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#### PROXY STATMENT

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To Be Held August 1, 2014 To our Stockholders:

Our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on Friday, August 1, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., PDT, at the headquarters of Plantronics, Inc. located at 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060. Our Board of Directors is soliciting proxies for the Annual Meeting. This Proxy Statement contains important information for you to consider when deciding how to vote on the matters brought before the Annual Meeting. We ask that you please read it carefully.

The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to:

- 1. Elect seven (7) directors to serve until the next Annual Meeting or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- 2. Approve an amendment to the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan increasing the number of shares of common stock issuable thereunder by 300,000.
- Ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of Plantronics, Inc. for fiscal year 2015.
- 4. Approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of Plantronics' named executive officers.
- 5. Transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this Notice.

Plantronics stockholders of record at the close of business on June 6, 2014 are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. To assure your representation at the Annual Meeting, you are urged to cast your vote, as instructed in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, over the Internet or by telephone as promptly as possible. If you prefer, you may also request a paper proxy card to submit your vote by mail. Any stockholder of record attending the Annual Meeting may vote in person, even if she or he has voted over the Internet, by telephone or returned a completed proxy card.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS /s/ Rich Pickard Rich Pickard Secretary Santa Cruz, California June 13, 2014

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

TO ASSURE YOUR REPRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO VOTE YOUR SHARES AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. EVEN IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING IN PERSON, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE OVER THE INTERNET AT WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM OR BY TELEPHONE 1-800-690-6903. ALTERNATIVELY, YOU MAY REQUEST A PAPER PROXY CARD, WHICH YOU MAY COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN BY MAIL.

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## PROXY STATEMENT FOR 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

#### INFORMATION CONCERNING SOLICITATION AND VOTING

Our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") will be held at 10:00 a.m. PDT on Friday, August 1, 2014 at our headquarters located at 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California. Our Board of Directors ("Board") is soliciting proxies for the Annual Meeting. This Proxy Statement contains important information for you to consider when deciding how to vote on the matters brought before the Annual Meeting. Please read it carefully. Your vote is very important.

We have elected to provide access to our proxy materials via the Internet. Accordingly, on or about June 13, 2014, we will mail a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the "Notice of Internet Availability") to our stockholders of record as of the close of business on June 6, 2014. On the date of mailing of the Notice of Internet Availability, all of the proxy materials will be made available free of charge on the website referred to in the Notice of Internet Availability. The Notice of Internet Availability will provide instructions on how you may view the proxy materials for the Annual Meeting on the Internet and how you may request a paper copy of such materials.

Please follow the instructions provided in the Notice of Internet Availability, or on the proxy card, if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person.

We will pay the costs of soliciting proxies from stockholders. We have engaged The Proxy Advisory Group, LLC to assist with the solicitation of proxies and provide proxy related advice and informational support. Fees for these services, plus customary disbursements, are not expected to exceed \$15,000 in total. We may also compensate brokerage firms and other persons representing beneficial owners of shares for their customary fees and expenses in forwarding the voting materials to the beneficial owners. Our directors, officers and regular employees may solicit proxies on our behalf, without additional compensation, personally or by telephone.

Our principal executive offices are located at 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060. Our telephone number at that location is (831) 426-5858 or (800) 544-4660 and our website is www.plantronics.com.

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE PROXY MATERIALS AND THE ANNUAL MEETING

Who Can Vote?

The Board set June 6, 2014 as the record date for the Annual Meeting. All stockholders of record who owned Plantronics common stock at the close of business on June 6, 2014 may attend and vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournments thereof. Each stockholder is entitled to one vote for each share of common stock held on all matters to be voted. Stockholders may not cumulate their votes for the election of directors. At the close of business on June 6, 2014, there were 42,901,685 shares of our common stock outstanding.

How Many Votes Are Required to Conduct Business at the Annual Meeting?

The required quorum for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting is the presence in person or by proxy of a majority of shares of common stock issued and outstanding on the record date. Shares voted "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" with respect to any proposal as well as broker non-votes are treated as being present at the meeting for purposes of establishing a quorum and are also treated as shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting with respect to such matter.

How Are Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes Treated?

Shares voted "ABSTAIN" and "broker non-votes" are counted as present and entitled to vote and are, therefore, included for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Annual Meeting. Neither abstentions nor broker non-votes are considered votes cast for purposes of determining the outcome of a proposal requiring the approval of a majority of the votes cast, so they will not affect the outcome of the vote assuming a quorum is obtained. Broker non-votes are also not included in the tabulation of the voting results on proposals requiring the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the proposals and, therefore, will not affect the outcome of the vote on such proposals, assuming a quorum is obtained. A broker non-vote occurs when a nominee holding shares for a beneficial owner is not permitted to vote on a particular proposal because such proposal is deemed non-routine, meaning the nominee does not have discretionary voting power with respect to that item, and the nominee has not received instructions from the beneficial owner.

How Many Votes Are Required to Pass a Proposal?

For Proposal One, Election of Directors, directors will be elected by a vote of a majority of the votes cast with respect to that nominee. In this context, a majority of the votes cast means that the number of votes "FOR" a nominee must exceed the number of votes cast "AGAINST" the nominee. For Proposal Two, Approval of Amendment to the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, approval by a majority of votes cast is required. For Proposal Three, the Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, the affirmative vote by a majority of votes present in person or represented by proxy, and entitled to vote on the matter, is required. For the non-binding Proposal Four, Advisory Vote to Approve Named Executive Officer Compensation, approval by a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting is required. The vote on compensation of our named executive officers is advisory and, therefore, not binding on us, the Board or the Compensation Committee. The Board and the Compensation Committee value the opinions of our stockholders and will take the vote of the stockholders on Proposal Four into account in their evaluation of the design and philosophy of our executive compensation program in the future.

How Does the Board Recommend I Vote on each of the Proposals?

The Board recommends that you vote:

FOR each of the nominees for the Board listed in this Proxy Statement.

FOR approval of the amendment to the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan increasing the number of shares of common stock issuable thereunder by 300,000.

FOR the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of Plantronics for fiscal year 2015.

FOR the approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the Plantronics' named executive officers.

What Is the Difference Between Holding Shares as a Stockholder of Record and as a Beneficial Owner?

Set forth below are certain distinctions between stockholders of record and those whose shares are owned beneficially or in "street name":

Stockholder of Record If your shares are registered directly in your name with Computershare Trust Company, N.A., our transfer agent, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to those shares and the Notice of Internet Availability is being sent directly to you by us. As the stockholder of record, you may grant your voting proxy directly to the Proxyholders nominated by the Board and named in the proxy card distributed or made available to you concurrently with this Proxy Statement (the "Proxyholders") or you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

Beneficial Owner Most of our stockholders hold their shares through a broker, bank or other nominee rather than directly in their own name. If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name," and the Notice of Internet Availability is being forwarded to you by your broker or nominee. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker how to vote on matters at the Annual Meeting and are also invited to attend the Annual Meeting; however, you may not cast a vote at the Annual Meeting without signed authorization from your broker or nominee in the form of a legal proxy. Your broker or nominee should have enclosed with the Notice of Internet Availability, or otherwise provided to you, a voting instruction card for your use in directing your broker or nominee how to vote your shares.

#### How Can I Vote?

Stockholder of Record Registered stockholders may vote in person at the Annual Meeting or by one of the following methods:

You may vote over the Internet by timely following the instructions at www.proxyvote.com or on the Notice of Internet Availability.

You may vote by telephone by calling 1-800-690-6903.

You may request a proxy card from us and cast your vote by completing, signing and dating the card where indicated and by thereafter timely mailing or otherwise returning the card in the enclosed prepaid, pre-addressed envelope.

Please note that the Internet and telephone voting facilities for registered stockholders will close at 11:59 PM Eastern Time on July 31, 2014. If you are voting by paper proxy card, it must be mailed in time to be received by July 31, 2014 to ensure your vote is cast at the Annual Meeting.

Beneficial Owner If your shares are held by a broker, bank or other nominee, you must timely follow the instructions on the form you receive from such broker, bank or other nominee to ensure your vote is cast. Please follow their instructions carefully. Also, please note that if the holder of record of your shares is a broker, bank or other nominee, and you wish to vote at the Annual Meeting, you must request signed authorization in the form of a legal proxy from such bank, broker or other nominee. To vote your shares at the Annual Meeting, you must present that legal proxy and satisfactory proof of identification to the Secretary.

Subject to instructions provided by the broker, bank or other nominee, as a beneficial owner you may typically vote by one of the following methods:

By Mail - If you requested printed copies of the proxy materials be mailed to you, you may vote by completing, signing, dating and timely returning your voting instruction card in the enclosed prepaid, pre-addressed envelope;

By Methods Listed on the Voting Instruction Card - Please refer to your voting instruction card, or other information provided by your bank, broker or other nominee, to determine whether you may vote by telephone or via the Internet, and timely follow such instructions; or

In Person With a Legal Proxy from the Record Holder - A "street name" stockholder who wishes to cast his or her vote at the Annual Meeting will need to obtain signed authorization in the form of a legal proxy from his or her bank, broker or other nominee. Please consult the voting instruction card provided to you by your bank, broker or other nominee to determine how to timely obtain a legal proxy.

All shares entitled to vote and which are represented by properly and timely completed proxies submitted via mail, telephone or the Internet, before the Annual Meeting and not revoked, will be voted at the Annual Meeting as instructed. If you are a stockholder of record and timely submit a properly signed proxy by mail, telephone or the Internet, but do not indicate how your shares should be voted on a matter, the shares represented by your returned proxy will be voted as the Board recommends.

How Can I Vote My Shares in Person at the Annual Meeting?

Stockholder of Record Shares held directly in your name as the stockholder of record may be voted in person at the Annual Meeting.

Beneficial Owner Shares held in "street name" may be voted in person by you only if you timely obtain signed authorization in the form of a legal proxy from the stockholder of record giving you the right to vote the shares. Submitting your vote via the Internet or telephone, or by returning a completed proxy card does not affect your right to vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

If you choose to vote in person at the Annual Meeting either as a stockholder of record or as a holder in "street name," please bring satisfactory proof of identification to the Secretary on the day of the Annual Meeting.

EVEN IF YOU CURRENTLY PLAN TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, WE RECOMMEND YOU ALSO SUBMIT YOUR PROXY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE SO THAT YOUR SHARES WILL BE VOTED ACCORDING TO YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF YOU LATER DO NOT TO ATTEND.

What Happens if Additional Proposals are Presented at the Annual Meeting?

Except for the proposals described in this Proxy Statement, we do not expect any other matters to be presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting. If you grant a proxy, the persons named as Proxyholders will have the discretion to vote your shares on additional matters, if any, properly presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting. Under our bylaws, the deadline has passed for notifying us of additional proposals to be presented at the Annual Meeting, therefore stockholders may not present proposals at the Annual Meeting.

#### Can I Change My Vote?

You may change your proxy instructions at any time prior to the vote at the Annual Meeting. For shares held directly in your name, you may change your vote by (i) executing a new proxy bearing a later date (which automatically revokes the earlier proxy) and delivering it to the Secretary at our principal executive office located at 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060 at or prior to the vote at the Annual Meeting; (ii) voting again on a later date via the Internet or by telephone (however, only your latest proxy timely submitted prior to the Annual Meeting will be counted); (iii) advising the Secretary at our principal executive office at the address stated above, in writing before the vote at the Annual Meeting; or (iv) attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person. For shares you hold beneficially, you may change your vote by timely submitting new voting instructions to your broker, bank or other nominee. Attendance at the Annual Meeting, without casting a vote, will not cause your previously granted proxy to be revoked.

#### What Happens if I Do Not Cast a Vote?

If you hold your shares in "street name" and you do not instruct your broker, bank or other nominee how to vote in the election of directors (Proposal One), no votes will be cast on your behalf. Your broker, bank or other nominee is also unable to vote your shares without your instruction, on the proposal to amend the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Proposal Two) and the advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers (Proposal Four). Your broker will, however, have discretion to vote any uninstructed shares on the ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2015 (Proposal Three). If you are a stockholder of record and you do not timely cast your vote, no votes will be cast on your behalf on any of the items of business at the Annual Meeting. If you are a stockholder of record and you return, in a timely manner, a properly executed proxy without indicating how you wish to vote, your shares will be voted in accordance with the Board's recommendation.

How Can I Contact Plantronics to Request Materials or Information Referred to in these Questions and Answers?

You may contact us:

By mail addressed to: Plantronics, Inc. 345 Encinal Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

Attn: Investor Relations

By calling (831) 426-5858 and asking for Investor Relations

By leaving a message on the Investor Relations portal of our website at: www.plantronics.com

We encourage you to conserve natural resources, as well as reduce printing and mailing costs, by using electronic delivery of our stockholder communications materials. If you have questions about electronic delivery, please call our Investor Relations office at the number set forth above. To sign up for electronic delivery:

Stockholder of Record If you are a stockholder of record (you hold your Plantronics shares in your own name through our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., or you have stock certificates), visit www.proxyvote.com to enroll.

Beneficial Owner If you are a beneficial owner (your shares are held by a bank, broker or other nominee), visit www.proxyvote.com to learn more about your electronic delivery options and enroll.

What is "Householding"?

We generally send a single Notice of Internet Availability and other stockholder communications to any household at which two or more stockholders reside unless we receive contrary instructions. This process is called "householding." If your Notice of Internet Availability is being householded and you wish to receive separate copies of the Notice of Internet Availability, or, if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive a single copy, you may contact our Investor Relations office by mail, telephone or the Internet, as described above. If you would like to opt out of this practice for future mailings, please contact us at Plantronics, Inc., 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060, Attn: Investor Relations, or by phone at 831-426-5858 and ask for Investor Relations.

What is the Deadline for Receipt of Stockholder Proposals for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders?

You may present proposals for action at a future stockholder meeting only if you comply with the requirements of the proxy rules established by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and our bylaws. For a stockholder proposal to be included in our Proxy Statement and form of Proxy for our 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders ("2015 Annual Meeting") under rules set forth in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Securities Exchange Act"), we must receive the proposal not later than February 13, 2015.

Stockholders wishing to present business at an annual meeting may do so by filing with the Secretary a "Business Solicitation Statement," containing, among other things, certain information about the business the stockholder intends to bring before the annual meeting and the stockholder proposing such business. Stockholders wishing to nominate a director for election to the Board may do so by filing with the Secretary a "Nominee Solicitation Statement" containing, among other things, certain information about the nominee and the stockholder nominating such nominee.

The Business Solicitation Statement or the Nominee Solicitation Statement, as applicable, must be filed with our Secretary not later than the close of business on the 60<sup>th</sup> day (June 2, 2015) nor earlier than the close of business on the 90<sup>th</sup> day (May 3, 2015) prior to the one-year anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders. In the event that no annual meeting was held in the previous year, or if the date of the annual meeting is advanced by more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 60 days after the one-year anniversary of the date of the previous year's annual meeting, then, for notice by the stockholder to be timely, it must be received by the Secretary not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the day on which a public announcement (as described in the bylaws) of the date of such meeting is first made by us. The deadlines for this year's Annual Meeting have passed, but for purposes of the 2015 Annual Meeting, or any subsequent annual meeting, please follow these instructions.

Our bylaws contain additional details about requirements for the Business Solicitation Statement and the Nominee Solicitation Statement as well as certain procedural requirements for the proposal of business and the nomination of directors. You should also review our Corporate Governance Guidelines and our Director Candidates Nomination Policy which contain additional information about the nomination of directors. Our bylaws, Corporate Governance Guidelines and Director Candidates Nomination Policy are available on the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com.

What is the Date of Our Fiscal Year End?

This Proxy Statement provides information about matters to be voted on at the Annual Meeting and related matters. Some of the information is stated as of the end of our fiscal year 2014 and some information is provided as of a more current date. Our fiscal years end on the Saturday closest to March 31. Our fiscal year 2014 ended on March 29, 2014. For purposes of consistent presentation, we have indicated in this Proxy Statement that each fiscal year ended "March 31" of the given year, even though the actual fiscal year end may have been on a different calendar date.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Strong corporate governance is an integral part of our core values. Our corporate governance policies and procedures are available on the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com. The Corporate Governance portal includes the Corporate Governance Guidelines, Access to Board of Directors Policy, Director Candidates Nomination Policy, Bylaws, Board Committee Charters, Code of Conduct and the link to Report Accounting Issues. This information is also available in print to any stockholder by making a written request addressed to Plantronics, Inc., 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060, Attn: Investor Relations.

#### Code of Conduct

We have a Code of Conduct (the "Code") which applies to all employees, our executive officers, and directors. Any waiver of any provision of the Code for a director or executive officer must be approved in writing by the Board and will be promptly disclosed to our stockholders by posting such waiver on our website. For further information see the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com.

#### **Ethics Hotline Policy**

Our Audit Committee has established an ethics hotline and website available to all employees, stockholders, and the general public for the anonymous submission of suspected legal, ethical or other violations including but not limited to accounting, internal controls, auditing matters, conflicts of interest, bribery, fraud, harassment, policy violations, environmental violations, substance abuse, theft or workplace violence. For further information see the Code or Report Accounting Issues link on the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com.

#### Access to Board of Directors Policy

Our Access to Board of Directors Policy outlines methods by which stockholders or any interested party may contact the Board, any member of our Board, including the presiding director or the non-employee directors as a group. For further information see the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com.

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

We have a policy set forth in our Corporate Governance Guidelines requiring that the roles of Chair of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") be separate. The Chair of the Board is, at all times, selected from our non-employee directors. The Board has determined that this structure of corporate governance is appropriate for our company at this time and believes it is considered a good governance practice by our stockholders. This structure allows the CEO to focus on the overall strategy and execution of our business and the Board to focus on Plantronics' governance, including management of the Board agenda, making major strategic decisions, assessing the performance of the CEO and management, and overseeing our strategy and execution. However, no single leadership model is right for all companies or at all times. The Board recognizes that, depending on the circumstances, other leadership models might be appropriate. Accordingly, the Board periodically reviews its leadership structure.

A key responsibility of the Board is ensuring that an effective process is in place to provide continuity of leadership over time at all levels within the Company. Annually, the Board conducts a review on succession planning. During this review, the Board may discuss a variety of issues, including future candidates for senior leadership positions, succession timing for those positions, and development plans for candidates believed to have the highest potential. The entire Board nominates and evaluates potential successors to the CEO and may similarly do so for other senior leadership positions. This process promotes continuity of leadership over the long term, and it forms the basis on which we make ongoing leadership assignments. It is a key success factor in managing our long-term planning for the

executive leadership of our business.

#### Board Role in Risk Oversight

Our Board oversees an enterprise-wide approach to risk management which is designed to support the achievement of long-term organizational performance and enhance stockholder value. Fundamentals of our risk management include understanding the risks we face, management's processes for managing the risks and determining our appropriate level of risk tolerance. Our management is responsible for day-to-day business risk management including disaster and crisis management, business and financial risk, strategic risk, legal risk, corporate governance risk and compliance risk. The Board, as a whole and through its committees, has the ultimate oversight responsibility for the risk management process.

Each of the committees of the Board focuses on particular aspects of risk management. The Audit Committee regularly discusses and evaluates policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management, including our major financial, compliance and operational risks and the steps that management takes to monitor and control such risk. The Audit Committee also oversees our independent registered public accounting firm and our annual audit, including reviewing our key financial risk areas with our independent auditors.

In its design of our overall compensation policies, programs and philosophy, the Compensation Committee assists the Board to manage incentives for short and long-term performance. In its evaluation and design of employee compensation programs, the Compensation Committee assesses and seeks to avoid or mitigate incentives that the Compensation Committee reasonably believes have the potential to encourage employees to take imprudent risks to achieve financial or other business objectives.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee assists the Board to fulfill its oversight responsibilities with respect to risks associated with corporate governance and Board organization, membership, structure, and succession planning for directors. This Committee reviews our corporate governance structures and recommends compliance and corporate governance principles and practices to the Board.

The Strategy Committee examines our business strategy and provides guidance on balancing risks and potential rewards of our strategic choices. This Committee also assesses risk associated with contemplated material mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures.

## Director Independence

The Board has determined that, except for Ken Kannappan, each of the current directors is independent under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). In determining director independence, the Board reviewed not only relationships between each director and Plantronics, but also relationships between Plantronics and the organizations with which the director is affiliated. After considering the relevant facts and circumstances, the Board determined that none of these individuals has a material relationship with Plantronics (either directly or as a partner, stockholder, or officer of an organization that has a relationship with us), other than as a director of Plantronics, and that each of these directors is free from any relationship that would impair his ability to exercise independent judgment. Mr. Tseu is the Chair of the Board and presides at executive sessions of the independent directors.

The Board has also determined that each member of the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee meets the independence requirements applicable to those committees prescribed by the NYSE and the SEC. The Board has further determined that Marv Tseu, Marshall Mohr and Gregg Hammann are audit committee financial experts as defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K as promulgated by the SEC.

## **Director Education**

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that our directors participate in continuing education programs on an "as needed" basis. The Board has a practice of receiving regular updates on corporate governance at Board meetings.

