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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on June 6, 2017

BGC PARTNERS, INC.

BGC PARTNERS, INC. 499 PARK AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10022

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: April 10, 2017

Date: June 6, 2017 **Time:** 10:00 AM EDT

Location: BGC Partners, Inc.

499 Park Avenue, 3rd Floor New York, NY 10022

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

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This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at *www.proxyvote.com* or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

Before You Vote

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Notice and Proxy Statement 2. Annual Report

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

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1) *BY INTERNET:* www.proxyvote.com 2) *BY TELEPHONE:* 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before May 23, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

How To Vote

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Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which include a proxy card.

V	oting	g Itei	ns

The Board of Directors recommends	vou vo	te FOR	the following:
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1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

01 Howard W. Lutnick 02 John H. Dalton 03 Stephen T. Curwood 04 William J. Moran 05 Linda A. Bell

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal:

2. Approval, on an advisory basis, of executive compensation.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote 3 YEARS on the following proposal:

- 3. Approval, on an advisory basis, of the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation. The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal:
- **4.** Approval of the Second Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Incentive Bonus Compensation Plan. **NOTE:** The proxy holders may vote in their discretion on such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.