

INVITROGEN CORP

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April 21, 2008

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The following materials are available for view:

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C/O AMERICAN STOCK TRANSFER &

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6201 15TH AVENUE

BROOKLYN, NY 11219

Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the Meeting you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet

To vote now by Internet go to WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM. Use the internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the cut-off date or meeting date. Have your notice in hand when you access the web site and follow instruction.

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Meeting Location

The Annual Meeting for holders as of 2/29/28

is to be held on 4/30/08 at 8:00 a.m. PDT

at: 5781 Van Allen Way
Carisbad, CA 92008

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Voting items

1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominees: 01) Balakrishnan S. Iyer, 02) Ronald

A. Matricaria, and 03) W. Ann Reynolds, Ph.D,

for three-year terms.

2. RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS OF THE COMPANY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

3. AMENDMENT OF THE COMPANY S 1998 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

4. AMENDMENT OF THE COMPANY S 2004 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

Discretionary authority is hereby granted with respect to such other matters as may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

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