. Felman (74) has been a director of the Company since 2000. Mr. Felman has been a private investor in financial institutions since 1980. From 1968 to 1999, Mr. Felman was President and Chief Executive Officer of Sage Systems, Inc., which owned and operated Arby s restaurants in the St. Louis market. Mr. Felman has served on the Board of Directors of Pulaski Financial Corporation since June 2004. Mr. Felman was a director of Allegiant Bancorp, Inc., a St. Louis, Missouri based bank holding company, from 1992 to 2004, and its subsidiary, Allegiant Bank & Trust Company, Inc., from 2001 to 2004, until their sale. Mr. Felman currently serves as a member of the Chancellor s Council for the University of Missouri-St. Louis and on the board of directors of the Barnes-Jewish Hospital Foundation. Mr. Felman graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology with a B.S. in Industrial Administration.

**Barry Igdaloff** (54) has been a director of the Company since 2000. Mr. Igdaloff has been a registered investment advisor and the sole proprietor of Rose Capital in Columbus, Ohio, since 1995. Mr. Igdaloff graduated from Indiana University in 1976 with a B.S.B. in accounting and from The Ohio State University in 1978, with a Juris Doctorate degree. Mr. Igdaloff is a non-practicing certified public accountant and a non-practicing attorney.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT THE SHAREHOLDERS VOTE FOR THE DIRECTOR NOMINEES LISTED ABOVE.

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#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### General

The business and affairs of the Company are managed under the direction of the Board of Directors in accordance with the Virginia Stock Corporation Act and the Company s Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Members of the Board are kept informed of the Company s business through discussions with the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and other officers, by reviewing materials provided to them and by participating in meetings of the Board and its committees. The corporate governance practices followed by the Company are summarized below

### **Director Independence**

The Board of Directors has adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines that set forth the practices of the Board with respect to its size, criteria for membership and selection to the Board, committees of the Board, meetings and access to management, director compensation, director orientation and continuing education, annual performance evaluation of the Board, director responsibilities, annual review of performance of the Chief Executive Officer and management succession and ethics and conduct. The Guidelines are available on the Company s web page at www.dynexcapital.com under Investor Relations Corporate Governance. A printed copy is available to any shareholder upon written request to the Secretary of the Company, 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060.

The Board of Directors in its business judgment has determined that all of its members are independent as defined by New York Stock Exchange listing standards, except for Mr. Akin. In reaching this conclusion, the Board considered whether the Company and its subsidiaries conduct business and have other relationships with organizations of which certain members of the Board or members of their immediate families are or were directors or officers. Beginning in February 2008, Mr. Akin was appointed Chief Executive Officer and is therefore not considered an independent director. Consistent with the New York Stock Exchange listing standards, the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines establish categorical standards under which a director will not be considered to have a material relationship with the Company if:

during each of the current fiscal year and three most recent fiscal years, neither the director nor any immediate family member of the director received more than \$100,000 per year in direct compensation from the Company, other than director and committee fees and pension or other forms of deferred compensation for prior service (provided that such compensation is not contingent on continued service);

during each of the current fiscal year and three most recent fiscal years, the director is not, and was not, an executive officer or an employee, or had an immediate family member who is not, or was not, an executive officer of another company that made payments to, or received payments from, the Company for property or services in an amount which, in any single fiscal year, exceeded the greater of \$1,000,000 or 2% of such other company s consolidated gross revenues; or

the director serves as an executive officer of a charitable organization to which during each of the three preceding fiscal years the Company made charitable contributions that did not exceed the greater of \$1,000,000 or 2% of such charitable organization s consolidated gross revenues.

None of the Company s directors, except Mr. Akin, their immediate family members, or organizations in which they are a partner, shareholder or officer, are engaged in any relationships with the Company.

## **Code of Ethics**

The Board of Directors has approved a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for directors, officers and employees of the Company and each of its subsidiaries, including the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. The Code addresses such topics as compliance with applicable laws, conflicts of interest, use and

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protection of Company assets, confidentiality, dealings with the press and communications with the public, accounting and financial reporting matters, fair dealing, discrimination and harassment and health and safety. It is available on the Company s web page at <a href="https://www.dynexcapital.com">www.dynexcapital.com</a> under Investor Relations Corporate Governance. A printed copy of the Code is available to any shareholder upon written request to the Secretary of the Company at the address set forth above.

