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#### ALPHATEC HOLDINGS, INC.

5818 El Camino Real

Carlsbad, CA 92008

(760) 431-9286

April 30, 2015

Dear Stockholder,

We cordially invite you to attend our 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at 2:00 p.m., Pacific Time, on June 25, 2015 at our corporate headquarters, which are located at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008.

Details regarding the meeting, the business to be conducted at the meeting, and information about Alphatec Holdings, Inc. that you should consider when you vote your shares are described in this proxy statement.

At the annual meeting, 11 persons will be elected to our Board of Directors. In addition, we will ask stockholders to ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for our fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 and to approve the compensation of our Named Executive Officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement. The Board of Directors recommends the approval of each of these proposals. Such other business will be transacted as may properly come before the annual meeting.

Under Securities and Exchange Commission rules that allow companies to furnish proxy materials to stockholders over the Internet, we have elected to deliver our proxy materials to the majority of our stockholders over the Internet. This delivery process allows us to provide stockholders with the information they need, while at the same time conserving natural resources and lowering the cost of delivery. On May 11, 2015, we will begin sending to our stockholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice) containing instructions on how to access our proxy statement for our 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and our 2014 annual report to stockholders. The Notice also provides instructions on how to vote online or by telephone and includes instructions on how to receive a paper copy of the proxy materials by mail.

We hope you will be able to attend the annual meeting. Whether you plan to attend the annual meeting or not, it is important that you cast your vote either in person or by proxy. You may vote over the Internet as well as by telephone or by mail. When you have finished reading the proxy statement, you are urged to vote in accordance with the instructions set forth in this proxy statement. We encourage you to vote by proxy so that your shares will be represented and voted at the meeting, whether or not you can attend.

Thank you for your continued support of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. We look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting.

Sincerely,
James M. Corbett
President and Chief Executive Officer

#### ALPHATEC HOLDINGS, INC.

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April 30, 2015

#### NOTICE OF 2015 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TIME: 2:00 p.m., PT

DATE: Thursday, June 25, 2015

PLACE: Alphatec Holdings, Inc., 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. will be held on June 25, 2015 (the Annual Meeting ), for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect 11 directors to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified, or until their earlier death or resignation;
- 2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015;
- 3. To approve by an advisory vote, the compensation of our named executive officers, or the Named Executive Officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement; and
- 4. To transact such other business as may be properly presented at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments or postponements thereof. Only the stockholders of record of our common stock as of the close of business on April 29, 2015 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments thereof. A total of 99,848,142 shares of our common stock were issued and outstanding as of that date. Each share of common stock entitles its holder to one vote. Cumulative voting of shares of common stock is not permitted.

At the Annual Meeting and for the ten-day period immediately prior to the Annual Meeting, the list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting will be available for inspection at our corporate headquarters, which are located at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008 for such purposes as are set forth in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

At least a majority of all issued and outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote at a meeting is required to constitute a quorum for the conduct of business at the Annual Meeting. Accordingly, whether you plan to attend the Annual Meeting or not, we ask that you vote by following the instructions in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials that you previously received and submit your proxy by the Internet, telephone or mail in order to ensure the presence of a quorum. You may change or revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted at the meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ebun S. Garner, Esq. General Counsel, SVP and Corporate Secretary

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#### ALPHATEC HOLDINGS, INC.

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#### PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE ALPHATEC HOLDINGS, INC.

#### 2015 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

#### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING

This proxy statement, along with the accompanying notice of 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, contains information about the 2015 annual meeting of stockholders of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. (the Annual Meeting), including any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting. We are holding the Annual Meeting at 2:00 p.m., Pacific Time, on Thursday, June 25, 2015, at our corporate headquarters, which are located at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008.

In this proxy statement, we refer to Alphatec Holdings, Inc. as Alphatec Holdings, the Company, we and us.