#### Directors' Attendance at Annual Meetings

We recognize that attendance by our directors at annual meetings of our stockholders can provide investors with an opportunity to communicate with directors about issues affecting us. Although we have not adopted a formal policy, we encourage all of our directors to attend our annual meeting each year. In the event a director cannot attend in person, we encourage directors to attend telephonically. All seven directors then in office and nominated for

re-election attended the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders telephonically.

## **Board Meetings and Committees**

The Board held a total of five regular meetings during fiscal year 2014. The directors met four times in executive session without Mr. Kannappan present. While serving during the last fiscal year, each director attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and at least 75% of the aggregate number of Board and applicable Committee meetings.

The Board has four standing committees, an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and a Strategy Committee, each of which is described below. See the table in Proposal One "Election of Directors" for a listing, as of the end of fiscal year 2014, of the members and chairs of each of these committees. Each of the four standing committees has adopted a written charter that is available on the Corporate Governance portal of our website at www.plantronics.com. This information is also available in print to any stockholder who makes a request to Plantronics, Inc., 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060, Attn: Investor Relations.

The Board also has an informal Mergers & Acquisitions Committee ("M&A Committee") to advise management during the early stages of merger, acquisition and divestiture activity. The M&A Committee has authority to approve management actions with regard to any potential merger, acquisition or divestiture transaction that involves less than \$5 million of consideration. Any merger, acquisition or divestiture transaction involving the transfer of consideration of \$5 million or greater is reviewed by the Board and is subject to its approval, in addition to any input from the M&A Committee and Strategy Committee, prior to completion.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee met nine times during fiscal year 2014. This Committee is responsible for overseeing actions taken by our financial reporting staff, internal control processes, and for hiring and supervising our independent registered public accounting firm, among other matters. The Board has determined that each member of the Audit Committee does, and did at all times during fiscal year 2014, meet the requirements of independence as defined by the NYSE listing standards as well as Rule 10A-3(b) of the Securities Exchange Act and that directors Mohr, Hammann and Tseu are each audit committee financial experts as defined by the SEC. A report of the Audit Committee is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix A.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Board has determined that each member of the Compensation Committee does, and did at all times during fiscal year 2014, meet the requirements for independence as defined by the NYSE listing standards and each member of the Committee was also a non-employee director as defined under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act and an outside director as defined under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Compensation Committee met six times during fiscal year 2014. The Committee has overall responsibility for: evaluating and recommending for approval by the Board, as necessary, our various compensation plans, policies and programs; determining and approving salaries, incentives and other forms of compensation for directors, executive officers (including our CEO) and other highly compensated employees; and administering various incentive compensation and benefit plans. The Committee may form and delegate subcommittees when appropriate. A report of the Compensation Committee is attached to this Proxy Statement as Appendix B. See also, the section entitled "Executive Compensation" for additional information regarding our compensation policies and practices.

The Compensation Committee has delegated the authority, within guidelines established by the Committee and as set forth in our 2003 Stock Plan, as amended, to make equity grants to employees who are not executive officers. An RSA (restricted stock award) Committee comprised of our CEO, so long as he is a member of our Board, has the authority to grant restricted stock awards. Each member of our Management Equity Committee, which consists of our CEO, our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, our Senior Vice President of Human Resources and our Vice President of Legal, has the authority to grant restricted stock unit awards and stock options.

#### Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Board has determined that each member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee does, and did at all times during fiscal year 2014, meet the requirements for independence as defined by NYSE listing standards. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee held two meetings during fiscal year 2014. Under the direction of the Board, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for identifying and interviewing potential additions or replacement members of the Board and assists the Board in determining the appropriate governance guidelines for us, the Board and management.

Identification of Director Candidates; Stockholder Nominations and Recommendations; and Director Qualifications

Generally, it is the policy of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee to review the qualifications of and consider any director candidates who have been properly recommended or nominated by a stockholder on the same basis as those candidates who have been identified by management, individual members of the Board and, if the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee determines, a search firm hired to identify candidates. When evaluating candidates, whether recommended or nominated by stockholders or identified by any other party, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee evaluates the current composition and size of the Board, the qualifications of such candidate, the needs of the Board and the respective committees of the Board, and such other factors it may consider appropriate; however, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has not established any specific minimum qualifications that must be met by or specific qualities or skills that are necessary for one or more members of the Board to possess.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee seeks nominees with a broad diversity of professional experience, skills, backgrounds, gender, race, national origin and ethnicity such that each director brings a different viewpoint and skills to the Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee does not have a formal policy with respect to diversity; however, the Board and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee believe that it is essential that the directors represent diverse viewpoints. In considering candidates for the Board, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee considers the entirety of each candidate's credentials in the context of these standards.

Stockholders wishing to nominate persons for election to the Board can do so by timely filing a Nominee Solicitation Statement with our Secretary which, in accordance with our Director Candidates Nomination Policy and our bylaws, contains, among other things, certain information concerning the nominee and the stockholder nominating such nominee as set forth in our bylaws and otherwise complying with the bylaws. The Nominee Solicitation Statement must be delivered to or mailed and received at our principal offices located at 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, Attn: Secretary not later than the close of business on the 60<sup>th</sup> day nor earlier than the close of business on the 90<sup>th</sup> day prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting of stockholders. In the event that no annual meeting was held in the previous year or if the date of the annual meeting is advanced by more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 60 days after the one-year anniversary of the date of the previous year's annual meeting, then, for notice by the stockholder to be timely, it must be received by our Secretary not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the day on which we first publicly announce (as described in the bylaws) the date of such annual meeting. Additional information regarding our policies with respect to director nominations can be found in our bylaws, our Corporate Governance Guidelines and our Director Candidates Nomination Policy, all of which are posted on the Corporate Governance portal in the About section of our website at www.plantronics.com.

#### Director Change in Primary Job Policy

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee initially reviews the appropriateness of the continued service of directors who change their primary employment held when they were most recently elected or appointed to the Board. If a director changes his or her primary job during his or her term of office, such director must submit a letter to the Board that (i) describes the circumstances surrounding the change; and (ii) contains an offer to resign from the Board. The Board then evaluates the circumstances surrounding the change and determines if the circumstances will adversely affect the director's ability to perform his or her duties as a member of the Board. If so, the Board will accept the director's offer to resign.

## **Director Commitments**

Each director must ensure that other existing and anticipated future commitments do not materially interfere with her or his service. In any event, no director shall serve on more than four additional public company boards. This limitation does not apply to any person who was a director on or before June 1, 2007. Directors should advise the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of any invitations to join a board of any other public company prior to accepting another directorship. With respect to Audit Committee members, no member may serve on the audit committee of more than three public companies, unless our Board determines such simultaneous service and related time commitments do not impair the director's ability to effectively serve on the Audit Committee, he or she takes steps to address any related issues and we disclose that determination in our proxy statement.

## **Strategy Committee**

Each member of the Strategy Committee is, and was at all times during fiscal year 2014, independent as defined by NYSE listing standards. The Strategy Committee held four meetings during fiscal year 2014. Under the direction and in support of the Board or management, the Strategy Committee is responsible for: meeting with management periodically to review and evaluate targeted areas of business development and implementation of our corporate strategy; reviewing and assessing material transactions and investments which we make that are designed to implement our corporate strategy; and recommending areas of improvement and providing feedback to management.

# PROPOSAL ONE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

#### Nominees

Seven directors have been nominated for election to the Board at the Annual Meeting. All nominees listed below are standing for re-election. Unless otherwise instructed, the Proxyholders will vote the proxies held by them for each of the seven nominees. If any nominee is unable or declines to serve as a director at the time of the Annual Meeting, the proxies will be voted for any nominee designated by the present Board to fill such vacancy. We are not aware of any nominee who will be unable or will decline to serve as a director and all nominees have consented to act as a director. The term of office for each person elected will continue until the next annual meeting or until a successor has been elected and qualified.

The names of, and certain information about, the nominees as of June 6, 2014 are set forth below:

Name of Nominee	Age	Director Since	Board	Audit	Compensation	Nominating and Corporate Governance	Strategy	Mergers and Acquisitions
Marv Tseu	66	1999	Chair	Member	Member	Chair	Member	
Ken Kannappan	54	1999	Member					
Brian Dexheimer	51	2008	Member	Member			Member	Member
Robert Hagerty	62	2011	Member			Member	Chair	Chair
Gregg Hammann	51	2005	Member	Member	Chair			
John Hart	68	2006	Member		Member	Member	Member	
Marshall Mohr	58	2005	Member	Chair				Member

### Vote Required

Each nominee will be elected by the vote of the majority of the votes cast with respect to the nominee at which a quorum is present. In this context, a majority of the votes cast means that the number of shares voted "FOR" a nominee must exceed the number of votes cast "AGAINST" that nominee.

As a condition to nomination, each director has submitted a contingent resignation of his membership on the Board in writing to the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee to be used with regard to majority voting in director elections. The resignation becomes effective only if the director fails to receive a majority of the votes cast with respect to his re-election at the Annual Meeting and the Board accepts the resignation. If the director nominee fails to receive the requisite vote under the bylaws, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will make a recommendation to the Board as to whether to accept or reject the resignation, or whether other action should be taken. The Board will act on the recommendation and publicly disclose its decision and the rationale behind it within 90 days from the date of the certification of the election results.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" EACH OF THE NOMINEES LISTED ABOVE.

#### **Business Experience of Directors**

Mr. Tseu has been a member of the Board since 1999 and serves as Chair of the Board and Presiding Director of executive sessions. Mr. Tseu has served as a managing partner since 2008 of Waypoint Strategies, a firm which advises companies' boards, CEOs and management on alignment of roles, responsibilities and actions to improve corporate performance and in April 2014 became Chief Operating Officer of Future Ads, LLC, a digital media company. From June 2009 to September 2013, Mr. Tseu served as Chief Operating Officer of Exponential Interactive, a leading global provider of advertising intelligence and digital media solutions to brand advertisers. From May 2006 to November 2007, Mr. Tseu served as Chief Executive Officer and Director of Axesstel, Inc., a designer and developer of fixed wireless voice and broadband data products. From October 2002 to March 2006, Mr. Tseu served as the Chief Executive Officer and was a founder of Active Reasoning, Inc., a private company that produced resource management software to help enterprises manage their IT operations, which was acquired by Oracle Corporation in 2007, From 2000 to 2002, Mr. Tseu served as a consulting venture partner with ComVentures, LLP, a venture capital firm focusing on communications companies. From February 2001 to July 2001, Mr. Tseu was Chief Executive Officer of Method Networks, Inc., an Internet technology company helping enterprises automate the management of their Internet networks. From October 1999 to October 2000, Mr. Tseu served as President and Chief Executive Officer and was a co-founder of SiteSmith, Inc., a provider of outsourced Internet site operations. From August 1998 to July 1999, Mr. Tseu served as President of Structured Internetworks, Inc., a company engaged in the design and marketing of bandwidth allocation products. Mr. Tseu has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Stanford University.

Through his more than 30 years of professional experience founding, developing and leading networking and communication companies, Mr. Tseu has demonstrated leadership capability and extensive knowledge of complex financial, managerial and operational issues facing a broad variety of companies. Moreover, Mr. Tseu has been a member of the Board since 1999 and thus has the benefit of historical experience relating to Plantronics and the headset industry as a whole.

Mr. Kannappan joined Plantronics in 1995 as Vice President of Sales and was promoted to various positions prior to being named President and Chief Operating Officer in March 1998. In January 1999, he was promoted to Chief Executive Officer and has been a member of our Board of Directors since that date. Mr. Kannappan currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors at Mattson Technology, Inc., a supplier of advanced process equipment for the semiconductor industry. Mr. Kannappan has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Yale University and a Master of Business Administration from Stanford University.

Mr. Kannappan's extensive experience as part of our management team and his in-depth knowledge of the headset industry as a whole make him uniquely qualified to serve as a member of the Board.

Mr. Dexheimer has been a member of the Board since 2008. Mr. Dexheimer held various sales, marketing and executive management roles over 25 years at Seagate Technology, an industry leading company focused on core elements of data storage in the enterprise and consumer markets, until his retirement in July 2009. Mr. Dexheimer's roles at Seagate included: Chief Sales & Marketing Officer; Executive Vice President - Sales, Marketing and Customer Service; and Executive Vice President - Storage Businesses and Corporate Strategy, where he was primarily responsible for company strategy, road map and all go-to-market aspects of the company. In his most recent role he served as President - Consumer Solutions, where he was responsible for the development, manufacturing and go-to-market of Seagate's branded direct attached and network attached consumer products and services. Mr. Dexheimer has a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from the University of Portland, a Masters of Business Administration from Pepperdine University and Director Certification from UCLA.

Mr. Dexheimer, from his roles at Seagate Technology, has extensive experience in strategy, sales, marketing and general management relating to commercial and consumer products and services. In addition, he has substantial knowledge of supply chain management. His deep knowledge of these areas brings valuable insight to our Board.

Mr. Hagerty has been a member of the Board since September 2011. He has served as CEO of iControl Networks, Inc., a software and services company for the broadband home management market, since September 2011. From 1998 to May 2010, Mr. Hagerty served as CEO, President and Chairman of Polycom, Inc., a provider of personal video systems, video and voice collaboration infrastructures and conference phones. Prior to joining Polycom, Mr. Hagerty served as President of Stylus Assets, Ltd., a developer of software and hardware products for fax, document management and Internet communications. He also held several key management positions with Logitech, Inc., including Operating Committee Member to the Office of the President, and Senior Vice President/General Manager of Logitech's retail division and worldwide operations. In addition, Mr. Hagerty's career includes positions as Vice President, High Performance Products for Conner Peripherals and key management positions at Signal Corporation and Digital Equipment Corporation. Mr. Hagerty is currently a director of Smart Technologies, Inc. He has served on several boards of directors in the past including Eye IO (a private Company), Palm from 2007 to 2010, Modulus Video, Inc. from 2007 to 2009, and as Chairman of the Board of Polycom. Mr. Hagerty holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering from the University of Massachusetts and a Master of Arts degree in Management from St. Mary's College of California.

Mr. Hagerty has more than 13 years of experience as a CEO of a public communications technology company and has served on the board of directors for several technology companies. Through his professional experience, Mr. Hagerty has demonstrated leadership capability and extensive knowledge of the communications technology industry. In particular, his deep understanding of the unified communications market is invaluable to a key market in our growth strategy.

Mr. Hammann has been a member of the Board since 2005. Since 2007 he has also acted as Chief Executive Officer of Action Advisors, where he assists global companies in strategic planning, succession planning and improving operational results. From 2003 to 2007 he was Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Nautilus, Inc., a home fitness equipment manufacturer. He has held executive positions at Levi Strauss & Company, Coca-Cola Company, J.H. Whitney & Co., a private equity firm, and Power Plate North America, a manufacturer of technologically advanced exercise equipment. Mr. Hammann has also held management positions at Famous Footwear, The Rayovac Corporation, and Procter & Gamble. Mr. Hammann earned a BBA from the University of Iowa and has a Master of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Hammann brings extensive experience as a chief executive officer to our Board and over twenty years of marketing experience with world class brands such as Coca-Cola and Levi Strauss. His contribution to the Board is valuable to our growth as we seek to expand our brand on a global basis.

Mr. Hart has been a member of the Board since March 2006. From September 1990 to September 2000, he was Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of 3Com Corporation where he was responsible for the overall strategic direction of the company during the 10 year period. Prior to 3Com, Mr. Hart was Vice President of Engineering at Vitalink Communications Corporation where he led the group that invented, patented and shipped the industry's first Ethernet switching products. Mr. Hart holds a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from the University of Georgia.

Mr. Hart's experience determining the strategic direction for large technology companies is valuable to the Board because he can provide experienced and detailed advice to management on business and technological strategies.

Mr. Mohr has been a member of the Board since 2005. Since March 2006, he has been Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Intuitive Surgical, Inc., a provider of surgical robotics. Prior to joining Intuitive Surgical, from 2003 to 2006, Mr. Mohr was Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Adaptec, Inc., a computer hardware company. Prior to joining Adaptec, Mr. Mohr was an audit partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP where he served in a variety of roles, concluding as the managing partner of the firm's West Region Technology Industry Group, and led its Silicon Valley accounting and audit advisory practice. Mr. Mohr has been a member of the Board of

Directors of Pacific Biosciences of California, Inc., a developer of integrated platforms for high resolution genetic analysis, since January 2012, and serves on its Audit and Compensation Committees. Mr. Mohr has also been a member of the Board of Directors of Ulthera, Inc., a developer of technologies for aesthetic and medical applications, since April 2014, and serves as the Chairman of Ulthera's Audit Committee. Mr. Mohr was a member of the Board of Directors of Atheros Communications, Inc., a developer of semiconductor system solutions for wireless communications products, from November 2003 to May 2011 when Atheros was sold to QUALCOMM, Incorporated. Mr. Mohr also served as the Chairman of Atheros, Inc.'s Audit Committee. Mr. Mohr received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and Finance from Western Michigan University.

Mr. Mohr's experience in financial and accounting matters is important to the Board's duty to oversee our financial reporting and to manage our relationship with our independent auditors.

#### COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

Under our Outside Director Compensation Policy in effect during fiscal year 2014, each director, other than Mr. Kannappan, and each chair and member of the Audit, Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance and Strategy committees received quarterly retainer fees in the amounts indicated in the table below. The amounts paid to the Chair of the Board and each of the applicable committees were in lieu of, and not in addition to, the amounts paid to the members of the Board and committees.

	Quarterly Retainer Fee
Board of Directors	•
Chair	\$17,500
Member	12,500
Audit Committee	
Chair	5,000
Member	2,500
Compensation Committee	
Chair	3,750
Member	1,875
Nominating and Corporate Committee	
Chair	2,500
Member	1,250
Strategy Committee	
Chair	2,500
Member	1,250
M&A Committee	
Chair	_
Member	_

No attendance fees were paid to directors for meetings of the Board or any of the committees in fiscal year 2014. Directors were, however, entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with attendance at Board and committee meetings.

Also under the Outside Director Compensation Policy, directors who continue to serve as non-employee directors following each annual meeting of stockholders are entitled to each receive the following automatic, non-discretionary equity grants: (1) a non-qualified stock option with a grant date Black-Scholes value of \$50,000; and (2) a restricted stock award with a fair market value of \$75,000 based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the NYSE on the date of grant. The actual number of shares awarded to each non-employee director as a stock option grant and restricted stock awards are set forth in the "Non-Employee Director Compensation Fiscal Year 2014" table set forth below.

Mr. Kannappan is an employee of Plantronics and, as such, is not eligible to receive compensation as a director, including the automatic equity grants awarded to non-employee directors.

The following table summarizes the compensation paid to our directors, other than Mr. Kannappan (whose compensation is disclosed in the section entitled "Summary Compensation Table" below), for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014:

#### NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION FISCAL YEAR 2014

Name	Fees Earned or	Stock Awards	Option Awards (1)(3)	All Other	Total
	Paid in Cash	(1)(2)	Option Awards (1)(8)	Compensation (4)	Total
Marv Tseu	\$102,500	\$74,968	\$49,990	\$1,884	\$229,342
Brian Dexheimer	65,000	74,968	49,990	1,884	191,842
Robert Hagerty	65,000	74,968	49,990	1,134	191,092
Gregg Hammann	75,000	74,968	49,990	1,884	201,842
John Hart	67,500	74,968	49,990	1,884	194,342
Marshall Mohr	70,000	74,968	49,990	1,884	196,842

Stock option and stock award amounts reported are the aggregate grant date fair value of stock-related awards in fiscal year 2014 computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Refer to Note 2 – Significant Accounting

- Policies, Stock-Based Compensation Expense and Note 9 Stock Plans and Stock-Based Compensation to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 as filed with the SEC on May 16, 2014, for the assumptions used to value such awards. The amounts shown exclude the impact of estimated forfeitures.
- (2) The aggregate number of stock award shares outstanding at March 31, 2014 are 4,599 for each of Messrs. Tseu, Dexheimer, Hammann, Hart and Mohr and 3,099 for Mr. Hagerty.
- (3) The aggregate number of stock option shares outstanding at March 31, 2014 for each director is: Mr. Tseu 17,531; Mr. Dexheimer 29,531; Mr. Hagerty 20,531; Mr. Hammann 11,906; Mr. Hart 17,903; and Mr. Mohr 20,531.
- (4) Consists of dividends paid on unvested restricted stock awards.

# PROPOSAL TWO APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2002 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

#### General

Stockholders are being asked to approve an amendment to the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated (the "ESPP"), described below. The ESPP was originally adopted by our Board in June 2002 and thereafter approved by our stockholders in July 2002. The ESPP does not have a term. It continues indefinitely until terminated by the Administrator (defined below).

If approved by our stockholders at the Annual Meeting, the number of shares issuable under the ESPP will be increased by 300,000. When initially approved in 2002, 200,000 shares of our common stock were authorized for issuance under the ESPP. In subsequent affirmative votes of our stockholders, the aggregate number of authorized shares was increased to 2,400,000, of which 307,607 shares remain available for future purchases as of June 2, 2014. Based on the fair market value of our common stock of \$45.30 on June 2, 2014, we project the ESPP will run out of shares in fiscal year 2016 if the number of authorized shares is not increased. Consequently, believing additional shares are required for future issuances under the ESPP, on May 27, 2014 the Board approved an increase of 300,000 shares under the ESPP, subject to stockholder approval. The requested 300,000 share increase represents less than approximately 1% of our currently outstanding shares.

