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The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Rogers Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation, will be held on Friday, May 8, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Hyatt Harborside Hotel at Logan International Airport, 101 Harborside Drive, Boston, Massachusetts 02128 for the following purposes:

1. To elect eight members of the Board of Directors for the ensuing year: Michael F. Barry, Bruce D. Hoechner, Carol R. Jensen, William E. Mitchell, Ganesh Moorthy, Robert G. Paul, Helene Simonet, and Peter C. Wallace.
2. To vote on a non-binding advisory resolution to approve the executive compensation as disclosed in the accompanying proxy statement for the meeting.
3. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of Rogers Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015.
4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Shareholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the meeting are determined as of the close of business on March 11, 2015, the record date fixed by the Board of Directors for such purpose.

Regardless of whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, you can be sure your shares are represented at the meeting by promptly voting electronically over the Internet or by telephone or by dating, signing, and returning your proxy card in the pre-addressed, postage-paid return envelope (which will be provided to those shareholders who request to receive paper copies of these materials by mail), or by returning your voting instruction card to your broker. If for any reason you desire to revoke or change your proxy, you may do so at any time before it is exercised. The proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors of Rogers Corporation.

We cordially invite you to attend the meeting.

Directions to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders can be obtained by contacting the office of the Corporate Secretary at 860-779-5711.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Robert J. McCard, Corporate Secretary

March 25, 2015

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## Proxy Statement

We are providing you with this proxy statement and proxy card (either in paper copy or electronically) in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Rogers Corporation (“Rogers,” “Company,” “Registrant,” “we” or, when used in the possessive form, “our”) for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Friday, May 8, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Hyatt Harborside Hotel at Logan International Airport, 101 Harborside Drive, Boston, Massachusetts 02128.

If you are a shareholder of record as of the close of business on March 11, 2015, you are entitled to vote at the meeting and any adjournment thereof. As of that date, 18,551,351 shares of Rogers’ capital stock (also referred to as common stock), \$1 par value per share, were outstanding. You are entitled to one vote for each share owned. Execution of a proxy will not in any way affect your right to attend the meeting and vote in person. Any shareholder submitting a proxy has the right to revoke it any time before it is exercised by filing a written revocation with the Secretary of Rogers, by executing a proxy with a later date, by voting again on a later date on the Internet or by telephone (only your latest Internet or telephone proxy submitted prior to the meeting will be counted) or by attending and voting at the meeting.

We are furnishing proxy materials to our shareholders on the Internet, rather than mailing a paper copy of the materials (including our 2014 annual report) to each shareholder, unless you have requested us to send you a paper or email copy. We have adopted this procedure pursuant to rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). If you received only a Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials (the “Notice”) by mail or email, you will not receive a paper or email copy of these proxy materials unless you request one. Instead, the Notice will instruct you as to how you may access and review the proxy materials on the Internet. The Notice will also instruct you as to how you may access your proxy card to vote over the Internet. If you received the Notice by mail or email and would like to receive a paper copy of our proxy materials, free of charge, please follow the instructions included in the Notice. Distribution of the Notice to shareholders is scheduled to begin on or about March 25, 2015. If your shares are held by a brokerage firm, dealer or other similar organization, the Notice or proxy materials, as applicable, are being forwarded to you by that organization, and you should follow the instructions for voting as set forth on that organization’s voting instruction card.

Under the rules and practices of the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), if you hold shares through a broker, your broker is permitted to vote your shares only on certain routine matters in its discretion even if the broker does not receive instructions from you. An example of such a routine matter is the proposal to ratify the appointment of an independent registered public accounting firm. Other than this ratification proposal, none of the matters to be voted on at the meeting are considered to be a routine matter for this purpose. Therefore, you are strongly encouraged to vote.

The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the shares of capital stock entitled to vote on a matter at the meeting is necessary to constitute a quorum with respect to that matter. A broker “non-vote” occurs when a nominee holding shares for a beneficial owner does not vote on a particular proposal because the nominee does not have discretionary voting power for that particular item and has not received instructions from the beneficial owner. Neither abstentions nor broker “non-votes” will be considered votes properly cast favoring or opposing a matter.

Because the outcome of each of the proposals with respect to the non-binding advisory resolution to approve executive compensation and the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm will be based on the votes properly cast and favoring or opposing each of these proposals, neither abstentions nor broker “non-votes” will have any effect upon the outcome of voting with respect to these proposals.

With regard to the election of directors, votes may be cast for all nominees or withheld from all nominees or for or withheld as to any particular nominee. Votes withheld in connection with the election of one or more directors will not be counted as votes cast for such individuals. Those nominees receiving the eight highest numbers of votes at the meeting will be elected, even if such votes do not constitute a majority of the votes cast. Accordingly, neither abstentions nor broker non-votes will have any effect on the outcome of voting in the election of directors.

We do not expect any matters other than those set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be presented at the meeting. If any other matter should be presented at the meeting upon which a vote properly may be taken, shares represented by all proxies properly executed and received will be voted with respect to such matter in accordance with the judgment of the persons named as proxies.

## Proposal 1: Election of Directors

The directors of Rogers are elected annually by shareholders and hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders and thereafter until their successors are chosen and qualified. The Board of Directors has been advised that each nominee will serve if elected. If any of these nominees should become unavailable for election, proxies will be voted for the election of such other person, or for fixing the number of directors at a lesser number, as the Board of Directors may recommend. All of the nominees are currently directors of Rogers and all but Ms. Simonet were elected to their present term of office at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Ms. Simonet was appointed by the Board of Directors on October 8, 2014.

## Nominees For Director, Director Qualifications and Experience

Michael F. Barry, 56, has been a Director of the Company since June of 2010. Since 2009, Mr. Barry has been Chairman of the Board of Directors of Quaker Chemical Corporation. He joined the Quaker Board and became Quaker's President and Chief Executive Officer in 2008. Mr. Barry had held a number of other positions with Quaker since 1998, including Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and Global Industry Leader – Industrial Metalworking and Coatings, and Senior Vice President and Managing Director – North America. By serving in a variety of leadership and executive positions with Quaker, Mr. Barry has gained experience in accounting/finance, financial reporting, risk assessment, industrial marketing and services, organizational development, global organizations, governance, strategic planning, corporate development, research and development and manufacturing. This extensive and varied business experience is a valuable resource to the Rogers' Board of Directors and its management.

Bruce D. Hoechner, 55, has been a Director of the Company since October of 2011, when he became Rogers' President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Hoechner has many years of broad leadership experience across numerous geographies, businesses and functions in the specialty chemicals industry with particularly strong international business expertise. For over ten years of his career he lived and worked in Asia—Singapore, Thailand and most recently, Shanghai, People's Republic of China. His Asian assignments were first with Rohm and Haas Company, for whom he worked for 28 years, and then The Dow Chemical Company after its acquisition of Rohm and Haas in 2009. While in Shanghai, Mr. Hoechner was responsible for a variety of businesses, most recently as President, Asia Pacific Region, Dow Advanced Materials Division. He has also led a number of specialty chemical global business units, which had wide-ranging operations in Europe, North America, Latin America and Asia.

Carol R. Jensen, PhD, 62, has been a Director of the Company since 2006. Ms. Jensen is currently President and Principal Partner in Lightning Ranch Group, a privately held group of companies in ranching, real estate, technology consulting, energy and aviation. She has previously served as a director of the Microelectronic Computer Corporation and the American Chamber of Commerce - Denmark. She previously held positions at The Dow Chemical Company (as Vice President of Research & Development of Performance Chemicals 2001-2004); 3M Corporation (an Executive Director of Research & Development 2000-2001, Managing Director of 3M Denmark 1998-2000, and Technical Director of 3M's Electronic Products business 1990-1998) and IBM Corporation (various research, development, marketing and strategic corporate positions 1979-1990). She was also an adjunct professor of Chemistry at the University of Texas, Austin (1991-1994). In these positions she gained experience in the electronics and Internet industries, the chemical and materials industry, and in research, marketing, development, manufacturing, sales, international business, governance and executive management. This technical background and experience make Ms. Jensen a valuable member of the Company's Board of Directors and a great resource to its management.

William E. Mitchell, 71, has been a Director of the Company since 1994 except between April of 2007 and May of 2008 when he did not serve as a Director of the Company because of other business commitments. Mr. Mitchell is the Managing Partner of Sequel Capital Management, LLC, a private equity firm that he founded. He was Chairman of the Board of Directors of Arrow Electronics, Inc., from 2006 to 2009, and President and Chief Executive Officer of

Arrow Electronics, Inc. from 2003 to 2009. Mr. Mitchell was Executive Vice President of Solectron Corporation and President of Solectron Global Services, Inc., from 1999 to 2003. Other current directorships are Humana Incorporated, Spansion Inc. and Veritiv Corporation, which went public on July 1, 2014. Mr. Mitchell's qualifications and skills include global business leadership and operations experience, financial expertise, global sales and marketing experience, and experience with global supply chain and distribution strategies for industrial and consumer goods. This business experience is valuable to the Board of Directors and management of Rogers.