This proxy statement relates to the solicitation of proxies by our Board of Directors for use at the Annual Meeting.

On or about May 11, 2015, we will begin sending the Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON JUNE 25, 2015.

This proxy statement and our Annual Report are available for viewing, printing and downloading at https://materials.proxyvote.com/02081G. To view these materials, please have your 12-digit control number(s) available that appears on your Notice or proxy card. On this website, you can also elect to receive future distributions of our proxy statements and annual reports to stockholders by electronic delivery.

Additionally, you can find a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, which includes our financial statements, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, at <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>, or in the Financial Information section of the Investor Relations section of our website at <a href="www.alphatecspine.com">www.alphatecspine.com</a>. You may also obtain a printed copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, including our financial statements, free of charge, from us by sending a written request to: Alphatec Holdings, Inc., 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008, Attention: Michael O Neill, Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and Treasurer. Exhibits will be provided upon written request and payment of an appropriate processing fee.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING

#### Why is the Company Soliciting My Proxy?

The Board of Directors of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. is soliciting your proxy to vote at the Annual Meeting to be held at our corporate headquarters, located at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008 on June 25, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., Pacific Time, and any adjournments of the meeting. The proxy statement along with the accompanying Notice of 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders summarizes the purposes of the meeting and the information you need to know in order to vote at the Annual Meeting.

We have made available to you on the Internet or have sent you this proxy statement, the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the proxy card and a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended

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December 31, 2014 because you owned shares of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. common stock on the record date. The Company intends to commence distribution of the Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials, which we refer to throughout this proxy statement as the Notice, and, if applicable, the proxy materials to stockholders on or about May 11, 2015.

#### Why Did I Receive a Notice in the Mail Regarding the Internet Availability of Proxy Materials Instead of a Full Set of Proxy Materials?

As permitted by the rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, we may furnish our proxy materials to our stockholders by providing access to such documents on the Internet, rather than mailing printed copies of these materials to each stockholder. Most stockholders will not receive printed copies of the proxy materials unless they request them. We believe that this process should expedite stockholders receipt of proxy materials, lower the costs of the annual meeting and help to conserve natural resources. If you received a Notice by mail or electronically, you will not receive a printed or email copy of the proxy materials, unless you request one by following the instructions included in the Notice. Instead, the Notice instructs you as to how you may access and review all of the proxy materials and submit your proxy on the Internet. If you requested a paper copy of the proxy materials, you may authorize the voting of your shares by following the instructions on the proxy card, in addition to the other methods of voting described in this proxy statement.

#### Who Can Vote?

Only stockholders who owned our common stock at the close of business on April 29, 2015 are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. On this record date, there were 99,848,142 shares of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. common stock outstanding and entitled to vote. Alphatec Holdings, Inc. common stock is our only class of voting stock.

You do not need to attend the Annual Meeting to vote your shares. Shares represented by valid proxies, received in time for the meeting and not revoked prior to the meeting, will be voted at the meeting. For instructions on how to change or revoke your proxy, see May I Change or Revoke My Proxy? below.

#### How Many Votes Do I Have?

Each share of our common stock that you own entitles you to one vote.

#### How Do I Vote?

Whether you plan to attend the Annual Meeting or not, we urge you to vote by proxy. All shares represented by valid proxies that we receive through this solicitation, and that are not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions on the proxy card or as instructed via Internet or telephone. You may specify whether your shares should be voted for or withheld for each nominee for director and whether your shares should be voted for, against or abstain with respect to both of the other proposals. If you properly submit a proxy without giving specific voting instructions, your shares will be voted in accordance with the Board's recommendations as noted below. Voting by proxy will not affect your right to attend the Annual Meeting. If your shares are registered directly in your name through our stock transfer agent, Computershare, Inc. (Computershare), 480 Washington Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07310, or you have stock certificates registered in your name, you may vote:

**By Internet or by telephone.** Follow the instructions included in the Notice or, if you received printed materials, in the proxy card to vote by Internet or telephone.