## **Board and Committee Meeting Attendance**

In 2008, there were ten meetings of the Board of Directors. Each director attended 75% or more of the aggregate number of meetings of the Board and of the committees on which he served.

#### **Executive Sessions**

Executive sessions where non-employee directors meet on an informal basis are scheduled either before or after regularly scheduled Board meetings. At least once a year the Board schedules an executive session including only independent directors. Prior to his appointment as Chief Executive Officer in February 2008, Thomas B. Akin, the Chairman of the Board, served as chairman for executive sessions. Since February 2008, Leon A. Felman has been appointed Lead Independent Director and serves as chairman for executive sessions.

#### **Communications with Directors**

Any director may be contacted by writing to him c/o the Secretary of the Company at the address set forth above. Communications to the non-management directors as a group may be sent to the Chairman of the Board c/o the Secretary of the Company at the same address. The Company promptly forwards, without screening, all such correspondence to the indicated director(s).

#### **Committees of the Board**

The Board of Directors has a standing Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee.

## Audit Committee

The Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling the Board s oversight responsibility to the shareholders relating to the integrity of the Company s financial statements, the Company s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the qualifications, independence and performance of the Company s independent auditor and the performance of the internal audit function. The Committee is directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the work of the independent auditor engaged for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attestation services for the Company. The Committee operates under a written charter last amended by the Board in June 2004. The Audit Committee Charter is available on the Company s web page at <a href="https://www.dynexcapital.com">www.dynexcapital.com</a> under Investor Relations Corporate Governance. A printed copy is available to any shareholder upon written request to the Secretary of the Company at the address set forth above.

The members of the Audit Committee are Messrs. Osborne (Chairman), Felman, and Igdaloff, all of whom the Board in its business judgment has determined are independent as defined by regulations of the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange listing standards. The Board of Directors also has determined that all of the Committee members are financially literate as such term is used in the New York Stock Exchange listing standards and that Mr. Osborne qualifies as an audit committee financial expert as defined by regulations of the SEC.

The Audit Committee met six times in 2008. For additional information regarding the Committee, see Audit Information Audit Committee Report on page 36 of this Proxy Statement.

#### Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee performs the responsibilities of the Board of Directors relating to compensation of the Company s executives. The Committee s responsibilities include reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to compensation of the Company s Chief Executive Officer, evaluating the Chief Executive Officer s performance in light of those goals and objectives and determining and approving the Chief Executive Officer's compensation level based on this evaluation; reviewing and approving the compensation for senior executive officers, including their corporate goals and objectives; producing a Compensation Committee Report as required by the rules of the SEC to be included in the Company s annual proxy statement; reviewing and approving any employment-related agreement, other compensation arrangement, or transaction with senior management; making recommendations to the Board with respect to annual and long-term incentive compensation and equity-based plans; administering the Company s equity-based, deferral and other compensation plans approved by the Board from time to time; reviewing any significant changes in the Company s tax-qualified employee benefit plans; and reviewing annually with the Chief Executive Officer succession planning and management development activities and strategies. The Committee has not in the past delegated the authorities granted it under its written charter given that it has typically consisted of four or fewer members. In discharging its responsibilities with respect to compensation matters, the Committee has not solicited the input of consultants. Rather, management of the Company, at the Committee s request, will periodically conduct reviews of the compensation practices of similar public companies. See further discussion at Executive Compensation Compensation Discussion and Analysis on page 14 of this Proxy Statement . The Compensation Committee is currently formulating its plans with respect to succession planning. No timetable has been set for determining succession planning. The Committee operates under a written charter last amended by the Board in June 2004. The Charter of the Compensation Committee is available on the Company s web page at www.dynexcapital.com under Investor Relations Corporate Governance. A printed copy is available to any shareholder upon written request to the Secretary of the Company at the address set forth above.

The members of the Compensation Committee are Messrs. Igdaloff (Chairman), Felman, and Osborne, all of whom the Board in its business judgment has determined are independent as defined by the New York Stock Exchange listing standards. Mr. Akin served on the Compensation Committee during 2008 until his appointment as Chief Executive Officer in February 2008, at which time Mr. Igdaloff joined the Committee. The Committee met four times in 2008. For additional information regarding the Committee, see Executive Compensation Compensation Discussion and Analysis on page 14 of this Proxy Statement.

#### Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee develops qualifications for director candidates, recommends to the Board of Directors persons to be nominated to serve as directors of the Company and monitors developments in, and makes recommendations to the Board concerning, corporate governance practices. The Committee also acts as the Company s nominating committee. The Committee operates under a written charter last amended by the Board in June 2004. The Charter of the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee is available on the Company s web page at <a href="https://www.dynexcapital.com">www.dynexcapital.com</a> under Investor Relations Corporate Governance. A printed copy is available to any shareholder upon written request to the Secretary of the Company at the address set forth above.

The members of the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee are Messrs. Felman (Chairman), Igdaloff, and Wheat, all of whom the Board in its business judgment has determined are independent as defined by the New York Stock Exchange listing standards. The Committee met four times in 2008.

The Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee considers candidates for the Board based upon several criteria, including but not limited to their broad-based business and professional skills and experience, concern for the long-term interest of the Company s shareholders, personal integrity and judgment, and knowledge and experience in the Company s industry. The Committee further considers each candidate s independence, as defined by the New York Stock Exchange listing standards. All candidates must have time available to devote to Board duties and responsibilities.

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The Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee utilizes a variety of methods for identifying and evaluating nominees for director. The Committee regularly assesses the appropriate size of the Board and whether any vacancies on the Board are expected due to retirement or otherwise. In the event that vacancies are anticipated, or otherwise arise, the Committee will consider various potential candidates for director. Candidates may come to the attention of the Committee through current Board members, professional search firms, shareholders or other persons. These candidates are evaluated at regular or special meetings of the Committee and may be considered at any point during the year.

Shareholders entitled to vote for the election of directors may submit candidate recommendations for consideration by the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee if the Company receives timely written notice, in proper form, for each such recommended director candidate. If the notice is not timely and in proper form, the Committee reserves the right to not consider the candidate. Whether the Committee considers the nomination of such candidate depends on the facts and circumstances of the nomination at that time. To be timely, any shareholder desiring to recommend a candidate to be considered by the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee for nomination at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must submit such recommendation in writing to the Secretary of the Company no later than January 4, 2010.

In evaluating nominations, the Nominating & Corporate Governance Committee seeks to achieve a balance of knowledge, experience and capability on the Board.

A shareholder entitled to vote for the election of directors may directly nominate a candidate for election at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders if written notice of the shareholder s intent to nominate such person for election as director has been given, either by personal delivery or by certified mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Company and received by either (i) no later than January 3, 2010 and no earlier than October 5, 2009; or (ii) if the 2010 Annual Meeting is held more than 30 days before or after May 13, 2010, then no less than 90 days prior to the 2010 Annual Meeting. The notice must set forth (i) as to the shareholder giving the notice, (1) the name and address, as they appear on the Company s stock transfer books, of such shareholder, (2) a representation that such shareholder is a shareholder of record and intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the person specified in the notice, (3) the class and number of shares of stock of the Company beneficially owned by such shareholder, and (4) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such shareholder and the nominee and any other person or persons pursuant to which the nomination is to be made by the shareholder; and (ii) as to the person whom the shareholder proposes to nominate for election as a director, (1) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of such person, (2) the principal occupation or employment of such person (3) the class and number of shares of Company stock beneficially owned by such person, (4) any other information relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors or is otherwise required by the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), and (5) the written consent of such person to be named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serve as a director if elected.

### **Annual Meeting Attendance**

The Company encourages members of the Board of Directors to attend the annual meeting of shareholders. All of the directors attended the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

## **Directors Compensation**

Director compensation is reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors based on recommendations of the Compensation Committee of the Board. The Compensation Committee will review director compensation every few years in an effort to determine if the Company pays competitive compensation to attract and retain highly-qualified individuals.

For 2008, each non-employee director received an annual fee of \$25,000, plus \$1,000 for each meeting of the Board of Directors and Audit Committee he attended and \$750 for each meeting of all other committees he attended. The Chairman of the Board received an additional annual fee of \$15,000 until he became an employee of the Company. The Chairman of the Audit Committee received an additional annual fee of \$3,000.