The Board believes that the ESPP is an important component of our total employee benefit package and that it is in the best interest of Plantronics and our stockholders that our stockholders approve the proposed increase in the number of authorized shares available for purchase by employees under the ESPP. If our stockholders approve the increase, as of August 1, 2014 the total number of shares of our common stock available for future purchases under the ESPP will be 607,607.

In considering its recommendation to amend the ESPP to reserve an additional 300,000 shares for issuance, our Board reviewed the number of shares purchased under the ESPP during each of the past three years. In fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014, the number of shares purchased was 182,209, 158,596 and 151,607, respectively. Although our Board reviewed the historical number of purchased shares prior to making its recommendation, the actual number of shares purchased under the ESPP in any given year will depend on a number of factors, including the number of participants, contribution rates and our stock price. Based on the number of shares purchased in fiscal 2014 and the 307,607 shares currently available, we forecast that an additional 300,000 shares would meet our needs for approximately three years, but the actual number of shares that will be purchased will depend on varying factors, including those listed above.

#### Vote Required

The affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast is required to approve the amendment to the ESPP.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE ESPP.

Summary of the 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The following is a summary of the principal features of the ESPP and its operation. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the ESPP, as it is proposed to be amended and restated and set forth in Appendix C, attached hereto.

#### General

The purpose of our ESPP is to provide employees with an opportunity to purchase our common stock through payroll deductions or cash contributions, as applicable. The ESPP may be administered by the Board or a committee appointed by the Board, referred to as the Administrator. All questions of interpretation or application of the ESPP are determined by the Administrator, and its decisions are final, conclusive and binding upon all participants. The ESPP became effective June 10, 2002, the date that it was adopted by our Board, and will continue in effect indefinitely unless and until terminated by the Administrator.

#### Eligibility

Each of our employees and the employees of our designated subsidiaries who have been employed for a minimum of seven calendar days (or such other length of time determined by the Administrator) prior to the first day of an offering period is eligible to participate in the ESPP; provided, however, employees who are not citizens of the United States or are residents of a non-United States jurisdiction may be excluded from participation if participation is prohibited under the laws of an applicable country or if compliance with the laws of a country would cause the ESPP or any offering period under the ESPP to violate Internal Revenue Code Section 423. Additionally, no employee shall be granted an option under the ESPP (i) to the extent that, immediately after the grant, such employee would own 5% or more of either the voting power or value of our stock or any of our subsidiaries, or (ii) to the extent that his or her rights to purchase stock under all of our employee stock purchase plans or those of our subsidiaries accrues at a rate which exceeds \$25,000 worth of stock (determined at the fair market value of the shares at the time such option is granted) for each calendar year. As of June 2, 2014, approximately 1,450 employees, including all five of our named executive officers, were eligible to participate in the ESPP and approximately 650 employees were participating in the ESPP.

#### Shares Subject to the Plan

There are 2,400,000 shares of our common stock reserved for issuance under the ESPP and the maximum number of shares available for sale under the ESPP as of June 2, 2014 is 307,607 (not including the proposed increase of 300,000 shares that is the subject of this proposal), subject to adjustment upon changes in capitalization as described below. On May 27, 2014, the Board approved an increase of 300,000 issuable shares under the ESPP, subject to stockholder approval at the Annual Meeting.

#### Offering Period

The ESPP is implemented by consecutive offering periods lasting approximately 6 months in duration with a new offering period commencing on February 15 and August 15 each year. To participate in the ESPP, each eligible employee must authorize payroll deductions or make a lump sum cash contribution pursuant to the ESPP and guidelines established by the Administrator. Such payroll deductions or lump sum contribution may not exceed 10% of a participant's compensation. Compensation is defined as base straight time gross earnings, but exclusive of payments for overtime, shift premium, incentive compensation, incentive payments, bonuses, commissions, car allowances, profit-sharing and other compensation. The Administrator has the power to change the duration of future offering periods without stockholder approval if such change is announced prior to the scheduled beginning of the first offering period to be affected thereafter. Once an employee becomes a participant in the ESPP, our common stock will automatically be purchased under the ESPP at the end of each offering period, unless the participant withdraws his or her participation or terminates employment earlier.

## Purchase Price

Shares of our common stock may be purchased under the ESPP at a purchase price not less than 85% of the lesser of the fair market value of our common stock on (i) the first day of the offering period or (ii) the last day of the offering period. The fair market value of our common stock on any relevant date will be the closing price per share as reported on the NYSE, or the mean of the closing bid and asked prices, if no sales were reported, as quoted on such exchange or reported in The Wall Street Journal.

Payment of Purchase Price; Payroll Deductions

The purchase price of the shares is accumulated by payroll deductions throughout each offering period or a lump sum cash contribution in accordance with Administrator guidelines. The number of shares of our common stock a participant may purchase in each offering period is determined by dividing the total amount of payroll deductions withheld from the participant's compensation or lump sum cash contribution during that offering period by the purchase price; provided, however, that a participant may not purchase more than 5,000 shares in any offering period. During the offering period, a participant may discontinue his or her participation in the ESPP. All payroll deductions made for, or the lump sum cash contribution received from, a participant are in whole percentages only and are credited to the participant's account under the ESPP and included with our general funds. Funds we receive pursuant to exercises under the ESPP are also used for general corporate purposes.

#### Withdrawal

Generally, a participant may withdraw from an offering period at any time by written notice without affecting his or her eligibility to participate in future offering periods. However, once a participant withdraws from a particular offering period, that participant may not participate again in the same offering period. To participate in a subsequent offering period, the participant must deliver to us a new subscription agreement.

#### Transferability

Neither amounts credited to a participant's account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of an option or to receive shares under the ESPP may be assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way other than by will, or the laws of descent and distribution.

#### Termination of Employment

Upon termination of a participant's employment for any reason, including disability or death, his or her option and participation in the ESPP terminates. At such time, the amounts credited to the participant's account (to the extent not used to make a purchase of our common stock) are returned to him or her or, in the case of death, to the person or persons entitled thereto as provided in the ESPP.

Adjustments upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Liquidation, Merger or Asset Sale

Changes in Capitalization Subject to any required action by our stockholders, the number of shares reserved under the ESPP, the maximum number of shares that may be purchased during any offering period, as well as the price per share and the number of shares of common stock covered by each option under the ESPP which has not yet been exercised shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of common stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the common stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of shares of common stock effected without receipt of consideration by us; provided, however, that conversion of any of our convertible securities shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Administrator, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by us of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of common stock subject to an option.

Dissolution or Liquidation In the event of our proposed dissolution or liquidation, the Administrator shall shorten any offering periods then in progress by setting a new exercise date and any offering periods shall end on the new exercise date. Unless otherwise provided by the Administrator, the new exercise date shall be prior to the dissolution or liquidation. If the Administrator shortens any offering periods then in progress, the Administrator shall notify each participant in writing, at least ten business days prior to the new exercise date, that the exercise date has been changed to the new exercise date and that the option will be exercised automatically on the new exercise date, unless the participant has already withdrawn from the offering period.

Merger or Asset Sale In the event of a proposed sale of all or substantially all of our assets or our merger with or into another corporation, each option under the ESPP shall be assumed or an equivalent option shall be substituted by such successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary of such successor corporation. In the event the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for the options, the Administrator shall shorten any offering periods then in progress by setting a new exercise date and any offering periods shall end on the new exercise date. The new exercise date shall be prior to the date of the sale or merger. If the Administrator shortens any offering period then in progress, the Administrator shall notify each participant in writing, at least ten business days prior to the new exercise date, that the exercise date has been changed to the new exercise date and that the option will be exercised automatically on the new exercise date, unless the participant has already withdrawn from the offering period.

#### Amendment and Termination of the Plan

The Administrator may at any time terminate, suspend or amend the ESPP. An offering period may be terminated at the end of any offering period if the Administrator determines that termination of the ESPP is in our best interests and

the best interests of our stockholders. Generally, no such termination can affect options previously granted. No amendment shall be effective unless approved by the holders of a majority of the votes cast at a duly held stockholders' meeting, if such amendment would require stockholder approval in order to comply with Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code or the requirements of the NYSE.

#### Certain Federal Income Tax Information

The following brief summary of the general federal income tax consequences to U.S. taxpayer participants and us with respect to shares purchased under the ESPP does not purport to be complete, and does not discuss the tax consequences of a participant's death or the income tax laws of any state or foreign country in which the participant may reside. Tax consequences for any particular individual may be different.

The ESPP, and the right of participants to make purchases thereunder, is intended to qualify under the provisions of Sections 421 and 423 of the Internal Revenue Code. Under these provisions, no income will be taxable to a participant until the shares purchased under the ESPP are sold or otherwise disposed of. Upon sale or other disposition of the shares, the participant will generally be subject to tax in an amount that depends upon the holding period. If the shares are sold or otherwise disposed of more than 2 years from the first day of the applicable offering period and 1 year from the applicable date of purchase, the participant will recognize ordinary income measured as the lesser of (a) the excess of the fair market value of the shares at the time of such sale or disposition over the purchase price, or (b) an amount equal to 15% of the fair market value of the shares as of the first day of the applicable offering period. Any additional gain will be treated as long-term capital gain. If the shares are sold or otherwise disposed of before the expiration of these holding periods, the participant will recognize ordinary income generally measured as the excess of the fair market value of the shares on the date the shares are purchased over the purchase price. Any additional gain or loss on such sale or disposition will be long-term or short-term capital gain or loss, depending on how long the shares have been held from the date of purchase. We generally are not entitled to a deduction for amounts taxed as ordinary income or capital gain to a participant except to the extent of ordinary income recognized by participants upon a sale or disposition of shares prior to the expiration of the holding periods described above.

#### Plan Benefits

Given that the number of shares of common stock that may be purchased under the ESPP is determined, in part, on the market value of our common stock on the first and last day of the offering period and that participation is voluntary on the part of employees, the actual number of shares that may be purchased by any individual is not determinable. For illustrative purposes, the following table sets forth (a) the number of shares that were purchased during fiscal year 2014 under the ESPP, and (b) the average per share purchase price paid for such shares:

		(a)	(b)
Name	Position	Number of Shares	Average Per Share
Name	POSITION	Purchased	Exercise Price
Ken Kannappan	Director, President and CEO	630	\$35.88
Pam Strayer	Senior Vice President, CFO	941	\$35.53
	Senior Vice President of		
Joe Burton	Technology, Development &	216	\$35.53
	Strategy and CTO		
Don Houston	Senior Vice President, Sales	628	\$35.64
Renee Niemi	Senior Vice President,	491	\$35.53
Reflect Mellii	Communication Solutions	771	φ33.33
Executive Group (1)		3,552	\$35.68
Non-Executive Director Group (2)		_	\$—
Non-Executive Officer Employee		148,055	\$35.55
Group (3)		170,033	ψ 33.33

- (1) The Executive Group is composed of 7 executive officers.
- (2) The Non-Executive Director Group is composed of all members of the Board except Ken Kannappan. Directors who are not employees of Plantronics are not eligible to participate in the ESPP.
  - The Non-Executive Officer Employee Group is composed of all our employees worldwide minus the Executive
- (3) Group. The Non-Executive Officer Employee Group average per share exercise price is calculated as a weighted average.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth information with respect to our equity compensation plans as of March 29, 2014, the end of our most recently completed fiscal year:

	(a)		(b)		(c)	
Number of securities to securities to issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrand rights		Weighted-averag exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights			Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))	
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders (1)	2,117,238	(2)	\$ 29.14	(3)	3,631,871	(4)
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	55,413	(5)	\$ —		_	
Total	2,172,651		\$ 28.40		3,631,871	

- (1) Includes our 2003 Stock Plan and ESPP but does not include the additional 300,000 shares for the ESPP for which stockholder approval is being requested at the Annual Meeting.
- (2) Includes 1,933,775 shares subject to stock option awards and 183,463 shares subject to restricted stock unit ("RSU") awards. Excludes purchase rights accruing under the ESPP.
  - RSUs, which are included in the number of outstanding options, warrants and rights, do not have an exercise price
- (3) and therefore, reduce the weighted-average exercise price of outstanding rights. Excluding RSUs, the weighted-average exercise price of outstanding stock options is \$31.91.
- (4) Consists of 3,324,264 shares available for future issuance under the 2003 Stock Plan and 307,607 shares under the ESPP.
  - Granted as a material inducement of employment to certain employees in connection with the acquisition of Tonalite in fiscal year 2013. The material features of this plan are substantially the same as those of the 2003 Stock
- (5) Plan which are more fully described in the Form S-8 filed by Plantronics with the SEC on August 6, 2012 and in Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013 filed on May 24, 2013.

# PROPOSAL THREE RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

#### General

The Audit Committee of the Board has selected PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PricewaterhouseCoopers"), an independent registered public accounting firm, to audit our consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2015. The Board recommends that stockholders vote for ratification of such appointment. If this Proposal Three is not approved, the Audit Committee will reconsider its selection.

PricewaterhouseCoopers has audited our consolidated financial statements annually since 1988. A representative of PricewaterhouseCoopers will be available at the Annual Meeting to respond to questions and will have an opportunity to make a statement at the Annual Meeting if he or she desires to do so.

#### Audit and Related Fees

The following table summarizes the fees for audit and other services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers, our independent registered public accounting firm, for each of the fiscal years ended March 31, 2014 and 2013. All figures are net of Value Added Tax and other similar taxes assessed by non-U.S. jurisdictions on the amount billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers, but include out-of-pocket expenses. All of the services described in the following fee table were approved in conformity with the Audit Committee's pre-approval process.

The following is a summary of fees and services pre-approved by the Audit Committee and performed by our independent registered public accounting firm for each of the fiscal years:

	Fiscal Year Er	ided March 31,
Fee Category	2014	2013
Audit Fees	\$2,179,504	\$2,071,143
Audit-Related Fees	185,000	_
Tax Fees	253,338	232,482
All Other Fees	7,290	14,739
Total	\$2,625,132	\$2,318,364

Audit Fees Consists of fees billed to us for professional services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers for (i) the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements included in our Form 10-K; (ii) review of our interim consolidated financial statements included in our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q; (iii) services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers in connection with the audit of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002; and (iv) consents and assistance in connection with other filings, including statutory audits and services, and other documents filed with the SEC.

Audit-Related Fees Consists of fees billed to us for professional services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our consolidated financial statements and are not reported under "Audit Fees." Audit-related services principally include due diligence in connection with acquisitions, accounting consultations, attest services that are not required by statute or regulation, consultations concerning financial accounting and reporting standards, audits in connection with proposed or consummated acquisitions, and information systems audits.

Tax Fees Consists of fees billed to us for professional services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning.

All Other Fees Consists of fees billed to us for products and services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers and not reported under "Audit Fees," "Audit-Related Fees" and "Tax Fees."

Our Audit Committee believes that the services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers that led to the fees reported under "Audit Fees," "Tax Fees" and "All Other Fees" are compatible with maintaining PricewaterhouseCoopers' independence.

Our Audit Committee has the authority to adopt pre-approval policies or procedures, so that all fees for services expected to be rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm are pre-approved by the Audit Committee. All audit and non-audit services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers to us must be pre-approved in advance by our Audit Committee; provided, however, the Chair of our Audit Committee has the authority to approve fees for audit and non-audit services of up to \$100,000 in any fiscal quarter. All other permitted services must be pre-approved by either the Audit Committee or a delegate of the Audit Committee. If pre-approval is obtained from a delegate of the Audit Committee, the service may be performed provided that the service is presented to the Audit Committee at the next scheduled meeting. All of the services performed by PricewaterhouseCoopers referenced above were pre-approved by our Audit Committee.

#### Vote Required

Approval of the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers as the independent registered public accounting firm requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock that are present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.

# PROPOSAL FOUR ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION

#### General

Stockholders are urged to read the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this Proxy Statement, which discusses how our compensation program is designed and how our practices reflect our compensation philosophy, as well as the Summary Compensation table and the related compensation tables, notes and narrative. The Compensation Committee and the Board believe that our compensation program design and practices are effective in implementing our guiding principles.

Under Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act") we are required to submit this proposal to stockholders for a non-binding advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers ("NEOs"). This proposal, commonly known as a "say-on-pay" proposal, gives our stockholders the opportunity to express their views on the compensation of our NEOs. This vote is not intended to address any specific item of compensation, but rather the overall compensation of our NEOs and the compensation principles, policies and practices described in this Proxy Statement. Accordingly, the following resolution is submitted for stockholder vote at the Annual Meeting:

RESOLVED, that the Company's stockholders approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as described in this Proxy Statement pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section, the compensation tables and other narrative compensation disclosures.

We hold an advisory vote on NEO compensation annually. Accordingly, the next vote will occur at our 2015 Annual Meeting.

We are also required under Section 14A of the Exchange Act to submit a proposal to stockholders regarding the frequency of our say-on-pay proposals at least every six years. Stockholders were last asked to vote on the frequency of say-on-pay at our 2011 Annual Meeting. Consequently, unless our Board decides to do so earlier, our next vote on the frequency of say-on-pay will occur in 2016.

#### Vote Required

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to be voted on the proposal at the Annual Meeting is required for approval of this Proposal Four. However, this vote is advisory and therefore, not binding on us, the Compensation Committee, or the Board. The Board and the Compensation Committee value the opinions of our stockholders and will take the vote of the stockholders on this Proposal into account in their evaluation of the design and philosophy of our executive compensation program in the future.

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE APPROVAL OF THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DESCRIBED IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Security Ownership of Principal Stockholders and Management

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to beneficial ownership of our common stock as of May 30, 2014 (except as noted below) as to (i) each person who is known by us to own beneficially more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, (ii) each of our directors and each nominee for director, (iii) our CEO, CFO, and each of our three other most highly compensated executive officers (collectively, the "NEOs"), and (iv) all directors and Executive Officers as a group. Except as otherwise indicated, we believe that the beneficial owners of our common stock listed below have sole investment and voting power with respect to such shares, subject to community property laws. The information below is calculated in compliance with SEC rules, but does not necessarily indicate beneficial ownership for any other purpose.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner (1)  PRIMECAP Management Company (4) 225 South Lake Ave., Suite 400 Pasadena, California 91101	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership <sup>(2)</sup> 4,910,950	Percent of Class <sup>(3)</sup> 11.4	%
Royce & Associates, LLC <sup>(5)</sup> 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151	4,556,160	10.6	%
BlackRock, Inc. <sup>(6)</sup> 40 East 52nd Street New York, NY 10022	3,698,277	8.6	%
The Vanguard Group, Inc. (7) 100 Vanguard Blvd. Malvern, PA 19355	2,630,963	6.1	%
Ken Kannappan Don Houston Renee Niemi Joe Burton Pam Strayer Brian Dexheimer Marshall Mohr Marv Tseu John Hart Gregg Hammann Robert Hagerty	597,871 229,537 162,737 107,997 54,799 44,228 24,524 20,524 17,396 13,899 13,712	1.4 *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *  *	%
All Directors and All Executive Officers as a Group (13 persons)	1,419,264	3.2	%

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%.

<sup>(1)</sup> Unless otherwise indicated, the address for each beneficial owner named in the table is c/o Plantronics, Inc., 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060.

(2) Includes stock options held by directors and NEOs that are exercisable within 60 days of May 30, 2014, as follows:

Director/Named Executive Officer	Stock Option
Ken Kannappan	426,943
Don Houston	167,722
Renee Niemi	108,696
Joe Burton	51,388
Pam Strayer	25,556
Brian Dexheimer	21,916
Marshall Mohr	12,916
Marv Tseu	6,916
John Hart	10,288
Gregg Hammann	4,291
Robert Hagerty	10,104

All Directors and All Executive Officers as a Group (13 persons) 917,679

For each person and group included in the table, percentage ownership is calculated by dividing the number of shares beneficially owned by such person or group calculated pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange

- (3) Act and set forth in the table by the sum of 42,929,877 shares of common stock outstanding on May 30, 2014 and the number of shares of common stock that such person or group had the right to acquire on or within 60 days of May 30, 2014 as set forth in footnote 2 above.
  - As of December 31, 2013, PRIMECAP Management Company ("PRIMECAP") claimed sole dispositive power as to 4,910,950 shares and neither sole nor shared voting power over these shares, based solely upon PRIMECAP's Schedule 13G/A, Amendment 18, filed on February 14, 2014. PRIMECAP has supplementally informed
- Plantronics that 3,701,500 of these 4,910,950 shares were held by Vanguard Chester Funds Vanguard PRIMECAP Fund, which is managed by PRIMECAP. In Amendment No. 22 to Schedule 13G/A filed February 4, 2014, Vanguard Chester Funds Vanguard PRIMECAP Fund reported that, as of December 31, 2013 it had sole voting power over 3,701,500 of these shares and neither sole nor shared dispositive power over any of these shares. The address of Vanguard Chester Funds Vanguard PRIMECAP Fund is 100 Vanguard Blvd., Malvern, PA 19355.
- As of December 31, 2013, Royce & Associates, LLC claims sole voting power and sole dispositive power as to 4,556,160 shares. Information provided herein is based solely upon Royce & Associates, LLC's Schedule 13G/A, Amendment No. 3 filed on January 13, 2014.
- As of December 31, 2013, BlackRock, Inc., claims sole voting power as to 3,564,687 shares and sole dispositive
- (6) power as to 3,698,277 shares. Information provided herein is based solely upon BlackRock, Inc.'s Schedule 13G/A, Amendment No. 4 filed on January 13, 2014. BlackRock, Inc. is a publicly held entity listed on the NYSE. As of December 31, 2013, The Vanguard Group, Inc. claims sole dispositive power as to 2,572,977 shares, shared
- (7) dispositive power as to 57,986 shares and sole voting power as to 61,186 shares. Information provided herein is based solely upon The Vanguard Group, Inc.'s Schedule 13G/A, Amendment No. 3 filed on February 11, 2014.

