

UST INC  
Form DEFA14A  
April 18, 2002

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO.        )**

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Statement  
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Pursuant to  
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or Section 240.14a-2.

**UST INC.**

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(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**A REMINDER**

We have previously sent you proxy soliciting material relative to the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 7, 2002. According to our records, we have not as yet received your proxy.

Since time is short and your vote is very important, we encourage you to vote as soon as possible using one of the three methods listed on the reverse side of this card. Your vote is very important whether your holding is large or small.

Please note that, as described in the Proxy Statement, the Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposals 1 and 2 and AGAINST Proposals 3 and 4.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**PLEASE ACT PROMPTLY**

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**\*SECOND REQUEST\***

**PROXY**

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**UST**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS MAY 7, 2002**

The undersigned hereby appoints DEBRA A. BAKER and RICHARD H. VERHEIJ, or either of them, with full power of substitution, attorneys and proxies to vote all shares of Common Stock of UST Inc. which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at Rich Forum, 307 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut, on Tuesday, the 7th day of May 2002, at 10:00 a.m., and at any and all adjournments thereof, on the matters listed on the reverse side which are set forth in the accompanying Proxy Statement.

**This Proxy when properly executed will be voted in the manner directed herein by the undersigned stockholder. If no direction is made, this Proxy will be voted FOR Proposals 1 and 2 and AGAINST Proposals 3 and 4.**

**CONTINUED AND TO BE SIGNED ON REVERSE SIDE**

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  3. **Enter your Voter Control Number located on your Proxy Card above your name.**
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**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposals 1 and 2.**

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1. Election of Directors.

**Nominees:**

(01) J. P. Clancey, (02) E.J. Eisenman, (03) V.A. Gierer, Jr.

**FOR  
ALL  
NOMINEES**

**WITHHELD  
FROM ALL  
NOMINEES**

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For all nominees except vote withheld from the following:

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2. To ratify and approve Ernst & Young LLP as independent auditors of the Company for the year 2002.  
**FOR** **AGAINST** **ABSTAIN**

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**The Board of Directors recommends a vote AGAINST the following stockholder proposals 3 and 4.**

3. Stockholder Proposal.  
**FOR** **AGAINST** **ABSTAIN**

4. Stockholder Proposal.  
**FOR** **AGAINST** **ABSTAIN**

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**And in their discretion, upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.**

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MARK HERE IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING

**Please sign exactly as name appears hereon. If signing for trusts, estates or corporations, capacity or title should be stated. If shares are owned jointly, both owners must sign. THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**EMPLOYEES SAVINGS PLAN**

**A REMINDER**

You have previously received proxy soliciting material relative to the UST Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 7, 2002.

According to our latest records, we have not yet received your instructions for the shares held on your behalf in the Savings Plan.

The Plan provides that the Trustee, American Express Trust Company, must vote shares as to which it receives no instructions in the same proportion as instructed shares are voted. You are urged to vote promptly using one of the three methods listed on the reverse side of this card so that your shares may be voted according to your own instructions. **Accordingly, your completed instructions must be received no later than May 3, 2002 in order for the Trustee to vote your shares.** Your instructions are CONFIDENTIAL.

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**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS MAY 7, 2002**

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| <b>FOR</b> | <b>AGAINST</b> | <b>ABSTAIN</b> |
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4. Stockholder Proposal.
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