

FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
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FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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**Important Notice of Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of
FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

To Be Held On:

May 17, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time

at 920 Memorial City Way, Suite 1000, Houston, Texas 77024

COMPANY NUMBER

ACCOUNT NUMBER

CONTROL NUMBER

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.

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. To facilitate timely delivery please make the request as instructed below before 05/05/16.

Please visit <http://www.astproxyportal.com/ast/17582/>, where the following materials are available for view:

Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders
Proxy Statement
Form of Electronic Proxy Card
Annual Report on Form 10-K
Any amendments thereto required to be furnished to stockholders

TO REQUEST MATERIAL TELEPHONE: 888-Proxy-NA (888-776-9962) 718-921-8562 (for international callers)

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ONLINE: To access your online proxy card, please visit www.voteproxy.com and follow the on-screen instructions or scan the QR code with your smartphone. You may enter your voting instructions at www.voteproxy.com up until 11:59 PM Eastern Time the day before the cut-off or meeting date.

IN PERSON: You may vote your shares in person by attending the Annual Meeting.

TELEPHONE: To vote by telephone, please visit www.voteproxy.com to view the materials and to obtain the toll free number to call.

MAIL: You may request a card by following the instructions above.

1. Election of Directors:

2. Advisory resolution to approve executive compensation.

3. Resolution approving the Forum Energy Technologies, Inc. 2016 Stock and Incentive Plan.

NOMINEES:

C. Christopher Gaut

David C. Baldwin

Franklin Myers

4. Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2016.

In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND FOR
PROPOSALS 2, 3 AND 4.**

Please note that you cannot use this notice to vote by mail.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF
FORUM ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

May 17, 2016

PROXY VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

INTERNET - Access **www.voteproxy.com** and follow the on-screen instructions or scan the QR code with your smartphone. Have your proxy card available when you access the web page.

TELEPHONE - Call toll-free **1-800-PROXIES** (1-800-776-9437) in the United States or **1-718-921-8500** from foreign countries from any touch-tone telephone and follow the instructions. Have your proxy card available when you call.

Vote online/phone until 11:59 PM EST the day before the meeting.

MAIL - Sign, date and mail your proxy card in the envelope provided as soon as possible.

IN PERSON - You may vote your shares in person by attending the Annual Meeting.

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NOTICE OF INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIAL:

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are available at <http://www.astproxyportal.com/ast/17582/>

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THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND FOR PROPOSALS 2, 3 AND 4.

PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. PLEASE MARK YOUR VOTE IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS SHOWN HERE x

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| 1. Election of Directors: | 2. Advisory resolution to approve executive compensation. | .. | .. | .. |
| .. NOMINEES: | | | | |
| FOR ALL NOMINEES | 3. Resolution approving the Forum Energy Technologies, Inc. 2016 Stock and Incentive Plan. | .. | .. | .. |
| .. NOMINEES: | | | | |
| .. FOR ALL NOMINEES | 4. Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2016. | .. | .. | .. |
| .. WITHHOLD AUTHORITY | | | | |
| .. FOR ALL NOMINEES | | | | |

FOR ALL EXCEPT
(See instructions below)

In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting. This proxy when properly executed will be voted as directed herein by the undersigned shareholder. **If no direction is made, this proxy will be voted FOR ALL NOMINEES in Proposal 1 and FOR Proposal 2, Proposal 3 and Proposal 4.**

INSTRUCTIONS: To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark **FOR ALL EXCEPT** and fill in the circle next to each nominee you wish to withhold, as shown here: 1

To change the address on your account, please check the box at right and indicate your new address in the address space above. Please note that changes to the registered name(s) on the account may not be submitted via this method.

Signature of Stockholder

Date:

Signature of Stockholder

Date:

Note: Please sign exactly as your name or names appear on this Proxy. When shares are held jointly, each holder should sign. When signing as executor, administrator, attorney, trustee or guardian, please give full title as such. If the signer is a corporation, please sign full corporate name by duly authorized officer, giving full title as such. If signer is a partnership, please sign in partnership name by authorized person.