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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JUNE 6, 2013

#### TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC.:

- The 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., a Delaware corporation, will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., local time, at Live Nation Entertainment headquarters, 9348 Civic Center Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210, for the following purposes:
- 1. to elect three Class I directors to hold office until the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders if Item 2 is approved, or until the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders if Item 2 is not approved;
- to consider and vote on a management proposal to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to 2. eliminate our classified board of directors and provide for annual election of directors, together with other
  - 3. to hold an advisory vote on the company s executive compensation;
- 4. to ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2013 fiscal year; and
- 5. to transact such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.
- The board of directors has fixed the close of business on April 11, 2013 as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and at any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Thank you for your ongoing support and continued interest in Live Nation Entertainment.

#### By Order of the Board of Directors,

Michael Rapino President, Chief Executive Officer and Director Beverly Hills, California April 26, 2013

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# 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210

# PROXY STATEMENT FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS June 6, 2013

The board of directors of Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., which is referred to herein sometimes as Live Nation, our, us, we or the company, solicits the enclosed proxy for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Thursday, June 6, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., local time, at Live Nation Entertainment headquarters, 9348 Civic Center Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210, and for any adjournment or postponement thereof. This proxy statement is being made available to stockholders on or about April 26, 2013.

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

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Purpose What is the purpose of the Annual Meeting of Stockholders? A: At the annual meeting, stockholders will act upon the matters outlined in this proxy statement, including: election of the Class I directors, the director nominees being Mark Carleton, Michael Rapino and Mark S. Shapiro; a vote on a management proposal to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to eliminate our classified board of directors and provide for annual election of directors, together with other conforming changes; an advisory vote on the company s executive compensation; and

ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2013 fiscal year. O:

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Board s Recommendations How does the board of directors recommend that I vote? The board of directors recommends that you vote your shares:

FOR each of the Class I director nominees named in this proxy statement;

*FOR* the approval of the amendment to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to eliminate our classified board of directors and provide for annual election of directors, together with other conforming changes;

*FOR* the advisory resolution approving the company s executive compensation; and *FOR* the ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2013 fiscal year.

If you are an employee who participates in our 401(k) Savings Plan, the proxy that you submit will provide your voting instructions to the plan trustee. If you do not submit a proxy, the plan trustee will vote your plan shares in the same proportion as the shares for which the trustee receives voting instructions from other participants in the plan, except as may otherwise be required by law.

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Vote Requirement How many votes are required to approve each item?

A: *Election of Directors* Our bylaws require that a director nominee will be elected only if he or she receives a majority of the votes cast with respect to his or her election in an uncontested election

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(that is, the number of shares voted for a director nominee must exceed the number of votes cast against that nominee). For purposes of electing directors, a failure to vote or withholding your vote by voting abstain (or a direction to your broker, bank or other nominee to withhold your vote) is not counted as a vote cast, and therefore will have no effect on the outcome of the election of directors. Each of our director nominees is currently serving on the board of directors. If a nominee who is currently serving as a director is not re-elected, Delaware law provides that the director would continue to serve on the board of directors as a holdover director. Under our Board Policy Regarding Majority Voting, the board of directors expects each incumbent director who is nominated for re-election to the board to tender his or her resignation from the board if he or she fails to receive the required number of votes for re-election in accordance with the bylaws. The resignation shall become effective only if and when the board of directors or a duly authorized committee of the board, as the case may be, may consider any factors it deems relevant in deciding whether to accept a director s resignation. Each of the current director nominees has affirmatively agreed to tender a resignation under the circumstances described above.

Amendments to certificate of incorporation Our current amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that any amendment to Article VI, the article that contains the classified board provisions, requires the affirmative vote of at least 80% of the total voting power of the voting stock. As the amendments proposed by Item 2 will modify Article VI, the approval of Item 2 requires the affirmative vote of at least 80% of our outstanding shares of common stock. For purposes of this vote, abstentions (or a direction to your broker, bank or other nominee to abstain) will have the effect of a negative vote.

Advisory resolution on executive compensation The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the total voting power of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on this matter is required to approve the advisory resolution on the company s executive compensation. For purposes of this vote, abstentions (or a direction to your broker, bank or other nominee to abstain) will be counted as present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on this matter, and therefore will have the effect of a negative vote. The results of this vote are not binding on our board of directors.

*Ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm* The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the total voting power of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on this matter is required to ratify the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm. For purposes of this vote, abstentions (or a direction to your broker, bank or other nominee to abstain) will be counted as present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on this matter, and therefore will have the effect of a negative vote.

*Other items* The affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the total voting power of our common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on such matter is required to approve any other business properly brought before the annual meeting. For purposes of this vote, abstentions (or a direction to your broker, bank or other nominee to abstain) will be counted as present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on such matter, and therefore will have the effect of a negative vote.

4.

Record Date Which of my shares may I vote?

All shares owned by you as of the close of business on April 11, 2013, which is referred to as the Record Date, may A: be voted by you. These shares include shares that are (i) held directly in your name as the stockholder of record and (ii) held for you as the beneficial owner through a broker, bank or other nominee.

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Quorum What constitutes a quorum?

A: Presence at the annual meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of our common stock outstanding on the Record Date will constitute a quorum, permitting the annual meeting to

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proceed and business to be conducted. Abstentions and broker non-votes are included in the calculation of the number of shares considered to be present at the annual meeting.

At the close of business on the Record Date, we had 194,227,487 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to

vote.

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6. Record Holders and Beneficial Owners What is the difference between holding shares as a record holder versus a beneficial owner ?