#### **Stock Ownership Requirements**

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board has established stock ownership guidelines for all Executive Officers and directors. Under the guidelines, Executive Officers should own, and directors must own, a certain amount of Plantronics' common stock as discussed below. For purposes of this requirement, "Executive Officers" are officers subject to the reporting requirements of Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act. As of the beginning of fiscal years 2015 and 2014, respectively, all directors and Executive Officers met these ownership guidelines.

#### Non-Employee Directors

All non-employee directors must hold the lesser of (i) that number of shares (or the value of in-the-money vested stock options) equal in value to \$25,000, or (ii) 1,000 shares of our common stock. Each non-employee director must attain the foregoing ownership requirement within four years after his or her appointment to the Board.

#### President and Chief Executive Officer

The President and CEO should hold the lesser of (i) that number of shares of our common stock (or the value of in-the-money vested stock options) equal in value to his or her annual base salary, or (ii) 25,000 shares of our common stock. The President and CEO should attain the foregoing ownership threshold within four years after his or her acceptance of the position.

#### **Executive Officers**

All Executive Officers (other than the President and CEO) should hold the lesser of (i) that number of shares of our common stock (or the value of in-the-money vested stock options) equal in value to \$50,000, or (ii) 3,000 shares of our common stock. Each Executive Officer should attain the foregoing ownership threshold within four years after his or her acceptance of the position.

To determine the value of shares held by each of our non-employee directors and each Executive Officer, including the President and CEO, we divide the threshold value of stock to be held by each individual by the market price of our common stock at the beginning of each fiscal year. The value of shares of common stock is calculated based on the higher of the actual cost of the shares or their fair market value. The value of vested in-the-money stock options is the fair market value less the exercise price. Any subsequent change in the value of shares of our common stock during a fiscal year will not affect the amount of stock that an individual must hold during that year. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has the discretion to modify these guidelines, including on a case-by-case basis, as it deems appropriate.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### Compensation Discussion and Analysis

The following discussion and analysis focuses on the compensation paid to the individuals who served as our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and the three other most highly compensated executive officers (each, a "NEO" and collectively, the "NEOs") during fiscal year 2014, although much of the discussion also applies to all of our executive officers as they are defined in Part I, Item 1 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 16, 2014 ("Executives") generally. For fiscal year 2014, our NEOs are:

- •Ken Kannappan, President and CEO
- •Pam Strayer, Senior Vice President and CFO
- •Joe Burton, Senior Vice President of Technology, Development & Strategy and Chief Technology Officer
- •Don Houston, Senior Vice President, Sales
- •Renee Niemi, Senior Vice President, Communication Solutions

On April 14, 2013, we announced that Mr. Kannappan commenced a temporary medical leave of absence as President and CEO to address a treatable form of cancer, although he remained a member of our Board of Directors ("Board"). On October 29, 2013, we announced his resumption of duties as President and CEO. Ms. Strayer, our Senior Vice President & CFO, served as Acting CEO during Mr. Kannappan's absence.

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis is comprised of three sections:

Fiscal Year 2014 Strategic Executive Compensation Practices - Highlights key aspects of executive compensation adopted by our Board or the Compensation Committee of the Board ("Committee"), for fiscal year 2014.

Our Compensation Framework - Discusses our compensation philosophy and practices.

Fiscal Year 2014 NEO Compensation - Details the actual compensation earned by our NEOs during fiscal year 2014.

#### FISCAL YEAR 2014 STRATEGIC EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PRACTICES

Our approach to executive compensation is designed to align our Executives' compensation, including that of the NEOs, with stockholder interests and overall corporate goals while concurrently encouraging Executive achievement, retention, and engagement. For fiscal year 2014, overall corporate performance was consistent with or above the pre-established corporate goals set for our Executives by our Board and the Committee. Key highlights of Executive compensation in fiscal year 2014 include:

#### Cash Incentive Plans

Annual Payouts. Cash bonus payouts under our Executive Incentive Plans ("EIPs") are contingent upon annual results.

Funding metrics are directly linked to business objectives. We continue to fund our short-term cash incentive plan based on achievement of Non-GAAP Operating Income (excluding certain litigation expenses described in the section entitled "Compensation Elements" below), Net Revenue, and Asset Utilization metrics which track our results on key financial performance metrics.

EIP cash bonuses are funded by direct achievement of metrics. Our EIPs are funded only upon achievement of pre-determined performance metrics. As opposed to cash bonus plans that may fully fund at the maximum amount upon achievement of threshold minimum targets, funding of our EIPs is directly correlated with corporate performance against objectives.

The correlation between payments under our cash bonus programs and performance are illustrated in the table below which identifies the average amounts paid to our NEOs under the cash bonus programs in effect in each of the last six fiscal years as they relate to three key metrics: (1) net revenue; (2) operating income; and (3) earnings per share. The table depicts actual annual results for each metric as a percentage of the target. It also shows the average NEO bonus payout as a percentage of the target.

\* Net revenue was introduced as a funding metric in fiscal year 2013; prior fiscal year net revenue results are shown for illustrative purposes only.

#### **CEO Total Direct Compensation**

CEO Base Salary. After careful consideration of relevant peer data, the Committee decided that Mr. Kannappan's base salary in fiscal year 2014 should remain unchanged from fiscal year 2013.

CEO Incentive-Based Compensation. Performance-based short- and long-term incentives continue to represent a significant percentage of Mr. Kannappan's total direct compensation ("TDC"), comprising his annual base salary and targeted short-term cash bonus and long-term equity grants. For the past three years, when considering Mr. Kannappan's TDC, the Committee reviewed the ratio of his base salary to short- and long-term incentives. In fiscal year 2014, the Committee targeted Mr. Kannappan's base salary to comprise approximately 17% of his total direct compensation. The table below illustrates the targeted allocation of base salary, cash bonus, and long-term equity incentives as percentages of his total direct compensation.

\* The components of TDC are base salary, cash bonus, and equity awards and are described in more detail in the section entitled "Compensation Elements" below.

#### Long Term Incentives

Award of long-term incentives are staggered. To balance the impact of stock market volatility on the exercise price of stock options, we continued the practice of granting equity awards to Executives on a semi-annual basis at pre-determined dates. Such awards are granted at the discretion of the Committee after assessment of individual and corporate performance during the year with no particular weight given to either performance criteria. Other Executive Benefits

Limited perquisite program. We provide limited additional benefits to our Executives relative to non-executive employees. Further discussion of these additional benefits is included in the section entitled "Benefits" below. Market consistent severance terms. Severance agreements with the majority of our Executives, which include change of control based severance compensation, provide cash compensation and accelerated vesting of equity awards. The severance provisions with our Executives are generally consistent with a range of similar provisions for executives at other companies. (A more detailed description of the executive severance arrangements is included in the section entitled "Employment and Change of Control Severance Agreements for Our NEOs," below).

#### OUR COMPENSATION FRAMEWORK

Our Compensation Philosophy and Guiding Principles

Our philosophy is that executive compensation should be competitive and vary with actual performance of the company and the individual. Accordingly, our Executive compensation program is designed to target potential compensation based on achievement of corporate goals and the contributions of each Executive, and his or her team, to realizing those goals. The program consists of:

- •Base salary
- •Variable annual cash incentives
- •Equity incentives
- •Additional, peer-comparable benefits

The guiding principles of our Executive compensation program are:

- •Attract highly qualified executives and motivate them to perform at the highest levels
- •Reward outstanding performance while avoiding excessive risk

Retain executives whose skills are essential for maintaining and building upon the successes of our business and creating long-term value

Establish annual short-term targets for cash incentives that are directly tied to metrics we deem important to financial performance as well as to individual areas of accountability

Create greater stockholder value by awarding long-term equity compensation tied to the achievement of consistent positive corporate results

Recruit and retain successful individuals by providing comprehensive compensation packages competitive with those of executives in similar positions at comparable companies

#### Role of the Compensation Committee

Our Executive compensation policies are established and overseen by the Committee. Each Committee member is an independent, non-employee, outside director as defined under applicable NYSE listing standards, Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, respectively, with experience managing executives and making executive compensation decisions. The Committee solicits input from our CEO when making compensation decisions for Executives other than our CEO.

#### Role of Our Stockholders and the Say-on-Pay Vote

We consider our relationships with our stockholders as fundamental. All stockholders are welcome to submit suggestions regarding our governance, including our Executive compensation practices. Suggestions should be sent to Plantronics, Inc., 345 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060, Attn: Investor Relations, or made by phone at 831-426-5858. Additionally, we have established a comprehensive stockholder outreach program through which significant stockholders can raise concerns regarding our governance, including our Executive compensation practices.

We also provide all stockholders with the opportunity to cast an annual advisory vote on our Executive compensation ("say-on-pay"). At our 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, 95% of the votes cast on our say-on-pay proposal were in favor of the proposal. This followed the say-on-pay vote at our 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders at which 96% of our stockholders voted in favor of the proposal.

Based on our outreach and the votes at our recent annual meetings, the Committee believes our stockholders strongly support our approach to Executive compensation. Consequently, the Committee did not make material structural changes for fiscal year 2015.

#### Role of the CEO and Senior Human Resources Executive

Each year, our CEO, Senior Vice President of Human Resources and other appropriate personnel provide the Committee with an assessment of each Executive's prior year performance against her or his specific performance objectives for the year. Our CEO also provides his assessment of how each Executive's performance influenced overall corporate performance. Based on our CEO's assessments, together with information provided by our compensation consultant, our CEO recommends changes to the compensation package and performance objectives of each Executive. After the close of the fiscal year, the Committee makes the final decision on the amount and payment of annual cash bonuses to our Executives. Neither the CEO, nor the Senior Vice President of Human Resources participates in any assessment of his or her own performance or makes any recommendation with respect to his or her own compensation package.

#### Role of the Compensation Consultant

The Committee evaluated and retained Compensia, an independent third party compensation consultant, to provide information, analysis and advice regarding Executive compensation for fiscal year 2014. The Committee considers a variety of factors when evaluating the capabilities and independence of compensation consultants including, the consultant's provision of other services to us, the fees paid or expected to be paid, the consultant's policies and procedures designed to prevent conflicts of interest, any business or personal relationships between members of the Committee or member of executive management and the consultant or its personnel, and whether the consultant or its personnel own any of our stock. For fiscal year 2014, the Committee determined that there were no conflicts of interest with Compensia and that Compensia was independent.

At the Committee's direction, Compensia provided the following services in connection with fiscal year 2014 Executive compensation: (i) advice on the competitiveness of executive cash and equity compensation levels; (ii) advice on the EIPs' achievement targets and funding metrics; (iii) ongoing advice on the design of our EIPs and equity incentive plans; (iv) assistance assessing risks related to our compensation programs; and (v) information on executive compensation trends and developments, including market practices.

Although, Compensia reports directly to the Committee Chair, its personnel may contact our employees for information necessary to fulfill its assignment and may make reports and presentations to and on behalf of the Committee that our Executives and other employees may also receive. All decisions concerning the amount or form of Executive compensation are made by the Committee alone.

#### Peer Group

Recruitment and retention of our Executives require competitive compensation packages. For fiscal year 2014, Compensia, in collaboration with the Committee, gathered objective external compensation data to benchmark our Executive pay against a peer group of similar-industry and size companies ("Peer Group").

In selecting the Peer Group, the Committee approved relevant metrics proposed by Compensia to establish a group of like companies based on key factors such as industry comparability, revenue and revenue growth, market capitalization, profitability, headcount, and location. Based on the summary, the Committee selected 21 publicly traded companies in the technology, hardware, equipment and software industries with annual revenues between approximately \$350 million and \$1.2 billion and market capitalization between approximately \$600 million and \$4 billion. The Peer Group approved by the Committee for fiscal year 2014 was:

AdtranArris GroupAruba NetworksCadence Design SystemsCoherentEmulexFinisarJDA Software GroupInfineraInformaticaMentor GraphicsMicroStrategy

NetgearPolycomProgress SoftwareQuest SoftwareRiverbed TechnologyRoviTIBCO SoftwareVerint Systems

ViaSat

For executive compensation comparisons, Compensia provided data from the most recently reported proxy statements and SEC filings for the selected Peer Group companies. Because proxy disclosures are generally limited to each company's top five executives, sufficient publicly disclosed data was not available for all positions. Therefore, as an additional resource, compensation data of the Peer Group companies was also obtained from The Radford Global Technology Survey.

#### **Compensation Elements**

Total Direct Compensation. The Committee believes that compensation must be viewed holistically and, therefore, evaluates compensation in its totality, also referred to as total direct compensation ("TDC"). The elements of TDC are Target Cash Compensation, Equity Awards, and benefits. The Committee considers the median of the range of TDC for each Executive as compared to executives in similar positions with similar responsibilities at the Peer Group companies. Our strategy is such that when Company-wide performance is above pre-established targets in a fiscal year, our Executives will generally earn greater than median pay and when performance falls below targets, they will typically earn less than median pay. The Committee believes a compensation program that enables greater than median compensation when performance exceeds pre-established targets, supports its goal of motivating our Executives to increase stockholder value.

#### Key Elements of Compensation in Fiscal Year 2014

Pay	Pay Element Description	Link to Performance	Benchmark Market Position	cIntended Co Market Competitive	Performance	eLong-tern	Element nAligned with Stockholders	
Base Salary	Fixed salary provided to each Executive	Reflects market competitiveness, performance and time in role For fiscal year 2014, Bonuses were based on	Generally market median	X	X			
Cash Bonuses	Annually calculated incentive awards payable after the close of the fiscal year that provide performance-based cash compensation for achievement of company-wide and functional specific goals.	for our CEO and for our non-CEO Executives on *Non-GAAP Operating Income, Shared Corporate Goals, and Functional Goals.	Generally market median	X	X		X	
Equity Awards	A mix of any of stock options, RSAs and RSUs	108.7% of target. Equity awards are linked to long-term service and are intended to reward Executives for positive long-term performance.	Generally market median	X	X	X	X	X

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes certain legal costs as further described under "Funding" below.

Target Cash Compensation. "Target Cash Compensation" is composed of base salary and cash bonus. When considering Target Cash Compensation, the Committee evaluates:

Each Executive's then-current salary and Bonus target relative to the Peer Group market median CEO input on individual performance and base salary recommendations

The Committee's own observations on the performance and contribution of each Executive

In fiscal year 2014, NEO Target Cash Compensation approximated, on average, the market median for executives in similar positions with similar responsibilities at the Peer Group companies.

Base Salaries. Base salaries are typically set annually based on the scope of each Executive's responsibilities and benchmarked against the Peer Group companies. To remain competitive, base salaries are evaluated against the median of the range of salaries for executives in similar positions; however, the Committee does not target a specific percentile when setting compensation levels. In fiscal year 2014, base salary increases for our NEOs averaged less than 3% over fiscal year 2013.

Executive Incentive Plans ("EIPs"). Annually, the Committee establishes targets for performance-based cash bonuses ("Bonuses") to motivate our Executives to focus on achieving annual Company-wide financial performance and functional goals. Overall, the EIPs are designed to achieve payout at target levels on average over multiple years.

EIP Types. In fiscal year 2014, we had two forms of EIPs, one intended to comply with Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m) ("Section 162(m)") for our CEO ("CEO EIP") and one for the Executives that report directly to our CEO ("Non-CEO EIP") that was not intended to comply with Section 162(m).

Targets. To achieve Target Cash Compensation for each Executive, the Committee established target amounts in part by examining the median of the range of cash bonuses and the total cash compensation targeted for executives in similar positions with similar responsibilities at Peer Group companies; however, the Committee also used its own judgment to determine proper levels of compensation for each Executive.

Funding. In fiscal year 2014, the total potential amount payable as Bonuses to all employees, including Executives under the EIPs, was set by the Committee and is referred to as the "Corporate Pool Funding". Bonus payouts from the Corporate Pool Funding were based on meeting or exceeding the following three funding metrics set by the Board (collectively, the "Funding Metrics"):

- •Net Revenue
- •Non-GAAP Operating Income
- Asset Utilization

When setting the Funding Metrics, the Board took into account a range of factors including historical performance, our fiscal year 2014 business plan, likelihood of increasing stockholder value, and other external market factors. As part of its deliberations, the Board also took into consideration certain litigation matters with GN Netcom, Inc. After careful consideration, the Board chose to exclude the GN Netcom-related litigation costs from Non-GAAP Operating Income for purposes of calculating our company-wide bonuses because it does not believe these expenses are indicative of our corporate performance nor do we include them as part of our evaluation of corporate performance.

EIP Performance Goals. Bonus target amounts were a percentage of each Executive's base salary. Actual Bonuses could have been above or below the targeted amounts. Except for the CEO EIP, each of the EIPs provided (i) 70% of each non-CEO Executive's Bonus target was for achievement of Company-wide performance goals ("Shared Corporate Goals") and 30% was for achievement of functional-related goals specific to each Executive's duties ("Functional Goals"), and (ii) each non-CEO Executive could receive a Bonus of up to 200% of his or her targeted Bonus so long as the sum of all non-CEO EIP Bonuses did not exceed the Corporate Pool Funding percentage. The CEO EIP was based entirely on achievement of the Shared Corporate Goals and the maximum amount payable was the lesser of (i) the Corporate Pool Funding percentage, or (ii) 150% of his targeted Bonus.

For fiscal year 2014, the Shared Corporate Goals comprised: Non-GAAP Operating Income; Market Share on a consolidated product category basis; Operational Effectiveness comprising the following three elements: Inventory Turns, On-time shipments, and re-implementation of our existing Oracle Enterprise Resource Planning ("ERP") software; and Associate Engagement. The Non-GAAP Operating Income metric was intended to reward growth in operating income. The Market Share objective is an important measure of our competitiveness in our target markets. The Inventory Turns and On-time shipments objectives are meaningful indicators of our effective utilization of assets, and the ERP objective we deem meaningful to our overall future operational efficiency and scalability. Finally, Associate Engagement was intended to maintain a productive and enjoyable workplace attractive to talented potential and existing employees. The targets for each of the metrics were set by the Committee as reasonable goals based on our business plan and historical analysis.

Payout. For Bonuses to be paid, the thresholds for Corporate Pool Funding had to be met. Performance against the Funding Metrics determined the aggregate amount in the Corporate Pool Funding available for payout. Actual Corporate Pool Funding equaled the sum of all Executives' targeted Bonuses multiplied by the weighted average achievement of the Funding Metrics. Maximum funding is 150% of the sum of all Executives' target awards. Based on actual fiscal year 2014 performance, each Executive's Bonus was thereafter determined and paid in fiscal year 2015.

Clawback Policy. The Committee has the right to require any Executive to repay any amounts paid under the EIPs if there is a material financial restatement of results for any prior year which resulted in overpayment under the EIPs;

however, it is not our practice to automatically require repayment except for Bonuses paid to those Executives as required under applicable laws and regulations. We have not had a financial restatement since the adoption of this policy. In the future, if we are required to restate our financial results for any prior year, the Committee will evaluate the facts and circumstances and may require repayment from certain Executives who received undue amounts as a result of material or negligent misrepresentation of financial results.

Our right to recoupment expires, unless demand is made, within three years following payment of an applicable Bonus and does not apply to Equity awards. Our recoupment right is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any actions imposed by law enforcement agencies, regulators or other authorities. Additionally, our actual ability to collect repayment, if legal under state and federal laws, may vary.

Equity Awards. Executive equity incentives are typically granted in the form of (i) stock options, and (ii) awards of restricted stock ("RSAs"), RSUs or a combination of RSAs and RSUs, as the Committee deems appropriate. Equity awards are designed to align Executive compensation with the long-term interests of our stockholders by encouraging Executives to improve Company performance in ways that increase the value of our stock for all our equity holders, including themselves. The value of stock options is calculated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. RSAs and RSUs are valued at the fair market value of our common stock which is the closing stock price as reported on the NYSE on the date of grant.

Benefits Programs and Perquisites. We also provide Executives with benefits such as medical and dental insurance and a 401(k) plan that are generally available to all employees. The Committee furthermore believes it is appropriate to offer Executives certain additional benefits that are reasonable, competitive and consistent with our overall Executive compensation program, as described in more detail in the section "Benefits Programs," below. Tax Considerations. When making Executive compensation decisions, the Committee considers whether the compensation arrangements are tax deductible under Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m) ("Section 162(m)"). However, tax deductibility is not the primary factor in determining appropriate levels or modes of compensation. Since corporate objectives may not always be consistent with the requirements for tax deductibility, we may, consistent with our compensation philosophy, approve programs under which payments are not fully deductible.

