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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TO BE HELD June 17, 2014

PharMerica Corporation s Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on June 17, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. local time. We will meet at The Marriott Louisville located at 280 West Jefferson Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202 (the Annual Meeting). If you owned common stock at the close of business on April 21, 2014, you may vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof. At the Annual Meeting, we plan to:

- 1. elect the nine directors named in the accompanying proxy statement for a term to expire at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2015;
- 2. ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014;
- 3. take an advisory vote to approve the compensation paid to the Company s named executive officers (Say on Pay); and
- 4. transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

The Board of Directors is not aware of any other proposals for the Annual Meeting.

It is important that your common stock be represented at the Annual Meeting regardless of the number of shares you hold. You are encouraged to specify your voting preferences by marking and dating the enclosed proxy card. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may, if you wish, withdraw your proxy and vote in person.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting to Be Held on June 17, 2014

The Proxy Statement and 2013 Annual Report to Stockholders are available at www.pharmerica.com/proxy.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of PharMerica Corporation, GREGORY S. WEISHAR

Chief Executive Officer

Louisville, Kentucky

April 30, 2014

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY PROMPTLY SO THAT YOUR VOTE MAY BE RECORDED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND PERSONALLY.

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PROXY STATEMENT

ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held On June 17, 2014

INFORMATION ABOUT THE MEETING

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors (the Board) of PharMerica Corporation (we, us, our, or the Company) for the Company s Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. local time, at The Marriott Louisville located at 280 West Jefferson Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202 and thereafter as it may from time to time be adjourned or postponed (the Annual Meeting). This proxy statement and the accompanying proxy are first being mailed to stockholders on or about April 30, 2014.

Who May Vote

Each stockholder of record at the close of business on April 21, 2014 (the Record Date) is entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. On the Record Date, there were 29,992,221 shares of our common stock, par value of \$0.01 per share (the common stock) outstanding. On the Record Date, there were no shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01, outstanding. You may cast one vote for each share of common stock held by you on all matters presented at the Annual Meeting.

How You May Vote

You may vote (i) in person by attending the Annual Meeting or (ii) by mail by completing and returning a proxy. To vote your proxy by mail, mark your vote on the enclosed proxy card, then follow the instructions on the card.

Proxies duly executed and received in time for the Annual Meeting will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If no instructions are given, proxies will be voted as follows:

- 1. FOR the election of each of the nine nominees named herein to the Board of Directors for a term to expire at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2015;
- 2. FOR the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014;
- 3. FOR the approval of the Say on Pay proposal; and

4. In the discretion of the proxy holders, FOR or AGAINST such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponements thereof.

How You May Revoke or Change Your Vote

Proxies may be revoked at any time prior to the Annual Meeting in the following ways:

by giving written notice of revocation to the Secretary of the Company;

by giving a later dated proxy; or

by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

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Quorum Requirement

The Company is required to have a quorum of stockholders present to conduct business at the Annual Meeting. A majority of the shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, represented in person or by proxy, constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. Proxies received but marked as abstentions or treated as broker non-votes will be included in the calculation of the number of shares considered to be present at the Annual Meeting in determining a quorum. If a quorum is not present at the Annual Meeting, we will be forced to reconvene the Annual Meeting at a later date.

Required Vote

Every holder of record of shares of common stock entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders will be entitled to one vote for each share outstanding in his or her name on the books of the Company at the close of business on the Record Date. Votes cast by proxy or in person at the Annual Meeting will be tabulated by one or more inspectors of election, appointed for the Annual Meeting, who will also determine whether a quorum is present for the transaction of business.

With respect to the election of directors, a nominee for director will be elected to the Board by a vote of the majority of the votes cast. In other words, if the votes cast for the nominee s election exceed the votes cast against the nominee s election that nominee will be elected as a director. However, the directors will be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at any stockholder meeting where (i) the Secretary of the Company receives a notice that a stockholder has nominated a person for election to the Board in compliance with the advance notice requirements for stockholder nominees for director and (ii) such nomination has not been withdrawn by such stockholder on or prior to the day next preceding the date the Company first mails its notice of meeting for the Annual Meeting to the stockholders. For the Annual Meeting, none of the nominees were nominated by stockholders.

The affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes of the shares of common stock present, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on the matter is required to approve all other matters to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting.