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During 2008, the Board of Directors approved a new compensation structure effective January 1, 2009. Under the new compensation structure, each non-employee director will receive an annual fee of \$36,000, plus \$1,000 for each meeting of the Board of Directors and Audit Committee he attends and \$750 for each meeting of all other committees he attends. The Chairman of the Board will receive an additional annual fee of \$15,000, unless he is an employee of the Company. The Chairman of the Audit Committee will receive an additional annual fee of \$7,000, and each of the chairmen of the remaining committees will receive an annual fee of \$3,500.

Directors are reimbursed expenses related to their attendance at Board of Director or committee meetings.

In addition, beginning in 2009, the non-employee directors will receive annually a grant of 2,500 shares of restricted Common Stock which shares will vest at the end of one year. Such shares will be granted on the first Friday following each year s annual meeting of shareholders. In 2008, each director, including Mr. Akin, received a grant of stock options for 5,000 shares of Common Stock, under the Company s stock incentive plan. The stock options granted in 2008 were fully-vested at the grant date, had a five year term and were granted at a strike price at 10% above the closing market price on the date of grant. The grant date was the first Friday following the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders. Beginning in 2009, the grants of restricted stock will replace the grants of stock options for non-employee directors.

The following table shows the compensation earned by each of the directors during 2008 \*:

## **DIRECTOR COMPENSATION FOR 2008**

	Fees Earned or Paid	Option	All Other	
Name (1)	in Cash (\$)	Awards (\$) (2) (3)	Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Leon A. Felman	45,500	2,513		48,013
Barry Igdaloff	47,750	2,513		50,263
Daniel K. Osborne	46,750	2,513		49,263
James C. Wheat, III	10,375			10,375
Jay Buck (4)	11,938			11,938
Eric Von der Porten (5)	21,688			21,688

- \* Columns for Stock Awards , Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation , and Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings have been omitted because they are not applicable.
  - (1) Thomas B. Akin, the Company s Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, is not included in this table as he is an employee of the Company. Mr. Akin s compensation for service as director is included in the Summary Compensation Table on page 20
  - (2) As of December 31, 2008, Messrs. Igdaloff and Osborne had outstanding 20,000 stock options each, and Messrs. Felman and Von der Porten had outstanding 15,000 stock options each. Messrs. Buck and Wheat did not have any options at December 31, 2008.
  - The amounts in this column reflect the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes for compensation expense for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, in accordance with SFAS 123(R) for option awards pursuant to the Company s 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. The assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in note 14 to the Company s audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 16, 2009. The grant date fair value of the option award granted to each director in 2008, computed in accordance with SFAS 123(R), was \$2,513 per director.
  - (4) Mr. Buck resigned from the Board on August 15, 2008.
  - (5) Mr. Von der Porten resigned from the Board on May 13, 2008.

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#### OWNERSHIP OF STOCK

## **Management and Certain Beneficial Owners**

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock and shares of Series D Preferred Stock as of March 23, 2009 by: (a) each director of the Company, (b) each named executive officer of the Company, (c) all directors and executive officers of the Company as a group, and (d) all other shareholders known by the Company to be beneficial owners of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any class of the Company s stock. Unless otherwise indicated, each person has sole investment and sole voting power with respect to the securities shown. The business address of each director and named executive officer is the Company s principal address.

	Comm	Series D Preferred Stock		
Name	Shares (1)	Percentage (2)	Shares	Percentage (3)
Thomas B. Akin (4)	1,914,732	14.98%	595,145	14.10%
Stephen J. Benedetti (5)	34,881	*		
Byron L. Boston				
Leon A. Felman (6)	203,458	1.66%	70,286	1.66%
Barry Igdaloff (7)	589,720	4.67%	428,167	10.14%
Daniel K. Osborne (8)	61,469	*	29,608	*
James C. Wheat, III	5,000	*		
All directors and executive officers as a group (7 persons)	2,809,260	21.01%	1,123,206	26.61%
Arthur D. Lipson (9)	1,173,493	9.51%	172,522	4.09%
Western Investment LLC				
Western Investment Hedged Partners, LP				
Western Investment Institutional Partners, LLC				
Western Investment Total Return				
Master Fund, Ltd				
2855 East Cottonwood Parkway				
Suite 110				
Salt Lake City, UT 84121				
Rockwood Partners, L.P. (10)	888,933	7.21%	163,433	3.87%
Rockwood Asset Management, Inc.				
Demeter Asset Management, Inc.				
Jay Buck				
35 Mason Street				
Greenwich, Connecticut 06830				
Michael Huffington (11)	750,000	6.16%		
P.O. Box 4337				

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\* Percentage of ownership is less than one percent of the outstanding shares of the applicable class. For purposes of this table, beneficial ownership has been determined in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act under which, in general, a person is deemed to be the beneficial owner of a security if he or she has or shares the power to vote or direct the voting of the security or the power to dispose of or direct the disposition of the security, or if he or she has the right to acquire beneficial ownership of the security within 60 days ( presently exercisable ).