For fiscal year 2014, the Committee intended that the CEO EIP be compliant with Section 162(m). The higher potential Bonuses available to our non-CEO Executives were intended to more heavily emphasize achievement of key corporate goals by recognizing individual performance. As part of its decision to allow potentially greater Bonuses for our non-CEO Executives, the Committee determined it was unlikely that the Section 162(m) \$1 million deduction limit would be exceeded by more than one Executive.

In addition, the Committee intended that the Equity awards granted to our Executives meet the requirements for tax deductibility under Section 162(m). We intend to continue to evaluate the effects of the statute and any applicable regulations and to comply with Section 162(m) in the future to the extent consistent with the best interests of the Company and our stockholders.

#### FISCAL YEAR 2014 NEO COMPENSATION

In fiscal year 2014, the cash compensation earned by our NEOs was comprised of their base salaries and Bonuses. Information regarding their salaries in fiscal year 2014 and in prior years is detailed in the Summary Compensation Table, below.

The following shows actual fiscal year 2014 goals and achievements under the EIPs and the compensation earned by our NEOs. The table below shows the weighting and minimum, target, and maximum awards under the EIPs for fiscal year 2014:

			Minimum Award	Target Award	Maximum Award
Fiscal Year 2014 EIP Funding Metrics	Weight		Multiplier	Multiplier	Multiplier
			0.5x	1.0x	1.5x
Net Revenue	20	%	\$750M	\$785M	\$820M
*Non-GAAP Operating Income	60	%	\$146M	\$171M	\$196M
Asset Utilization	20	%	2.7	2.87	3.02
	100	%			

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes certain legal costs described under "Compensation Elements" above.

The Committee established and approved the Award Multipliers in the table above with the Target 1.0x column as the goal for 100% Corporate Pool Funding. The Committee also set minimum thresholds below which no Bonuses would

be paid. The funding level percentages may vary within a range of 50% to 150% of target (0.5x - 1.5x) and were a straight-line interpolation between points.

The table below shows actual results for Corporate Pool Funding for fiscal year 2014:

Performance to Funding Metrics	Fiscal Year 2014 Results	% Achievement	t	Actual Bonus % Earned after Award Multiplie		Weight		Weighted Bonus % Funding (1)	
Net Revenue	\$818.6	104.3	%	148.0	%	20	%	29.6	%
Non-GAAP Operating Income (2)	\$166.9	97.6	%	91.8	%	60	%	55.1	%
Asset Utilization	2.93	102.1	%	120.0	%	20	%	24.0	%
Fiscal Year 2014 Corporate Pool Funding								108.7	%

- (1) Weighting of each of the Funding Metrics was calculated independently.
- (2) Excludes certain legal costs described under "Compensation Elements" above.

The tables that follow illustrate the specific fiscal year 2014 targeted and actual Bonuses for each NEO with the financial objective measured at the consolidated level. For each of the NEOs, the metrics were defined as follows:

Non-GAAP Operating Income achievement was the achievement of Non-GAAP Operating Income against the (i) annual target. Both the achievement and the annual target exclude legal costs associated with litigation brought by GN;

Operational Effectiveness includes a target for Inventory Turns, On-time shipments, and re-implementation of our

- (ii) ERP system. Inventory Turns is calculated as (consolidated quarterly cost of revenues multiplied by 4) divided by (consolidated ending net inventory balance for such quarter) with the cost of revenues measured on a GAAP basis;
- Associate Engagement was measured through our percentile ranking amongst a benchmark group of companies in an annually administered Employee Engagement Survey; and

  Market Share included a blended share of Office and Contact Center ("OCC") products and Consumer products.
- OCC share is measured by net revenues from OCC products divided by the sum of such net revenues plus OCC revenue as reported from a leading competitor. We measured Market Share in this manner as, to our knowledge,
- no other public data on the OCC revenue of other competitors was readily available. Consumer market share is measured by Bluetooth Mono and Stereo share as reported by external market research companies for the United States and key countries in Europe.

In the NEO EIP compensation tables below, if the financial objective was measured at a level below the consolidated level (such as geographic region or product category) and is not publicly disclosed information, the target itself is not included in the tables, but the relative percent achieved is shown. Accordingly, Target and Actual achievement of these metrics have been intentionally omitted as they constitute competitively sensitive commercial and financial information.

Additionally, the Committee retained discretion to adjust actual awards consistent with the terms of the EIPs. Variances in the tables below between the Total Target Bonus Weighted Score and Actual Bonus Payout as a Percent of Individual Target reflect the Committee's exercise of its discretion.

#### Ken Kannappan

Ken Kannappan's fiscal year 2014 EIP and actual performance were as follows:

Performance Metric	Basis of Performance Metric	Target	Actual	% Achieve	ment Weight	Weight Score	ted
	Consolidated	\$171,000	\$166,921	91.8	%65.0	%59.7	%

Non-GAAP Operating Income (i thousands)	n						
Operational Effectiveness	Consolidated		_	132.5	%10.0	%13.3	%
Associate Engagement		_	_	182.0	% 10.0	%18.2	%
Market Share	OCC	_		115.2	% 15.0	% 17.3	%
Total Target Bonus (in whole \$)		\$700,000			100.0	% 108.4	%
Corporate Pool Funding Percent			108.7	%			
Actual Bonus Payout as Percent of Individual Target			108.4	%			
Total Bonus Payout			\$759,021				
35							

All of Mr. Kannappan's objectives were Shared Corporate Goals based on Company-wide objectives. During the five year period from fiscal year 2010 to fiscal year 2014, he was paid Bonuses ranging from 92.1% to 144.0% of the targeted amounts for those years with an average over that period of 117.3%. In four of the five years, his Bonus was greater than 100%.

#### Pam Strayer

Pam Strayer's fiscal year 2014 EIP and actual performance were as follows:

Basis of Performance Metric Performance Target Actua Metric	l % Achievem	Weight	Weighte Score	ed
Non-GAAP Operating Income (in thousands)  Consolidated \$171,000 \$166,	921 91.8	%35.0	%32.1	%
Operational Effectiveness Consolidated — —	132.5	% 10.0	% 13.3	%
Associate Engagement — — —	170.0	% 10.0	% 17.0	%
Market Share OCC — —	115.2	% 15.0	% 17.3	%
Functional Goals — — —	90.8	%30.0	%27.2	%
Total Target Bonus (in whole \$) \$221,000		100.0	% 106.9	%
Corporate Pool Funding Percent 108.7	%			
Actual Bonus Payout as Percent of Individual Target 108.1	%			
Total Bonus Payout \$238,	901			

Ms. Strayer manages Finance, Legal, Internal Audit, and Information Technology. Four of Ms. Strayer's objectives were Shared Corporate Goals comprising 70% of her Bonus. The remaining 30% was tied to achievement of her Functional Goals including maintaining and improving accounting quality and improving operational effectiveness through projects such as the re-implementation of our enterprise resource planning system.

Ms. Strayer joined Plantronics and began participating in the EIP in fiscal year 2013. Her Bonus in fiscal year 2013 was 101.9% of the targeted amount, although her actual Bonus payout was prorated based on the period of her employment commencement date to the end of fiscal year 2013.

#### Joseph Burton

Joseph Burton's fiscal year 2014 EIP and actual performance were as follows:

Performance Metric	Basis of Performance Metric	Target	Actual	% Achiever	ment Weight	Weighte Score	ed
Non-GAAP Operating Income (in thousands)	Consolidated	\$171,000	\$166,921	91.8	%35.0	%32.1	%
Operational Effectiveness	Consolidated	_	_	132.5	% 10.0	%13.3	%
Associate Engagement				192.0	% 10.0	% 19.2	%
Market Share	OCC			115.2	% 15.0	% 17.3	%
Functional Goals				137.5	%30.0	%41.3	%
Total Target Bonus (in whole \$)		\$253,500			100.0	% 123.1	%
Corporate Pool Funding Percent			108.7	%			
Actual Bonus Payout as Percent of Individual Target			116.5	%			

**Total Bonus Payout** 

\$295,328

Mr. Burton manages Product Development, Technology and Strategy. Four of Mr. Burton's objectives were Shared Corporate Goals comprising 70% of his Bonus. The remaining 30% was tied to achievement of his Functional Goals including increasing the efficiency of our product development process, driving innovation, and increasing software features in our products.

Mr. Burton joined Plantronics and began participating in the EIP in fiscal year 2012. His Bonus in fiscal year 2012 was 92.1%, although his actual Bonus payout was prorated based on the period of his employment commencement date to the end of fiscal year 2012. In fiscal year 2013, he was paid a Bonus of 112.9% of the targeted amount for the year.

#### Don Houston

Don Houston's fiscal year 2014 EIP and actual performance were as follows:

Performance Metric	Basis of Performance Metric	Target	Actual	% Achievemen	Weight	Weighted Score	
Non-GAAP Operating Income (in thousands)	Consolidated	171,000	\$166,921	91.8	%35.0	%32.1	%
Operational Effectiveness	Consolidated		_	132.5	% 10.0	%13.3	%
Associate Engagement			_	174.0	% 10.0	% 17.4	%
Market Share	OCC		_	115.2	% 15.0	% 17.3	%
Functional Goals			_	132.1	%30.0	%39.6	%
Total Target Bonus (in whole \$)		\$247,000			100.0	%119.7	%
Corporate Pool Funding Percent			108.7	%			
Actual Bonus Payout as Percent of Individual Target			115.0	%			
Total Bonus Payout			\$284,050				

Mr. Houston manages the Americas and Asia-Pacific sales regions. Four of Mr. Houston's objectives were Shared Corporate Goals comprising 70% of his Bonus. The remaining 30% was tied to achievement of his Functional Goals, including revenue targets for our UC products, goals with our UC strategic partners and certain profitability and business metrics.

During the five year period from fiscal year 2010 to fiscal year 2014, he was paid Bonuses ranging from 92.1% to 144.0% of the targeted amounts for those years with an average over that period of 117.7%. In four of the five years, his Bonus was greater than 100%.

#### Renee Niemi

Renee Niemi's fiscal year 2014 EIP and actual performance were as follows:

Performance Metric	Basis of Performance Metric	Target	Actual	% Achievement	Weight	Weighted Score	
Non-GAAP Operating Income (in thousands)	<sup>1</sup> Consolidated	\$171,000	\$166,921	91.8	%35.0	%32.1	%
Operational Effectiveness	Consolidated	_	_	132.5	% 10.0	%13.3	%
Associate Engagement			_	192.0	% 10.0	% 19.2	%
Market Share	OCC			115.2	% 15.0	% 17.3	%
Functional Goals				110.8	%30.0	%33.2	%
Total Target Bonus (in whole \$)		\$230,750			100.0	%115.1	%
Corporate Pool Funding Percent			108.7	%			
Actual Bonus Payout as Percent of Individual Target			111.0	%			

**Total Bonus Payout** 

\$256,133

Ms. Niemi manages Communication Solutions. Four of Ms. Niemi's objectives were Shared Corporate Goals comprising 70% of her Bonus. The remaining 30% was tied to achievement of her Functional Goals, including attaining metrics for new product development, achieving certain revenue targets for our UC products and increasing and improving product innovation.

During the five year period from fiscal year 2010 to fiscal year 2014, she was paid Bonuses ranging from 92.1% to 144.0% of the targeted amounts for those years with an average over that period of 115.0%. In four of the five years, her Bonus was greater than 100%.

Target Versus Actual Total Cash Compensation Earned in Fiscal Year 2014

The following table lists the actual total cash compensation (base salary and Bonuses) paid to each NEO earned during fiscal year 2014 in comparison to target total cash compensation.

	Target Cash Compensation			Actual Cash Compensation			
Name and Position	Base Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	EIP Targeted Bonus	Total Target Cash Compensation	EIP Actual Bonus	Total Actual Cash Compensation	Total Actual Cash Compensation as a % of Target	
Ken Kannappan	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$1,400,000	\$759,021	\$1,459,021	104.2	%
Pam Strayer	\$340,000	\$221,000	\$561,000	\$238,901	\$578,901	103.2	%
Joseph Burton	\$390,000	\$253,500	\$643,500	\$295,328	\$685,328	106.5	%
Don Houston	\$380,000	\$247,000	\$627,000	\$284,050	\$664,050	105.9	%
Renee Niemi	\$355,000	\$230,750	\$585,750	\$256,133	\$611,133	104.3	%

Reflects base salaries in effect as of July 1, 2013. For purposes of comparison to the Total Target Cash Compensation set by the Committee, the amount set forth in the Total Actual Cash Compensation column and the percentage in the Total Actual Cash Compensation as a percentage of Target column assumes each NEO was paid the Base Salary indicated for the entirety of fiscal year 2014. The actual salary earned by each NEO in fiscal year 2014 is set forth in the "Summary Compensation Table" below.

#### Long-Term Equity Incentives - General

We offer Equity awards to our Executives through our 2003 Stock Plan to encourage achievement of corporate objectives for the long-term benefit of the Company and its stockholders. In any given fiscal year, the Committee may approve grants of stock options, RSAs or RSUs, or any combination of the three, to Executives after consideration of a variety of factors including:

Equity granted to executives in similar jobs at comparable companies based on the surveys discussed in "The Benchmark Study" above

- An Executive's scope of responsibilities and actual performance
- Input from our CEO (other than with respect to the CEO's Equity awards)
- The potential for particular Executives to influence our long-term growth and profitability

The Committee gives no particular weight to any factor. A subjective determination is made after considering the foregoing factors in the aggregate.

Stock options granted to Executives generally have a seven year term and vest over three years from the date of grant, with one-third of the shares granted vesting on the anniversary of the date of grant and the remaining shares vesting monthly thereafter until fully vested. During fiscal year 2014, we modified our vesting policy for RSAs and RSUs such that all RSAs and RSUs generally vest in three equal annual installments. Vesting of all Equity awards is subject to the continued employment of the Executive on each vesting date.

#### Stock Options and Restricted Stock Grants

Since fiscal year 2008, the Committee has been making annual Equity awards to our Executives in two semi-annual installments to balance potential benefits or penalties to Executives that may result from price volatility of our common stock. The Committee believes that this semi-annual approach to granting stock options is similar in concept

to the investment approach of "dollar cost averaging." Further, the granting of equity in installments permits the Committee to assess executive performance throughout the year. The Committee retains the discretion to modify (including increasing, decreasing, or eliminating) the second installment altogether, based on performance.

In accordance with this process, the Committee establishes a targeted total number of shares to be awarded each fiscal year to each Executive, typically in the first fiscal quarter of a fiscal year. Thereafter, the first half of the Equity awards are granted at or shortly after the beginning of the fiscal year (typically in May) and the second half of the annual Equity awards, if subsequently approved by the Committee, are granted after corporate financial and operating results for the first half of the fiscal year are final (typically in November).

Equity awards are granted shortly after financial results are announced, typically three days after an applicable quarterly or annual earnings release. The Committee believes this follows best practices by allowing financial markets sufficient time to adjust after announcement of our operating results.

As noted in the section entitled "Role of the CEO and Senior Human Resources Executive" above, following completion of each fiscal year the CEO and Senior Vice President of Human Resources provide the Committee with an assessment of each Executive's prior year performance (other than himself or herself). The CEO also provides his assessment of how each Executive's performance influenced overall corporate performance. The CEO does not provide an assessment of his own performance. Based on the CEO's assessments, together with information provided by our compensation consultants, the CEO also recommends the types of Equity grants (typically stock options and RSAs and/or RSUs) and number of shares under each grant type for each Executive other than himself. The Committee thereafter makes the final decision as to the types of Equity grants and number of shares granted to each Executive.

Mr. Kannappan considered the following information to develop his recommendations for Equity grants to our Executives in fiscal year 2014, and the Committee considered the same information and such other information as the Committee deemed appropriate when evaluating his recommendations:

The history of prior Equity awards to our Executives and the current and potential value of each of their vested and unvested holdings and each Executive's past performance, future contribution potential and other compensation elements previously awarded.

The total pool of our common stock budgeted for all employee awards for the fiscal year and the portion going to the Executives as a percentage of the total.

Compensia's review of market-competitive total direct compensation levels, as well as general market trends in equity grant practices.

The historical grant levels and historical market data regarding equity awards for comparable jobs in similar companies.

The anticipated value of the Equity awards.

An appropriate split of the total number of shares awarded between varying types of Equity awards. The actual split for each Executive was based on an evaluation of market practice, our CEO's assessment and recommendation, and the Committee's review and approval. In each case, factors considered included the benefit that would be received from stock options only if the stock price were to increase versus the fact that a benefit would be received from restricted stock whether the stock price increased or not.

Based upon all of the above-referenced factors, Mr. Kannappan recommended that Equity grants in fiscal year 2014 should take into consideration market-competitive long-term incentive and total direct compensation levels, with appropriate variation based upon individual Executive performance. Mr. Kannappan reviewed his recommendations with Compensia and thereafter recommended a mix of approximately 51% of the value of the Equity awards as stock options and 49% as RSAs. This mix was generally influenced by the significantly lower Black-Scholes value compared to the prior year, which Compensia advised was consistent with market practice.

The Committee evaluated Mr. Kannappan's recommendations, giving no particular weight to any factor, and made a subjective determination, after considering all of the relevant factors in aggregate to approve Equity awards as set

forth below. For a discussion of Mr. Kannappan's own Equity grants, see "Our CEO's Long Term Incentive Equity Grants" below.

The Committee approved the Equity awards below on two dates in fiscal year 2014. On April 25, 2013, as part of its regular annual review of Executive Equity incentives, the Committee agreed upon a targeted number of shares to be granted for each Executive in fiscal year 2014. The Committee thereafter approved Equity awards for each Executive for the total number of RSAs and the first half of the number of stock options targeted for fiscal year 2014, each to be granted three days after announcement of our first quarter fiscal year 2014 financial results. Thereafter, on November 1, 2013, the Committee met again and, after review of our second quarter fiscal year 2014 financial results, approved the grant of the second half of the targeted number of stock options.

Equity awards granted to our NEOs during fiscal year 2014 were as follows:

	Equity Awards Gr	ranted in May 2013	Equity Awards Granted in November 2013	
Name	RSA Shares	Stock Option Shares	Stock Option Shares	
Ken Kannappan	30,000	50,000	50,000	
Pam Strayer	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Joe Burton	13,000	15,000	15,000	
Don Houston	10,000	12,500	12,500	
Renee Niemi	10,000	10,000	10,000	

#### **Benefits Programs**

We provide various employee benefit programs to our Executives, including medical, dental, life and disability insurance, a 401(k) plan and the opportunity to purchase our common stock through payroll deductions at a discounted price through our ESPP. In addition, we provide limited matching contributions to participants of our 401(k) plan. These benefit programs are generally available to all our employees on substantially equal terms.

#### Perquisites

In addition to the standard benefits generally available to all of our employees, each Executive was also eligible to participate in or receive the following perquisites in fiscal year 2014:

- •An auto allowance
- •A non-taxable health expense reimbursement program
- •Financial, estate and tax services reimbursement
- •Business club membership reimbursement
- •Personal liability insurance reimbursement

Additionally, Mr. Kannappan has an Accident & Sickness Permanent Total Disability Benefit for which we paid an annual premium of \$55,494. Except for this Permanent Total Disability Benefit, each additional benefit is either capped at a fixed amount or only reimbursable at a fixed percentage and is subject to applicable taxes and withholdings.

The value of these additional benefits, constitute only a small percentage of each NEO's TDC and the amounts are included in the "Summary Compensation Table" elsewhere in this Proxy Statement.

#### **Deferred Compensation Plan**

In May 2013, we established the Plantronics, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan (the "2013 DCP"). The 2013 DCP allows eligible employees, including our NEOs, to voluntarily defer receipt, on a pre-tax basis, of some of their earned compensation. The amounts deferred exceed the amounts they could otherwise defer under our 401(k) savings plan due to the annual deferral and compensation limits imposed by the Internal Revenue Code. We implemented the 2013 DCP as a competitive practice to help attract and retain top talent, and we intend to re-evaluate it from time to time. Due to its conservative design, we do not consider the benefits of the 2013 DCP material to any NEO's overall compensation package. For more information concerning the 2013 DCP, please see the "Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation" table elsewhere in this Proxy Statement.

#### Relocation Assistance

Periodically, we may also provide relocation benefits to our Executives and other select employees to induce job candidates to accept job offers or new roles for certain open positions we deem critical to our business needs. These benefits may include transportation of household goods and cars, travel, temporary housing, car rental, storage, miscellaneous relocation allowances, and house-hunting trips. We do not provide home sale and purchase assistance or tax protection to offset costs incurred by Executives as a result of these relocations. Relocation benefits provided to NEOs, if any, are reported in the "All Other Compensation" column of the "Summary Compensation Table".

#### Compensation of our Chief Executive Officer

As part of its assessment of the CEO's fiscal year 2013 performance and its review of compensation recommendations for Mr. Kannappan in fiscal year 2014, the Committee carefully considered his contribution to the organization and impact on the creation of value for stockholders. Similar to the factors considered for our other Executives, the Committee also evaluated competitive market data provided by Compensia, our overall corporate performance and Company-wide budget for salary increases. Based on its market research, Compensia found that Mr. Kannappan's total target cash compensation (base salary and Bonus opportunity), was approximately 4% above the peer group median. After considering the factors described above, the Committee chose to maintain both his base salary at the rate of \$700,000 and Bonus opportunity at 100% of his base salary as set in fiscal year 2013.