How Abstentions will be Treated

Abstentions will have no effect on the election of directors. For all other proposals, abstentions will have the same effect as votes against a proposal.

How Broker-Non Votes will be Treated

Your shares may be voted if they are held in the name of a brokerage firm or bank (a Broker), even if you do not provide the Broker with voting instructions. Brokers have the authority, under applicable rules, to vote shares on certain routine matters for which their customers do not provide voting instructions. The ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company is considered a routine matter. The election of directors and the Say on Pay proposal are not considered routine matters. Broker non-votes are shares held by brokers or nominees for which instructions have not been received from the beneficial owners, or persons entitled to vote, and the Broker is barred from exercising its discretionary authority to vote the shares because the proposal is a non-routine matter. With respect to the election of directors and Say on Pay proposal, Broker non-votes will not be counted as votes for or against these proposals. Broker non-votes also will not be counted in the determination of whether the total votes cast on a proposal represents over 50% of the outstanding common stock entitled to vote on the proposal.

Advisory Proposals

Because the vote on the Say on Pay proposal is advisory, it will not be binding on the Board of Directors or the Company. However, the Compensation Committee will take into account the outcome of the Say on Pay vote when considering future executive compensation arrangements.

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PROPOSAL 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our Board currently consists of nine directors: Frank E. Collins, Esq., W. Robert Dahl, Jr., Marjorie W. Dorr, Thomas P. Gerrity, Ph.D., Patrick G. LePore, Thomas P. Mac Mahon, Robert A. Oakley, Ph.D., Geoffrey G. Meyers, and Gregory S. Weishar. Our Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, and By-laws provide that the number of directors constituting the Board will not be fewer than three, with the exact number to be fixed by a resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board. The Board has fixed the number of directors at nine.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has recommended that the nine directors listed in the table below be nominated for election for a one-year term expiring at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Each of the nominees has consented to be named in this proxy statement and to serve as a member of our Board if elected. In the event that a nominee withdraws or for any reason is not able to serve as a director, the proxy will be voted for such other person as may be designated by the Board, but in no event will the proxy be voted for more than nine nominees as directors. Our management has no reason to believe that the nominees will not serve if elected. There is no family relationship between any of the current directors or persons nominated to become a director.

NOMINEES FOR ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

The following table sets forth the name, age and position with the Company of each of the nine nominees up for election as a director of the Company:

Name	Age	Position
Frank E. Collins, Esq.	60	Director
W. Robert Dahl, Jr.	57	Director
Marjorie W. Dorr	52	Director
Thomas P. Gerrity, Ph.D.	72	Director
Patrick G. LePore	59	Director
Thomas P. Mac Mahon	67	Director
Geoffrey G. Meyers	69	Director, Chairman
Robert A. Oakley, Ph.D.	67	Director
Gregory S. Weishar	59	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Nominees		

Frank E. Collins, Esq. Mr. Collins has served as a director since July 31, 2007. Mr. Collins serves as Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board and served as a member of the Compensation Committee from June 2008 to June 2009. Mr. Collins was the Senior Vice President, Legal and Administration and Secretary of Sierra Health Services, Inc. (Sierra) from 2001 to February 2008. Sierra was acquired by United Health Group Incorporated (United) in February 2008. Mr. Collins served as the Deputy General Counsel of United from February 2008 to July 2012. Mr. Collins joined Sierra in 1986 as General Counsel and Secretary. From 1981 to 1986, Mr. Collins was employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City, originally as Staff Legal Counsel and in early 1986 as Associate General Counsel. Mr. Collins also served as counsel for the Missouri Division of Insurance from 1979 to 1981, where he was responsible for providing legal advice on insurance and HMO-related regulatory issues. Mr. Collins received his Juris Doctor from the University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Law and is a member

of the Missouri Bar Association.

As a result of Mr. Collins experiences as General Counsel at a public managed healthcare organization, he possesses expertise in the areas of corporate governance, human resources and regulatory compliance and brings experience in the healthcare industry.