Ganesh Moorthy, 55, has served as Chief Operating Officer for Microchip Technology Incorporated, a leading provider of microcontroller, mixed-signal, analog, memory and Flash-IP solutions, since June 2009. He served as Executive Vice President of Microchip from October 2006 to June 2009. From November 2001 to October 2006, Mr. Moorthy served as Vice President of several Microchip divisions. From June of 2010 to October of 2014, he served as a member of the Board of Directors of Hua-Hong Grace Semiconductor in Shanghai, China. He is also a member of the University of Washington's Electrical Engineering Board of Advisors. Mr. Moorthy's extensive background in a number of Rogers' key industries and his global expertise in business and technology leadership made him an excellent addition to the Board in 2013.

Robert G. Paul, 73, has been a Director of the Company since 2000. Mr. Paul is the former President of the Base Station Subsystems Unit of Andrew Corporation, from which he retired in March of 2004. From 1991, through July of 2003, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of Allen Telecom Inc. which was acquired by Andrew Corporation during 2003. Mr. Paul joined Allen Telecom in 1970 where he built a career holding various positions of increasing responsibility including Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Paul also serves on the Board of Directors for Comtech Telecommunications Corp. and Kemet Corporation. The Company's Board of Directors and management benefits from Mr. Paul's extensive experience in the communications industry, one of the primary market segments into which the Company sells its products. Mr. Paul's strong financial background adds accounting expertise to the Board's activities. In addition, Mr. Paul's experience running a public company with markets throughout the world and manufacturing plants in Europe, Asia and the Americas provides a strong fit with Rogers' global markets and operations.

Helene Simonet, 62, has been a Director of the Company since October of 2014. Ms. Simonet has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Coherent, Inc. since April of 2002. She served as Vice President of Finance of Coherent's former Medical Group and Vice President of Finance of its Photonics Division from December of 1999 to April of 2002. Prior to joining Coherent, Ms. Simonet spent over twenty years in senior finance positions at Raychem Corporation's Division and Corporate organizations, including Vice President of Finance of Raynet Corporation. Ms. Simonet has both Master's and Bachelor degrees from the University of Leuven, Belgium. Ms. Simonet is a well-rounded executive with broad experience in both executive and financial management of a global technology manufacturing company, international business, mergers and acquisitions, and strategic planning. This experience and her expertise in areas important to Rogers make her an excellent addition to the Board.

Peter C. Wallace, 60, has been a Director of the Company since June of 2010. Mr. Wallace is currently Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Gardner Denver Inc., an industrial manufacturer of compressors, blowers, pumps and other fluid control products used in numerous global end markets. He previously served as President and Chief Executive Officer, and a Director of Robbins & Myers, Inc., from July of 2004 until February of 2013, at which time the company was acquired by National Oilwell Varco, Inc. Prior to joining Robbins & Myers, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of IMI Norgren Group from October of 2001 to July of 2004. Mr. Wallace is also a Director of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc., a New York Stock Exchange listed company. He also serves on the boards of several private manufacturing firms engaged in energy and industrial markets. Mr. Wallace's career had included senior functional roles in application engineering, sales, marketing, and international operations before becoming the chief executive officer of multinational corporations. This broad and extensive experience in leadership roles, along with his board experience, is valuable to Rogers' Board of Directors and to management.

The biographical information on this page and the immediately preceding page identifies the primary experience, qualifications, attributes and skills of the eight nominees for director. This information was used by the Board of Directors in making its nomination decision.

Gregory B. Howey, a current director, is retiring from the Board of Directors when his term expires on the date of the Company's 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Howey's Board seat will be left open. Wishing to retain Mr. Paul's valuable services for another year, and to avoid losing too much experience from the Board as a result of simultaneous retirements, the Board felt it advisable to nominate Mr. Paul for reelection despite his age of 72 at the time of his nomination.

#### Vote Required and Recommendation of the Board of Directors

Directors will be elected by a plurality of the votes properly cast. This means those nominees receiving the eight highest numbers of votes at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be elected, even if such votes do not constitute a majority of the votes properly cast. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not have any effect on the outcome of the



proposal.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the election of the above named nominees to the Board of Directors.

## Stock Ownership of Management

This table provides information about the beneficial ownership of Rogers' capital stock as of March 11, 2015, by each of the current members of the Board of Directors, the named executive officers ("NEOs") listed in the "Summary Compensation Table" on page 23, and by all current directors and executive officers as a group. Unless otherwise noted, the persons listed below have sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares reported.

Name of Person or Group	Beneficial Ownership	
	Number of Shares (1)	Percent of Class (2)
Michael F. Barry	10,900	*
Robert C. Daigle (5)	34,972	*
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	34,443	*
Bruce D. Hoechner (3)(5)	38,441	*
Gregory B. Howey (4)	50,539	*
Carol R. Jensen (4)	16,638	*
Dennis M. Loughran	69,260	*
David Mathieson	866	*
William E. Mitchell	11,240	*
Ganesh Moorthy	3,400	*
Robert G. Paul	43,477	*
Helene Simonet	1,100	*
Peter C. Wallace (4)	10,900	*
All Directors and Executive Officers as a Group (17 Persons) (1)	331,454	1.8%

\* Less than 1%.

(1) Represents the total number of currently owned shares and shares acquirable within 60 days of March 11, 2015, through the exercise of stock options and as otherwise noted. Shares acquirable under stock options exercisable, or otherwise as described below, within 60 days for each individual are as follows (last name/number of shares): Barry/1,700; Daigle/9,200; Grudzien/17,475; Hoechner/11,600; Howey/15,200; Jensen/3,950; Loughran/51,150; Mitchell/3,799; Moorthy/1,700; Paul/16,023; Simonet/1,100; Wallace/1,700; and the group of 17 individuals/134,597. With respect to members of the Board of Directors, the amounts shown above include shares that would be receivable in the event of a separation of service within 60 days of March 11, 2015.

(2) Represents the percent ownership of total outstanding shares of capital stock, based on 18,551,351 shares of common stock outstanding as of March 11, 2015, and on an individual or group basis those shares acquirable by the respective directors and executive officers within 60 days of March 12, 2014, through the exercise of stock options or otherwise as described above.

(3) Mr. Hoechner owns 785 shares included above as to which he has shared investment and voting power through family trusts or other accounts.

(4) Ms. Jensen owns 12,688 shares in a trust in which investment and voting power is shared with a spouse. Messrs. Howey and Wallace own, respectively, 23,626 shares and 6,450 shares in trusts in which they each have sole investment and voting power.

(5) Mr. Daigle and Mr. Hoechner own, respectively, 5,556 shares and 11,278 shares as to which investment and voting power is shared with their respective spouses.



## Beneficial Ownership of More than Five Percent of Rogers Stock

This table provides information regarding beneficial ownership as of December 31, 2014 of each person known to Rogers to own more than 5% of its outstanding capital stock. The information in this table is based upon filings by each such person with the SEC on Schedule 13G (including amendments) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Unless otherwise noted, the beneficial owners have sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares listed below.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent of Class (1)
BlackRock, Inc. (2) 55 East 52 nd Street New York, NY 10022	1,597,968	8.6
Neuberger Berman Group LLC (3) 605 Third Avenue New York, NY 10158	1,315,458	7.1
The Vanguard Group (4) 100 Vanguard Blvd. Malvern, PA 19355	1,221,427	6.6
Wellington Management Group LLP (5) 280 Congress Street Boston, MA 02210	1,217,917	6.6
Daruma Capital Management, LLC (6) 80 West 40 th Street, 9th Floor New York, NY 10018	990,914	5.3

- (1) Based on 18,551,351 shares outstanding as of the record date, March 11, 2015.
- (2) Blackrock, Inc., a parent holding company, reports it has sole voting power with respect to 1,556,645 of the shares listed above and sole dispositive power with respect to all of the shares listed above.
- (3) Neuberger Berman Group LLC a parent holding company, reports it has shared voting power with respect to 1,312,158 of the shares listed above and shared dispositive power with respect to all of the shares listed above.
- (4) The Vanguard Group, a registered investment adviser, reports it has sole voting power with respect to 24,451 of the shares listed above and shared dispositive power with respect to 23,351 of the shares listed above and sole dispositive power with respect to 1,198,076 of the shares listed above.
- (5) Wellington Management Group LLP, a registered investment adviser, reports it has shared voting power with respect to 572,011 of the shares listed above and shared dispositive power with respect to 1,217,917 of the shares listed.

(6) Each of Daruma Capital Management, LLC, a registered investment adviser, and Mariko O. Gordon, reports it has shared voting power with respect to 451,937 of the shares listed above and shared dispositive power with respect to all of the shares listed above.

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## Corporate Governance Practices

Rogers has long subscribed to sound corporate governance practices. Such basic principles are summarized here.

¶The Board of Directors is elected by and is accountable to the shareholders. Its primary purpose is to oversee management and to assure that the long-term interests of the shareholders are being served.

- All directors stand for election annually.
- The Board of Directors has adopted a retirement policy for directors, which is set forth in Rogers' Corporate Governance Guidelines, under which directors may not be nominated for election after age 72 unless the Board deems it advisable to do so.
- The Board of Directors has determined that eight of its nine current directors, representing a substantial majority of the Board, are independent. Rogers' Corporate Governance Guidelines require that a majority of the Board be independent under NYSE listing requirements but also state that it is the Board of Directors' goal (but not a requirement) that at least two-thirds of the directors be independent.

¶The standing committees of the Board of Directors consist solely of independent directors as defined under the rules of the NYSE. The charters of all of the committees of the Board of Directors are approved by the entire board and establish committee responsibilities.