# Our CEO's Long-Term Incentive-Equity Grants

In considering an Equity award for fiscal year 2014 for our CEO, the Committee considered the same factors specified above in the section entitled "Stock Options and Restricted Stock Grants" used to establish Equity awards for the other Executives. The total number of stock options and RSAs awarded was determined by the amount needed to maintain Mr. Kannappan's prior year equity value while taking into account the market median for equity awards.

In accordance with the Committee's assessment of Mr. Kannappan's performance in fiscal year 2014, it approved a grant to him of 30,000 shares in the form of a RSA and a non-qualified stock option for the purchase of 50,000 shares on May 10, 2013. The Committee furthermore preliminarily set as a target another stock option grant of 50,000 shares for award in November 2013, which was in fact granted to Mr. Kannappan effective November 1, 2013. The Committee's decision was based upon Mr. Kannappan's performance; the equity grants that had been made to Mr. Kannappan during the prior year; and discussions, input, and recommendations from Compensia.

The total value of Mr. Kannappan's targeted equity grants for fiscal year 2014 was estimated to be \$2,657,200 based on the\$43.54 closing price of our stock on April 5, 2013. The total value of his equity award as of April 5, 2013, consisted of approximately 51% in the form of stock options (\$1,351,000) and 49% in the form of an RSA (\$1,306,200). The values are determined based on the Black-Scholes option pricing model for options and the fair market value of our common stock which is the closing stock price as reported on the NYSE on the date of grant.

For fiscal year 2015, the Committee approved on May 1, 2014, for grant on May 2, 2014, 60,000 shares of our common stock in the form of a stock option for the first half of Mr. Kannappan's targeted Equity award and preliminarily targeted the second half of 60,000 shares for grant in October 2014. Additionally, on May 1, 2014, the Committee approved for grant on May 2, 2014, an award of 30,000 shares in the form of an RSA. The total estimated value of the two stock option grants and RSA based on the 30-day average closing price of our stock as of April 15, 2014 of \$44.42 was approximately \$2,659,800 consisting of approximately 50% of the equity value in the form of stock options (\$1,327,200) and 50% in the form of an RSA (\$1,332,600).

#### Risk

We designed our compensation programs to avoid excessive risk. The following are some of the features of our programs intended to help us appropriately manage business risk:

an assortment of vehicles for delivering compensation, both fixed and variable, short-term and long-term, including eash and equity, intended to focus our Executives on specific objectives that help us achieve our business plan and create an alignment with long-term stockholder interests

diversification of incentive-related risk by employing a variety of performance measures

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weighting of the various performance measures to avoid excessive attention to achievement of one measure over another

annual equity grants, so Executives always have unvested awards that could decrease significantly in value if our business is not managed for the long-term

annual goals and payment of Bonuses to discourage short-term quarterly risk-taking

potential repayment of one or more years of unearned portions of Bonuses in the event of a material financial restatement

fixed maximum award levels for performance-based awards

Employment, Transition and Change of Control Severance Agreements for Our NEOs

To retain our Executives in the event of an acquisition of the Company, the Committee developed and approved change of control severance agreements (the "Change of Control Agreements") that were in effect throughout fiscal year 2014. In entering into these agreements, the Committee's primary objective is to have the continued dedication and objectivity of our Executives, notwithstanding the possibility of an acquisition, helping to correlate the interests of our Executives with those of our stockholders. To retain our CEO, the Board furthermore agreed at the inception of his employment as CEO in 1999, to pay him severance compensation in the event of his voluntary resignation for certain good reasons and involuntary termination other than for cause, which provisions remain in effect.

# Mr. Kannappan's Employment Agreement

In 1999, Mr. Kannappan entered into an employment agreement (the "Employment Agreement") with us that provided, if his employment was terminated for any reason other than for "Cause" (as defined in the Employment Agreement), that he would be entitled to receive the benefits described below. In January 2009, the Employment Agreement was amended and restated (the "First Restated Employment Agreement") to conform with requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 409A and to update the change of control provisions to fit current market conditions.

In November 2009, the First Restated Employment Agreement was again amended (the "Second Restated Employment Agreement"). Under the Second Restated Employment Agreement, if Mr. Kannappan's employment is terminated for any reason other than for "Cause", then subject to his signing and not revoking a release of claims against us, for the period of twenty-four (24) months following the Termination Date (the "Severance Payment Period") Mr. Kannappan shall be entitled to receive: (i) continued cash compensation payments equal to 75% of the average annual cash compensation earned based on the four full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the Termination Date; provided, however, the time for calculating 75% of the average annual cash compensation earned shall be measured by the average annual (four successive quarters grouped together) cash compensation earned in the 12 full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the Termination Date and (ii) the continued provision of "Company Benefits," including "Medical Benefits" (both as defined in the Second Restated Employment Agreement).

If Mr. Kannappan voluntarily reduces his compensation as a cost reduction measure, his continued cash compensation payment shall not be calculated as outlined immediately above, but instead, the continued cash compensation payment calculation shall equal 75% of the average of the annual cash compensation earned per year in the number of full fiscal quarters specified above as if the voluntary compensation reduction had not been implemented.

The cash compensation shall be payable in accordance with our normal payroll policies as applied to our Executives. Such payments and the provision of Company Benefits shall be discontinued and we shall be entitled to a refund of all compensation paid upon a breach by Mr. Kannappan of his obligations with respect to proprietary information and a covenant not to compete or solicit.

If we terminate Mr. Kannappan's employment without "Cause" or if he resigns for "Good Reason", and such termination occurs on or within 24 months after a Change of Control (both as defined in the Second Restated Employment Agreement), then he shall receive the following: (i) accrued compensation; and (ii) a severance payment equal to the sum of: (A) 300% of his annual base salary in effect immediately prior to the termination date or (if greater) at the level in effect immediately prior to the Change of Control; and (B) 100% of his annual target cash bonus for the year in which the severance payment is triggered. Under the terms of his Second Restated Employment Agreement, Mr. Kannappan would have also been entitled to 100% of his quarterly target cash bonus; however, as we no longer offer a quarterly incentive bonus, we have confirmed with him that any severance payment would not include any quarterly incentive target bonus amount. As compared to the benefits received upon termination for any

reason other than for "Cause", Mr. Kannappan would only receive certain benefit continuation coverage. The Second Restated Employment Agreement provides that, if Mr. Kannappan is entitled to receive (1) both the severance compensation described in the preceding three paragraphs above and (2) the compensation described in this paragraph, he shall be entitled to receive the payment which yields him the greatest economic benefit. In addition, subject to Mr. Kannappan's continued employment with us through the effective date of such Change of Control, 100% of his outstanding equity awards shall vest in full.

The Second Restated Employment Agreement provides that cash severance benefits will be payable only following Mr. Kannappan's "separation from service" with us within the meaning of Section 409A and that such payments may be subject to a six-month delay period if required under Section 409A.

Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table shows the potential payments upon termination or a change of control of the Company for Mr. Kannappan as of March 29, 2014:

Executive Benefits and Payments Upon Separation	Termination for Any Reason Other Than For Cause		Termination Other Than For Cause After Change in Control		Termination for Cause
Compensation	\$2,077,873	(1)	\$2,800,000	(2)	<b>\$</b> —
Company Benefits	\$195,301	(3)(5)	\$89,599	(4)	<b>\$</b> —

Assuming that termination occurred during the period immediately following the end of fiscal year 2014, but before the end of the first fiscal quarter of 2015, and taking into account the fact that Mr. Kannappan earned his Bonus for fiscal year 2014, he would be entitled to receive, for a period of 24 months following the Termination

- (1) Date, continued cash compensation payments (in accordance with our normal payroll policies) equal to 75% of the average annual cash compensation earned during the 12 full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the Termination Date. For a complete description of the benefits Mr. Kannappan is entitled to receive as well as the conditions to which such payments are subject, see "Mr. Kannappan's Employment Agreement" above.

  Composed of (i) accrued compensation, (ii) 300% of annual base salary, and EIP Bonus. Under the terms of his
- (2) Second Restated Employment Agreement, he would have also been entitled to receive 100% of his quarterly incentive target bonus but, as previously mentioned, we no longer offer a quarterly incentive bonus and he has confirmed with us that any termination related payment would not include a quarterly incentive target bonus.
- (3) Certain Company Benefits estimated at \$195,301 based on fiscal year 2014 medical; automobile expense reimbursement; and disability, life and other group insurance benefits.
- (4) Continued Company Benefits reasonably estimated at \$89,599 based on Mr. Kannappan's fiscal year 2014 medical benefit elections.
  - Employees classified as "Vice President" or above, including Mr. Kannappan, are entitled to reimbursement of certain medical expenses not covered by our medical plans generally available to all employees. This reimbursement program provides an unlimited maximum benefit per year for each employee and eligible
- dependent for "Essential Benefits," as defined by the program. Additionally, the program provides (a) a \$50,000 maximum benefit per year for each employee and eligible dependent for any other services, (b) \$5,000 for each occurrence for each employee and eligible dependent, and (c) \$100,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment coverage for the insured employee only. In fiscal year 2014, the amount reimbursed to Mr. Kannappan was \$8,963 and is included in the amount reported.

Accelerated Vesting of Equity Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table shows the potential value of accelerated vesting of outstanding Equity awards held by Mr. Kannappan had his employment terminated upon his voluntary resignation, involuntary termination, or a change of control of the Company, on March 29, 2014:

	Number of Stock	Value of Stock	Number of RSA	Value of DCA	Total Value of
Vesting Event	<b>Options Shares</b>	Option Shares	Shares Vesting	Shares Vesting (2)	Equity on
	Vesting	Vesting (1)	Shares vesting	Shares vesting (-	Vesting Event
Voluntary Resignation (3)	112,776	\$610,471	23,282	\$1,003,920	\$1,614,391
Involuntary Termination (4)(5)	143,888	\$761,997	37,188	\$1,596,820	\$2,358,817
Change of Control	178.056	\$801.878	50.782	\$2,189,720	\$2,991,598

- The value is calculated by multiplying the number of unvested shares by the difference between our common stock price of \$43.12 on March 29, 2014 and the exercise price of the stock options, with negative values, if any, reported as zero.
- (2) The value is calculated by multiplying the number of unvested RSA shares by our common stock price of \$43.12 on March 29, 2014.
- (3) Represents the number of shares that would have vested had his employment continued for another 12 months.
- (4) Represents the number of shares that would have vested had his employment continued for another 18 months.
- (5) Involuntary Termination includes termination other than for Cause or due to Death or Disability, each as defined in Mr. Kannappan's Second Restated Employment Agreement.

In the event Mr. Kannappan's employment is terminated for Cause, all unvested equity awards shall terminate upon his Termination Date.

#### Other Named Executive Officers

In general, the Change of Control Agreements for Mr. Houston, Mr. Burton, and Ms. Niemi provide that, if a "Change of Control" (as defined in the Change of Control Agreements) occurs, then 100% of their respective outstanding equity awards will vest according to the vesting schedule specified in our 2003 Stock Plan. In addition, if an Executive's employment is terminated by us without "Cause" or by the Executive for "Good Reason" (as those terms are defined in the Change of Control Agreements) within 24 months after a Change of Control, the Executive is entitled to receive:

#### accrued compensation; and

a severance payment equal to the sum of:

100% of the Executive's annual base salary in effect immediately prior to the Executive's termination date or (if greater) at the level in effect immediately prior to the Change of Control;

that pro rata portion or all of the Executive's annual target incentive bonus that the Executive has earned but not yet been paid; and

100% of the Executive's annual targeted Bonus for the year in which the severance payment is triggered.

The Change of Control Agreements also provide for the Executive to receive the following severance benefits:

continuation of certain health benefits for the Executive and his or her eligible dependents for not more than 12 months following the termination date; and

full vesting of the Executive's equity awards to the extent outstanding on the termination date and not otherwise vested.

The receipt of benefits under the Change of Control Agreements are subject to compliance with the terms of (i) the standard confidentiality agreement between the Executive and us; (ii) an agreement not to solicit other employees to terminate their employment with us for a two year period; and (iii) a release of claims against us.

The Change of Control Agreements also contain provisions that are designed to provide to each Executive the greatest amount of benefits after taking into account taxes that may be payable under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code if any of the benefits constitute "parachute payments" under 280G of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Change of Control Agreements provide that cash severance benefits will be payable following the Executive's "separation from service" with us within the meaning of Section 409A and that such payments may be subject to a six-month delay period if required under Section 409A.

The Change of Control Agreement for Ms. Strayer is identical to the Change of Control Agreements of the other NEOs described above with the exception that she would be entitled to receive a severance payment equal to the sum of: (i) 200% of her annual base salary; (ii) that pro rata portion or all of her annual target cash bonus that she has earned but not yet been paid; and (iii) 200% of her annual targeted Bonus for the year in which the severance payment is triggered. Ms. Strayer's consideration under the Change in Control Agreement is greater than the other NEOs (other than our CEO) because the Committee determined that the foregoing level of severance compensation, if the change of control payment is triggered, was appropriate for someone serving in the role of chief financial officer.

The agreements with our Executives do not provide for compensation or benefits if they terminate their employment voluntarily or we terminate their employment for cause. The following table shows the potential payments upon termination without "Cause" or by the identified NEO for "Good Reason" within 24 months after a change of control of the Company, if such termination had occurred on March 29, 2014:

	Executive Compensation and	Termination Without Cause or for Good Reason After Change in		
Name	Benefits Upon Separation			
	Belletits Opon Separation	Control		
Pam Strayer	Compensation	\$1,360,901	(1)	
	Benefits	\$ <del></del>	(2)	
Joe Burton	Compensation	\$938,828	(3)	
	Benefits	\$19,571	(2)	
Don Houston	Compensation	\$911,050	(3)	
	Benefits	\$29,866	(2)	
Renee Niemi	Compensation	\$841,883	(3)	
	Benefits	\$10,063	(2)	

- Comprised of (i) 200% of annual base salary, (ii) that pro-rata portion of the annual targeted Bonus that has been earned but not yet been paid, and (iii) 200% of the annual targeted Bonus for the year in which the severance payment is triggered.
- (2) Amounts estimated based on certain employee medical benefit elections in fiscal year 2014. Comprised of (i) 100% of annual base salary, (ii) that pro-rata portion of the annual targeted Bonus that has been
- (3) earned but not yet been paid, and (iii) 100% of the annual targeted Bonus for the year in which the severance payment is triggered.

Accelerated Vesting of Equity Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table shows the potential value of accelerated vesting of outstanding Equity awards held by our NEOs, other than our CEO, had their employment terminated upon a change of control of the Company on March 29, 2014:

	Number of Stock	k Value of Stock	Number of RSA	Value of DCA	Total Value of
Name	<b>Options Shares</b>	Option Shares	Charas Vasting	Shares Vesting (2	Equity on Change of Control
	Vesting	Vesting (1)	Shares Vesting	Shales vesting (-	Control
Pam Strayer	37,778	\$200,714	17,500	\$754,600	\$955,314
Joe Burton	50,001	\$210,308	38,500	\$1,660,120	\$1,870,428
Don Houston	46,251	\$217,290	21,500	\$927,080	\$1,144,370
Renee Niemi	38,891	\$192,019	20,750	\$894,740	\$1,086,759

<sup>(1)</sup> The value is calculated by multiplying the number of unvested shares by the difference between our common stock price of \$43.12 on March 29, 2014 and the exercise price of the stock options, with negative values, if any, reported

as zero.

#### SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

The following table sets forth the compensation paid by us for fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012 to the NEOs. For a narrative description of our compensation philosophy and compensation elements, see the section "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" above.

Discussion and 7 me	11y 515 C	100 v C.				Non-Equity		
Name and Principal Position	Fiscal Year	Salary	Bonus (1)	Stock Awards (2)	Option Awards (2)	Incentive Plan Compensatio	All Other Compensation(4)	onTotal
Ken Kannappan	2014	\$700,000	<b>\$</b> —	\$1,384,500	\$1,107,540	\$ 759,021	\$ 133,627	\$4,084,688
Director, President and CEO*	2013	\$693,750	<b>\$</b> —	\$641,400	\$1,301,814	\$ 706,300	\$ 195,690	\$3,538,954
	2012	\$675,000	<b>\$</b> —	\$733,400	\$1,864,685	\$ 621,675	\$ 66,875	\$3,961,635
Pam Strayer (5)	2014	\$336,251	<b>\$</b> —	\$461,500	\$221,508	\$ 238,901	\$ 32,042	\$1,290,202
Senior Vice								
President and CFO*	2013	\$231,250	\$25,000	\$319,200	\$409,284	\$ 117,368	\$ 78,097	\$1,180,200
	2012	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Joe Burton <sup>(6)</sup> Senior Vice President of	2014	\$386,250	<b>\$</b> —	\$599,950	\$332,262	\$ 295,328	\$ 57,208	\$1,670,998
Technology, Development & Strategy and CTO	2013	\$368,750	\$250,000	\$288,630	\$400,558	\$ 275,169	\$ 83,883	\$1,666,991
	2012	\$302,885	\$250,000	\$1,829,000	\$238,418	\$ 181,322	\$ 44,244	\$2,845,869
Don Houston	2014	\$379,010	<b>\$</b> —	\$461,500	\$276,885	\$ 284,050	\$ 57,823	\$1,459,268
Senior Vice President, Sales	2013	\$374,070	<b>\$</b> —	\$256,560	\$350,488	\$ 249,813	\$ 114,891	\$1,345,823
	2012	\$364,620	<b>\$</b> —	\$256,690	\$554,131	\$ 220,399	\$ 53,293	\$1,449,133
Renee Niemi	2014	\$351,250	\$	\$461,500	\$221,508	\$ 256,133	\$ 40,813	\$1,331,204
Senior Vice President – Communication Solutions	2013	\$336,150	\$—	\$224,490	\$300,419	\$ 236,826	\$ 85,636	\$1,183,521
	2012	\$318,450	<b>\$</b> —	\$256,690	\$554,131	\$ 194,322	\$ 35,541	\$1,359,134

<sup>\*</sup>On April 14, 2013, we announced that Mr. Kannappan commenced a temporary medical leave of absence as President and CEO to address a treatable form of cancer, although he remained a member of the Board. On October 29, 2013, we announced his resumption of duties as President and CEO. Ms. Strayer, our Senior Vice President & CFO, served as Acting CEO during Mr. Kannappan's absence.

<sup>(2)</sup> The value is calculated by multiplying the number of unvested RSA shares by our common stock price of \$43.12 on March 29, 2014.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes all bonus payments, if any, paid outside of the Executive Incentive Plan ("EIP"). See also Notes 5 and 6.

<sup>(2)</sup> Stock awards amounts and option awards amounts reported are the aggregate grant date fair value of stock-related awards in fiscal year 2014 computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Refer to Note 2 – Significant Accounting Policies, Stock-Based Compensation Expense and Note 9 – Stock Plans and Stock-Based Compensation to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended

- March 31, 2014, as filed with the SEC on May 16, 2014 for the assumptions used to value such awards. The amounts shown exclude the impact of estimated forfeitures.
- All amounts reported for fiscal years 2012, 2013, and 2014 were annual amounts earned under the EIP and were paid on June 7, 2012, June 6, 2013, and June 5, 2014, respectively.

  Amounts shown include our contributions or other allocations to defined contribution plans for benefits such as

employer 401(k) contributions, 401(k) match payments, restricted stock award dividends and insurance premiums,

(4) a supplemental benefit program available only to employees whose titles are vice president and above to reimburse participants for certain limited medical expenses, legal and financial planning services, car allowances, and a gift card issued to all participants in our Worldwide Sales Meeting.

In fiscal year 2014, we also paid the premium for a Permanent Total Disability Policy for Mr. Kannappan in the amount of \$55,494, which is included in the amount reported.

In addition, in fiscal year 2013 Ms. Strayer received relocation benefits in the total amount of \$46,951, which are included in the amount reported.

Furthermore, prior to January 1, 2013, we provided all of our employees, including the NEOs, with an accrued vacation plan. Under our paid vacation policy, NEOs received one additional week of paid vacation for each of the first three years of their employment. We eliminated the accrued vacation plan for all U.S. salaried (exempt) employees, including the NEOs, effective December 31, 2012. In connection with the elimination of the plan, in December 2012 we paid each eligible employee a lump sum amount equivalent to their accrued, but unused, vacation balances as of December 31, 2012. The lump sum payments received by our CEO and other NEOs were as follows: Ken Kannappan \$107,053; Pam Strayer \$9,656; Joe Burton \$18,444; Don Houston \$53,179; and Renee Niemi \$44,854.

- Ms. Strayer's employment commenced on July 16, 2012. In connection with her start of employment, she was paid a sign-on bonus of \$25,000 in fiscal year 2013, which amount is reported in the "Bonus" column in the table above. In addition, the amounts reported in the columns entitled "Salary" and "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" in the table above are the amounts actually earned by Ms. Strayer from her employment commencement date to the end of fiscal year 2013.
- Mr. Burton's employment commenced on May 23, 2011. The amounts reported in the columns entitled, "Salary" and "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" for fiscal year 2012 in the table above are the amounts actually earned by Mr. Burton from his employment commencement date to the end of fiscal year 2012.