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W. Robert Dahl, Jr. Mr. Dahl has served as a director since July 24, 2008. Mr. Dahl serves as a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Dahl is currently a private investor. He was the Chief Operating Officer of Arrowhawk Capital Partners, an investment company, from September 2009 until March 2012. Previously, from May 2007 to November 2009 he was the Vice President of Strategic Business Development and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Golden Pond Healthcare, Inc. From April 1999 until June 2006, Mr. Dahl served as the head of Global Healthcare for the Carlyle Group, a leading private equity firm, where he was responsible for the firm s investments in the healthcare field. Prior to Carlyle, Mr. Dahl served as co-head of healthcare investment banking in North America at Credit Suisse First Boston. Mr. Dahl is also a director of Applied Science, Inc., Pharm Blue Holdings LLC, Remedy Partners, Sprout Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Virtual Office Works, LLC all of which are private companies. Mr. Dahl received a BA from Middlebury College and an MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

Mr. Dahl s experience as a certified public accountant, investment banker, financial advisor and healthcare private equity investor provides him with financial literacy and expertise and knowledge of the healthcare industry, along with expertise in mergers and acquisitions.

Marjorie W. Dorr. Ms. Dorr has served as a director since January 22, 2009. Ms. Dorr serves as a member of the Audit Committee and served on the Compensation Committee between 2010 and 2013. Ms. Dorr served as Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer for WellPoint, Inc. from 2005 to 2007. Ms. Dorr held various executive positions while at WellPoint including President and Chief Executive Officer of WellPoint s Northeast Region SBU, where she was responsible for operations in several states. Ms. Dorr joined WellPoint through the merger in 2004 of WellPoint and Anthem, Inc. At the time of the merger, Ms. Dorr served as President of Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield s East region. Ms. Dorr received her bachelor of business administration degree from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

Ms. Dorr s experience as a senior executive of a large health benefits company equips her with expertise in pharmacy reimbursement practices and strategic planning.

Thomas P. Gerrity, Ph.D. Mr. Gerrity has served as a director since July 31, 2007. Mr. Gerrity serves as a member of the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board. Mr. Gerrity served as interim Chair of the Audit Committee from November 2007 to March 2008. Mr. Gerrity was the Dean of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania from July 1990 to June 1999. Since then he has been Professor of Management and Dean Emeritus at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Gerrity also serves as a director of ICG Group, Inc. (formerly Internet Capital Group, Inc.), since 1998, and served as a member of the Corporation of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology from 2001-2011. Mr. Gerrity is the Chairman of the Board and General Partner of the Arden Fund I, a private real estate investment fund managed by the Arden Group in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. Gerrity served as a director of Sunoco, Inc. from 1990 to May 2010. Mr. Gerrity served as a director of Federal National Mortgage Association from September 1991 until December 2006. He was also a director of Knight-Ridder, Inc. from 1998 to 2006; CVS Corporation from 1995 to 2007; and Hercules, Inc. from 2003 to 2008. Mr. Gerrity was the founder and Chief Executive Officer for 19 years of The Index Group, a leader in consulting to many corporations regarding IT strategy and overall corporate strategy and change management. Mr. Gerrity received his PhD in Management and MSEE and BSEE in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Gerrity, by virtue of his top management experience, his strategy consulting expertise, and his positions at the University of Pennsylvania, and by virtue of his education, possesses financial literacy and expertise, as well as strategic planning and general management, information systems and technology, organizational change management and corporate governance experience.

Patrick G. LePore. Mr. LePore was appointed to the Board on January 14, 2013. Mr. LePore serves as a Member of the Compensation Committee. From 2007 to 2012, Mr. LePore served as the Chairman of the Board

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of Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc. He was also their Chief Executive Officer until its acquisition by private equity investor TPG, in 2012. Mr. LePore was President of Cardinal Health, Inc. s healthcare marketing group prior to joining Par Pharmaceutical Companies Inc. Mr. LePore earned a B.A. degree from Villanova University, where he is also a trustee. Mr. LePore earned his MBA degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Mr. LePore s experience as a former Chairman of the Board, and as a Chief Executive Officer at a successful pharmaceutical company makes him a valuable addition to the Board, especially with respect to pharmaceutical distribution. By virtue of his management experience, Mr. LePore will bring important insight to the Board. Mr. LePore is a member of the Compensation Committee.