¶The Audit Committee has sole responsibility for selecting, engaging, evaluating and terminating Rogers' independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee also has full responsibility for determining the independent registered public accounting firm's compensation and oversees and evaluates Rogers' internal audit function. The Audit Committee has four members whom the Board of Directors has determined are "audit committee financial experts" as defined under Item 407 of Regulation S-K as well as under the rules of the NYSE.

¶The non-management directors (all of whom currently are independent) regularly meet in executive session and there is an independent "Lead Director" who is responsible for presiding over such meetings.

¶The Board of Directors annually evaluates its own performance. Each of the board committees conducts an annual self-evaluation of its respective performance. These evaluations are overseen by the Nominating and Governance Committee.

¶The Board of Directors annually reviews a strategic plan and a one-year operating plan that is linked to strategic objectives.

¶The Compensation and Organization Committee of the Board of Directors evaluates the performance of the President and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and determines his compensation. The Board of Directors as a whole oversees succession planning with respect to the President and CEO as well as other senior management positions.

¶Directors have complete access to all levels of management and also are provided with opportunities to meet with members of management on a regular basis.

¶The complete Corporate Governance Guidelines are available both on Rogers' website, <http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/>, and in print to shareholders. See "Availability of Certain Documents" in this proxy statement.



## Board of Directors

### Director Independence

Under the listing standards of the NYSE, the Board of Directors is required to affirmatively determine which of its directors are independent based in part on the absence of any direct or indirect material relationship between the Company and the director. The Board has adopted the following categorical standards, which are also contained in the Rogers Corporation Corporate Governance Guidelines available on Rogers' website, [www.rogerscorp.com/cg/](http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/), to assist it in determining director independence in accordance with the NYSE's independence standards:

¶ If a Rogers' director (other than a member of the Audit Committee) receives direct or indirect annual compensation or other benefits (other than board and committee fees) from Rogers, such amount should not exceed \$30,000;

¶ If a Rogers' director is an executive officer of another company that does business with Rogers, the annual sales to, or purchases from, Rogers should be less than 1% of the revenues of the company he or she serves as an executive officer;

¶ If a Rogers' director is an executive officer of another company which is indebted to Rogers, or to which Rogers is indebted, the total amount of either company's indebtedness to the other should be less than 1% of the total consolidated assets of the company he or she serves as an executive officer; and

¶ If a Rogers' director serves as an officer, director or trustee of a charitable organization, Rogers' discretionary charitable contributions to the organization should be less than 1% of that organization's total annual charitable receipts. (Rogers' matching of employee charitable contributions will not be included in the amount of Rogers' contributions for this purpose.)

The Board of Directors has affirmatively determined that all of the current directors other than Mr. Hoechner satisfy these standards and do not otherwise have any direct or indirect material relationship with Rogers other than (1) serving as a director and a board committee member, (2) receiving related fees as disclosed in this proxy statement under "Directors' Compensation" and (3) having beneficial ownership of Rogers' securities as disclosed in this proxy statement under "Stock Ownership of Management". Because they also satisfy the other independence requirements of the NYSE listing standards, the following directors are independent thereunder: Michael F. Barry, Gregory B. Howey, Carol R. Jensen, William E. Mitchell, Ganesh Moorthy, Robert G. Paul, Helene Simonet and Peter C. Wallace. Until his retirement from the Board in May of 2014, Mr. Charles M. Brennan III was also independent thereunder.

### Board Leadership Structure

Rogers Corporation is led by Bruce D. Hoechner who has served as the Company's President and CEO since October of 2011. The Company's bylaws provide that unless otherwise provided by the directors, the President and CEO shall preside, when present, at all meetings of shareholders and (unless a chairman of the Board of Directors has been appointed and is present) of the directors. If a chairman of the Board of Directors is appointed, he or she shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors at which he or she is present. Currently, there is no chairman of the Board as during the last twenty years the Board has selected only recently retired, or soon to be retired, Presidents and CEOs of the Company to serve in this capacity. The Company's Board currently has eight independent members and one non-independent member, Mr. Hoechner. There is an independent Lead Director whose responsibilities include presiding at executive sessions of the non-management directors (all of whom are independent), providing periodic feedback to the President and CEO, reviewing board agendas and being a person whom shareholders can contact should they wish to communicate with the Board. Other independent directors also provide input for board agendas. Independent directors hold executive sessions without management present as frequently as they deem appropriate,



and generally such an executive session is held at each in-person, regularly scheduled board meeting. The Board currently has three standing committees - (1) Audit, (2) Compensation and Organization, and (3) Nominating and Governance. Each of these committees is comprised solely of independent directors, with each of the three committees having a separate chairperson who participates in the development of committee agendas. We believe that this leadership structure has worked well for the Company because it is combined with a compatible board culture and a board with typically only eight to ten members. Such a board culture creates an environment in which there are candid disclosures by management about the Company's performance and a culture in which directors can regularly engage management and each other in active and meaningful discussions about various corporate matters. This is also an environment in which senior managers are able to express their own opinions. The current leadership structure and board culture provide sufficient flexibility to address varying issues as conditions change.

## Board Diversity

As set forth in its Corporate Governance Guidelines, Rogers endeavors to have a board with diverse experience at policy-making or strategic-planning levels in business or in other areas that are relevant to the Company's activities. The Nominating and Governance Committee does not have a formal policy with respect to diversity in identifying or selecting nominees for Rogers' Board, but in evaluating nominees, the committee assesses the background of each candidate in a number of different ways, including how the individual's qualifications complement, strengthen and enhance those of existing board members as well as the future needs of the Board. During the Board's annual self-evaluation, and at other times during the year, the directors assess the Board's performance and ways in which such performance can be improved.

## The Board's Role In Risk Oversight

The Board has an active role as a whole, and also at the committee level, in overseeing management of the Company's risks. The entire Board receives regular reports from management concerning areas of material risk to the Company, including operational, financial, legal and regulatory, and strategic risks. Although the Board as a whole is responsible for overseeing the Company's risk management, each Board committee is responsible for evaluating the risks associated with its area of responsibility and discussing its findings and making recommendations to the Board.

The Board focuses on the most significant risks facing the Company and the Company's general risk management strategy, and also ensures that risks undertaken by the Company are prudent based on the Company's strategy and the current business environment. While the Board oversees the Company's risk management, the Company's senior management is responsible for day-to-day risk management processes. We believe this division of responsibilities is the most effective approach for addressing the risks facing our Company and that our board leadership structure supports this approach.

## Meetings Of Certain Committees

### Board of Directors

The Rogers' Board of Directors held 9 meetings during 2014. The Board of Directors currently has three standing committees, an Audit Committee, Compensation and Organization Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee. All directors attended at least 75% in the aggregate of the meetings held in 2014 of the Board and the committees on which each such director served during his or her tenure as Board and committee members. The Rogers' Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that all directors are expected to attend the annual meeting of shareholders absent an unavoidable conflict. All of the members of the Board of Directors then serving attended the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The Rogers' Board of Directors adopted a set of Corporate Governance Guidelines, which set forth information pertaining to director qualifications and responsibilities, as well as other corporate governance practices and policies. These guidelines are available both on Rogers' website, [www.rogerscorp.com/cg/](http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/), and in print to shareholders along with the charters of the Audit, Compensation and Organization, and Nominating and Governance Committees. See "Availability of Certain Documents" in this proxy statement.

### Meetings of Non-Management Directors

The Board holds regularly scheduled sessions for the non-management directors of the Company (all of whom are independent as defined under the rules of the NYSE) without management present. These meetings are presided over by the Lead Director. The non-management directors may meet without management present at other times as

determined by the Lead Director. On May 9, 2014, Mr. Mitchell was appointed Lead Director for a one year term. Currently, the non-management directors of the Company are Mses. Jensen and Simonet and Messrs. Barry, Howey, Mitchell, Moorthy, Paul, and Wallace. Any interested party who wishes to make their concerns known to the non-management directors may contact the Lead Director or the non-management directors as a group, in writing at Rogers Corporation, One Technology Drive, P. O. Box 188, Rogers, Connecticut 06263-0188, Attn.: Lead Director.

## Audit Committee

The Audit Committee, which has been established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, held 8 meetings in 2014. The Audit Committee's responsibilities, which are set forth in a written charter adopted by the Board, include appointing, terminating, evaluating, and setting the compensation of the independent registered public accounting firm of Rogers; meeting with the independent registered public accounting firm to review the scope, accuracy and results of the audit; and making inquiries as to the adequacy of Rogers' accounting, financial and operating controls. On May 9, 2014, Mr. Barry was appointed chairperson and Ms. Jensen, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Paul were appointed members of this committee. On October 8, 2014, Ms. Simonet was appointed a member of the Audit Committee. The Board of Directors has determined that each of these individuals is "independent" in accordance with the NYSE's listing standards and the rules and regulations of the SEC and related federal law. In addition, the Board of Directors has also determined that Messrs. Barry, Mitchell and Paul and Ms. Simonet are "Audit Committee Financial Experts" in accordance with the standards established by the SEC and all of the Audit Committee members are financially literate in accordance with NYSE listing standards. Until his retirement in May of 2014, Mr. Brennan served as chairperson of the Audit Committee, and he also was independent in accordance with the NYSE's listing standards and the rules and regulations of the SEC and related federal law, an "Audit Committee Financial Expert" in accordance with the standards established by the SEC, and also financially literate in accordance with NYSE listing standards. The agenda for meetings of the Audit Committee is determined by its chairperson with the assistance of management. The Audit Committee's charter is available both on Rogers' website, <http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/>, and in print to shareholders. See "Availability of Certain Documents" in this proxy statement.

