

WATERS CORP /DE/  
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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**

**(Rule 14a-101)**

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**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

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**WATERS CORPORATION**

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**to be held on May 9, 2012, for Waters Corporation**

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting. To view the proxy statement and annual report, go to [www.proxydocs.com/wat](http://www.proxydocs.com/wat). To submit your proxy while visiting this site, you will need the 12 digit control number in the box below.

Under United States Securities and Exchange Commission rules, proxy materials do not have to be delivered in paper. Proxy materials can be distributed by making them available on the Internet. We have chosen to use these procedures for our 2012 Annual Meeting and need YOUR participation.

*If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of the proxy materials, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. In order to receive a paper package in time for this year's annual meeting, please make this request on or before April 25, 2012*

**For a Convenient Way to VIEW Proxy Materials**

**and**

**VOTE Online go to: [www.proxydocs.com/wat](http://www.proxydocs.com/wat)**

**Proxy Materials Available to View or Receive:**

**1. Combined Annual Report and Proxy Statement**

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**INTERNET**  
[www.investorelections.com/wat](http://www.investorelections.com/wat)

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**(866) 648-8133**

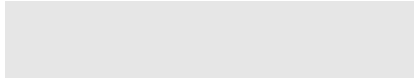
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### Waters Corporation, Notice of Annual Meeting

Date: Wednesday, May 9, 2012  
Time: 11:00 A.M. (Eastern Time)  
Place: 34 Maple Street, Milford, Massachusetts 01757

#### Board of Directors Recommends a Vote FOR proposals 1, 2, 3 and 4.

1. To elect directors for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected:

|                 |                                |                               |                        |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Nominees</b> | (01) Joshua Bekenstein         | (04) Edward Conard            | (07) William J. Miller |
|                 | (02) Michael J. Berendt, Ph.D. | (05) Laurie H. Glimcher, M.D. | (08) JoAnn A. Reed     |
|                 | (03) Douglas A. Berthiaume     | (06) Christopher A. Kuebler   | (09) Thomas P. Salice  |

2. To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

3. To approve, by non-binding vote, executive compensation.

4. To approve the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

**Vote In-Person Instructions:** While we encourage shareholders to vote by the means indicated above, a shareholder is entitled to vote in person at the Annual Meeting. If you wish to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting, please register with the Inspector of Elections at the desk marked "Shareholder Registration" at the entrance to receive a ballot. Proper photo ID is required. Ballots should be returned to the Inspector of Elections in order to be counted. Additionally, a shareholder who has submitted a proxy before the meeting, may revoke that proxy in person at the Annual Meeting.