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- (1) All amounts include both shares of Common Stock and shares of Series D Preferred Stock, which are convertible into shares of Common Stock, on a one-for-one basis, at the option of its holder.
- (2) Each percentage is based on 12,169,762 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding and is calculated based on the assumption that the beneficial owner has converted all shares of Series D Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock and has executed all presently exercisable stock options.
- (3) Each percentage is based on 4,221,539 shares of Series D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding.
- (4) Amount includes 665,000 shares of Common Stock and 360,064 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by Talkot Crossover Fund, L.P., of which Mr. Akin is the managing general partner, and 11,446 shares of Common Stock and 17,342 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Hochster Trust, of which Mr. Akin is an advisor. Amount also includes 20,000 shares of Common Stock that Mr. Akin has the right to acquire through the exercise of presently exercisable stock options.
- (5) Amount includes 4,875 restricted shares of Common Stock over which Mr. Benedetti does not have investment power until such shares vest.
- (6) Amount reflects 31,389 shares of Common Stock and 10,848 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Leon A. Felman IRA Rollover, 43,447 shares of Common Stock and 30,826 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Homebaker Brand Profit Sharing Plan, 11,137 shares of Common Stock and 9,614 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Leon A. Felman Keogh Profit Sharing Plan, 22,078 shares of Common Stock and 11,840 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by The Felman Family Trust, 4,420 shares of Common Stock and 2,555 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by HLF Corporation, 278 shares of Common Stock and 626 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Harriet Felman IRA, 68 shares of Common Stock owned by the Amy Felman IRA, 355 shares of Common Stock and 777 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by the Leon A. Felman IRA, and 15,000 shares of Common Stock that Mr. Felman has the right to acquire through the exercise of presently exercisable stock options.
- (7) Amount includes 77,663 shares of Common Stock and 218,851 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by clients of Rose Capital, of which Mr. Igdaloff is the sole proprietor. Mr. Igdaloff shares the power to vote and dispose of such shares. Amount also includes 20,000 shares of Common Stock that Mr. Igdaloff has the right to acquire through the exercise of presently exercisable stock options.
- (8) Amount reflects 11,322 shares of Common Stock and 27,825 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by Vantage Pointe Capital Partners LP, of which Mr. Osborne is the managing member of its general partner, and 539 shares of Common Stock and 1,783 shares of Series D Preferred Stock held in Mr. Osborne s spouse s IRA account. Amount also includes 20,000 shares of Common Stock that Mr. Osborne has the right to acquire through the exercise of presently exercisable stock options.
- (9) Based on a Company inquiry, as of December 31, 2008, the amount reflects 142,470 shares of Common Stock owned by Western Investment Hedged Partners LP, 808,256 shares of Common Stock and 172,522 shares of Series D Preferred Stock owned by Western Investment Institutional Partners LLC, 26,137 shares of Common Stock owned by Western Investment Total Return Master Fund Ltd, and 24,108 shares of Common Stock individually owned by Mr. Lipson.
- (10) Based on a Company inquiry, as of December 31, 2008, each of Rockwood Partners, L.P., Rockwood Asset Management, Inc., Demeter Asset Management, Inc. and Jay Buck has shared power to vote and dispose of 725,500 shares of Common Stock and 163,433 shares of Series D Preferred Stock. Rockwood Asset Management, Inc. is the general partner of Rockwood Partners, L.P., an investment limited partnership that owns all of the shares reported. Demeter Asset Management, Inc. provides investment management services to Rockwood Partners, L.P., and Mr. Buck is the owner of both Rockwood Asset Management, Inc. and Demeter Asset Management, Inc.
- (11) Based on a Schedule 13G filed by Michael Huffington with the SEC on December 10, 2008.

## Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, requires our directors and executive officers, and any persons who own more than 10% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock or Series D Preferred Stock, to file with the SEC reports of ownership and changes in ownership of Common Stock and Series D Preferred Stock. Directors and executive

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officers are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Company with copies of all Section 16(a) reports that they file. Generally, we will prepare all Section 16(a) filings with the SEC for our directors and executive officers. Based solely on review of the copies of such reports filed with the SEC and written representations from our directors and executive officers that no other reports were required, we believe that our officers and directors compiled with all such filing requirements during 2008 with the following exception: Mr. Boston is late filing his Form 3 in connection with his becoming an executive officer of the Company.

## **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### **Compensation Committee Report**

The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors, which is composed of the non-employee directors listed below, is responsible for the development, oversight and implementation of our compensation program for our executive officers. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Compensation Committee annually reviews and establishes the compensation of our executive officers, including annual salary levels and bonuses to be paid. The Compensation Committee also makes recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the issuance of stock incentive awards to the executive officers and other compensation related matters.

The primary objective of our executive compensation program is to attract and retain highly skilled and motivated executive officers who will manage the Company in a manner to promote our growth and profitability and advance the interest of our shareholders. As such, the compensation program is designed to provide levels of compensation that are reflective of both the individual s and the Company s performance in achieving our goals and objectives. The Compensation Committee seeks to provide a mix of compensation that will align the short- and long-term interests of our executive officers with that of our shareholders.

A discussion of the principles, objectives, components and determinations of the Compensation Committee with respect to executive compensation is inclthe securities, including the character and timing of income or loss, possibly with retroactive effect. You should consult your tax adviser regarding possible alternative tax treatments of the securities and potential consequences of the IRS notice.

Withholding Tax on Non-U.S. Holders. Because significant aspects of the tax treatment of the securities are uncertain, persons having withholding responsibility in respect of the securities may withhold on any coupon payment paid to Non-U.S. Holders (as defined in the accompanying product supplement), generally at a rate of 30%. To the extent that we have (or an affiliate of ours has) withholding responsibility in respect of the securities, we intend to so withhold. In order to claim an exemption from, or a reduction in, the 30% withholding, you may need to comply with certification requirements to establish that you are not a U.S. person and are eligible for such an exemption or reduction under an applicable tax treaty. You should consult your tax adviser regarding the tax treatment of the securities, including the possibility of obtaining a refund of any amounts withheld and the certification requirement described above.

Moreover, as discussed under "United States Federal Tax Considerations – Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders – Possible Withholding Under Section 871(m) of the Code" in the accompanying product supplement, Section 871(m) of the Code and Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder ("Section 871(m)") generally impose a 30% withholding tax on dividend equivalents paid or deemed paid to Non-U.S. Holders with respect to certain financial instruments linked to U.S. equities ("U.S. Underlying Equities") or indices that include U.S. Underlying Equities. Section 871(m) generally applies to instruments that substantially replicate the economic performance of one or more U.S. Underlying Equities, as determined based on tests set forth in the applicable Treasury regulations (a "Specified Security"). However, the regulations, as modified by an IRS notice, exempt financial instruments issued prior to January 1, 2021 that do not have a "delta" of one. Based on the terms of the securities and representations provided by us, our counsel is of the opinion that the securities should not be treated as transactions that have a "delta" of one within the meaning of the regulations with respect to any U.S. Underlying Equity and, therefore, should not be Specified Securities subject to

withholding tax under Section 871(m).

A determination that the securities are not subject to Section 871(m) is not binding on the IRS, and the IRS may disagree with this treatment. Moreover, Section 871(m) is complex and its application may depend on your particular circumstances. For example, if you enter into other transactions relating to a U.S. Underlying Equity, you could be subject to withholding tax or income tax liability under Section 871(m) even if the securities are not Specified Securities subject to Section 871(m) as a general matter. You should consult your tax adviser regarding the potential application of Section 871(m) to the securities.

We will not be required to pay any additional amounts with respect to amounts withheld.

**FATCA.** You should review the section entitled "United States Federal Tax Considerations—FATCA" in the accompanying product supplement regarding withholding rules under the "FATCA" regime. The discussion in that section is hereby modified to reflect regulations proposed by the U.S. Treasury Department indicating an intent to eliminate the requirement under FATCA of withholding on gross proceeds of the disposition of affected financial instruments. The U.S. Treasury Department has indicated that taxpayers may rely on these proposed regulations pending their finalization.