Most of our stockholders hold their shares through a broker, bank or other nominee rather than directly in their own A: name. As summarized below, there are some distinctions between shares held of record and those owned beneficially:

Record Holders If your shares are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Shareowner Services LLC, you are, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record or record holder. As the record holder, you have the right to grant your voting proxy directly to us or to vote in person at the annual meeting. We have enclosed or sent a proxy card for you to use. You may also vote by mail, over the Internet or by telephone, as described below under the heading Voting How can I vote?

*Beneficial Owners* If your shares are held in a brokerage account or bank or by another nominee, you are, with respect to those shares, the beneficial owner of shares held in street name. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your nominee on how to vote or to vote in person at the annual meeting. However, since you are not a record holder, you may not vote these shares in person at the meeting unless you obtain a legal proxy from your nominee (who is the record holder), giving you the right to vote the shares. If you do not wish to vote in person, you may vote

by mail, over the Internet or by telephone, as described below under the heading Voting How can I vote?

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Voting How can I vote?

Each share of our common stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted for a vote at the annual meeting. To A: ensure that your vote is recorded promptly, please vote as soon as possible, even if you plan to attend the annual meeting in person. Most stockholders have four options for submitting their votes:

**By Mail** Record holders may submit proxies by completing, signing and dating the accompanying proxy card and mailing it in the accompanying pre-addressed envelope. Beneficial owners may also vote by mail by completing, signing and dating the voting instruction card provided by their nominee and mailing it in the accompanying pre-addressed envelope.

**In Person** Record holders may vote in person at the annual meeting. Beneficial owners may also vote in person at the annual meeting if they obtain a legal proxy from their nominee giving them the right to vote the shares.

**By Internet** Record holders may vote via the Internet by following the instructions set forth on the proxy card. Most beneficial owners may vote via the Internet by accessing the website specified on the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by your nominee for Internet voting availability. **By Telephone** Record holders may vote via telephone by following the instructions set forth on the proxy card. Most beneficial owners who live in the United States or Canada may vote via telephone by calling the toll-free number specified on the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by their nominees. Please check the voting instruction card provided by your nominee for telephone voting availability.

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Broker Non-Votes What is a broker non-vote?

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Generally, a broker non-vote occurs when shares held by a nominee for a beneficial owner are not voted with respect to a particular proposal because (i) the nominee has not received voting

instructions from the beneficial owner and (ii) the nominee lacks discretionary voting power to vote such shares. Under New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, rules, a nominee does not have discretionary voting power with respect to non-routine matters or the election of directors. The ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm is a routine matter.

If you are the beneficial owner of our common stock, your nominee will send you directions on how you can instruct them to vote.

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Revocation of Proxy May I change my vote after I return my proxy? Yes. You may revoke your proxy and change your vote at any time before the proxy is exercised.

Record holders may change their vote by:

a timely, valid, later-dated proxy;

a timely written notice of revocation submitted to our General Counsel at our principal executive offices at 9348 Civic Center Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210; or

attending the annual meeting and voting in person.

Beneficial owners may change their vote by complying with the instructions on their voting instruction cards.

You should be aware that simply attending the annual meeting will not in and of itself constitute a revocation of your proxy.

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Voting Results Where can I find the voting results of the annual meeting?

A: We will publish the final voting results of the annual meeting in a Current Report on Form 8-K within four business days after the annual meeting.

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Multiple Sets of Proxy Materials What should I do if I receive more than one set of voting materials? You may receive more than one set of voting materials, including multiple copies of this proxy statement and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards. For example, if you hold your shares in more than one brokerage A: account, you may receive a separate voting instruction card for each brokerage account. If you are a record holder and your shares are registered in more than one name, you will receive more than one proxy card. Please vote each proxy card and voting instruction card that you receive.

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Householding What is householding?

The Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries, such as brokers, banks and other nominees, to satisfy the delivery requirements for proxy materials with respect to two or more stockholders sharing the same address by delivering a single copy of these materials, other than the A: proxy card, to those stockholders. This process is commonly referred to as householding. Your nominee may

A: engage in householding. Through householding, beneficial owners who have the same address and last name will receive only one copy of the proxy materials unless one or more of these owners notifies us or their nominee that they wish to continue receiving individual copies. Beneficial owners who participate in householding will receive separate proxy cards. This procedure will reduce printing costs and postage fees.

To commence or discontinue householding, please notify your broker, bank or other nominee. Alternatively, you may direct such requests in writing to Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., 9348 Civic Center Drive, Beverly Hills, California

90210, Attention: General Counsel, or by phone at (310) 867-7000. Individual copies of the proxy materials also may be requested at any time at this same address and telephone number.

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A: Solicitation Who will pay the costs of soliciting these proxies? A: Proxies will be solicited initially by mail. Further solicitation may be made in person or by

telephone, electronic mail or facsimile. We will bear the expense of preparing, printing and mailing this proxy statement and accompanying materials to our stockholders. Upon request, we will reimburse brokers, banks or similar entities acting as nominees for reasonable expenses incurred in forwarding copies of the proxy materials relating to the annual meeting to the beneficial owners of our common stock.

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> Additional Matters at the Annual Meeting What happens if additional matters are presented at the annual meeting? Other than the four proposals described in this proxy statement, we are not aware of any other business to be acted upon at the annual meeting. If you grant a proxy, the persons named as proxy holders, Michael Rapino, our President, Chief Executive Officer and Director, and Kathy Willard, our Chief Financial Officer, will have the

discretion to vote your shares on any additional matters properly presented for a vote at the meeting. **O**:

<sup>15.</sup> Stockholder Proposals What is the deadline to propose business for consideration at next year s annual meeting of stockholders?