Thomas P. Mac Mahon. Mr. Mac Mahon has served as a director since July 31, 2007. Between July 31, 2007 and December 31, 2010, Mr. Mac Mahon served as Chairman of the Board. He is currently chairman of the Compensation Committee. Mr. Mac Mahon served as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the Executive and Management Committees of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings or LabCorp, the second largest independent clinical laboratory company in the U.S., from January 1997 until his retirement in December 2006. Mr. Mac Mahon served as a director of LabCorp from 1995 to 2013 and of Golden Pond Healthcare from 2007 to 2009. Mr. Mac Mahon has been a director of Express Scripts since July 2001 and has served as its presiding director since May 2008. He also serves as a director of two start-up diagnostic companies called SYNAP Diagnostics and Aushon Biosystems, Inc.

Mr. Mac Mahon s experience as a former Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, and as a board member at premier clinical laboratory and pharmacy benefits management services companies provides him with in-depth knowledge of the healthcare and pharmacy services and distribution industries. Mr. Mac Mahon, by virtue of his previous senior-level executive positions and current board experiences, also possesses executive compensation experience.

Geoffrey G. Meyers. Mr. Meyers has served as a director since November 17, 2009 and as Chairman of the Board since January 1, 2011. On February 1, 2010, Mr. Meyers became a member of the Nominating and Governance Committee. Mr. Meyers is the retired Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President and Treasurer for Manor Care, Inc. where he had responsibility for administration and financial management from 1988 until 2006 and was a director of Health Care and Retirement Corp., a predecessor of Manor Care, Inc., from 1991 to 1998. Mr. Meyers has been a director of HCA Holdings, Inc. and Chairman of is audit committee since March 2011. Mr. Meyers is also the Chairman of the Board of the Trust Company of Toledo, a northwestern Ohio trust bank. He received his BA from Northwestern University and his MBA from The Ohio State University.

Mr. Meyers has over two decades of experience in the long term care industry, which provides us with valuable insight into the needs and operations of our customer base. Having served as the Chief Financial Officer of a large public company he also has expertise in finance and accounting matters, investor relations, human resources, information technologies, purchasing, corporate communications, risk management, reimbursement, strategic planning and development and acquisitions.

Robert A. Oakley, Ph.D. Mr. Oakley has served as a director since March 24, 2008. Mr. Oakley serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee. In 2003, Mr. Oakley retired after more than 25 years service with the Columbus, Ohio-based Nationwide Companies, one of the largest diversified insurance and financial services organizations in the world. Mr. Oakley served on the boards of Ohio Casualty Corporation from March 2003 to September 2008, First Mercury Financial Corporation from January 2008 to August 2009 and the Physicians Assurance Corporation from January 2008 to August 2009. He received his BS from Purdue University and both an MBA and Ph.D. in Finance from The Ohio State University.

Mr. Oakley possesses financial literacy and expertise from his experiences as a former Chief Financial Officer and chair of audit committees at leading insurance and financial services companies, along with expertise in investor relations, risk management and strategic planning.

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Gregory S. Weishar. Mr. Weishar has served as our Chief Executive Officer since January 14, 2007. He has over 20 years experience in the pharmacy services industry. Prior to joining the Company, he was Chief Executive Officer and President of PharmaCare Management Services, a prescription benefit management firm and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVS Corporation, from 1994.

Mr. Weishar has substantial senior executive experience in the pharmacy services industry and as Chief Executive Officer of the Company has intimate knowledge of our industry and business.

Recommendation of Our Board of Directors

Our Board recommends a vote FOR the nine directors listed above to hold office until the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

Required Vote

A nominee for director will be elected to the Board by a vote of the majority of the votes cast.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Meetings

During 2013, the Board held a total of six meetings. Each director attended at least 75% of the aggregate of (i) the total number of meetings of the Board during the period which he/she was a director and (ii) the total number of meetings of all Board Committees on which he/she served during the period which he/she was a director. The non-management members of the Board have met in executive session at all of the regularly scheduled meetings of the Board. In addition, if this group of non-management directors includes directors who do not satisfy the independence requirements of the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE), an executive session including only independent directors is scheduled at least once a year. The non-executive Chairman of the Board presides at meetings of the non-management directors and independent directors to the extent that he is present at the meetings.

It is the policy of the Board to encourage its members to attend the Company s Annual Meeting of Stockholders. All of the Company s directors attended the Company s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders in person.