**By mail.** If you received a proxy card by mail, you can vote by mail by completing, signing, dating and returning the proxy card as instructed on the card. If you sign the proxy card but do not specify how you want your shares voted, they will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of our Board of Directors as noted below.

**In person at the meeting.** If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may deliver your completed proxy card in person or you may vote by completing a ballot, which will be available at the Annual Meeting.

Telephone and Internet voting facilities for stockholders of record will be available 24 hours a day and will close at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on June 24, 2015.

If your shares are held in street name (held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record), you will receive 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 stockholders owning shares through certain banks and brokers. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you plan to vote your shares in person at the meeting, you should contact the broker or agent to obtain a legal proxy or broker s proxy card and bring it with you to the Annual Meeting in order to vote. You will not be able to vote at the Annual Meeting unless you have a proxy card from your broker.

#### How Does the Board of Directors Recommend That I Vote on the Proposals?

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote as follows:

**FOR** the election of the nominees for director:

**FOR** the ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for our fiscal year ending December 31, 2015; and

**FOR** the compensation of our Named Executive Officers as disclosed in this proxy statement.

If any other matter is presented at the Annual Meeting, your proxy provides that your shares will be voted by the proxy holder listed in the proxy in accordance with his or her best judgment. At the time this proxy statement was first made available, we knew of no matters that needed to be acted on at the Annual Meeting, other than those discussed in this proxy statement.

#### May I Change or Revoke My Proxy?

If you give us your proxy, you may change or revoke it at any time before the Annual Meeting. You may change or revoke your proxy in any one of the following ways:

if you received a proxy card, by signing a new proxy card with a date later than your previously delivered proxy and submitting it as instructed above;

by re-voting by Internet or by telephone as instructed above;

by notifying us at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008, Attention: Ebun S. Garner, Esq., General Counsel, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary, in writing before the Annual Meeting that you have revoked your proxy; or

by attending the Annual Meeting in person and voting in person.

Attending the Annual Meeting in person will not in and of itself revoke a previously submitted proxy. You must specifically request at the Annual Meeting that the proxy be revoked.

Your most current vote, whether by telephone, Internet or proxy card is the one that will be counted.

What if I Receive More Than One Notice or Proxy Card?

You may receive more than one Notice or proxy card if you hold shares of our common stock in more than one account, which may be in registered form or held in street name. Please vote in the manner described above under How Do I Vote? for each account to ensure that all of your shares are voted.

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#### Will My Shares be Voted if I Do Not Vote?

If your shares are registered in your name or if you have stock certificates, they will not be counted if you do not vote as described above under How Do I Vote?

If your shares are held in street name and you do not provide voting instructions to the bank, broker or other nominee that holds your shares as described above under How Do I Vote?, the bank, broker or other nominee that holds your shares has the authority to vote your unvoted shares only on the ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm (Proposal 2 of this proxy statement) if it does not receive instructions from you. Therefore, we encourage you to provide voting instructions to your bank, broker or other nominee. This ensures your shares will be voted at the meeting and in the manner you desire. A broker non-vote will occur if your broker cannot vote your shares on a particular matter because it has not received instructions from you and does not have discretionary voting authority on that matter or because your broker chooses not to vote on a matter for which it does have discretionary voting authority.

Your bank, broker or other nominee does not have the ability to vote your uninstructed shares in the election of directors. Therefore, if you hold your shares in street name, it is critical that you cast your vote if you want your vote to be counted for the election of directors (Proposal 1 of this proxy statement). In the past, if you held your shares in street name and you did not indicate how you wanted your shares to be voted in the election of directors, your bank, broker or other nominee was allowed to vote your shares on your behalf in the election of directors as it deemed appropriate. In addition, your bank, broker or other nominee is prohibited from voting your uninstructed shares on the advisory vote on the compensation of our Named Executive Officers (Proposal 3 of this proxy statement). Thus, if you hold your shares in street name and you do not instruct your bank, broker or other nominee how to vote with respect to the election of directors or the advisory vote on the compensation of our Named Executive Officers (Proposals 1 and 3), no votes will be cast on these proposals on your behalf.