A: You may submit proposals for consideration at future stockholder meetings. For a stockholder proposal to be considered for inclusion in our proxy materials for our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the proposal must (i) be delivered to us on or before December 27, 2013 and (ii) comply with all applicable SEC rules and regulations, including Rule 14a-8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. Any proposals not received by this deadline will be untimely and not included in our 2014 proxy materials. Alternatively, under our bylaws, a stockholder may bring a proposal before our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, without including the proposal in our proxy materials, if (i) the stockholder provides us notice of the proposal no earlier than February 4, 2014 and no later than March 6, 2014 and (ii) the proposal concerns a matter that may be properly considered and acted upon at the annual meeting in accordance with our bylaws and corporate governance policies. Any such proposal not received by this deadline will be untimely and not considered at our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Stockholders are advised to review our bylaws, which contain additional requirements with respect to advance notice of stockholder proposals. Our bylaws are publicly available on our

website at www.livenation.com/investors.

Proposals should be addressed to:

Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 Attention: General Counsel

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<sup>16.</sup>Nomination of Directors How do I submit a proposed director nominee to the board of directors for consideration at next year s annual meeting of stockholders?

You may propose a director nominee for consideration at the annual meeting by complying with our bylaws, which provide for a notice that must (i) be delivered to us at our principal executive offices set forth immediately above no earlier than February 4, 2014 and no later than March 6, 2014, (ii) provide all information relating to the director nominee that is required to be disclosed in a solicitation of proxies for the election of directors in an election

contest, or that is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act and (iii) provide the director nominee s written consent to serve as a director if elected. Stockholders are advised to review our bylaws and Board of Directors Governance Guidelines with respect to director nominations. These documents are publicly available on our website at www.livenation.com/investors.

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Further Questions Who can help answer my questions? A: If you have any questions about our proxy materials or the annual meeting, you can contact our General Counsel at: Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 Attention: General Counsel (310) 867-7000

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# IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON JUNE 6, 2013:

Our Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement, 2012 Annual Report and Form 10-K are available free of charge on our website at *www.livenation.com/investors*.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

We have adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for directors, officers and employees, as well as Board of Directors Governance Guidelines, which, in conjunction with our certificate of incorporation, bylaws and board committee charters, form our framework for governance. All of these documents are publicly available on our website at *www.livenation.com/investors* or may be obtained upon written request to:

Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 Attention: General Counsel

### **Governance Highlights**

We are committed to maintaining high standards of business conduct and corporate governance, which we believe are essential to running our business efficiently, serving our stockholders well and maintaining our integrity in the marketplace. Some of the highlights of our corporate governance include:

Chairman of the Board who is not a member of management; 8 of 10 directors are independent (and only one, our Chief Executive Officer, is a member of management); management proposal to declassify our board of directors (see Proposal 2); voluntary switch in 2012 to majority voting standard for uncontested director elections; annual advisory vote to approve executive compensation (see Proposal 3); annual advisory vote to ratify independent auditor (see Proposal 4); no former employees serve as directors; regular board self-assessments; and committee members (other than Executive Committee) are all independent.

### Independence

Our board of directors currently consists of ten directors, eight of whom are independent (as defined by our Board of Directors Governance Guidelines) and one of whom serves as our President and Chief Executive Officer. For a director to be independent, the board of directors must determine, among other things, that a director does not have any direct or indirect material relationship with us or any of our subsidiaries. The board of directors has established guidelines to assist it in determining director independence, which conform to, or are more exacting than, the independence requirements of the NYSE corporate governance standards. The independence guidelines are set forth in Appendix A of our Board of Directors Governance Guidelines.

Applying these independence standards, the board of directors has determined that Mark Carleton, Jonathan Dolgen, Ariel Emanuel, Robert Ted Enloe, III, Jeffrey T. Hinson, James S. Kahan, Randall T. Mays and Mark S. Shapiro are all independent directors.

### **Board Composition and Director Qualifications**

Our Nominating and Governance Committee periodically assesses the appropriate size and composition of the board of directors, taking into account our specific needs. The committee utilizes various methods for identifying and

evaluating candidates for director. Candidates may come to the attention of the committee through recommendations of directors, management, stockholders and professional search firms. Generally, the committee seeks members with diverse backgrounds and viewpoints which contribute to the board of directors broad spectrum of experience and expertise, and who have a reputation of integrity. While the Nominating and Governance Committee carefully considers diversity when considering director candidates, it has not established a formal policy regarding diversity.

At a minimum, directors should:

have experience in positions with a high degree of responsibility; demonstrate strong leadership skills;

have the time, energy, interest and willingness to serve as a director; and contribute to the mix of skills, core competencies and qualifications of the board of directors and management. In addition to recommendations from directors, management and professional search firms, the Nominating and Governance Committee will consider director candidates properly submitted by stockholders. Stockholder recommendations should be sent to the General Counsel at our principal executive offices. The Nominating and Governance Committee will review all potential director nominees in the same manner, regardless of the source of the

### recommendation, in accordance with its charter.

### **Board Leadership Structure**

The board of directors believes that separate individuals should hold the positions of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and our board of directors is currently led by a Chairman who does not act as Chief Executive Officer and is not an employee. Under our bylaws and Board of Directors Governance Guidelines, the Chairman of the Board is responsible for coordinating the board of directors activities, including the scheduling of meetings and the determination of relevant agenda items.