## Compensation and Organization Committee

The Compensation and Organization Committee held seven meetings in 2014. During 2014, the Compensation and Organization Committee was comprised of non-management directors, who were each: (i) independent as defined under the NYSE listing standards and as determined by the Board of Directors, (ii) a "non-employee director" for purposes of Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and (iii) an "outside director" for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. On May 9, 2014 Mr. Paul was appointed chairperson and Messrs. Howey, Mitchell, Moorthy and Wallace were appointed members of this committee. From January 1, 2014 until May 9, 2014, Ms. Jensen served on the Compensation and Organization Committee and she also met the criteria listed in items (i), (ii) and (iii) above.

The Board has adopted a charter for the Compensation and Organization Committee, which is available both on Rogers' website, <http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/>, and in print to shareholders. See "Availability of Certain Documents" in this proxy statement.

The Compensation and Organization Committee's responsibilities, which are discussed in detail in its charter, include the responsibility to:

- Develop performance goals and objectives, including corporate goals and objectives, for the President and CEO;
- Evaluate the performance of the President and CEO;

Establish the base salary, incentive compensation and any other compensation for the President and CEO and review and approve the President and CEO's recommendations for the compensation of all other executive officers;

Approve and monitor Rogers' management incentive and equity compensation plans, retirement and welfare plans and discharge the duties imposed on this committee by the terms of those plans;

- Periodically review and make recommendations regarding compensation for non-management directors; and
- Review the Company's organizational development activities including development and succession plans for the executive officers and, as appropriate, general programs for professional and leadership development throughout the Company.

As President and CEO, Mr. Hoechner recommends compensation decisions for each executive officer other than himself based on his assessment of each executive officer's performance during the year and his review of compensation data and discusses these recommendations and related issues with the Compensation and Organization Committee. During committee meetings at which compensation actions involving executive officers are discussed, Mr. Hoechner takes an active part in the discussions. The agenda for meetings of the Compensation and Organization Committee is determined by its chairperson with the assistance of management. Compensation and Organization Committee meetings are regularly attended by the President and CEO and certain other members of management and various advisors. At each meeting, the Compensation and Organization Committee has the opportunity to meet in executive session. The Compensation and Organization Committee's chairperson reports the committee's recommendations and decisions on executive compensation to the full Board of Directors. When appropriate these reports and related discussions are conducted in executive session, without management present.

The Compensation and Organization Committee retains an independent executive compensation consultant, Pay Governance LLC, which provides input, analysis, and advice to the Compensation and Organization Committee with respect to our executive compensation philosophy, pay positioning, design of compensation elements, overall equity usage and allocation. Pay Governance LLC reports directly to the Compensation and Organization Committee and interacts with management at the direction of the Compensation and Organization Committee. Pay Governance LLC did not perform work for Rogers Corporation other than that which was pursuant to its engagement by the Compensation and Organization Committee. Pay Governance LLC provided the Compensation and Organization Committee with a letter covering factors specified in listing rules regarding potential conflicts of interest arising from the consultant's work. Based on the letter and discussions with Pay Governance LLC, the Compensation and Organization Committee determined that Pay Governance LLC's work did not raise any conflicts of interest.

#### Nominating and Governance Committee

The Nominating and Governance Committee held five meetings in 2014. This committee has functions that include developing and recommending to the Board of Directors criteria for board and committee membership, identifying candidates for directors, reviewing their qualifications, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors about who should serve as directors, overseeing Rogers' corporate governance policies and practices, developing and recommending to the Board of Directors corporate governance guidelines and, at least yearly, overseeing a review of the performance of the Board of Directors and its committees. On May 9, 2014, Mr. Wallace was appointed chairperson and Ms. Jensen and Messrs. Barry, Howey and Moorthy were appointed members of this committee. The Board of Directors has determined that each member of this committee (as well as Mr. Brennan, who served on the committee from January 1, 2014 until his retirement from the Board on May 9, 2014) is "independent" in accordance with the NYSE's listing standards. The agenda for meetings of the Nominating and Governance Committee is determined by its chairperson with the assistance of management. The Nominating and Governance Committee charter is available both on Rogers' website, [www.rogerscorp.com/cg/](http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/), and in print to shareholders. See "Availability of Certain Documents" in this proxy statement.

Ms. Simonet, who was appointed as a director by the Board of Directors on October 8, 2014, was recommended to the Nominating and Governance Committee and Board of Directors for appointment as a director by RSR Partners, a third party executive and board search firm which had been retained by the Company.

The Nominating and Governance Committee will consider nominees for director recommended by shareholders if such recommendations for director are submitted in writing to the Secretary of Rogers Corporation, One Technology Drive, P.O. Box 188, Rogers, Connecticut 06263-0188. At this time, no additional specific procedures to propose a candidate for consideration by the Nominating and Governance Committee, nor any minimum criteria for consideration of a proposed candidate for nomination to the Board of Directors, have been adopted as Rogers believes that the procedures currently in place will continue to serve the needs of the Board and shareholders.

## Directors' Compensation

Directors who are employees of Rogers receive no additional compensation for their services as directors. The Compensation and Organization Committee periodically reviews non-management director compensation policies with the assistance of its compensation consultant. In 2014, compensation for non-management directors consisted of an annual retainer and meeting fees ("Fees Earned or Paid") and equity awards as described below.

The table below shows the total compensation earned by our non-management directors during 2014. Each component of director compensation is summarized following the table.

Name	Deferred Stock Unit		Total
	Fees Earned or Paid (1)	Awards (2)	
Michael F. Barry	\$70,123	\$100,000	\$170,123
Charles M. Brennan, III (3)	\$28,818	-	\$28,818
Gregory B. Howey	\$61,500	\$100,000	\$161,500
Carol R. Jensen	\$62,000	\$100,000	\$162,000
William E. Mitchell	\$77,250	\$100,000	\$177,250
Ganesh Moorthy	\$58,500	\$100,000	\$158,000
Robert G. Paul	\$70,500	\$100,000	\$170,500
Helene Simonet	\$15,239	\$59,631	\$74,870
Peter C. Wallace	\$68,250	\$100,000	\$168,250

(1) Includes the annual retainer and meeting fees, which were all paid in cash for 2014 with the exception of fees for a late December, 2014 meeting which were paid in early January 2015. Directors may elect to defer such fees pursuant to a non-qualified deferred compensation plan.

(2) The fair value of Deferred Stock Unit Awards is the same as the compensation cost reported in Rogers' financial statements. All Deferred Stock Units awarded to directors are immediately vested as of the award date. On May 9, 2014, we granted a Deferred Stock Unit Award for 1,700 units to each non-management director (other than Ms. Simonet and Mr. Brennan) and the fair value of the shares underlying each award on the grant date was \$100,000. Ms. Simonet was granted a Deferred Stock Unit Award for 1,100 units on October 8, 2014 with the fair value of the shares underlying the award being \$59,631.

(3) Mr. Brennan retired from the Board on May 9, 2014.

## Annual Retainer

Non-management directors earned a minimum annual retainer of \$40,000 in 2014 if they served on the Board for a full year. The Lead Director and the chairperson of each board committee earned an additional annual retainer amount in 2014 as follows: (i) Lead Director (Mr. Mitchell) - \$15,000; (ii) Audit Committee Chairperson (Mr. Brennan until his retirement and Mr. Barry thereafter) - \$10,000; (iii) Compensation and Organization Committee Chairperson (Mr. Paul) - \$7,500; (iv) Nominating and Governance Committee Chairperson (Mr. Wallace) - \$5,000. The annual retainer is pro-rated for non-management directors who serve for only a portion of the year and is normally paid in June and December.

## Meeting Fees

Directors received \$1,500 for each board meeting attended in 2014. Committee chairpersons received \$1,500 for each committee meeting attended and other committee members received \$1,000 for each committee meeting attended.

Fees for telephonic meetings are reduced by 50%. Meeting fees are paid in cash unless Rogers' stock compensation is elected.

#### Deferred Stock Unit Awards

Deferred Stock Unit Awards were granted to non-management directors on May 9, 2014. These full-year awards were for 1,700 units each, which are fully vested. The stock subject to these awards is scheduled to be issued on June 9, 2015, which is the 13-month anniversary of the grant date unless the individual elected to defer the receipt of these shares. No stock options were granted to non-management directors in 2014.



## Perquisites and Reimbursable Expenses

Rogers does not provide its non-management directors with any additional benefits and/or perquisites. Rogers does reimburse its directors for expenses associated with attending any board or committee meetings and attending certain other meetings in their capacity as board or committee members. The Directors' Education and Training Allowance Policy was established to provide reimbursement to non-management directors for the reasonable costs to attend education and training programs, as well as membership fees in any appropriate organizations, in all such cases reflective of the director's duties to the Board, the director's background and experience, and developments relevant to corporate governance and to the Company's operations up to a maximum of \$10,000 during any two year period.