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What Vote is Required to Approve Each Proposal and How are Votes Counted?

#### **Proposal 1: Elect Directors**

The nominees for director who receive the most votes (also known as a plurality of the votes cast) will be elected. You may vote either FOR all of the nominees, WITHHOLD your vote from all of the nominees or WITHHOLD your vote from any one or more of the nominees. Votes that are withheld will not be included in the vote tally for the election of directors. Brokerage firms do not have authority to vote customers unvoted shares held by the firms in street name for the election of directors. As a result, any shares not voted by a customer will be treated as a broker non-vote. Such broker non-votes will have no effect on the results of this vote.

#### Proposal 2: Ratify Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares cast affirmatively or negatively for this proposal is required to ratify the selection of our independent registered public accounting firm. Abstentions will have no effect on the results of this vote. Brokerage firms have authority to vote customers unvoted shares held by the firms in street name on this proposal. If a broker does not exercise this authority, such broker non-votes will have no effect on the results of this vote. We are not required to obtain the approval of our stockholders to select our independent registered public accounting firm. However, if our stockholders do not ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors will reconsider its selection.

# Proposal 3: Approve an Advisory Vote on the Compensation of our Named Executive Officers

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast affirmatively or negatively for this proposal is required to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of our Named Executive Officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement. Abstentions have no effect on the results of this vote. Brokerage firms do not have authority to vote customers—unvoted shares held by the firms in street name on this proposal. As a result, any shares not voted by a customer will be treated as a broker non-vote. Such broker non-votes will have no effect on the results of this vote. Although the advisory vote is non-binding, the Nominating, Governance and Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors will review the voting results and take them into consideration when making future decisions regarding executive compensation.

#### Is Voting Confidential?

We will keep all the proxies, ballots and voting tabulations private. We only let our Inspectors of Election, Ebun S. Garner, Esq., and Computershare, examine these documents. Management will not know how you voted on a specific proposal unless it is necessary to meet legal requirements. We will, however, forward to management any written comments you make, on the proxy card or elsewhere.

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#### Where Can I Find the Voting Results of the Annual Meeting?

The preliminary voting results will be announced at the Annual Meeting and we will publish preliminary results, or final results if then available, by filing a Current Report on Form 8-K within four business days after the Annual Meeting. If final results are unavailable at the time we file the Form 8-K, then we will file an amended Current Report on Form 8-K to disclose the final voting results within four business days after the final voting results are known.

#### If we solicit proxies, what are the Costs of Soliciting these Proxies?

If we solicit proxies, we will pay all of the costs of soliciting these proxies. Our directors and employees may solicit proxies in person or by telephone, fax or email. We will pay these employees and directors no additional compensation for these services. If we ask banks, brokers and other institutions, nominees and fiduciaries to forward these proxy materials to their principals and to obtain authority to execute proxies, then we will reimburse them for their expenses.

#### What Constitutes a Quorum for the Annual Meeting?

The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary to constitute a quorum at the meeting. Votes of stockholders of record who are present at the Annual Meeting in person or by proxy, abstentions, and broker non-votes are counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists.

#### **Attending the Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on Thursday, June 25, 2015 at our corporate headquarters, which are located at 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008. When you arrive at our headquarters, signs will direct you to the appropriate meeting room. You need not attend the Annual Meeting in order to vote.