### **Risk Oversight and Compensation Risk Assessment**

The Audit Committee reviews our policies and practices with respect to risk assessment and risk management, including discussing with management our major risk exposures and the steps that have been taken to monitor and control such exposures. The Audit Committee reports the results of its review to the board of directors.

Matters of risk management are brought to the attention of the Audit Committee by our Chief Financial Officer, our General Counsel, our Chief Accounting Officer, our external auditors and our director of Internal Audit, who regularly reviews and assesses internal processes and controls for ongoing compliance with internal policies, as well as for potential weaknesses that could result in a failure of an internal control process. Management reviews and reports on potential areas of risk at the request of the Audit Committee or other members of the board of directors.

We believe that our compensation policies and practices do not create inappropriate or unintended significant risk to the company as a whole. We also believe that our incentive compensation arrangements provide incentives that do not encourage risk-taking beyond the company s ability to effectively identify and manage significant risks, are compatible with effective internal controls and our risk management practices and are supported by the oversight and administration of the Compensation Committee with regard to executive compensation programs.

### **Code of Business Conduct and Ethics**

We have adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to all of our directors, officers and employees, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller, which is a code of ethics as defined by applicable SEC rules. The purpose and role of this code is to, among other things, focus our directors, officers and employees on areas of ethical risk, provide guidance to help them recognize and deal with ethical issues, provide mechanisms to report unethical or unlawful conduct and to help enhance and formalize our culture of integrity, honesty and accountability. If we make any amendments to this code, other than technical,

administrative or other non-substantive amendments, or grant any waivers, including implicit waivers, from any provision of this code that applies to our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer or Controller, or persons performing similar functions, and that relates to an element of the SEC s code of ethics definition, then we will disclose the nature of the amendment or waiver on our website at *www.livenation.com/investors*.

### **Officer and Director Stock Ownership Guidelines**

It is the board of directors policy that all directors and executive officers, consistent with their responsibilities to our stockholders as a whole, hold a significant equity interest in our company. Toward this end, the board of directors expects all directors and executive officers to own, or acquire within three years of first becoming a director or executive officer, shares of our common stock having a market value of at least \$225,000.

The board of directors recognizes that exceptions to this policy may be necessary or appropriate in individual cases and may approve such exceptions from time to time as it deems appropriate in the interest of our stockholders.

### **Stockholder Communications**

Stockholders and other interested parties may communicate with the board of directors, any committee thereof, the independent or non-management directors as a group or any individual director in writing. All such written communications must identify the recipient and be forwarded by mail to:

Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 Attention: General Counsel

The General Counsel will act as agent for the directors in facilitating such communications. In that capacity, the General Counsel may review, sort and summarize the communications.

Complaints about accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters may be made by calling our toll-free Business Integrity Hotline at (888) 497-2555, or via a web-reporting tool at *www.livenation.alertline.com* for those in North America and *www.livenationinternational.alertline.com* for those in international locations.

### **Certain Relationships and Transactions**

Our Audit Committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing, approving and overseeing all related-person transactions, as defined in SEC regulations. This responsibility is set forth, in part, in our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics under the heading Policy on Related-Person Transactions and in the Audit Committee Charter.

Generally, the policy covers any transaction in which we were or will be a participant, the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 and any related person had, or will have, a direct or indirect material interest in the transaction. Related person includes, generally, any (i) director or executive officer, (ii) nominee for director, (iii) stockholder who beneficially owns more than 5% of any class of our voting securities and (iv) family members of any of the persons set forth in (i) through (iii) above.

### **Agreements with Clear Channel**

A current member of our board of directors, Randall T. Mays, is an officer and director of Clear Channel Communications, Inc., which we refer to as Clear Channel, and one of our former executive officers and directors who served in such capacities during 2012, Irving Azoff, is also a director of Clear Channel. From time to time, we purchase advertising from Clear Channel and its subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business on arms-length terms.

In 2012, we paid Clear Channel approximately \$4.3 million for these advertising services. Additionally, in connection with our 2005 spin-off from Clear Channel, we entered into various lease and licensing agreements with Clear Channel, the terms of which are between eight and eleven years and which primarily relate to office space occupied by our employees. In 2012, we paid Clear Channel approximately \$0.9 million under these agreements.

### **Agreements with Liberty**

In connection with the merger between Live Nation and Ticketmaster Entertainment, Inc., or Ticketmaster, which is referred to as the merger, we entered into governance and other arrangements with predecessors of Liberty Media Corporation, which we refer to as Liberty Media, and certain predecessors,

successors and affiliates of Liberty Media, which collectively, together with Liberty Media, are referred to as Liberty. As described in the section entitled Security Ownership beginning on page 21, as of April 19, 2013, Liberty beneficially owned 52,051,942 shares of our common stock.

#### Liberty Stockholder Agreement

In February 2009, Liberty, Live Nation and Ticketmaster entered into a stockholder agreement, or the Liberty Stockholder Agreement. The following summary is qualified by reference to the full Liberty Stockholder Agreement, a copy of which was included as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 13, 2009.

*Board Representation.* Pursuant to the Liberty Stockholder Agreement, following the completion of the merger, Liberty is entitled to nominate up to two Liberty directors for election to our board of directors until the earlier of (i) the date on which Liberty ceases to beneficially own at least 12,269,699 shares of Live Nation common stock, and (ii) the date on which Liberty ceases to own shares of Live Nation equity securities representing at least 5% of the total voting power of all Live Nation equity securities.