## Audit Committee Report

The Audit Committee oversees and monitors the Company's financial reporting process and systems of internal accounting and financial controls on behalf of the Board of Directors. In fulfilling these responsibilities, the Audit Committee reviewed and discussed with management the audited financial statements included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 (the "Annual Report"). The Audit Committee discussed with Ernst & Young LLP, Rogers' independent registered public accounting firm, the matters required to be discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm under generally accepted auditing standards including Statement on Auditing Standard No. 61, as amended (AICPA, Professional Standards, Vol. 1. AU section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB"). In addition, the Audit Committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from Ernst & Young LLP required by the PCAOB regarding Ernst & Young LLP's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and has discussed its independence with Ernst & Young LLP.

Based on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors, and the Board has approved, the inclusion of the audited financial statements in the Annual Report for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

As stated in the Audit Committee charter, it is not the duty of the Committee to plan or conduct audits or to determine that the Company's financial statements are complete and accurate and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Management is responsible for determining that the Company's financial statements are complete and accurate and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Our independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for conducting an audit of our annual financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. In giving our recommendation to the Board, the Committee has relied on (i) management's representation that such financial statements have been prepared with integrity and objectivity and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, and (ii) the report of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm with respect to such financial statements.

Audit Committee: Michael F.  
Barry,  
Chairperson  
Carol R.  
Jensen,  
Member  
William E.  
Mitchell,  
Member  
Robert G.  
Paul,

Member  
Helene  
Simonet,  
Member

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## Executive Compensation

### Executive Summary

### Business Performance

Rogers is a global enterprise that provides its customers with innovative solutions and industry leading products in a variety of markets, including portable electronics, communications infrastructure, consumer, mass transit, automotive, defense and clean energy. The Company generates revenues and cash flows through the development, manufacture and distribution of specialty material-based products that are sold to multiple customers, primarily original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and contract manufacturers that, in turn, produce component products that are sold to end-customers for use in various applications.

In 2014, Rogers' innovative and market driven organization continued to transform and deliver outstanding results. The Company reported all-time record sales of \$610.9 million in fiscal 2014 as compared to \$537.5 million in 2013. This significant growth was led by the Printed Circuit Materials (PCM) operating segment which had an increase of 30.2% with sales of \$240.9 million in 2014, compared to the \$184.9 million reported in 2013. The High Performance Foams (HPF) operating segment recorded sales of \$173.7 million, up 3.3% in 2014, compared to the \$168.1 million reported in 2013. The Power Electronics Solutions (PES) operating segment reported sales of \$171.8 million in 2014, a 6.9% increase compared to the \$160.1 million reported in 2013.

In addition to achieving significant organic growth, Rogers continued to pursue its strategy of growing through acquisition. In December of 2014, the Company announced the acquisition of Arlon LLC and closed on the transaction in January of 2015. The Board and management believe that Rogers and Arlon are a strong strategic fit, with each company enjoying a long history of excellence in engineered materials technology. Arlon's circuit materials business expands Rogers' current portfolio of products for telecommunications, aerospace and defense and automotive applications. In addition, Arlon's engineered silicones business expands Rogers' existing silicone capabilities and opens new markets and applications.

### Our Executive Compensation Philosophy

The Company's executive compensation philosophy is to attract, retain and motivate talented and dedicated executives to achieve outstanding business performance and shareholder value at competitive compensation levels. This approach is based on creating an executive pay structure that can be maintained during down cycles while rewarding executives with generally above market total cash and equity compensation when justified by business results and individual performance.

### Summary of 2014 Key Compensation Matters

#### Long-Term Incentive

Our executive officers who received performance-based restricted stock units in 2012 earned a composite payout percentage of 118.2% of target. The following performance during the 2012 – 2014 performance period resulted in this payout:

- 3.31% compounded annual growth rate ("CAGR") in sales
- 6.52% CAGR in diluted earnings per share ("EPS")

- 10.48% free cash flow as a percentage of sales

Short-Term Incentive

All named executive officers (“NEOs”) received an Annual Incentive Compensation Plan (“AICP”) award for fiscal year 2014. In all cases except Mr. Grudzien and Ms. Zhang, the bonuses were exclusively based on overall Company performance. In the cases of Mr. Grudzien and Ms. Zhang, 50% of their awards were based on business unit performance (PCM and PES, respectively) for sales and profit with the balance based on overall Company performance. The following measures were used in calculating 2014 AICP payments:

- Sales
- Profit from continuing operations
- Cash generation from operations
- Participation in safety initiatives

## Compensation Discussion and Analysis

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis (“CD&A”) describes the 2014 compensation program for our NEOs listed in the “Summary Compensation Table” on page 23. During fiscal 2014, these individuals were:

Bruce D. Hoechner, President and Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”)  
David Mathieson, Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”)  
Robert C. Daigle, Sr. Vice President and Chief Technology Officer (“CTO”)  
Jeffrey M. Grudzien, Vice President, Printed Circuit Materials Division  
Helen Zhang, Vice President, Power Electronics Solutions and President, Rogers Asia  
Dennis M. Loughran, Former Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Mathieson joined the Company on May 19, 2014. Mr. Loughran’s employment with the Company terminated on May 12, 2014 and our discussion in the CD&A relates to him only as specifically noted below.

This CD&A describes the material elements of our executive compensation program during fiscal 2014 and provides an overview of our executive compensation philosophy and principles. It also analyzes how and why the Compensation and Organization Committee, referred to in this CD&A below as the “Committee,” arrived at the specific compensation decisions for our executive officers, including our NEOs, for fiscal 2014, including the key factors that the Committee considered in determining their compensation.

This CD&A is divided into the following sections:

- Executive Compensation Philosophy, Principles and Pay Elements & Mix
- Fiscal Year 2014 Compensation Components and Decisions for NEOs
- Change in Control Protection, Severance and Perquisites
- Other Compensation Policies
- Our Prior Say-On-Pay Vote
- Risk Mitigation Provisions

The Committee directs and oversees our executive compensation program. A detailed discussion of the Committee’s structure, roles and responsibilities and related matters can be found under the heading “Compensation and Organization Committee” on page 10.

The Committee believes that the Company is acting in a manner that is consistent with its compensation philosophy. The Committee also believes that the pay mix and competitive positioning for our NEOs are reasonable so that they are appropriately rewarded for creating shareholder value, achieving operational success and making individual contributions.

### Executive Compensation Philosophy, Principles And Pay Elements And Mix

#### Compensation Philosophy

As noted above, we design our executive officer compensation program to attract, motivate and retain key executives who drive our success and industry leadership. We believe that our executive compensation program provides an appropriate balance between salary and incentive compensation as well as an appropriate balance between risk and reward so that such compensation practices are strongly aligned with the long-term interests of our shareholders. Generally, the types of compensation and benefits provided to the NEOs are also provided to other executive officers.

#### Compensation Principles

The Committee applies the following core principles in structuring the compensation of its NEOs:

- Provide a simple program design which provides motivation and is easy to communicate and understand.
- Provide a strong link between incentive compensation and corporate performance.

Provide the opportunity for executives to build a meaningful equity position in the Company leading them to manage from an owner's perspective in balance with the long-term strategy of the business.

Provide an appropriate reward for executives when they deliver significant shareholder returns over a long period of time.

Provide a total rewards package designed to be competitive with other size-appropriate companies in the technology and technology equipment industry.

## Pay Elements & Mix for 2014

Consistent with our executive compensation philosophy and core principles, a significant portion of executive compensation is variable and performance related. The key elements of our annual executive compensation program are:

**Base Salaries** – to provide a secure base of compensation in an amount that recognizes each NEO’s role and responsibility, as well as his or her experience, job performance and contributions.

**Short-Term Incentive Compensation** – to motivate NEOs and reward them for achieving annual performance objectives that align with the overall business strategy. Our short-term incentive compensation provides a cash payment based on the Company’s annual performance relative to pre-established internal performance targets for sales, profit from continuing operations, cash generation from operations and employee participation in safety initiatives, subject to modification at the discretion of the Committee as discussed below.

**Long-Term Incentive Compensation** – to retain the continued services of our NEOs over a period of time, align their rewards with long-term shareholder returns and encourage stock ownership. For 2014, our long-term incentive compensation was provided in the form of:

• **Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units**, which can be earned over a three-year performance period based on the Company’s “Total Shareholder Return” (“TSR”) and “Return on Invested Capital” (“ROIC”) versus a specified group of Standard & Poor’s (S&P) companies.

• **Time-Based Restricted Stock Units**, which vest based on continued service with Rogers and the value of which is directly related to the Company’s stock price.

Of the target direct compensation for Mr. Hoechner during 2014, seventy-seven percent (77%) was tied to variable performance-related pay as illustrated in the following pay mix chart:

### Notes to Target Pay Mix Chart:

- (1) Base Salary is the annual rate in effect as of March 24, 2014.
- (2) Short-Term Incentive Compensation reflects the 2014 target annual cash-based incentive.
- (3) Long-Term Incentive Compensation reflects the grant date fair values for all 2014 equity awards.

We also provide our NEOs with the following additional benefits:

• Section 401(k) and health and welfare benefits on substantially the same terms and conditions as they are provided to most of our other employees.

• A non-qualified funded deferred compensation plan that allows executives to defer salary and bonus and receive matching contributions on deferred amounts in a cost effective tax-advantaged basis.

• Severance and change-in-control protection to increase retention and mitigate potential conflicts of interest when NEOs perform their duties in connection with a potential change in control transaction.