Board Committees

The Board has three standing Committees: the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Copies of the charters of each of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee setting forth the responsibilities of the committees can be found under the For Investors Corporate Governance section of our website at www.pharmerica.com and such information is also available in print to any stockholder who requests it through our Investor Relations department. We periodically review and revise the committee charters. A summary of the composition of each committee and its responsibilities is set forth below.

Nominating and
Corporate
Name
Audit Governance Compensation

Frank E. Collins, Esq.		Chairman	
W. Robert Dahl, Jr.	Member		
Marjorie W. Dorr	Member		
Thomas P. Gerrity, Ph.D.		Member	Member
Patrick G. LePore			Member
Thomas P. Mac Mahon			Chairman
Geoffrey G. Meyers		Member	
Robert A. Oakley, Ph.D.	Chairman		
Gregory S. Weishar			

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Audit Committee

The Company has a standing Audit Committee established by the Board for the purpose of overseeing the Company s accounting and financial reporting processes and audits of the Company s financial statements. The Audit Committee held a total of eight meetings in 2013. The Board has determined that Mr. Dahl, Ms. Dorr, and Mr. Oakley are each qualified as an audit committee financial expert as such term is defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K and that they are independent within the meaning of the listing standards of the NYSE and applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) relating to directors serving on audit committees.

Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee is responsible for administering the Company s executive and director compensation programs, including executive base salaries, bonuses, performance based awards and other equity awards, and for administering the Company s equity compensation plans. Pursuant to its charter, the Compensation Committee has authority to delegate any of its responsibilities to subcommittees as the Compensation Committee may deem appropriate. The Compensation Committee held a total of seven meetings in 2013. The Compensation Committee reviews periodic reports from the CEO and other officers as to the performance and compensation of the officers, employees and directors.

Pursuant to its charter, the Compensation Committee has the sole authority, at the Company s expense, to retain, oversee, and terminate a consulting firm to assist in the evaluation of director, CEO or executive officer compensation, and in furtherance thereof to retain legal counsel and other advisors.

Since April 2008, the Compensation Committee has retained Frederic W. Cook & Co. (Cook) to serve as the Company s outside compensation consultant with respect to setting each year s executive compensation. See the discussion under Compensation Discussion and Analysis for more information on Cook s role in assisting the Company with its compensation policies and programs.

Cook is retained only by the Compensation Committee to assist in the determination, amount and form of executive and non-employee director compensation. Neither Cook nor any of its affiliates provides any additional services to the Company or its affiliates. The Compensation Committee has determined that the work of Cook did not raise any conflicts of interest in 2013. In making this assessment, the Compensation Committee considered the independence factors enumerated in Rule 10C-1(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), including the fact that Cook does not provide any other services to the Corporation, the level of fees received from the Corporation as a percentage of Cook s total revenue, policies and procedures employed by Cook to prevent conflicts of interest, and whether the individual Cook advisers to Compensation Committee own any stock of the Corporation or have any business or personal relationships with members of the Compensation Committee or our executive officers.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The purpose of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board is to (i) identify individuals qualified to become members of the Board (consistent with criteria approved by the Board); (ii) select, or recommend that the Board select, the director nominees for the next annual meeting of stockholders and nominees to fill vacancies on the Board; (iii) develop and recommend to the Board a set of corporate governance guidelines applicable to the Company; (iv) oversee the evaluation of the Board, its committees and management; and (v) oversee, in concert with the Audit Committee, compliance rules, regulations and ethical standards for the Company s directors, officers and employees, including corporate governance issues and practices. While the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has no formal process for identifying nominees, if it is deemed appropriate, the Nominating and Corporate

Governance Committee may consider candidates recommended by any other source, including stockholders and business and other organizational networks. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee may retain and compensate third parties, including executive search firms, to identify or evaluate candidates for consideration. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee held four meetings in 2013.

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considered:

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider director candidates recommended by stockholders. Stockholders wishing to suggest a candidate for director for inclusion in the Company s proxy statement must submit a written notice to the Company s Corporate Secretary at PharMerica Corporation, 1901 Campus Place, Louisville, Kentucky 40299. The written notice must include:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the stockholder who is recommending a candidate for consideration;
- (2) The class and number of shares of the Company which the recommending stockholder owns;
- (3) The name, address, telephone number and other contact information of the candidate;
- (4) The consent of each candidate to serve as director of the Company if so elected;
- (5) The candidate s knowledge of matters relating to the Company s industry, the candidate s experience as a director or senior officer of other public or private companies and the candidate s educational and work background;
- (6) The candidate s involvement in legal proceedings within the past five years; and
- (7) The candidate s and the candidate s family members relationship with the Company, the Company s competitors, creditors or other persons with special interests regarding the Company.