The directors nominated by Liberty must be reasonably acceptable to a majority of the board of directors who are not Liberty directors. In addition, one Liberty director must at all times qualify as independent within the meaning of applicable stock exchange rules. Live Nation has agreed to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the election of each Liberty director, including soliciting proxies in favor of the election of each such Liberty director. In the event a vacancy is created by the death, disability, retirement, resignation or removal (for any reason) of any Liberty director, Liberty has the right to designate a replacement or additional Liberty director. The Liberty Stockholder Agreement also addresses Liberty s rights to representation on certain of the standing committees of the board of directors. Liberty s current designees to our board are Messrs. Carleton and Maffei.

Acquisition Restrictions. Pursuant to the Liberty Stockholder Agreement, Liberty will not directly or indirectly acquire (subject to certain exceptions), by means of a purchase, tender or exchange offer, business combination or otherwise, beneficial ownership of Live Nation equity securities in excess of 35% of the total voting power of all Live Nation equity securities. Such percentage is subject to adjustment, as described below, and is referred to as Liberty s applicable percentage. In the event that Liberty s beneficial ownership of Live Nation equity securities exceeds Liberty s applicable percentage, no Live Nation equity securities beneficially owned by Liberty in excess of Liberty s applicable percentage will be voted on any matter submitted to Live Nation stockholders and Live Nation will not recognize any votes cast by Liberty in excess of Liberty s applicable percentage.

In connection therewith, we agreed (i) to amend our stockholder rights plan to permit Liberty to acquire Live Nation equity securities up to Liberty s applicable percentage (and on February 25, 2009, we and The Bank of New York Mellon entered into such amendment in satisfaction of such obligation), (ii) upon notice of certain permitted transfers of Live Nation equity securities described below, to amend the Live Nation stockholder rights plan to permit such permitted transferee to acquire Live Nation equity securities up to the applicable percentage in effect with respect to such transferee and (iii) not to take certain actions that would materially adversely affect Liberty s ability to acquire Live Nation equity securities up to Liberty s applicable percentage or would otherwise impose material economic burdens on Liberty s ability to do so. We have approved Liberty Media and its affiliates and agreed to approve any of their permitted transferees as an interested stockholder of ours within the meaning of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL, and to exempt such persons acquisition of Live Nation equity securities from the restrictions on business combinations set forth in Section 203 of the DGCL.

*Transfer of Rights Under the Liberty Stockholder Agreement; Adjustment of Liberty s Applicable Percentage.* Under certain circumstances, if a transferee of Liberty s Live Nation equity securities agrees to be bound by the Liberty Stockholder Agreement, certain rights and obligations under the Liberty Stockholder Agreement may be transferred by Liberty to such transferee.

If Liberty transfers Live Nation equity securities to one of Liberty s affiliates and such entity thereafter ceases to be a Liberty affiliate as a result of a spin-off transaction, all of the rights and obligations of Liberty under the Liberty Stockholder Agreement will apply to such entity, including the rights to board representation

described above. In that event, Liberty s applicable percentage then in effect will apply to the spun-off Liberty affiliate and thereafter the applicable percentage attributable to Liberty will be 5%. If, however, Liberty transfers Live Nation equity securities to one of Liberty s affiliates and no spin-off transaction occurs, then Liberty will retain all of the rights to board representation provided by the Liberty Stockholder Agreement.

If Liberty transfers all of its Live Nation equity securities to a third party who, after such transfer, does not own Live Nation equity securities in excess of Liberty s applicable percentage, then all of the rights and obligations of Liberty under the Liberty Stockholder Agreement, other than the rights to board representation described above, will apply to such transferee. In that event, Liberty s applicable percentage prior to such transfer will apply to such third-party transferee and thereafter the applicable percentage attributable to Liberty will be 0%. Live Nation will thereafter have the opportunity to amend the Live Nation stockholder rights plan to remove Liberty s ability to acquire Live Nation common stock in excess of the threshold permitted by the Live Nation stockholder rights plan.

The rights and obligations of Liberty under the Liberty Stockholder Agreement may only be transferred to a third party twice, which transfers are in addition to the transfer of Live Nation equity securities in connection with the spin-off of a Liberty affiliate as described above.

The Liberty Stockholder Agreement provides that in the event that Liberty transfers Live Nation equity securities other than as described above (subject to certain permitted hedging transactions), Liberty s applicable percentage will be reduced by the amount of Live Nation equity securities transferred.

### **Registration Rights Agreement**

In January 2010, we entered into a registration rights agreement, or the Registration Rights Agreement, with Liberty. The following summary is qualified by reference to the full Registration Rights Agreement, a copy of which was included as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 29, 2010.

Under the Registration Rights Agreement, Liberty is entitled to three demand registrations (and unlimited piggyback registrations) with respect to Liberty s shares of Live Nation common stock, provided that any such demand involves Live Nation common stock with an aggregate offering price of at least \$75 million on the date of such demand. Liberty will also be permitted to exercise its registration rights in connection with certain hedging transactions that it may enter into in respect of its shares of Live Nation common stock.

In addition, we will indemnify Liberty, and Liberty will indemnify us, against specified liabilities in connection with misstatements or omissions in any registration statement. We will be responsible for expenses related to any registration, other than certain specified expenses, including (i) costs of printing and mailing the registration statement or other documents related to the offering, (ii) brokers commissions or underwriters discounts and (iii) costs of ours relating to analyst or investor presentations.