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You should read the section entitled "United States Federal Tax Considerations" in the accompanying product supplement. The preceding discussion, when read in combination with that section, constitutes the full opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP regarding the material U.S. federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the securities.

You should also consult your tax adviser regarding all aspects of the U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of an investment in the securities and any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction.

Supplemental Plan of Distribution

CGMI, an affiliate of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and the underwriter of the sale of the securities, is acting as principal and will receive an underwriting fee of up to \$1 for each security sold in this offering. The actual underwriting fee will be equal to the selling concession provided to selected dealers, as described in this paragraph. From this underwriting fee, CGMI will pay selected dealers not affiliated with CGMI a variable selling concession of up to \$1 for each security they sell. For the avoidance of doubt, the fees and selling concessions described in this pricing supplement will not be rebated if the securities are automatically redeemed prior to maturity.

See "Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest" in the accompanying product supplement and "Plan of Distribution" in each of the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus for additional information.

Valuation of the Securities

CGMI calculated the estimated value of the securities set forth on the cover page of this pricing supplement based on proprietary pricing models. CGMI's proprietary pricing models generated an estimated value for the securities by estimating the value of a hypothetical package of financial instruments that would replicate the payout on the securities, which consists of a fixed-income bond (the "bond component") and one or more derivative instruments underlying the economic terms of the securities (the "derivative component"). CGMI calculated the estimated value of the bond component using a discount rate based on our internal funding rate. CGMI calculated the estimated value of the derivative component based on a proprietary derivative-pricing model, which generated a theoretical price for the instruments that constitute the derivative component based on various inputs, including the factors described under "Summary Risk Factors—The value of the securities prior to maturity will fluctuate based on many unpredictable factors" in this pricing supplement, but not including our or Citigroup Inc.'s creditworthiness. These inputs may be

market-observable or may be based on assumptions made by CGMI in its discretionary judgment.

For a period of approximately three months following issuance of the securities, the price, if any, at which CGMI would be willing to buy the securities from investors, and the value that will be indicated for the securities on any brokerage account statements prepared by CGMI or its affiliates (which value CGMI may also publish through one or more financial information vendors), will reflect a temporary upward adjustment from the price or value that would otherwise be determined. This temporary upward adjustment represents a portion of the hedging profit expected to be realized by CGMI or its affiliates over the term of the securities. The amount of this temporary upward adjustment will decline to zero on a straight-line basis over the three-month temporary adjustment period. However, CGMI is not obligated to buy the securities from investors at any time. See "Summary Risk Factors—The securities will not be listed on any securities exchange and you may not be able to sell them prior to maturity."

Certain Selling Restrictions

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

The contents of this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus have not been reviewed by any regulatory authority in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China ("Hong Kong"). Investors are advised to exercise caution in relation to the offer. If investors are in any doubt about any of the contents of this pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus, they should obtain independent professional advice.

The securities have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold in Hong Kong by means of any document, other than

- (i) to persons whose ordinary business is to buy or sell shares or debentures (whether as principal or agent); or
- (ii) to "professional investors" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong (the "Securities and Futures Ordinance") and any rules made under that Ordinance; or
- in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a "prospectus" as defined in the Companies (iii) Ordinance (Cap. 32) of Hong Kong or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance; and

There is no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the securities which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities

laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to securities which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance and any rules made under that Ordinance.

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Non-insured Product: These securities are not insured by any governmental agency. These securities are not bank deposits and are not covered by the Hong Kong Deposit Protection Scheme.

Singapore

This pricing supplement and the accompanying product supplement, prospectus supplement and prospectus have not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore, and the securities will be offered pursuant to exemptions under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the "Securities and Futures Act"). Accordingly, the securities may not be offered or sold or made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase nor may this pricing supplement or any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale or invitation for subscription or purchase of any securities be circulated or distributed, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (a) to an institutional investor pursuant to Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, (b) to a relevant person under Section 275(1) of the Securities and Futures Act or to any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the Securities and Futures Act and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the Securities and Futures Act, or (c) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the Securities and Futures Act. Where the securities are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the Securities and Futures Act by a relevant person which is:

a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the Securities and Futures Act)) the (a) sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or

a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an individual who is an accredited investor, securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the Securities (b) and Futures Act) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interests (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the relevant securities pursuant to an offer under Section 275 of the Securities and Futures Act except:

to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the Securities and Futures Act or to (i) any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i)(B) of the Securities and Futures Act; or

(ii) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer; or

(iii) where the transfer is by operation of law; or

(iv) pursuant to Section 276(7) of the Securities and Futures Act; or

(v) as specified in Regulation 32 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Shares and Debentures) Regulations 2005 of Singapore.