 In considering candidates recommended by stockholders, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will use the same evaluation criteria and process as that used by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee for other candidates. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee evaluates the candidates in accordance with its Policy for Evaluation for Nominees to the Board of Directors, which sets forth the following factors to be

Whether the candidate is independent and does not, and has not, had a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director;

Whether the candidate is an audit committee financial expert and/or financially literate;

Whether the candidate has the personal attributes necessary for successful service on the Board, such as character and integrity, a high level of education and business experience, broad based business acumen, an understanding of the Company s business and the institutional pharmacy industry generally, strategic

thinking, a willingness to share ideas, a network of contacts and diversity of experiences and expertise;

Whether the candidate has been the chief executive officer or a senior executive officer of a public company or another complex organization;

Whether the candidate serves on other boards of directors; directors employed in a full-time position may not sit on the boards of directors of more than two other public companies and directors employed part-time or full-time in academia may not sit on the boards of directors of more than three other public companies. There is no limit on the number of non-public company boards on which directors may sit;

Whether the candidate will add value to the Board or a committee thereof by virtue of particular knowledge, experience, technical expertise, specialized skills or contacts;

Whether the candidate, if an existing director, is suitable for continued service;

Whether the candidate is under the age of 75;

Whether the candidate s responses to the directors and officers questionnaire reveal areas of potential problems or concerns; and

Whether there are any other relevant issues with respect to the candidate.

The Policy for Evaluation for Nominees to the Board of Directors specifies that diversity of experiences and expertise is a factor to be considered by the Nominating and Governance Committee in the director identification and nomination process. The Nominating and Governance Committee seeks nominees with a broad diversity of

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experience, professions, skills, geographic representation and backgrounds. The Committee does not assign specific weights to particular criteria and no particular criterion is necessarily applicable to all prospective nominees. The Company believes that the backgrounds and qualifications of the directors, considered as a group, should provide a significant composite mix of experience, knowledge and abilities that will allow the Board to fulfill its responsibilities. Nominees are not discriminated against on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or any other basis proscribed by law.

The Committee has the authority under its charter to hire and pay a fee to consultants or search firms to assist in the process of identifying and evaluating candidates.

Board Independence

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines provide for director independence standards consistent with those of the NYSE and the federal securities laws. These standards require the Board to affirmatively determine that each independent director has no material relationship with the Company (directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with the Company) other than as a director. The Board has determined that the following directors are independent as required by the NYSE listing standards and the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines: Mr. Collins, Mr. Dahl, Ms. Dorr, Mr. Gerrity, Mr. LePore, Mr. Mac Mahon, Mr. Meyers, and Mr. Oakley.

All members of the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are independent directors as defined in the NYSE listing standards and in the standards in the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

The members of the Compensation Committee are Mr. Mac Mahon, who serves as Chair, Mr. LePore, and Mr. Gerrity, each of whom is independent under NYSE listing standards. None of the members of the Compensation Committee is a former or current officer or employee of the Company or has any interlocking relationship as set forth in SEC rules.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Based solely upon a review of the copies of the forms furnished to the Company and written representations from officers and directors of the Company that no other reports were required, during the year ended December 31, 2013, all filing requirements under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, applicable to its officers, directors and greater than 10% beneficial owners were complied with on a timely basis.

Code of Ethics

The Company has a Code of Conduct and Ethics that applies to all directors, officers and employees of the Company, including its principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer.

The Code of Conduct and Ethics is available on the Company s website at www.pharmerica.com and may also be obtained in print upon request from the Company s Secretary. The Company will post amendments to or waivers from the Code of Conduct and Ethics to the extent applicable to the Company s principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer on its website.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

The Board has adopted the PharMerica Corporation Corporate Governance Guidelines (the Guidelines). The Guidelines reflect the principles by which the Company will operate. The Guidelines cover various topics, including, but not limited to, Board size, director independence and other qualification standards, Board and

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committee composition, Board operations, director compensation and continuing education, director responsibilities, management succession, and annual performance evaluations. A copy of the Guidelines is available at the Company s website at www.pharmerica.com and may also be obtained in print upon request from the Company s Secretary.