#### **Householding of Annual Disclosure Documents**

SEC rules concerning the delivery of annual disclosure documents allow us or your broker to send a single Notice or, if applicable, a single set of our annual report and proxy materials to any household at which two or more of our stockholders reside, if we or your broker believe that the stockholders are members of the same family. This practice, referred to as householding, benefits both you and us. It reduces the volume of duplicate information received at your household and helps to reduce our expenses. The rule applies to our Notices, annual reports, proxy statements and information statements. Once you receive notice from your broker or from us that communications to your address will be householded, the practice will continue until you are otherwise notified or until you revoke your consent to the practice. Stockholders who participate in householding will continue to have access to and utilize separate proxy voting instructions.

If your household received a single Notice or, if applicable, a single set of proxy materials this year, but you would prefer to receive your own copy, please contact our transfer agent, Computershare, by calling their toll free number, 1-866-265-1875.

If you do not wish to participate in householding and would like to receive your own Notice or, if applicable, set of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. s proxy materials in future years, follow the instructions described below. Conversely, if you share an address with another Alphatec Holdings, Inc. stockholder and together both of you would like to receive only a single Notice or, if applicable, set of proxy materials, follow these instructions:

If your shares of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. common stock are registered in your own name, please contact our transfer agent, Computershare, and inform them of your request by calling them at 1-866-265-1875 or writing them at 480 Washington Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07310.

If a broker or other nominee holds your shares of Alphatec Holdings, Inc. common stock, please contact the broker or other nominee directly and inform them of your request. Be sure to include your name, the name of your brokerage firm and your account number.

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#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of April 15, 2015 for (a) each of our Named Executive Officers listed in the Summary Compensation Table, (b) each of our directors, all of which are director nominees, (c) all of our current directors and executive officers as a group and (d) each stockholder known by us to own beneficially more than 5% of our common stock. Except as indicated in footnotes to this table, we believe that the stockholders named in this table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown to be beneficially owned by them based on information provided to us by these stockholders. Percentage of ownership is based on 99,848,142 shares of common stock outstanding on April 15, 2015. Except as otherwise indicated in the table below, the address of each beneficial owner listed in the table below is in care of Alphatec Holdings, Inc., 5818 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, California 92008.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned(1)	Percentage of Outstanding Common Stock
Directors and Named Executive Officers		
Leslie H. Cross(2)	1,110,832	1.1%
Mortimer Berkowitz III(3)	31,811,438	31.9%
John H. Foster(4)	31,969,038	32.0%
R. Ian Molson(5)	484,484	*
Stephen E. O Neil(6)	244,622	*
James R. Glynn(7)	210,485	*
Rohit M. Desai(8)	195,485	*
Siri S. Marshall(9)	187,985	*
Tom C. Davis	33,334	*
Donald A. Williams	0	*
James M. Corbett(10)	154,653	*
Michael O Neill(11)	420,076	*
Michael C. Plunkett(12)	263,547	*
Stephen Lubischer(13)	269,141	*
Ebun S. Garner, Esq.(14)	332,721	*
All current executive officers and directors as a group (18 persons)(15)	36,283,737	35.6%
Five Percent Stockholders		
HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P.(16) 505 Park Avenue, 12 <sup>th</sup> Floor	10,777,173	10.8%
New York, NY 10022		
HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P.(17) 505 Park Avenue, 12 <sup>th</sup> Floor	21,010,565	21.0%
New York, NY 10022		
Deerfield Mgmt., L.P.(18) 780 Third Avenue, 37 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10017	15,432,738	13.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Represents beneficial ownership of less than 1% of the outstanding shares of common stock.

<sup>(1)</sup> Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and includes sole or shared voting or investment power with respect to the securities. Shares of common stock that may be acquired by an individual or group within 60 days of April 15, 2015, pursuant to the exercise of stock options or any other right are deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of such individual or group, but are not deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of

computing the percentage ownership of any other person shown in the table. The inclusion in this table of any shares deemed beneficially owned does not constitute an admission of beneficial ownership of those shares.