### **Relationships Involving Executive Officers**

### Irving Azoff

Irving Azoff served as a director and executive officer of the company until December 31, 2012, at which time he departed from the company. In January 2010, in connection with the merger, Ticketmaster Entertainment LLC, as the surviving entity in the merger, assumed Ticketmaster s obligations under a note issued to the Azoff Family Trust of 1997, which we refer to as the Azoff Family Trust. After an initial payment of approximately \$1.7 million on

February 1, 2010, the outstanding principal amount of the note was approximately \$34.7 million, with the note vesting and the company paying equal monthly installments of principal and interest of approximately \$835,000 on the first day of each month beginning on March 1, 2010 through and until the note was to be fully paid-off on October 1, 2013. On December 31, 2012, in connection with Mr. Azoff s departure from the company, the note was accelerated and paid-off in full, resulting in an \$8.2 million payment by the company.

Allison Statter, Mr. Azoff s daughter, was employed by our Front Line subsidiary in a non-executive officer position until December 2012. In 2012, Ms. Statter earned a salary of \$275,000 and automobile-related perquisites totaling \$25,290.

Jeffrey Azoff, Mr. Azoff s son, was employed by Front Line in a non-executive officer position until October 2012. In 2012, Mr. Jeffrey Azoff received a salary of \$172,886, commissions of \$126,570 and automobile-related perquisites totaling \$9,500.

ATC Aviation, Inc., or ATC, which is owned by Mr. Azoff, owns an aircraft. An aircraft management and charter company, unrelated to either the company or ATC, manages and operates the aircraft on ATC s behalf and charged the company market rates for the use of the aircraft when used by Mr. Azoff or other executives on company business, a portion of which was paid to ATC. In 2012, the company made payments to ATC and the outside aircraft management and charter company totaling \$1.9 million pursuant to the foregoing arrangements. These arrangements are no longer in effect following Mr. Azoff s departure from the company.

Irving Azoff has a minority ownership interest in an entity that subleases office space from the company. In 2012, rent charged by the company totaled \$0.7 million.

# PROPOSALS TO BE VOTED ON AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

# PROPOSAL NO. 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

### **Director Nominees**

The board of directors is soliciting approval of the following three Class I director nominees:

Mark Carleton Michael Rapino Mark S. Shapiro

As explained in further detail on page 23, the board of directors is proposing to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to eliminate our classified board of directors and move to annual election of all of our directors. This action cannot take place, however, until approved by our stockholders. Accordingly, if the proposed amendments in Item 2 are not approved, the three nominees will serve for a three-year term expiring on the date of our Annual Meeting of Stockholders held in 2016 or until their successors are elected or their earlier resignation or removal. If the stockholders approve Item 2 to amend our amended and restated certificate of incorporation to move to annual election of all of our directors, the three nominees will serve for a one-year term expiring on the date of our Annual Meeting of Stockholders held in 2014 or until their successors are elected or their earlier resignation or removal, and will no longer be considered Class I directors, as there will be no classes of directors. All of the Class I director nominees are current members of the board of directors and are standing for re-election.

Each of the director nominees has indicated a willingness to continue service as a director if elected. If any director nominee becomes unable to serve, the board of directors may designate a substitute nominee, in which case the designated proxy holders, Mr. Rapino and Ms. Willard, will vote for such substitute nominee.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR EACH NAMED DIRECTOR NOMINEE.

### **General Information About the Board of Directors**

Our bylaws provide that our business and affairs will be managed by, or under the direction of, our board of directors. The directors are currently apportioned into three classes, with each serving a three-year term. We currently have three Class I directors, four Class II directors and three Class III directors. Set forth below is biographical information for the Class I director nominees and our continuing directors as of the date of this proxy statement.

Name	Ag
Mark Carleton	52
Jonathan Dolgen	67

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Ariel Emanuel	52	Director	Expires 2015		
Robert Ted Enloe, III	74	Director	Expires 2014		
Jeffrey T. Hinson	58	Director	Expires 2014		
James S. Kahan	65	Director	Expires 2014		
Gregory B. Maffei	52	Director	Expires 2015		
Randall T. Mays	47	Director	Expires 2015		
Michael Rapino	47	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	Director Nominee		
Mark S. Shapiro	43	Director	Director Nominee		
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*Mark Carleton* has served as a member of our board of directors since January 2010 and served as a member of Ticketmaster s board of directors from August 2008 until the merger. He currently serves as a Senior Vice President of Liberty Media and Liberty Interactive Corporation (Liberty Interactive), and served as a Senior Vice President of predecessors of Liberty Media since 2003. Prior to that, he was employed by KPMG LLP from 1982 to 2003, most recently as a Partner and National Industry Director Communications Segment and also served on KPMG s board. Mr. Carleton was a practicing CPA during his time at KPMG. Mr. Carleton currently serves as a director of Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Mobile Streams, Air Methods Corp., Barnes & Noble, Ideiasnet and a number of private companies and formerly served as a director of DIRECTV.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Carleton should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, his current and previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public and private company boards and his specialized expertise in public company accounting. Mr. Carleton was nominated as a director by Liberty Media pursuant to the terms of the Liberty Stockholder Agreement.