The amounts reported in the column entitled "Bonus" reflect the amounts actually paid to Mr. Burton in connection with his two-part hire-on bonus, split equally \$250,000 in each of fiscal years 2012 and 2013.

#### **GRANTS OF PLAN-BASED AWARDS**

The following table shows information concerning plan based awards to our NEOs during fiscal year 2014:

			y Incentive	youts Under Plan	All Other Stock Awards:	All Other Option Awards:	Exercise or Base	Grant Date	Grant Date Fair
Name	Grant Date (1)	Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Number of Shares of Stock or Units (#) <sup>(3)</sup>	Number of Securities Underlying Options (#) <sup>(3)</sup>	Option	Fair Value of Stock Awards	Value of Option Awards
Ken Kannappan		\$350,000	\$700,000	\$1,050,000					
	5/10/2013				30,000			\$1,384,500	
	5/10/2013					50,000	\$46.15		\$600,085
_	11/1/2013					50,000	\$42.96		\$507,455
Pam Strayer		\$110,500	\$221,000	\$442,000					
	5/10/2013				10,000			\$461,500	
	5/10/2013					10,000	\$46.15		\$120,017
<b>.</b>	11/1/2013	<b>4106 750</b>	<b>4252 5</b> 00	ф <b>505</b> 000		10,000	\$42.96		\$101,491
Joe Burton	5/10/2013	\$126,750	\$253,500	\$507,000	12,000			¢ 500 050	
	5/10/2013				13,000	15,000	\$46.15	\$599,950	\$180,026
	11/1/2013					15,000	\$42.96		\$150,020
Don	11/1/2013	<b>4.66 7</b> 00	<b></b>	<b></b>		15,000	Ψ12.70		φ132,237
Houston		\$123,500	\$247,000	\$494,000					
	5/10/2013				10,000			\$461,500	
	5/10/2013					12,500	\$46.15		\$150,021
_	11/1/2013					12,500	\$42.96		\$126,864
Renee Niemi		\$115,375	\$230,750	\$461,500					
	5/10/2013				10,000			\$461,500	
	5/10/2013					10,000	\$46.15		\$120,017
	11/1/2013					10,000	\$42.96		\$101,491

Pursuant to Compensation Committee policy, equity awards to NEOs were actually granted on May 10, 2013 and (1) November 1, 2013, three days after quarterly financial results were announced. The exercise price of stock options is equal to the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant. See also Note 3.

The "Maximum" Mr. Kannappan could receive under the CEO EIP was the lesser of (i) the Corporate Pool Funding percentage, or (ii) 150% of his "Target" award amount. The greater of these two values are shown in the

(4) table above; however, for Mr. Kannappan to receive 150% of his target Bonus, the Corporate Pool Funding must also equal 150%. In addition, please see the discussion of acceleration of equity grants in the section entitled "Mr. Kannappan's Employment Agreement."

<sup>(2)</sup> Actual amounts paid under the fiscal year 2014 EIPs are set forth in the "Summary Compensation Table" above.

<sup>(3)</sup> Restricted stock awards vest in three annual installments. 33.3% of the shares subject to stock options vest on the one-year anniversary of the grant, and 1/36th of the shares vest each month thereafter.

# OPTION EXERCISES AND STOCK VESTED

The following table sets forth information regarding the number of shares acquired and value realized for stock options exercised and restricted stock awards vested during fiscal year 2014:

	Option Awards		Stock Awards	
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized on Vesting
Ken Kannappan	200,000	\$4,463,025	17,657	\$781,157
Pam Strayer	_	\$—	2,500	\$116,225
Joe Burton	_	\$—	14,750	\$650,373
Don Houston	25,000	\$571,065	8,000	\$351,993
Renee Niemi	5,000	\$116,373	7,375	\$327,923

# OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT FISCAL YEAR-END

The following table sets forth information about stock options and restricted stock awards held by our NEOs that were outstanding as of the end of fiscal year 2014:

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Option Awards	(1)				Stock Awards (	1)	
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date		Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)	
Ken Kannappan	20,000	_	\$27.58	10/26/2014	(2)			
	30,000 50,000 50,000 50,000 94,444 38,889 39,722 28,889		\$24.17 \$24.11 \$30.04 \$36.28 \$36.67 \$33.12 \$32.07 \$32.94 \$46.15 \$42.96	5/2/2015 10/30/2016 5/7/2017 11/5/2017 5/6/2018 11/4/2018 5/4/2019 11/2/2019 5/10/2020 11/1/2020	(2) (2) (2) (2) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3)			
Pam						50,782	2,189,720	(4)
Strayer	22,222	17,778	\$31.92	7/16/2019	(5)			
	_	10,000 10,000	\$46.15 \$42.96	5/10/2020 11/1/2020	(3) (3)	17.500	754 600	(6)
Joe Burton	18,888 12,222 8,889 —	1,112 7,778 11,111 15,000 15,000	\$35.16 \$32.07 \$32.94 \$46.15 \$42.96	5/23/2018 5/4/2019 11/2/2019 5/10/2020 11/1/2020	<ul><li>(7)</li><li>(3)</li><li>(3)</li><li>(3)</li><li>(3)</li></ul>	17,500	754,600 1,660,120	(6)
Don	12,500	_	\$12.78	10/27/2015	(2)	38,500	1,000,120	(0)
Houston	32,500 17,500 17,500 17,500 29,277 10,500 10,694 7,778		\$16.97 \$24.11 \$30.04 \$36.28 \$36.67 \$33.12 \$32.07 \$32.94 \$46.15 \$42.96	5/8/2016 10/30/2016 5/7/2017 11/5/2017 5/6/2018 11/4/2018 5/4/2019 11/2/2019 5/10/2020 11/1/2020	(2) (2) (2) (2) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3)			
	1,067	_	\$27.58	10/26/2014	(2)	21,500	927,080	(9)

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Renee Niemi					
	2,800		\$24.17	5/2/2015	(2)
	10,000	_	\$12.78	10/27/2015	(2)
	20,000		\$16.97	5/8/2016	(2)
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_	10,000	\$40.13 \$42.96	11/1/2020	(3)	
0,000	10,000	\$46.15	5/10/2020	(3)	
6,666	8,334	\$32.94	11/2/2019	(3)	
9,166	5,834	\$32.07	5/4/2019	(3)	
10,500	3,000	\$33.12	11/4/2018	(3)	
11,194	1,723	\$36.67	5/6/2018	(3)	
4,375		\$36.28	11/5/2017	(2)	
17,500	_	\$30.04	5/7/2017	(2)	
17,500		\$24.11	10/30/2016	(2)	

All unvested options vest over a three-year period with 1/3 vesting on the first anniversary of the grant date and 1/36<sup>th</sup> per month thereafter subject to the continued employment of the employee of the option on each vesting date. For restricted stock awards made prior to fiscal year 2013, vesting occurs annually over a four-year period for awards of less than 10,000 shares; for awards of 10,000 shares or more, vesting occurs quarterly over the four-year period so long as the employee remains employed by us. For awards granted in fiscal year 2013, vesting occurs in equal annual installments over a four-year period until fully vested. For awards granted in fiscal year 2014, vesting occurs in equal annual installments over a three-year period until fully vested. For all awards, vesting is subject to the continued employment of the employee on each vesting date.

- (2) Stock Option is fully vested.
- (3) Stock options fully vest in the order listed on May 6, 2014, November 4, 2014, May 4, 2015, November 2, 2015, May 10, 2015 and November 1, 2016, respectively.

  Based on four stock awards granted on November 5, 2010, May 6, 2011, May 4, 2012, and May 10, 2013,
- (4) respectively, with 3,282, 6,250, 11,250, and 30,000 shares, respectively, remaining unvested at the end of fiscal year 2014. Valued at \$43.12 per share, the closing price of our common stock on March 29, 2014.
- (5) Stock option fully vests on July 16, 2015.
  - Based on two stock awards granted on July 16, 2012 and May 10, 2013, respectively, with 7,500 and 10,000
- (6) shares, respectively, remaining unvested at the end of fiscal year 2014. Valued at \$43.12 per share, the closing price of our common stock on March 29, 2014.
- (7) Stock option fully vests on May 23, 2014.
  - Based on one restricted stock unit award and three stock awards granted on May 31, 2011, May 31, 2011, May 4,
- (8) 2012, and May 10, 2013, with 9,375, 9,375, 6,750, and 13,000 shares, respectively, remaining unvested at the end of fiscal year 2014. Valued at \$43.12 per share, the closing price of our common stock on March 29, 2014. Based on four stock awards granted on November 5, 2010, May 6, 2011, May 4, 2012, and May 10, 2013,
- (9) respectively, with 2,000, 3,500, 6,000 and 10,000 shares, respectively, remaining unvested at the end of fiscal year 2014. Valued at \$43.12 per share, the closing price of our common stock on March 29, 2014.
  - Based on four stock awards granted on November 5, 2010, May 6, 2011, and May 4, 2012, and May 10, 2013,
- (10) respectively, with 2,000, 3,500, 5,250, and 10,000, shares, respectively, remaining unvested at the end of fiscal year 2014. Valued at \$43.12 per share, the closing price of our common stock on March 29, 2014.

#### NON-QUALIFIED DEFERRED COMPENSATION

#### The 2013 DCP

Effective May 24, 2013, we established a non-qualified deferred compensation plan (the "2013 DCP") for a select group of management or highly compensated employees, including our NEOs. The 2013 DCP is unsecured and is designed to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code. The 2013 DCP is administered by a committee (the "Plan Committee") established by the Compensation Committee. Except as the Plan Committee may otherwise determine, participants may annually defer up to a maximum of 100% of their cash compensation (base salary, bonuses, commissions, and such other cash-based compensation (if any) approved by the Plan Committee as compensation that may be deferred under the 2013 DCP), although the Plan Committee may reduce the deferrals to the extent necessary to satisfy all applicable tax withholdings and other deductions required by applicable law. Under the 2013 DCP, we can make discretionary contributions to any one or more participants in any year provided such contributions are approved by the Compensation Committee or the Board. However, in practice we have limited such contributions to the amounts the participants would have been entitled to receive under our 401(k) plan generally available to all employees. We did not make any contributions in fiscal year 2014.

Participants may select from investment options determined by the Plan Committee. We have elected to informally fund the plan using taxable securities placed in a grantor trust. A participant's investment allocation constitutes a deemed, not actual, investment among the investment options. Each account is adjusted to reflect positive or negative adjustments to the value of an account on each business day to reflect the net earnings, gains, losses, expenses, appreciation and depreciation associated with the investment option for the deemed investment of each portion of the account allocated to such option. We do not guarantee any returns on participant contributions. Benefits will be paid under the 2013 DCP in the event of (i) a participant's separation from service, (ii) a specified date selected by the participant, (iii) the participant's disability, (iv) the participant's death, or (v) the participant's unforeseeable emergency, all in accordance with the terms of the 2013 DCP or elections made by a particular participant under the 2013 DCP. Benefits paid in the event of the participant's death, disability or unforeseeable emergency are paid in a lump sum. Benefits paid in the event of the participant's separation from service or upon a specified date are payable in a lump sum unless the participant elected an alternate form of payment in accordance with the terms of the 2013 DCP. Permissible alternate forms of payment for the separation from service benefit are substantially equal installments over a period of two to ten years, as elected by the participant, or a lump sum payment of a designated percentage of the separation from service benefit, with the balance paid in substantially equal annual installments over a period of two to ten years, as elected by the participant. The permissible alternate form of payment for the specified date benefit is substantially equal annual installments over a period of two to ten years, as elected by the participant. Participant deferrals are 100% vested at all times. In fiscal year 2014, Messrs. Kannappan and Houston were the only NEOs who participated in the 2013 DCP and neither made any withdrawals.

# The 1994 DCP

In addition, in 1994 we established a non-qualified deferred compensation plan (the "1994 DCP"). Mr. Kannappan is the only NEO with a balance remaining in the 1994 DCP. His last contribution to the 1994 DCP occurred in fiscal year 1998. The 1994 DCP was frozen in fiscal year 2005.

The 1994 DCP provided certain participating executive employees (including Mr. Kannappan) the ability to defer receipt of up to 25% of all amounts paid or payable or reasonably anticipated to be paid or payable to each of them annually. Each participant's compensation deferrals were credited to a bookkeeping account and, subject to certain restrictions, each participant could elect to have their cash deferrals in such account invested in one of several investment options, including Plantronics common stock, although we were not obligated to actually invest any deferred amounts in the selected investment options.

As the sole remaining participant in the 1994 DCP, Mr. Kannappan may receive a distribution of deferred amounts, plus any earnings thereon (or less any losses), within 90 days of a date specified by him or, if earlier, upon a decline in our financial strength or for severe financial hardship. All distributions must be in the form of a lump sum payment, except in the case of his death or when he attains the age of 70, in which case distributions may be paid in semi-annual installments over a period of time previously specified by him. At all times Mr. Kannappan is and has been fully

vested in the amounts he contributed to his account. Mr. Kannappan did not make any withdrawals from the 1994 DCP during fiscal year 2014.

The following table provides information about contributions, earnings, and balances under the 1994 DCP and 2013 DCP, respectively and as applicable, as of March 31, 2014:

## NON-QUALIFIED DEFERRED COMPENSATION

Name	<b>Executive Contributions</b>		Aggregate Earnings in		Aggregate Balance at	
	in Last Fiscal Year (\$)		Last Fiscal Year (\$)		Last Fiscal Year End (\$)	
Ken Kannappan	489,192	(1)	36,451	(2)	1,200,220	(3)
Don Houston	238,976	(1)	16,896		255,872	

- (1) All contributions were made solely under the 2013 DCP and were reported as Salary within the Summary Compensation Table.
  - Aggregate earnings consist of \$30,469 and \$5,982 under the 2013 DCP and 1994 DCP, respectively. Neither
- (2) amount is included in the compensation reported for Mr. Kannappan in the "Summary Compensation Table" above.
  - The aggregate balance is comprised of \$519,661 and \$680,558, of the 2013 DCP and 1994 DCP, respectively. The
- aggregate balance of the 1994 DCP consists of 14,946 shares of our common stock valued at \$644,472 based on the closing price of our common stock of \$43.12 per share on March 29, 2014, and accumulated cash of \$36,087. The amounts deferred under the 1994 DCP were previously reported in prior year Summary Compensation Tables.

#### Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

Directors Tseu, Hammann and Hart served as members of the Compensation Committee during fiscal year 2014, none of whom was an officer or employee of Plantronics during fiscal year 2014 and none of whom had any relationship requiring disclosure as required by Item 404 of Regulation S-K. None of the relationships described in Item 407(e)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K existed during fiscal year 2014.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

If a related party transaction is determined by our General Counsel to be material to us, the Audit Committee must review and approve the matter in writing in advance of any such transactions. We must report all such transactions under applicable accounting rules, federal securities laws, and NYSE rules. Any dealings with a related party must be conducted in such a way that no preferential treatment is given to the related business. We did not have any related party transactions in fiscal year 2014.

#### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires our officers and directors, and persons who own more than ten percent of a registered class of our equity securities, to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the SEC and the NYSE. Officers, directors and greater than ten percent stockholders are required by SEC regulation to furnish us with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. Based solely on our review of the copies of such forms received, or certain written representations from the reporting persons, we believe that, during fiscal year 2014, all filing requirements applicable to our officers and directors were performed in compliance with the requirements of Section 16(a) except that Rich Pickard, our Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, had one late filing in connection with the grant of a restricted stock award.

#### OTHER MATTERS

We know of no other matters to be submitted at the Annual Meeting. If any other matters properly come before the Annual Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy to vote the shares they represent as the Board may recommend.

For the Board of Directors

/s/ Rich Pickard Rich Pickard Secretary

Dated: June 13, 2014

#### APPENDIX A

#### REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following is the Audit Committee's report submitted to the Board of Directors for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has:

reviewed and discussed Plantronics' audited consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 with Plantronics' management, which has primary responsibility for those statements;

discussed with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Plantronics' independent registered public accounting firm,

- the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standard No. 61, as amended (AICPA, Professional Standards, Vol. 1, AU Section 380, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting
  - Professional Standards, Vol. 1, AU Section 380, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") in Rule 3200T); and

received and reviewed the written disclosures and the letter from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP required by the applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent accountant's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and has discussed with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP its independence.

The Board of Directors determined that each member of the Audit Committee is, and has been at all times during the 2014 fiscal year, "independent" as defined under the NYSE listing standards and Plantronics independence guidelines. Each member of the Audit Committee also satisfies the SEC's additional independence requirement under Rule 10A-3(b) of the Securities Exchange Act for members of Audit Committees. The Board of Directors has further determined that directors Gregg Hammann, Marshall Mohr and Marv Tseu are "audit committee financial experts" as such term is defined in Item 407 of Regulation S-K, as promulgated by the SEC.

Based on the foregoing review and discussion, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited consolidated Financial Statements be included in Plantronics' 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Audit Committee

Brian Dexheimer Gregg Hammann Marshall Mohr (Chair) Marv Tseu

# APPENDIX B REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Compensation Committee reviewed and discussed with management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K and, based on the review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 and this Proxy Statement.

Members of the Compensation Committee:

Gregg Hammann (Chair) John Hart Marv Tseu

APPENDIX C PLANTRONICS, INC. 2002 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

Amended and restated effective May 27, 2014, subject to approval of stockholders on August 1, 2014

Purpose. The purpose of the Plan is to provide employees of the Company and its Designated Subsidiaries with an opportunity to purchase Common Stock of the Company through accumulated payroll deductions or a cash contribution, if applicable. This Plan includes two components: a Code Section 423 Plan Component and a Non-423 Plan Component. It is the intention of the Company to have the Code Section 423 Plan Component qualify as an "Employee Stock Purchase Plan" under Section 423 of the Code and the provisions of the Plan with respect to the 1. Code Section 423 Component, accordingly, shall be construed so as to extend and limit participation in a manner consistent with the requirements of that section of the Code. In addition, this Plan authorizes the grant of options under the Non-423 Plan Component that do not qualify under Section 423 of the Code, pursuant to the rules, procedures or sub-plans adopted by the Administrator that are designed to achieve tax, securities laws or other objectives for Employees and/or the Company. Except as otherwise indicated, the Non-423 Plan Component will operate and be administered in the same manner as the Code Section 423 Plan Component.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (a) "Administrator" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company or any committee of members of the Board of Directors authorized to administer the Plan.
- "Applicable Laws" shall mean the requirements relating to the administration of equity-based awards under U.S. state corporate laws, U.S. federal and state securities laws, the Code, any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted and the applicable laws of any foreign country or jurisdiction where the Plan is, or will be, offered.
- "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Reference to a specific section of the Code or U.S. Treasury Regulation thereunder will include such section or regulation, any valid regulation or other official applicable guidance promulgated under such section, and any comparable provision of any future legislation or regulation amending, supplementing or superseding such section or regulation.
- "Code Section 423 Plan Component" shall mean the component of this Plan that is intended to meet the requirements (d) set forth in Section 423(b) of the Code. The Code Section 423 Plan Component shall be construed, administered and enforced in accordance with Section 423(b) of the Code.
- (e) "Common Stock" shall mean the common stock of the Company.
- (f) "Company" shall mean Plantronics, Inc., a Delaware corporation.
  - "Compensation" shall mean a Participant's base straight time gross earnings rate, exclusive of any payments for overtime, shift premium, incentive compensation, incentive payments, bonuses, commissions, car allowances,
- (g) profit-sharing and other compensation. The Administrator shall have the discretion to determine what constitutes Compensation for Participants under the Plan, but for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, it will be applied on a uniform, non-discriminatory basis.

"Designated Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary that has been designated by the Administrator from time to time in its sole discretion as eligible to participate in the Plan. The Administrator may provide that any Designated Subsidiary shall only be eligible to participate in the Non-423 Plan Component and at any given time, a Subsidiary that is a Designated Subsidiary under the Code Section 423 Plan Component shall not be a Designated Subsidiary under the Non-423 Plan Component.

"Employee" shall mean any individual who is an employee of the Company or a Designated Subsidiary for tax purposes. For purposes of the Plan, the employment relationship shall be treated as continuing intact while the individual is on sick leave or other leave of absence approved by the Company or Designated Subsidiary, as applicable, or is legally protected under Applicable Laws. Where the period of leave exceeds three (3) months and the individual's right to reemployment is not guaranteed either by statute or by contract, the employment relationship shall be deemed to automatically terminate on the date three (3) months and one day following the commencement of such leave. The Administrator, in its discretion, from time to time may, prior to an Enrollment Date for all options to be granted on the first day of the Offering Period to which the Enrollment Date relates, determine (and for purposes of the Code Section 423 Plan Component, on a uniform and nondiscriminatory basis or as otherwise permitted by Treasury Regulation Section 1.423 2) that the definition of Employee will or will not include an individual if he or she: (i) has not completed at least two (2) years of service since his or her last hire (i) date (or such lesser period of time as may be determined by the Administrator in its discretion), (ii) customarily works not more than twenty (20) hours per week (or such lesser period of time as may be determined by the Administrator in its discretion), (iii) customarily works not more than five (5) months per calendar year (or such lesser period of time as may be determined by the Administrator in its discretion), (iv) is a highly compensated employee within the meaning of Section 414(q) of the Code, or (v) is a highly compensated employee within the meaning of Section 414(q) of the Code with compensation above a certain level or is an officer or subject to the

"Enrollment Date" shall mean the date that is seven (7) calendar days prior to the first day of each Offering Period or (j) such other date determined by the Administrator on or prior to that Offering Period in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis.

individuals of the Company or Designated Subsidiary whose Employees are participating in that Offering Period. Each exclusion shall be applied with respect to an Offering Period in a manner complying with U.S. Treasury

Regulation Section 1.423 2(e)(2)(ii). For Offering Periods under the Non-423 Plan Component, Employee will also mean any other employee of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary to the extent that Applicable Laws require

disclosure requirements of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, provided the exclusion is applied with respect to each Offering Period in an identical manner to all highly compensated

- (k) "Exercise Date" shall mean the last day of each Offering Period.
- (1) "Fair Market Value" shall mean, as of any date, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:

participation in the Plan to be extended to such employee, as determined by the Administrator.