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- (2) Includes 540,506 shares issuable pursuant to options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (3) Includes 10,777,173 shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and 21,010,565 shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P. Mr. Berkowitz is a managing member of HGP, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and he is a managing member of HGP II, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P., and therefore Mr. Berkowitz may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P. Mr. Berkowitz disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in such shares. Also includes 11,200 shares owned by Mr. Berkowitz s spouse.
- (4) Includes 10,777,173 shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and 21,010,565 shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P. Mr. Foster is a managing member of HGP, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and he is a managing member of HGP II, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P., and therefore Mr. Foster may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. and HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P. Mr. Foster disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in such shares. Also includes 30,400 shares held by John H. Foster, trustee u/w/o of Virginia C. Foster. Mr. Foster is a trustee and the principal beneficiary of such trust.
- (5) Includes 199,988 shares held by the Swiftsure Trust. Mr. Molson controls Nantel Investment, Ltd., which is the beneficiary of the Swiftsure Trust. Mr. Molson disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the Swiftsure Trust except to his proportionate pecuniary interest in such shares. Also, includes 96,384 shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (6) Includes 75,810 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (7) Includes 83,310 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (8) Includes 83,310 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (9) Includes 75,810 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (10) Includes 125,000 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (11) Includes 310,218 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (12) Includes 112,173 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (13) Includes 174,113 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (14) Includes 185,782 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.

- (14) Includes 244,609 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015.
- (15) See footnotes (2) through (14) above. Also includes 197,852 shares of common stock and 185,782 shares issuable pursuant to the exercise options that are or will become vested within 60 days of April 15, 2015 held by Mitsui Asai.

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- (16) Includes shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. Messrs. Berkowitz and Foster are managing members of HGP, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. Each of Messrs. Berkowitz and Foster and HGP, LLC may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P., but disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest in such shares. Based on Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed jointly by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P., HGP, LLC, HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P., HCPII Co-Invest Vehicle II, L.P., HGP II, LLC, Mortimer Berkowitz III and John H. Foster on March 19, 2012 and the Form 4 filed by HealthpointCapital Partners L.P. on November 30, 2012. The address of HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P. is 505 Park Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022
- Includes shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners, II L.P. Messrs. Berkowitz and Foster are managing members of HGP II, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P. Each of Messrs. Berkowitz and Foster and HGP II, LLC may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P., but disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest in such shares. Based on Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed jointly by HealthpointCapital Partners, L.P., HGP, LLC, HealthpointCapital Partners II, L.P., HCPII Co-Invest Vehicle II, L.P., HGP II, LLC, Mortimer Berkowitz III and John H. Foster on March 19, 2012 and the Form 4 filed by HealthpointCapital Partners II L.P. on November 30, 2012. The address of HealthpointCapital Partners, II L.P. is 505 Park Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022
- This information is based solely on a Schedule 13G/A filed by Deerfield Mgmt., L.P. with the SEC on February 17, 2015, which reported ownership as of February 17, 2015. Includes an aggregate of 3,982,738 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 11,450,000 shares of common stock, or the Deerfield Warrants, held by Deerfield Special Situations Funds, L.P., Deerfield Special Situations International Master Fund, L.P. Deerfield Private Design Fund II, L.P. and Deerfield Private Design Internationals II, L.P., of which Deerfield Mgmt. L.P. is the general partner and which we collectively refer to as Deerfield. The provisions of the Warrants restrict the exercise of the Warrants to the extent that, upon such exercise, the number of shares then beneficially owned by Deerfield and any other person or entities with which Deerfield would constitute a Section 13(d) group would exceed 9.98% of our total number of shares then outstanding, or the Ownership Cap. Accordingly, notwithstanding the number of shares reported, Deerfield disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares underlying the Warrants to the extent beneficial ownership of such shares would cause Deerfield, in the aggregate, to exceed the Ownership Cap. The address of Deerfield is 780 Third Avenue, 37th Floor, New York, NY 10017.