Jonathan Dolgen has served as a member of our board of directors since January 2010 and served as a member of Ticketmaster s board of directors from August 2008 until the merger. From July 2004 through April 2010, Mr. Dolgen had also been a Senior Advisor to Viacom, Inc., which is referred to as Old Viacom, a worldwide entertainment and media company, where he provided advisory services to the Chief Executive Officer of Old Viacom, or others designated by him, on an as-requested basis. Effective December 31, 2005, Old Viacom was separated into two publicly traded companies, Viacom Inc., which is referred to as New Viacom, and CBS Corporation. From the separation of Old Viacom until April 2010, Mr. Dolgen provided advisory services to the Chief Executive Officer of New Viacom, or others designated by him, on an as-requested basis. Since July 2004, Mr. Dolgen has been a private investor, and since September 2004, Mr. Dolgen has been a principal of Wood River Ventures, LLC, or Wood River, a private entity that seeks investment and other opportunities and provides consulting services primarily in the media sector. From October 2006 through March 2008, Mr. Dolgen served as Senior Consultant for ArtistDirect, Inc. From April 1994 to July 2004, Mr. Dolgen served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Viacom Entertainment Group, a unit of Old Viacom, where he oversaw various operations of Old Viacom s businesses, which during 2003 and 2004 primarily included the operations engaged in motion picture production and distribution, television production and distribution, regional theme parks, theatrical exhibition and publishing. As a result of the separation of Old Viacom, Old Viacom s motion picture production and distribution and theatrical exhibition business became part of New Viacom s businesses, and substantially all of the remaining businesses of Old Viacom overseen by Mr. Dolgen remained with CBS Corporation. Mr. Dolgen began his career in the entertainment industry in 1976 and, until joining the Viacom Entertainment Group, served in executive positions at Columbia Pictures Industries, Inc., Twentieth Century Fox and Fox, Inc. and Sony Pictures Entertainment. Since August 2005, Mr. Dolgen has been a Director of Expedia, Inc. and from October 2004 until September 2008, Mr. Dolgen was a Director of Charter Communications, Inc.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Dolgen should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public company boards, his extensive experience with companies in the media sector and expertise in both traditional and new media.

Ariel Emanuel has served as a member of our board of directors since 2007. Mr. Emanuel was a founding partner of Endeavor, a leading talent agency that merged with the William Morris Agency in 2009, creating WME
Entertainment. Mr. Emanuel was an integral part of Endeavor s success and provided its vision. Mr. Emanuel is now Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors of WME Entertainment. Mr. Emanuel is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Film Institute.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Emanuel should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, his leadership skills acquired while building Endeavor and guiding WME Entertainment, his extensive knowledge and understanding of and reputation in the entertainment industry and his expertise in artist representation.

Robert Ted Enloe, III has served as a member of our board of directors since 2006. Mr. Enloe has been Managing General Partner of Balquita Partners, Ltd., a family securities and real estate investment partnership, since 1996, and he currently serves as a director of Leggett & Platt Inc. and Silicon Laboratories Inc. Mr. Enloe s former positions include Vice Chairman of the Board and member of the Office of the Chief Executive for Compaq Computer Corporation and president of Lomas Financial Corporation and Liberte Investors.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Enloe should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public and private company boards, his extensive experience with technology companies and his financial expertise.

*Jeffrey T. Hinson* has served as a member of our board of directors since 2005. Mr. Hinson has been President of YouPlus Media, LLC since June 2009. Previously, he served as Chief Executive Officer of Border Media Partners, LLC from 2007 to 2009, was a private financial consultant from 2005 to 2007 and served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Univision Communications Inc. from 2004 to 2005. He served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Univision Radio, the radio division of Univision, from 2003 to 2004. From 1997 to 2003, Mr. Hinson served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Univision and became the radio division of Univision. Mr. Hinson also serves as Chairman of the Board of Windstream Corporation and as a director of TiVo Inc. and Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Hinson should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public company boards, his extensive experience with companies in the media sector and his financial expertise.

James S. Kahan has served as a member of our board of directors since 2007. Mr. Kahan is a former executive of AT&T where he spent nearly 38 years. During his tenure at AT&T and its predecessors, he oversaw approximately \$300 billion of acquisitions and divestitures, including the acquisitions of Pacific Telesis (1997), Southern New England Telecommunications (1998), Ameritech (1999) and the former AT&T Corp. (2005), as well as Cingular Wireless acquisition of AT&T Wireless (2004). He was also responsible for AT&T s acquisition of BellSouth Corp. in 2006. Mr. Kahan serves as a director of Amdocs Ltd., which provides software products and services to the communications industry worldwide, Frontier Communications Corporation, a telecommunications company which primarily focuses on serving rural geographic areas, Catch Media, a private B2B company, and Media Rights Capital, a private company in the film and television business.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Kahan should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public and private company boards and his financial and mergers and acquisitions expertise.

Gregory B. Maffei has served as a member of our board of directors since February 2011 and as our Chairman of the Board since March 2013. Mr. Maffei has served as a director of Liberty Interactive since 2005, and as its Chief Executive Officer and President since 2006, and has served as a director and as President and Chief Executive Officer of Liberty Media since August 2012. He also served as Liberty Interactive s CEO-Elect from November 2005 through February 2006. Prior to joining Liberty, Mr. Maffei served as President and Chief Financial Officer of Oracle Corporation during 2005 and as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of 360networks Corporation from 2000 until 2005. Previously, Mr. Maffei was the Chief Financial Officer of Microsoft Corporation from 1997 to 2000. Mr.

Maffei has served as a director of Starz since 2007 (and as its Chairman of the Board since January 2013), as a director of Electronic Arts, Inc. since 2003, as a director of Zillow, Inc. since 2005, as a director of Sirius since 2009, as a director of Barnes & Noble, Inc. since 2011 and as a director of TripAdvisor, Inc. since February 2013. Mr. Maffei served as a director of DIRECTV (or its predecessor) from 2008 to 2010. Mr. Maffei served as a director of Expedia, Inc. from 1999 to 2003, and as a director of Starbucks Corporation from 1999 to 2006. Mr. Maffei was also Chairman of the Board of Expedia, Inc. from 1999 to 2002.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Maffei should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, his leadership and reputation in the media and communications sectors, previously held senior-executive level positions and his service on other public and private company boards. Mr. Maffei was nominated as a director by Liberty Media pursuant to the terms of the Liberty Stockholder Agreement.