Board Leadership Structure and Role in Risk Oversight

The Company s Board is comprised of nine directors, eight of whom are considered independent. Our Chief Executive Officer, Gregory S. Weishar, is our only employee-director. Outside director Geoffrey G. Meyers serves as Chairman of the Board. The Board delegates certain duties as described above to its Audit, Nominating and Corporate Governance, and Compensation Committees. The Chairmen of these committees, respectively, are independent directors Robert A. Oakley, Frank E. Collins and Thomas P. Mac Mahon. We separate the roles of CEO and Chairman of the Board in recognition of the differences between the two roles. The CEO is responsible for setting the strategic direction for the Company and the day to day leadership and performance of the Company, while the Chairman of the Board is responsible for leading the Board in the execution of its fiduciary duties. The Chairman presides over meetings of the full Board.

The full Board is responsible for the Company s risk oversight process. The Board delegates to appropriate committees the oversight of particular subject areas of risk that are under the purview of those committees. For example, financial risk is overseen by the Audit Committee, while utilizing compensation strategies addressing Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code is within the purview of the Compensation Committee. Strategic risks are overseen by the full Board. The Board (or appropriate Committee) receives regular reports from senior management on areas of material risk to the Company, including operational, financial, legal and regulatory compliance, and strategic risk. The chairman of each Committee reports to the full Board during the Committee reports portion of the next Board meeting each of the material matters considered by the Committee. This reporting process enables the Board and its Committees to coordinate the risk oversight role, particularly with respect to risk interrelationships. As part of the Board s risk oversight responsibilities it has established an enterprise risk management program, which at the management level, is overseen by the Company s Chief Financial Officer. Enterprise risks are identified and prioritized by management and the Board and a mitigation plan is developed. Management regularly reports on risk mitigation to the relevant Committee or the Board. Additional review or reporting on enterprise risks is conducted as needed or as requested by the Board or Committee.

Communication with the Board of Directors

It is the policy of the Company to facilitate communications of stockholders with the Board. Communications to the directors must be in writing and sent Certified Mail to the Board of Directors c/o the Chief Financial Officer to the Company s headquarters at PharMerica Corporation, 1901 Campus Place, Louisville, Kentucky 40299. All communications must be accompanied by the following information:

if the person submitting the communication is a stockholder, a statement of the type and amount of shares of the Company that the person holds;

if the person submitting the communication is not a stockholder and is submitting the communication to the non-management directors as an interested party, the nature of the person s interest in the Company; and

the address, telephone number and e-mail address, if any, of the person submitting the communication. The following types of communications are not appropriate for delivery to Directors under the Company s policy:

communications regarding individual grievances or other interests that are personal to the party submitting the communication and could not reasonably be construed to be of concern to stockholders or other constituencies of the Company (such as employees, members of the communities in which the Company operates its businesses, customers and suppliers) generally;

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communications that advocate the Company engaging in illegal activities;

communications that, under community standards, contain offensive, scurrilous or abusive content; and

communications that have no rational relevance to the business or operations of the Company. Upon receipt, each communication will be entered into an intake record maintained for this purpose, including the name of the person submitting the communication, the date and time of receipt of the communication, the information concerning the person submitting the communication required to accompany the communication and a brief statement of the subject matter of the communication. The record will also indicate the action taken with respect to the communication. The personnel responsible for receiving and processing the communications will review each communication to determine whether the communication satisfies the procedural requirements for submission under the Policy and Procedures for Stockholder Communication with Directors and the substance of the communication is of a type that is appropriate for delivery to the directors under the criteria set forth above. Communications determined to be appropriate for delivery to directors will be assembled by the responsible personnel for delivery and delivered to the directors on a periodic basis, generally in advance of each regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. Communications directed to the Board as a whole, but relating to the area of competence of one of the Board s committees, will be delivered to that committee, with a copy to the Chairman of the Board.

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DIRECTOR COMPENSATION FOR 2013

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the compensation paid to the Company s non-employee directors for their service during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013.