

VALIDUS HOLDINGS LTD  
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Voting Items THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR PROPOSALS 1, 2 AND 3. 1. To elect the following four nominees as Class III Directors to hold office until 2013: Nominees: 01) Edward J. Noonan 02) Jeffrey W. Greenberg 03) John J. Hendrickson 04) Sumit Rajpal AND 2. To elect the listed nominees as 3. To approve the selection of Designated Company Directors so that PricewaterhouseCoopers, Hamilton, they may be elected directors of certain Bermuda to act as the independent of our non-U.S. subsidiaries: registered public accounting firm of the Nominees: Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010. 05) Edward J. Noonan 20) Mark S. Johnson 06) C.N. Rupert Atkin 21) Anthony J. Keys 07) Patrick G. Barry 22) Robert F. Kuzloski 08) Julian P. Bosworth 23) Gillian S. Langford 09) Michael E.A. Carpenter 24) Stuart W. Mercer 10) Rodrigo Castro 25) Paul J. Miller 11) Jane S. Clouting 26) Jean-Marie Nessi 12) Joseph E. (Jeff) Consolino 27) George P. Reeth 13) C. Jerome Dill 28) Julian G. Ross 14) Andrew Downey 29) Rafael Saer 15) Kerry A. Emanuel 30) Verner G. Southey 16) Jonathan D. Ewington 31) Guisepppe Venesiani 17) Andrew M. Gibbs 32) Nigel D. Wachman P90224 18) Michael Greene 33) Conan M. Ward 19) Nicholas J. Hales 34) Lixin Zeng -M21340

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