## Market Analysis

The Committee regularly reviews and considers two sources of compensation information, a comparator company group and survey data, for the purpose of obtaining a general understanding of current executive compensation practices.

For our CEO and CFO, the Committee uses both the comparator company group and survey data. This group of comparator companies consists of U.S. public companies in the electronics equipment industry that, in the aggregate, the Committee determined (in consultation with management and its compensation consultant, Pay Governance LLC) reflects the labor market in which Rogers competes for executive talent.

For 2014, the Committee established a comparator company group which included the following 16 U.S. public companies with median revenue of approximately \$556 million compared to Rogers' revenue of \$537 million for fiscal year 2013, and a median market capitalization of approximately \$1,128 million compared to Rogers' market capitalization of \$687 million as of December 2013.

ATMI Inc	International Rectifier Corp.	Methode Electronics
Cabot Micro	Intersil Corp.	MKS Instruments
Comtech Telecom	IXYS	Power-One
Diodes Inc.	KEMET Corp.	Pulse Electronics
Hutchinson Technology Inc.	Littelfuse Inc.	Semtech Corp.
		Vicor Corp.

Selecting the comparator company group is challenging, as many companies that compete with Rogers with similar products and services are either privately-owned, quite small, or are divisions of much larger corporations. For these reasons, their compensation data is either not publicly available or not relevant. The Committee's selection of the comparator company group attempts to select companies that have a similar global presence and complexity of multiple global manufacturing operations, are within an appropriate range of revenue (both larger and smaller), hire employees with similar skills and experience as Rogers and are generally in the electronics equipment manufacturing industry. Survey data provides general executive compensation market practice information and helps address the challenge of finding appropriate comparator companies for all positions. Also, the structure of our organization is somewhat different than other organizations and our executive positions do not precisely match typical market positions. Some executives are responsible for multiple roles and/or business units that are difficult to match to the market. The comparator company group is within the Global Industry Classification Standard ("GICS") code 452030 (Technology Hardware and Equipment). The Committee also relied on compensation data from technology and general industry surveys, selected and compiled by Pay Governance LLC. Survey and comparator company group data are averaged to develop a market composite of the data for comparison purposes for the President and CEO and the CFO. The compensation for all other NEOs is compared to survey data only. The Committee believes using a comparator company group and appropriate and relevant survey data is a reasonable method to understand the executive talent market in which Rogers must compete. The Company annually reviews the selected companies.

## Setting Compensation

Base salary, short-term incentives and long-term incentives were compared to a broad range of compensation data from the survey data and the Company's comparator company group (in the case of the President and CEO, and the CFO). The Committee, after considering all of the market information and the President and CEO's recommendations for the NEOs, uses its discretion in determining each NEO's base salary and short- and long-term incentives.

In general, the Committee intends that each compensation component should be competitive in the marketplace. At the same time, the Company recognizes that the costs of the compensation program impact Rogers' financial performance. Consistent with balancing these objectives, short- and long-term incentives are all normally heavily weighted on improving results over the previous year so as to provide the executive with performance-based compensation when the shareholders receive added value. The Committee may determine that it is appropriate, in addition to competitive market practices, to adjust compensation for NEOs considering individual factors and the NEO's position. Factors usually considered with respect to our NEOs consist of the following: assessment of the individual's total relevant job experience, time in the position, job content and performance, strategic investment in individuals deemed critical to retention and leadership succession plans, annual salary budget, internal value of the position/role in the organization as compared to other roles, general Company results compared to the annual plan, reactions to changes in the business environment during the year, contributions to the overall corporate performance as a member of the leadership team, development of the employees in their organization, contribution to the achievement of the Company's goals, growth, innovation, increasing revenue and profitability and increasing shareholder value, compensation compared to the overall market data and practices, overall leadership and employee satisfaction within their organization, contribution to the strategic and annual planning process and the level of collaboration and cooperation consistent with our other executive officers.

The Committee does not assign specific weights to any of these criteria. The Committee strongly believes in engaging dedicated and talented executives in critical functions and this may entail negotiations with potential new hire executives who have significant compensation packages in place with their current employer.

#### Fiscal Year 2014 Compensation Components And Decisions for NEOs

##### Base Salary

The Committee reviewed the base salaries of our NEOs in 2014. Based on the considerations described earlier, the Committee adjusted the base salaries for our NEOs effective March 24, 2014 as follows:

Name	Title	2013 Annualized Base Salary	2014 Annualized Base Salary	Total Percentage Increase
Bruce D. Hoechner	President and CEO	\$500,000	\$600,000	20.0%
Robert C. Daigle	Sr. Vice President and Chief Technology Officer	\$322,000	\$331,500	3.0%
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	Vice President, Printed Circuit Materials Division	\$280,000	\$295,000	5.4%
Helen Zhang	Vice President, Power Electronics Solutions	\$306,200	\$324,500	6.0%
Dennis M. Loughran	Former Vice President, Finance and CFO	\$330,000	\$340,000	3.0%

##### Incentive Compensation

The Committee generally used the performance criteria for the short-term and long-term incentive plans as it did in 2013. The Committee believes these metrics are linked and provide a balance between the short-term and long-term success of the Company.

##### Short-Term Incentive Compensation

We provide short-term incentive compensation under our Annual Incentive Compensation Plan or AICP. The target awards for each NEO other than Mr. Hoechner under the AICP for 2014, expressed as a percentage of base salary, are listed on page 26. The actual amounts earned by our NEOs under the AICP for 2014 are reported in the "Summary Compensation Table" under the heading "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" on page 23.

The Committee granted the CEO's short-term incentive for 2014 under the Section 162(m) provisions of the Annual Incentive Compensation Plan (AICP). The Committee established the achievement of pre-tax income as the performance goal. The grant provided for a payment equal to 4% of the Company's pre-tax income up to a maximum of \$2.5 million, subject to reduction at the committee's discretion. The Committee adopted this approach with respect to Mr. Hoechner so that it had sufficient flexibility to determine an appropriate AICP payment to him while still structuring payments in a manner intended to preserve tax deductions under Section 162(m). A maximum pool of \$2.5

million was established for Mr. Hoechner based on Rogers' 2014 pre-tax income of \$80.4 million. The Committee exercised its discretion to adjust Mr. Hoechner's AICP award for 2014 to \$1,302,346 based on its consideration and assessment of the attainment of the AICP performance goals for the other executive offices as well as the successful acquisition of Arlon LLC, 2014 stock price performance and participation in safety initiatives.

The Committee set the following performance goals with respect to overall sales, profit from continuing operations, cash generation from operations and safety initiative participation for 2014 under AICP for our executive officers (except in the case of the CEO). Set forth below is the performance required in order to be eligible to receive) and the maximum performance level (200% of the target award), subject to the exercise of discretion as discussed below.

Annual Incentive Compensation Plan for 2014 - Performance Goals  
(Dollars in thousands)

Performance Level and Payout Percentage (1)	25% Threshold	100% Target	200% Maximum
<b>Measure (Weightings)</b>			
Consolidated Sales (45%)	\$529,000	\$575,000	\$612,000
Operating Profit (45%)	\$67,246	\$77,670	\$92,002
Cash Generation (2) (5%)	\$60,000	\$70,000	\$80,000
Safety Initiative Participation (5%)		90%	95% Actual
2014 Weighted Average AICP Performance Attainment		191.34%	

(1) Linear interpolation is used to determine the percentage of target that has been achieved for performance between threshold and target, and target and maximum.

(2) As disclosed in the “net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations” item in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

(3) Equals the sum of weighted performance percentage for each listed measure. The “weighted performance percentage” for a listed measure is the percentage of target achieved multiplied by its weighting.

In measuring our 2014 operating profit as reported above, the Committee excluded the following unusual and non-recurring charges which the Committee believes will result in long term benefits to the Company and were not considered in the establishment of target performance goals: (i) severance charges that were incurred in connection with our efforts to streamline the organization so as to improve future profitability, (ii) pension settlement charges as they related to the Company offering a Lump Sum Settlement Option to terminated but vested participants in its two frozen defined benefit plans and (iii) a one-time charge related to the efforts to acquire Arlon LLC which took place during 2014.

#### Long-Term Incentive Compensation

For 2014, the Committee granted long-term incentives in the following percentages to the NEOs:

- Time-Based Restricted Stock Units – 50%
- Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units – 50%

Grant information regarding each of the equity awards provided to our NEOs for 2014, including the number of covered shares, is set forth in both the “Grants of Plan Based Awards for Fiscal Year 2014” table on page 25 and the “Outstanding Equity Awards at End of Fiscal Year 2014” table on page 27.

Mr. Hoechner recommended to the Committee the target total dollar value of the long-term incentive awards for the NEOs other than himself. Decisions on annual long-term incentive compensation awards do not impact any other decisions regarding any other element of executive compensation; however, they may affect potential benefits under the Officer Special Severance Agreements upon a Change in Control. Mr. Mathieson received an initial grant of time and performance-based restricted stock units in connection with becoming our new CFO and Ms. Zhang received a grant of time-based restricted units for the first time in November of 2014.

Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

The Committee uses performance-based restricted stock units to emphasize various financial factors to drive long-term value.

The performance criteria for the 2014 performance-based restricted stock units are as follows:

- The three year total shareholder return (TSR) 60% weighting; and
- The three year return on invested capital (ROIC) 40% weighting.