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#### MANAGEMENT

#### **Board of Directors**

As of April 30, 2015, our Board of Directors, or the Board, consisted of 11 directors: Leslie H. Cross, Mortimer Berkowitz III, John H. Foster, R. Ian Molson, Stephen E. O Neil, James R. Glynn, Rohit M. Desai, Siri S. Marshall, James M. Corbett, Tom C. Davis and Donald A. Williams.

Set forth below are the names of the persons nominated as directors, their ages, their offices in the Company if any, their principal occupations or employment for the past five years, the length of their tenure as directors and the names of other public companies in which such persons hold or have held directorships during the past five years. Each director is elected to serve until our next annual meeting of stockholders or the sooner of his or her resignation or the date when his or her successor is duly appointed and qualified. Additionally, set forth below is information about the specific experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that led to our Board of Directors conclusion at the time of filing of this proxy statement that each person listed below should serve as a director.

Name	Age
Leslie Cross, Chairman of the Board of Directors(1)(2)	64
John Foster(2)	72
Mortimer Berkowitz III(2)	61
R. Ian Molson(2)(3)(4)	60
Stephen O Neil(3)	82
James Glynn(4)	68
Rohit Desai(3)	76
Siri Marshall(4)	66
James Corbett, President and Chief Executive Officer and Director(2)(5)	57
Tom Davis(3)	66
Donald Williams	56

- (1) Mr. Cross resigned as Chief Executive Officer, effective May 1, 2014.
- (2) Member of Executive Committee. Mr. Foster is Chairman of the committee.
- (3) Member of the Nominating, Governance and Compensation Committee. Mr. Molson is Chairman of the committee.
- (4) Member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Glynn is Chairman of the committee.
- (5) Mr. Corbett was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer and elected to the Board, each effective May 1, 2014.

  Leslie Cross has served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of us and our wholly-owned operating subsidiary, Alphatec Spine, Inc., or Alphatec Spine, since March 2011. From February 2012 to April 2014, he also served as our Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Cross is the former President and Chief Executive Officer of DJO Global, Inc. Mr. Cross served as a Director of DJO Global until December, 2012. DJO Global is a manufacturer and worldwide leading distributor of electrotherapy products for pain therapy and rehabilitation, clinical devices for the treatment of patients in physical therapy clinics, knee, hip and shoulder implant products, and orthopedic rehabilitation products, including rigid knee bracing, orthopedic soft goods, cold therapy systems, vascular systems and bone growth stimulation devices. Mr. Cross has held principal executive roles at DJO Global and its predecessors since 1995. From 1990 to 1994, Mr. Cross held the position of Senior Vice President of Marketing and Business Development of the Bracing & Support Systems division of Smith & Nephew. He was a Managing Director of two different divisions of Smith & Nephew from 1982 to 1990.

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The Board selected Mr. Cross to serve as a director and our Chairman because of his knowledge and experience in the medical device industry and his experience at DJO Global, each of which contribute to the breadth of knowledge of the Board.

*John Foster* has served as a Director of us and Alphatec Spine since March 2005 and at various times between March 2005 and June 2007 has served as the Chairman, the President and the CEO of both companies. Mr. Foster is the Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officer of HealthpointCapital, LLC, the manager of two of our principal stockholders, and a member of its Board of Managers. He has held these positions since HealthpointCapital, LLC was founded in 2002.

The Board selected Mr. Foster to serve on the Board because of his investment and financial expertise and experience in the orthopedics and spine industries, each of which contribute to the breadth of knowledge of the Board.

Mortimer Berkowitz III has served as a member of the Board of Directors since March 2005. From April 2007 through July 2011 he served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of us and Alphatec Spine. He is currently a managing member of HGP, LLC, which is the general partner of HealthpointCapital Partners, LP, and President, Co-Chief Executive Officer, a member of the Board of Managers and a managing director of HealthpointCapital, LLC. He has held the position with HGP, LLC since its formation in August 2002, the positions of managing director and member of the Board of Managers of HealthpointCapital, LLC since its formation in July 2002 and the po