Any securities referred to herein may not be registered with any regulator, regulatory body or similar organization or institution in any jurisdiction.

The securities are Specified Investment Products (as defined in the Notice on Recommendations on Investment Products and Notice on the Sale of Investment Product issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore on 28 July 2011) that is neither listed nor quoted on a securities market or a futures market.

Non-insured Product: These securities are not insured by any governmental agency. These securities are not bank deposits. These securities are not insured products subject to the provisions of the Deposit Insurance and Policy Owners' Protection Schemes Act 2011 of Singapore and are not eligible for deposit insurance coverage under the Deposit Insurance Scheme.

Validity of the Securities

In the opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, as special products counsel to Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., when the securities offered by this pricing supplement have been executed and issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and authenticated by the trustee pursuant to the indenture, and delivered against payment therefor, such securities and the related guarantee of Citigroup Inc. will be valid and binding obligations of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and Citigroup Inc., respectively, enforceable in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability (including, without limitation, concepts of good faith, fair dealing and the lack of bad faith), provided that such counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect of fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or similar provision of applicable law on the conclusions expressed above. This opinion is given as of the date of this pricing supplement and is limited to the laws of the State of New York, except that such counsel expresses no opinion as to the application of state securities or Blue Sky laws to the securities.

In giving this opinion, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP has assumed the legal conclusions expressed in the opinions set forth below of Scott L. Flood, General Counsel and Secretary of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., and Barbara Politi, Assistant General Counsel—Capital Markets of Citigroup Inc. In addition, this opinion is subject to the assumptions set forth in the letter of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP dated April 7, 2017, which has been filed as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Citigroup Inc. on April 7, 2017, that

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the indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by, and is a valid, binding and enforceable agreement of, the trustee and that none of the terms of the securities nor the issuance and delivery of the securities and the related guarantee, nor the compliance by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. and Citigroup Inc. with the terms of the securities and the related guarantee respectively, will result in a violation of any provision of any instrument or agreement then binding upon Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. or Citigroup Inc., as applicable, or any restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. or Citigroup Inc., as applicable.

In the opinion of Scott L. Flood, Secretary and General Counsel of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., (i) the terms of the securities offered by this pricing supplement have been duly established under the indenture and the Board of Directors (or a duly authorized committee thereof) of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. has duly authorized the issuance and sale of such securities and such authorization has not been modified or rescinded; (ii) Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York; (iii) the indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc.; and (iv) the execution and delivery of such indenture and of the securities offered by this pricing supplement by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., and the performance by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. of its obligations thereunder, are within its corporate powers and do not contravene its certificate of incorporation or bylaws or other constitutive documents. This opinion is given as of the date of this pricing supplement and is limited to the laws of the State of New York.

Scott L. Flood, or other internal attorneys with whom he has consulted, has examined and is familiar with originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to his satisfaction, of such corporate records of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc., certificates or documents as he has deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinions expressed above. In such examination, he or such persons has assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures (other than those of officers of Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc.), the authenticity of all documents submitted to him or such persons as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to him or such persons as certified or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copies.

In the opinion of Barbara Politi, Assistant General Counsel—Capital Markets of Citigroup Inc., (i) the Board of Directors (or a duly authorized committee thereof) of Citigroup Inc. has duly authorized the guarantee of such securities by Citigroup Inc. and such authorization has not been modified or rescinded; (ii) Citigroup Inc. is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware; (iii) the indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Citigroup Inc.; and (iv) the execution and delivery of such indenture, and the performance by Citigroup Inc. of its obligations thereunder, are within its corporate powers and do not contravene its certificate of incorporation or bylaws or other constitutive documents. This opinion is given as of the date of this pricing supplement and is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Barbara Politi, or other internal attorneys with whom she has consulted, has examined and is familiar with originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to her satisfaction, of such corporate records of Citigroup Inc., certificates or documents as she has deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinions expressed above. In such examination, she or such persons has assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures (other than those of officers of Citigroup Inc.), the authenticity of all documents submitted to her or such persons as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to her or such persons as certified or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copies.

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