Both of these measures/performance criteria are compared to a specified group of peer companies.

The Committee converts fifty percent of a NEO's targeted long-term incentive dollar value into a number of target shares using the average closing price per share of Rogers' common stock for the 30 trading days prior to the grant date, rounding up to the nearest 50 shares. For all NEOs other than Mr. Mathieson and Ms. Zhang, the share price that was used in 2014 for this conversion was \$58.91, based on the average closing price per share of Rogers' stock for the 30 trading days prior to the

February 11, 2014 grant date. Each NEO receiving performance-based restricted stock units may earn up to twice the target award if performance is achieved beyond target levels. The share price that was used to convert Mr. Mathieson’s targeted long-term incentive dollar value into the target number of shares was \$60.06, the average closing price per share of Rogers’ common stock for the 30 trading days prior to his commencement of employment, and the number of shares was rounded to the next highest ten shares. Ms. Zhang did not receive performance-based restricted stock units in 2014.

In February of 2015, the Committee reviewed the Company’s performance with respect to the performance-based restricted stock units issued for the performance period beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2014. After considering financial information that had been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, the Committee determined that the NEOs had earned 118.2% of the target number of shares under these awards. Set forth below is a chart summarizing the calculation of the percentages used to determine the number of earned shares.

Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units for 2012 – 2014 Performance Period

	Sales Growth 3 Yr CAGR	Achieved Percentage	EPS Increase 3 Yr CAGR	Achieved Percentage	Free Cash Flow % Sales 3 Yr Average	Achieved Percentage	
Maximum	12%	300%	14%	300%	5%	300%	
	10%	200%	12%	200%	4%	200%	10.48%
Midpoint	8%	100%	10%	100%	3%	100%	
	6%	50%	6%	50%	2.50%	50%	6.52%
	3%	25%	3%	25%	2.25%	25%	Actual
Threshold	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	Actual

Each metric is weighted one-third and the total award is the sum of the three, up to 200% maximum composite payout percentage.

The number of earned shares with respect to the 2012-2014 performance-based restricted stock units for each NEO is set forth in the “Option Exercises and Stock Vested” table on page 28.

Time-Based Restricted Stock Units

The Committee uses time-based restricted stock units to provide a long-term incentive vehicle that emphasizes retention. Annual time-based restricted stock units granted to our NEOs, which are subject to three year ratable vesting unless accelerated due to certain circumstances (see footnote (6) on page 28), require executives to remain continuously employed by the Company through the applicable vesting dates. The value of time-based restricted stock units is tied to the price of the Company’s common stock and thus the awards are aligned with shareholder interests.

Severance Arrangements for Dennis Loughran

On May 12, 2014 Mr. Loughran’s employment with the Company was severed. In exchange for signing a release and providing a limited non-competition agreement, Mr. Loughran received the following benefits:

- A. A full (as opposed to pro-rata) bonus under the AICP at target for the 2014 fiscal year.
- B. Fifty-two (52) weeks of severance in the form of base pay paid in bi-weekly amounts consistent with Rogers's regular payroll practice.
- C. Continued vesting with respect to his time-based (but not his performance-based) restricted stock unit awards for one year.
- D. Until such time as Mr. Loughran becomes eligible for health care from another employer, continued participation in the medical, dental, vision and Employee Assistance Plan through the severance period subject to COBRA partially subsidized by the company.
- E. Executive outplacement consulting services to be provided for a period up to six months.



## Change In Control Protection, Severance And Perquisites

### Change in Control Protection and Severance

The Company provides Officer Special Severance Agreements to certain of its executive officers. These agreements provide for enhanced severance protection upon an executive's involuntary termination of employment, whether by action of the Company without cause or by the executive due to constructive termination, during a two year period following a Change in Control. The purpose of these agreements is to reduce the risk that the possibility of a Change in Control will interfere with the continuing dedication of key executives to the Company. The Officer Special Severance Agreements prohibit the payment of "excess parachute payments" subject to the 20% excise tax under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code which, if triggered, would result in a reduction of an executive's severance payout. Estimates of the potential payments under the Officer Special Severance Agreements are set forth under "Potential Payments on Termination or Change in Control" beginning on page 31.

Separate from the Officer Special Severance Agreements, the NEOs based in the U.S. may become entitled to severance benefits prior to a Change in Control due to an involuntary termination of employment by the Company other than for cause. These benefits are provided under a severance policy generally applicable to all U.S. salaried employees that the Committee may modify from time to time. Information on the specific terms and conditions of our U.S. severance policy, and modifications to the severance policy in the case of Mr. Hoechner, under his offer letter, are set forth in the "Potential Payments on Termination or Change in Control" beginning on page 31.

The Committee does not consider amounts that may be payable under the Officer Special Severance Agreements or other severance benefits in setting any current compensation. However, the Committee does understand that changes to the elements of compensation do have an impact under the Officer Special Severance Agreements and its severance policy.

### Perquisites

At the end of 2014, the Company eliminated its car reimbursement program for NEOs other than Ms. Zhang.

The total costs incurred for perquisites on behalf of the NEOs are set forth in the "All Other Compensation" table on page 24.

Other than as shown in the All Other Compensation For Fiscal Year 2014 table on page 24, the Company does not provide any perquisites.

### Other Compensation Policies

### Stock Ownership Guidelines

NEOs are expected to use shares from equity awards, after satisfying the cost of acquisition and taxes, to accumulate a significant level of direct stock ownership. NEOs other than the CEO are expected to make steady progress towards reaching a voting stock ownership level of at least two times base salary no later than after completing ten years of service as an executive officer. In the case of the CEO, the Committee expects voting stock ownership to reach three times base salary within seven years of service as CEO. As of March 11, 2015 Mr. Daigle meets the stock ownership guidelines. Messrs. Hoechner, Mathieson, Grudzien and Ms. Zhang have been in their executive officer positions with Rogers for less than four, one, six and four years respectively, and all are making progress towards meeting our stock ownership guidelines. In the case of Ms. Zhang, 2014 was the first year the Company granted equity awards in China. The Committee has taken into account the effect of stock price on the ten and seven year stock ownership guidelines

when making past awards and is flexible regarding when the NEO achieves the targeted stock ownership level based on the stock price.

#### Securities Trading Policy

Under Rogers' securities trading policy, members of the Board of Directors, executives and other employees may not engage in any transaction in which they may profit from short-term speculative swings in the value of Rogers' securities. This includes "short sales" (selling borrowed securities which the seller hopes can be purchased at a lower price in the future) or "short sales against the box" (selling owned, but not delivered securities), "put" and "call" options (publicly available rights to sell or buy securities within a certain period of time at a specified price or the like) and hedging transactions, such as zero-cost collars and forward sale contracts. In addition, this policy is designed to enhance compliance with all insider trading rules.

## Our Prior Say-On-Pay Vote

At our previous annual shareholder's meeting in May of 2014, we held a non-binding advisory shareholder vote on the compensation of our NEOs, commonly referred to as a Say-On-Pay vote. Our shareholders overwhelmingly approved the compensation of our NEOs, with approximately 98% of the total votes cast voted in favor of our 2014 Say-on-Pay resolution. As we evaluated our executive compensation practices since that vote, we were mindful of the strong support our shareholders expressed for our pay for performance compensation philosophy. As a result, following our annual review of our executive compensation philosophy, the Committee decided to retain our general approach to executive compensation while also deciding to eliminate all perquisites and provide additional flexibility in awarding annual incentive pay to our CEO. We will hold annual non-binding advisory votes on executive compensation until at least the next required vote on the frequency of the non-binding advisory vote on executive compensation.

## Risk Mitigation Provisions

The Committee has taken steps in the design of the Company's compensation programs, including those programs covering our NEOs, to mitigate the potential of inappropriate risk taking by the Company's employees. The Company uses a mix of incentive compensation vehicles designed to balance an appropriate level of risk taking against the long-term growth objectives of the Company. The AICP and the performance-based restricted stock unit award opportunities have provisions that place a ceiling on the maximum payment. The Committee has the discretion to reduce or eliminate the bonus of any participant in the AICP. The Board of Directors adopted a Compensation Recovery Policy that enables the Board of Directors to recover any compensation earned or paid to an executive officer from any financial result or operational objective that was impacted by a NEO's misconduct. A copy of our Compensation Recovery Policy can be found on our website: [www.rogerscorp.com/cg/](http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/).

## Compensation and Organization Committee Report

The Compensation and Organization Committee has reviewed and discussed the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K, with management. Based on such review and discussions, the Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" be included in this proxy statement on Schedule 14A and incorporated by reference into the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.

Respectfully Robert G.

Submitted: Paul,  
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## Summary Compensation Table

The following table sets forth summary information concerning compensation paid or accrued for services rendered to the Company by the following executive officers during the year ended December 31, 2014: (i) the Company's President and CEO, (ii) the Company's CFO, (iii) the three other most highly compensated executive officers who were serving as executive officers at the end of fiscal year, and (iv) Mr. Loughran, the former CFO.