*Randall T. Mays* has served as a member of our board of directors since our formation in 2005. He serves as the Vice Chairman of Clear Channel. Previously, he served as President and Chief Financial Officer of Clear Channel. Mr. Mays has served on the board of directors of Clear Channel since 1999.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Mays should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public and private company boards and his financial, media and advertising expertise.

*Michael Rapino* is our President and Chief Executive Officer and has served in this capacity since 2005. He has also served on our board of directors since 2005. From 2004 to 2005, Mr. Rapino was Chief Executive Officer and President of our predecessor s Global Music division.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Rapino should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, his leadership skills acquired prior to and while serving as Chief Executive Officer of Live Nation, his extensive knowledge and understanding of and reputation in the music industry and his understanding of Live Nation s business, operations, products and services.

*Mark S. Shapiro* has served as an Executive Producer at Dick Clark Productions, an independent producer of television programming, since September 2012, and was its Chief Executive Officer from May 2010 to September 2012. Mr. Shapiro was the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Six Flags, Inc., the world s largest regional theme park company, from December 2005 through May 2010. Six Flags, Inc. filed a voluntary petition to restructure its debt obligations under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (Chapter 11) in June 2009 and emerged from Chapter 11 in May 2010. Prior to joining Six Flags, Inc., Mr. Shapiro spent 12 years at ESPN, Inc., where he served as Executive Vice President, Programming and Production and in various other capacities. At ESPN, he had significant responsibility in building the strength of the network s brand and garnered numerous Emmy and Peabody awards during his tenure. Mr. Shapiro also currently serves as a director of Frontier Communications Corporation and Papa John s International, Inc., and as a trustee of Equity Residential. Mr. Shapiro served as a director of the Tribune Company, a private media conglomerate, until December 2012, at which time the Tribune Company emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy. The Tribune Company filed a voluntary petition to restructure its debt obligations under Chapter 11 on December 8, 2008.

The following experience, qualifications, attributes and/or skills led the board of directors to conclude that Mr. Shapiro should serve as a director: his professional background and experience, previously held senior-executive level positions, his service on other public company boards and his extensive experience with companies in the entertainment sector.

### **Board Meetings**

Our board of directors met five times during 2012. All incumbent directors, other than Jonathan Dolgen (who missed certain meetings for medical reasons), attended at least 75% of the aggregate meetings of the board of directors and of board committees on which they served during the time they were serving as a director or committee member, as

applicable. We have adopted a formal policy on director attendance at annual meetings of stockholders, which states that each director is strongly encouraged to attend such meetings, unless attendance is precluded by health or other significant personal matters. Eight of our then-current directors attended our 2012 annual meeting of stockholders.

The board of directors has appointed Mr. Maffei to preside over executive sessions of the non-management directors.

### **Board Committees**

The board of directors has four standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Nominating and Governance Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Executive Committee, each of which is described below. Each committee, other than the Executive Committee, operates under a written charter adopted by the board of directors. All of the committee charters are publicly available on our website at *www.livenation.com/investors* or may be obtained upon written request to our General Counsel at our principal executive offices.

Committee members are elected by the board of directors, upon the Nominating and Governance Committee s recommendations, and serve until their successors are elected or their earlier resignation or removal. The current composition of the board committees is as follows:

	Audit Committee	Nominating and Governance Committee	Compensation Committee	Executive Committee
Mark Carleton		ü	ü	
Jonathan Dolgen	ü			
Ariel Emanuel		ü		
Robert Ted Enloe, III			ü (Chair)	
Jeffrey T. Hinson	ü (Chair)			
James S. Kahan	ü			
Gregory B. Maffei				ü (Chair)
Randall T. Mays		ü (Chair)		ü
Michael Rapino				ü
Mark S. Shapiro			ü	
	Α	udit Committee		

The Audit Committee currently consists of Messrs. Dolgen, Hinson and Kahan. The board of directors has determined that all three members of the Audit Committee are independent, as defined by the NYSE corporate governance standards, Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act and our independence standards. The board of directors has also determined that each Audit Committee member is financially literate and that both Messrs. Hinson and Kahan have the attributes of an audit committee financial expert as defined in the applicable SEC regulations. During 2012, the Audit Committee met four times.

As set forth in more detail in the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee s purpose is to assist the board of directors in its general oversight of the quality and integrity of our accounting, auditing and financial reporting and internal control practices. The specific responsibilities of the Audit Committee include:

appointing, compensating, overseeing and terminating the independent registered public accounting firm; approving all audit and non-audit services (other than those non-audit services prohibited by law) to be provided by the independent registered public accounting firm;

reviewing and discussing the annual and quarterly financial statements and related notes and the specific disclosures under Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ;

reviewing with the independent registered public accounting firm any audit problems or difficulties and management s responses thereto;

discussing earnings press releases, as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts and

rating agencies, if any;

reporting regularly to the full board of directors regarding, among other things, the quality and integrity of our financial statements, compliance with legal or regulatory requirements, the performance and independence of the independent registered public accounting firm and the performance of the internal audit function; 17

maintaining free and open communications with, and periodically meeting with, management, the internal auditors and the independent registered public accounting firm;

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