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Reminder notice enclosed in Investor Services Plan statement mailing

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If you have not received your mailing by April 10<sup>th</sup>, you can request a replacement from Computershare. Telephone and e-mail contact information for Computershare is printed on the front of the enclosed account statement. If you request a replacement, please reference your account number which is also printed on the front of the statement (the account number starts with the letter C).

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International Business Machines Corporation

Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Meeting Date/Time: Tuesday, April 29, 2008, at 10 a.m.

Ballroom of the Charlotte Convention Center

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501 South College Street

Charlotte, North Carolina

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