If the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange or a national market system, including without limitation the New York Stock Exchange, its Fair Market Value shall be the closing sales price for such stock (or (i) the closing bid, if no sales were reported) as quoted on such exchange or system for the last market trading day on the date of such determination, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable, or;

(ii) If the Common Stock is regularly quoted by a recognized securities dealer but selling prices are not reported, the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock shall be the mean between the high bid and low asked prices for the Common Stock on the date of such determination, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable, or;

(iii) In the absence of an established market for the Common Stock, the Fair Market Value shall be determined in good faith by the Administrator.

(m)

"Non-423 Plan Component" shall mean a component of this Plan that is not intended to meet the requirements set forth in Section 423(b) of the Code.

"Offering Period" shall mean a period of approximately six (6) months during which an option granted pursuant to (n)the Plan may be exercised. The duration of Offering Periods may be changed pursuant to Sections 4 and 20 of this Plan.

(o) "Participant" shall mean an eligible Employee who has enrolled in an Offering Period in accordance with Section 5 of the Plan.

- "Plan" shall mean this Plantronics, Inc. 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated from time to time.
- "Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to 85% of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the (q) first day of the Offering Period or on the Exercise Date, whichever is lower; provided, however, that the Purchase Price may be adjusted by the Administrator pursuant to Section 20.
- "Reserves" shall mean the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each option under the Plan which have not (r) yet been exercised and the number of shares of Common Stock which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but not yet placed under option.
- "Subscription Agreement" shall mean a form(s) of agreement approved by the Administrator from time to time authorizing payroll deductions or a cash contribution, if applicable, in connection with a Participant's enrollment in one or more Offering Periods under this Plan.
- "Subsidiary" shall mean a corporation, domestic or foreign, of which not less than 50% of the voting shares are held (t) by the Company or a Subsidiary, whether or not such corporation now exists or is hereafter organized or acquired by the Company or a Subsidiary.

#### 3. Eligibility.

Subject to Section 3(b) below, any Employee who shall be employed by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary for a minimum of seven (7) calendar days prior to the first day of an Offering Period, or such other length of time (a) determined by the Administrator on or prior to that Offering Period shall be eligible to participate in the Plan; provided that for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, it will be applied in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis.

Employees who are citizens or residents of a non-U.S. jurisdiction (without regard to whether they also are citizens or residents of the United States or resident aliens (within the meaning of Section 7701(b)(1)(A) of the Code)) may (b) be excluded from participation in the Plan or an Offering Period if the participation of such Employees is

- (b) be excluded from participation in the Plan or an Offering Period if the participation of such Employees is prohibited under the laws of the applicable jurisdiction or if complying with the laws of the applicable jurisdiction would cause the Plan or an offering under the Plan to violate Section 423 of the Code.
- (c) Any provisions of the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, no Employee shall be granted an option under the Plan
- to the extent that, immediately after the grant, such Employee (or any other person whose stock would be attributed to such Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own capital stock of the Company and/or hold outstanding options to purchase such stock possessing five percent (5%) or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of the capital stock of the Company or of any Subsidiary;
- to the extent that his or her rights to purchase stock under all employee stock purchase plans (as defined in Section 423 of the Code) of the Company and its Subsidiaries accrues at a rate which exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) worth of Common Stock (determined at the Fair Market Value of the shares at the time such option is granted) for each calendar year in which such option is outstanding at any time; or
- (iii) to purchase more than 5,000 shares in any Offering Period.
- 4. Offering Periods. The Plan shall be implemented by consecutive Offering Periods with the Offering Period commencing on or around February 15 and August 15 of each year and ending approximately six (6) months later

on August 15 and February 15, respectively. If the commencement or ending date of any Offering Period occurs on a weekend, holiday or other day on which any stock exchange or national market system on which the Common Stock is listed is not open, the last market trading date immediately prior shall be the applicable Offering Period commencement or ending date. The Administrator shall have the power to change the duration of Offering Periods (including the commencement dates thereof) with respect to future offerings without stockholder approval if such change is announced prior to the scheduled beginning of the first Offering Period to be affected thereafter.

Participation. An eligible Employee may become a Participant by submitting a properly completed Subscription Agreement to the Company either through an on-line enrollment process established by the Administrator or submitting a hard copy to the Company's stock administration manager on or prior to the applicable Enrollment Date; provided that for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, the processing of enrollments, whether on-line or via hard copy, will be applied in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis.

#### 6. Payroll Deductions.

At the time a Participant submits his or her Subscription Agreement, he or she shall elect to have payroll deductions made on each payday during the Offering Period at a rate equal to not less than one percent (1.0%) and not exceeding ten percent (10.0%) (in whole percentages only) of his or her Compensation payable on each payday during the Offering Period.

Any such payroll deductions for a Participant shall commence on the first payday following the first day of the Offering Period and shall end on the last payday in the Offering Period to which such authorization is applicable, unless sooner terminated by the Participant as provided in Section 10 hereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing and lieu of the payroll deductions in subsection (a) above, the Administrator may, for any Offering Period, permit each Participant to make a lump sum cash contribution by check payable to the Company in an amount equal to not less than one percent (1.0%) and not exceeding ten percent (10.0%) (in whole

- (c) percentages only) of his or her Compensation payable during the Offering Period, subject to such conditions and limitations as the Administrator may determine from time to time in its discretion; provided that for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, such conditions and limitations will be applied in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis.
- (d) All payroll deductions or any cash contribution, if applicable, made by or for a Participant shall be credited to his or her account under the Plan.
- A Participant may discontinue his or her participation in the Plan as provided in Section 10 hereof. A Participant's (e) Subscription Agreement shall remain in effect for successive Offering Periods unless terminated as provided in Section 10 hereof or modified by completion and timely submission of a new Subscription Agreement prior to the applicable successive Offering Period Enrollment Date.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Participant's payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, may be decreased at any time to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code and Section 3(c) hereof.

(f) Any payroll deductions shall recommence at the rate provided in such Participant's Subscription Agreement at the beginning of the first Offering Period which is scheduled to end in the following calendar year, unless the Participant terminates the Subscription Agreement as provided in Section 10 hereof.

At the time the option is exercised, in whole or in part, or at the time some or all of the Common Stock issued under the Plan is disposed of, the Participant must make adequate provision for the Company's federal, state, or other tax withholding obligations, if any, which arise upon the exercise of the option or the disposition of the Common Stock. At any time, the Company may, but shall not be obligated to withhold

(g) disposition of the Common Stock. At any time, the Company may, but shall not be obligated to, withhold from the Participant's pay the amount necessary for the Company to meet applicable withholding obligations, including any withholding required to make available to the Company any tax deductions or benefits attributable to sale or early disposition of Common Stock by the Participant.

Grant of Option. On the first day of each Offering Period, each Participant shall be granted an option to purchase on the Exercise Date of such Offering Period (at the applicable Purchase Price) up to a number of shares of Common Stock determined by dividing such Participant's payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, accumulated prior to such Exercise Date and retained in the Participant's account as of the Exercise Date by the applicable Purchase Price; provided that such purchase shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Sections 3(c) and 12 hereof. Exercise of the option shall occur as provided in Section 8 hereof, unless the Participant has previously withdrawn pursuant to Section 10 hereof. The Administrator may, for future Offering Periods, increase or decrease, in its absolute discretion, the maximum number of shares of Common Stock a Participant may purchase during an Offering Period. The option shall expire on the last day of the Offering Period.

Exercise of Option. Unless a Participant previously withdraws from the Plan as provided in Section 10 hereof, his or her option for the purchase of shares shall be exercised automatically on the Exercise Date, and the maximum number of shares subject to the option shall be purchased for such Participant at the applicable Purchase Price with the accumulated payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, in his or her account. If the Exercise Date of any Offering Period occurs on a weekend, holiday or other day on which any stock exchange or national market system on which the Common Stock is listed is not open, the applicable Offering Period Exercise Date shall be the last market trading date immediately prior to the Exercise Date. Fractional shares may be purchased subject to the limitations set forth in Section 3(c). Any payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, accumulated in a Participant's account which are in excess of the amounts permissible for the purchase of shares authorized under Section 3(c), shall be returned to the Participant as soon as administratively practicable after the Exercise Date of the relevant Offering Period. During a Participant's lifetime, a Participant's option to purchase shares hereunder is exercisable only by him or her.

9. Delivery. As promptly as practicable after each Exercise Date, the Company shall cause to be delivered to each Participant, as appropriate, the shares purchased upon exercise of his or her option.

#### 10. Withdrawal.

A Participant may withdraw the entire balance credited to his or her account and not yet used to exercise his or her option under the Plan at any time through an on-line process established by the Administrator or by giving written notice to the Company in a form(s) approved by the Administrator from time to time at least two (2) business days prior to the applicable Exercise Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, the processing of withdrawals, whether on-line or via hard copy, will be applied in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis. The entire balance credited to a Participant's account shall be (a) paid to such Participant promptly after timely receipt of the Participant's notice of withdrawal pursuant to this subsection, in which case such Participant's option for the Offering Period shall be automatically terminated, and no further payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, for the purchase of shares shall be made for such Offering Period. If a Participant withdraws from an Offering Period (or submits a withdrawal request pursuant to this subsection that is not timely received for a particular Offering Period), his or her participation in the Plan shall not resume at the beginning of the succeeding Offering Period unless the Participant re-enrolls in the Plan by timely submitting to the Company a new Subscription Agreement.

A Participant's withdrawal from an Offering Period shall not have any effect upon his or her eligibility to (b) participate in any similar plan which may hereafter be adopted by the Company or in succeeding Offering Periods which commence after the termination of the Offering Period from which the Participant withdraws.

Termination of Employment. Upon a Participant's ceasing to be an Employee for any reason, he or she shall be deemed to have automatically and immediately elected to withdraw from the Plan and the entire balance then credited to such Participant's account shall be returned to such Participant or, in the case of his or her death, to the person or persons entitled thereto under Section 15 hereof, and such Participant's option shall be automatically terminated. The foregoing shall apply whether or not a Participant ceases to be an Employee within the two (2) business days prior to an applicable Exercise Date referred to in Section 10(a) above.

Interest. No interest shall accrue on any amounts credited to a Participant's account under the Plan, except as may 12. be required by Applicable Laws, as determined by the Administrator, for Participants in the Non-423 Plan Component (or the Code Section 423 Plan Component if permitted under Section 423 of the Code).

#### 13. Stock.

Subject to adjustment upon changes in capitalization of the Company as provided in Section 19 hereof, the maximum number of shares of the Common Stock available for sale under the Plan shall be 2,400,000 shares. If, on a given Exercise Date, the number of shares with respect to which options for all Participants are to be exercised (a) exceeds the number of shares then available under the Plan, the Company shall make a pro rata allocation of the shares remaining available for purchase in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable and as it shall determine to be equitable; provided, however, for purposes of Participants participating in the Code Section 423 Plan Component, any pro rata allocation, will be applied in a uniform and non-discriminatory basis.

(b) The Participant shall have no interest, voting right or rights to dividends in connection with shares covered by his or her option until such option has been exercised.

(c) Shares to be delivered to a Participant under the Plan shall be registered in the name of the Participant.

Administration. The Plan shall be administered by the Administrator. The Administrator shall have full and exclusive discretionary authority to construe, interpret and apply the terms of the Plan, to determine eligibility, to adjudicate all disputed claims filed under the Plan and to establish such procedures that it deems necessary for the administration of the Plan (including, without limitation, to adopt such procedures and sub-plans as are necessary or appropriate to permit the participation in the Plan by Employees who are foreign nationals or employed outside the U.S., the terms of which sub-plans may take precedence over other provisions of this Plan, with the exception of Section 13(a) hereof, but unless otherwise superseded by the terms of such sub-plan, the provisions of this Plan shall govern the operation of such sub-plan). Unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, the Employees eligible to participate in each sub-plan will participate in a separate offering. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrator is specifically authorized to adopt rules and procedures regarding eligibility to

14. participate, the definition of Compensation, making of payroll deductions and/or cash contributions under the Plan, handling of payroll deductions and/or cash contributions, establishment of any bank or trust accounts to hold payroll amounts deducted and/or cash contributions, any payment of interest, conversion of local currency, obligations to pay payroll tax, determination of beneficiary designation requirements, withholding procedures and handling of stock certificates that vary with applicable local requirements. The Administrator also is authorized to determine that, to the extent permitted by U.S. Treasury Regulation Section 1.423 2(f), the terms of an option granted under the Plan or an Offering Period to citizens or residents of a non-U.S. jurisdiction will be less favorable than the terms of options granted under the Plan or the same Offering Period to Employees resident solely in the U.S. Every finding, decision and determination made by the Administrator shall, to the full extent permitted by law, be final and binding upon all parties, and shall be given the maximum possible deference permitted by Applicable Laws.

#### 15. Designation of Beneficiary.

A Participant may file a written designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any shares and cash, if any, from the Participant's account under the Plan in the event of such Participant's death subsequent to an Exercise Date on which the option is exercised but prior to delivery to such Participant of such shares and cash. In addition, a Participant may file a written designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any cash from the Participant's account under the Plan in the event of such Participant's death prior to exercise of an option. If a Participant is married and the designated beneficiary is not the spouse, spousal consent shall be required for such designation to be effective.

Such designation of beneficiary may be changed by the Participant at any time by written notice. In the event of the death of a Participant and in the absence of a beneficiary validly designated under the Plan who is living at the time of such Participant's death, the Company shall deliver such shares and/or cash to the executor or administrator of the estate of the Participant, or if to the knowledge of the Company no such executor or administrator has been

- (b) appointed, the Company, in its discretion, may retain the shares and/or cash until such time as a representative of the Participant's estate is so appointed or provides to the Administrator an order or instructions from a court or administrative body of competent jurisdiction authorizing the release of such shares and/or cash to the representative. The Administrator may, prior to the release of any shares and/or cash, require execution of an indemnification or other form of agreement relieving the Company, Administrator and all Company agents and representatives from liability for invalid release of any shares and/or cash.
- (c) Any beneficiary designations made pursuant to this Section shall be made in the form and manner determined by the Administrator from time to time in its discretion.
- 16. Transferability. Neither payroll deductions nor any cash contribution, if applicable, credited to a Participant's account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of an option or to receive shares under the Plan may be assigned,

transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way (other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution or as provided in Section 15 hereof) by the Participant. Any such attempt at assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition shall be without effect, except that the Company may treat such act as an election to withdraw funds from an Offering Period in accordance with Section 10 hereof.

Use of Funds. All payroll deductions and/or cash contributions received or held by the Company under the Plan 17. may be used by the Company for any corporate purpose, and the Company shall not be obligated to segregate such amounts unless otherwise required by Applicable Laws, as determined by the Administrator.

Reports. Individual accounts shall be maintained for each Participant. Statements of account shall be given to

18. Participants at least annually, which statements shall set forth the amounts of payroll deductions and/or cash contributions, if applicable, made by or for the Participant, the Purchase Price, the number of shares of Common Stock purchased and the remaining cash balance, if any.

19. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Liquidation, Merger or Asset Sale.

Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the Reserves, the maximum number of shares each Participant may purchase per Offering Period (pursuant to Section 7), as well as the price per share and the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each option under the Plan which has not yet been exercised shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other increase or decrease in the number of shares of Common Stock effected

(a) without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Administrator, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to an option.

Dissolution or Liquidation. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Offering Period then in progress shall be shortened by setting a new Exercise Date (the "New Exercise Date"), and shall terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed dissolution or liquidation, unless provided otherwise by the Administrator. The New Exercise Date shall be before the date of the Company's proposed dissolution or liquidation. The Administrator shall notify each Participant in writing, at least ten (10) business days prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the Participant's option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the Participant's option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless

prior to such date the Participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 10 hereof.

Merger or Asset Sale. In the event of a proposed sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or the merger of the Company with or into another corporation, each outstanding option shall be assumed or an equivalent option substituted by the successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for the option, the Offering Period then in progress shall be shortened by setting a new Exercise Date (the "New Exercise Date"). The New Exercise Date shall be before

the date of the Company's proposed sale or merger. The Administrator shall notify each Participant in writing, at least ten (10) business days prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the Participant's option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the Participant's option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless prior to such date the Participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 10 hereof.

#### 20. Amendment or Termination.

The Administrator, in its sole discretion, may amend, suspend, or terminate the Plan, or any part thereof, at any time and for any reason. Except as provided in Section 19 hereof, no such termination can affect options previously granted, provided that an Offering Period may be terminated by the Administrator on any Exercise Date if the Administrator determines that the termination of the Offering Period or the Plan is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. Except as provided in Sections 19 and 20 hereof, no amendment may make any change in any option theretofore granted which adversely affects the rights of any Participant.

Without stockholder consent and without regard to whether any Participant's rights may be considered to have been "adversely affected," the Administrator shall be entitled to change the Offering Periods, limit the frequency and/or number of changes in the amount withheld or contributed, if applicable, during an Offering Period, establish the exchange ratio applicable to amounts withheld or contributed, if applicable, in a currency other than U.S. dollars, permit payroll withholding and/or contributions, if applicable, in excess of the amount designated by a Participant

- (b) in order to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of properly completed withholding or contribution elections, establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods and/or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Common Stock for each Participant properly correspond with a Participant's payroll deductions or cash contribution, if applicable, and establish such other limitations or procedures as the Administrator determines in its sole discretion advisable which are consistent with the Plan.
- In the event the Administrator determines that the ongoing operation of the Plan may result in unfavorable financial (c) accounting consequences, the Administrator may, in its discretion and, to the extent necessary or desirable, modify or amend the Plan to reduce or eliminate such accounting consequence including, but not limited to:
- (i) altering the Purchase Price for any Offering Period including an Offering Period underway at the time of the change in Purchase Price;
- (ii) shortening any Offering Period so that the Offering Period ends on a new Exercise Date, including an Offering Period underway at the time of the Administrator action; and
- (iii) allocating shares.

compliance.

- (d) Such modifications or amendments shall not require stockholder approval or the consent of any Participants.
- Notices. All notices or other communications by a Participant to the Company under or in connection with the Plan 21. shall be deemed to have been duly given when received in the form specified by the Company at the location, or by the person, designated by the Company for the receipt thereof.
- 22. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.
- Shares shall not be issued with respect to an option unless the exercise of such option and the issuance and delivery of such shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all applicable provisions of law, domestic or foreign, including, without limitation, the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such
- As a condition to the exercise of an option, the Company may require a Participant to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by

Code Section 409A. The Code Section 423 Plan Component is exempt from the application of Code Section 409A. The Non-423 Plan Component is intended to be exempt from Code Section 409A under the short-term deferral exception and any ambiguities herein will be interpreted to so be exempt from Code Section 409A. In furtherance of the foregoing and notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, if the Administrator determines that an option granted under the Plan may be subject to Code Section 409A or that any provision in the Plan would cause an option under the Plan to be subject to Code Section 409A, the Administrator may amend the terms of the Plan and/or of an outstanding option granted under the Plan, or take such other action the

- 23. Administrator determines is necessary or appropriate, in each case, without the Participant's consent, to exempt any outstanding option or future option that may be granted under the Plan from or to allow any such options to comply with Code Section 409A, but only to the extent any such amendments or action by the Administrator would not violate Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have no liability to a Participant or any other party if the option to purchase Common Stock under the Plan that is intended to be exempt from or compliant with Code Section 409A is not so exempt or compliant or for any action taken by the Administrator with respect thereto. The Company makes no representation that the option to purchase Common Stock under the Plan is compliant with Code Section 409A.
- 24. Term of Plan. The Plan shall become effective upon its adoption by the Administrator or its approval by the stockholders of the Company, if applicable, and shall continue in effect until terminated under Section 20 hereof.
- 25. Stockholder Approval. The Plan will be subject to approval by the stockholders of the Company in the manner and to the degree required under Applicable Laws.
- Governing Law; Severability. The Plan and all determinations made and actions taken thereunder shall be governed by the internal substantive laws, and not the choice of law rules, of the State of California,

  United States and construed accordingly, to the extent not superseded by applicable U.S. federal law. If any provision of the Plan shall be held unlawful or otherwise invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part, the unlawfulness, invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Plan or part thereof, each of which shall remain in full force and effect.