Name and Principal Position	Years Covered	Salary (1)	Bonus (2)	Stock Awards (3)	Option Awards (4)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation	Change in Pension Value (5)	All Other Compensation (6)	Total
Bruce D. Hoechner President and Chief Executive Officer	2014	\$576,923	-	\$1,327,658	-	\$1,302,346	-	\$35,073	\$3,242,000
	2013	\$490,773	-	\$878,415	-	\$310,219	-	\$48,472	\$1,727,879
	2012	\$460,018	-	\$250,096	-	-	-	\$46,143	\$756,257
David Mathieson (7) VP, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	2014	\$221,539	-	\$305,500	-	\$227,312	-	\$189,370	\$943,721
Robert C. Daigle Sr. Vice President and Chief Technology Officer	2014	\$329,308	-	\$384,702	-	\$317,146	-	\$30,187	\$1,061,344
	2013	\$320,016	-	\$375,387	-	\$175,444	\$208,480	\$18,081	\$1,097,408
	2012	\$310,617	-	\$225,334	\$153,520	-	\$206,312	\$25,147	\$920,930
Jeffrey M. Grudzien Vice President Printed Circuit Materials Division	2014	\$291,539	-	\$318,176	-	\$305,000	-	\$22,330	\$937,044
	2013	\$276,543	-	\$312,744	-	\$185,946	\$95,161	\$17,925	\$888,319
	2012	\$260,383	-	\$180,763	\$122,816	\$33,346	\$100,072	\$40,682	\$738,062
Helen Zhang (8) Vice President Power Electronics Solutions, President Rogers Asia	2014	\$326,191	\$96,796	\$358,083	-	\$233,794	-	\$117,434	\$1,132,298
	2014	\$147,012	-	\$319,186	-	-	-	\$521,527	\$987,725

Dennis M.  
Loughran  
Former VP,  
Finance  
and Chief  
Financial  
Officer

2013	\$326,862	-	\$384,336	-	\$150,000	\$117,683	\$15,717	\$994,598
2012	\$313,573	-	\$225,334	\$153,520	-	\$86,459	\$22,824	\$801,710

- (1) Reflects actual base salary amounts earned for the applicable fiscal year.
- (2) Ms. Zhang was paid a cash bonus due to the Company's inability to issue stock grants to employees in China until November 2014.
- (3) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value of the performance-based restricted stock units and time-based restricted stock units granted during each listed year. The performance-based restricted stock units are based on the probable outcome (as of the grant date) of the performance conditions applicable to those grants. For this purpose, the probable outcome was considered to be the compensation cost over the performance period that would have resulted if the Company achieved target performance during the performance period. The performance-based restricted stock units granted during 2012 had a 118.2% payout (for a discussion of the performance goals and actual performance that resulted in this payment, see page 20). The time-based restricted stock units reported above are based on the closing price of Rogers' stock on the grant date. There can be no assurance that the performance-based restricted stock units or time-based restricted stock units granted in 2013 and 2014 will ever be fully earned or that the value of these awards as earned will equal the amounts disclosed above as the probable outcome. The stock price assumption used to calculate the compensation cost is disclosed in footnote 13 of the Company's 2014 and 2012 Forms 10-K and footnote 14 of the Company's 2013 Form 10-K.
- (4) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value of the stock option awards to the NEOs for each listed year. No stock options were granted during 2013 or 2014. Rogers determines the fair value using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The assumptions used to calculate the fair value are disclosed in Footnote 13 of the Company's 2012 Form 10-K. There can be no assurance that the options will ever be exercised (in which case no value will be realized by the executive) or that the value on exercise will equal the fair value.
- (5) Reflects the aggregate change in the accumulated present value of each NEO's accumulated benefit under the Pension Plan and Pension Restoration Plan for each listed year. None of the named executive officers accrued additional pension benefits in 2014. The aggregate present value of pension benefits for Messrs. Daigle, Grudzien and Loughran decreased by \$133,672; \$53,654 and \$114,597, respectively. These decreases, which are not reported in the Summary Compensation Table, were primarily due to changes in interest rates used to calculate the present value of pension benefits. Mr. Hoechner, Mr. Mathieson and Ms. Zhang are ineligible to participate in the Pension Plan and Pension Restoration Plan. Information regarding the calculation of these amounts can be found in the "Pension Benefits at End of Fiscal Year 2014" section beginning on page 29.
- (6) Reflects the total amount of All Other Compensation reported in the "All Other Compensation for Fiscal Year 2014" table set forth on page 24.
- (7) Mr. Mathieson commenced employment on May 19, 2014.
- (8) Using 2014 year-end currency exchange rate of 6.16 USD per CNY.



## All Other Compensation For Fiscal Year 2014

The following table sets forth aggregate amounts of All Other Compensation earned or accrued by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2014 on behalf of the NEOs. Rogers does not provide any additional perquisites to its NEOs other than what is reported in the table below. The total amount reflected below is set forth in the "All Other Compensation" column of the "Summary Compensation Table" on page 23.

Name and Principal Position	Year	401(k)	Travel and		Deferred Compensation Company		Relocation	All Other Compensation
		Match (1)	Housing (2)	Insurance (3)	Match (4)	Severance (5)	Benefits (6)	Total (7)
Bruce D. Hoechner President and Chief Executive Officer	2014	\$9,100	\$14,456	\$177	\$11,340	-	-	\$35,073
David Mathieson VP, Finance and Chief Financial Officer	2014	\$7,756	-	\$177	-	-	\$181,437	\$189,370
Robert C. Daigle Sr. Vice President and Chief Technology Officer	2014	\$9,100	\$18,115	\$177	\$2,795	-	-	\$30,187
Jeffrey M. Grudzien Vice President Printed Circuit Materials Division	2014	\$9,100	\$13,053	\$177	-	-	-	\$22,330
Helen Zhang Vice President Power Electronics Solutions, President Rogers Asia	2014	-	\$72,200	\$44,480	-	-	-	\$116,680
Dennis M. Loughran Former VP, Finance and Chief Financial	2014	\$9,100	\$2,250	\$177	-	\$510,000	-	\$521,527



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- (1) Reflects Rogers' matching contributions to its 401(k) plan.
- (2) For United States employees, reflects the Company's cost of the automobile reimbursement program as well as the cost to eliminate the program. The amount for Ms. Zhang includes \$29,032 for automobile reimbursement, \$4,458 for flight allowance and \$38,710 for housing allowance.
- (3) Reflects amount paid by Rogers for life insurance premiums. For Ms. Zhang, represents the Company's payment of social insurance (\$14,103) and supplemental health and life insurance (\$30,377).
- (4) Reflects Rogers' matching contributions to the Rogers Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (5) Reflects the cost of severance paid to Mr. Loughran.
- (6) Reflects the total incremental costs incurred by Rogers during 2014 with respect to providing Mr. Mathieson relocation benefits under his offer letter.
- (7) Reflects the total amount of All Other Compensation provided to the NEOs during 2014, which is reported on the "Summary Compensation Table" on page 23.

## Grants Of Plan Based Awards For Fiscal Year 2014

The following table shows all plan-based awards granted to the NEOs during fiscal year 2014. The awards under the AICP are cash awards, and the time-based restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units are non-cash awards (e.g., equity awards). The equity awards identified in the table below are also reported in the “Outstanding Equity Awards at End of Fiscal Year 2014” table beginning on page 27 and the “Summary Compensation Table” on page 23.

Name	Grant Date	Estimated Possible Payouts under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards			Estimated Future Payouts under Equity Incentive Plan Awards (Expressed in Shares)			All other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stock	All other Option Awards: Number of Underlying Securities	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards
		Threshold	Target	Maximum	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Units	Options	(4)
Bruce D. Hoechner	3/24/2014			\$2,500,000						
	2/11/2014				0	11,475	22,950	11,475		\$663,829
	2/11/2014									\$663,829
David Mathieson	5/19/2014	\$30,938	\$123,750	\$247,500				2,500		\$152,750
	5/19/2014				0	2,500	5,000			\$152,750
Robert C. Daigle	2/11/2014	\$41,438	\$165,750	\$331,500						
	2/11/2014				0	3,325	6,650	3,325		\$192,351
	2/11/2014									\$192,351
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	2/11/2014	\$36,875	\$147,500	\$295,000						
	2/11/2014				0	2,750	5,500	2,750		\$159,088
	2/11/2014									\$159,088
Helen Zhang	2/11/2014	\$40,774	\$163,095	\$326,191						
	11/24/2014				0			4,950		\$358,083
Dennis M. Loughran	2/11/2014		\$170,000							
	2/11/2014							1,134		\$69,287

(1) Sets forth the grant dates for all awards granted to NEOs in 2014

(2) Represents potential payouts under AICP for 2014. Mr. Loughran’s severance agreement provided that the 2014 Incentive Plan Award will pay out at target only.

(3) Represents performance-based restricted stock units where the actual number of shares to be issued will vary depending upon the Company’s total shareholder return and return on invested capital performance relative to Standard and Poor’s Small Cap Technology Company Index during the Company’s 2014 through 2016 performance cycle.

(4) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value for time-based restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units disclosed in the “Summary Compensation Table” on page 23.



## Additional Information Regarding The Summary Compensation Table And Awards In The Grants Of Plan-Based Awards For Fiscal Year 2014

### Annual Incentive Compensation Plan

The AICP incentive formula (other than for Mr. Hoechner) is calculated by multiplying the NEO's base salary as of the immediately prior October 1st by his Individual Incentive Target and then by the AICP Earnings Percentage. For 2014, the specific Individual Incentive Targets for the NEOs (other than for Mr. Hoechner) were as follows:

Mr. Mathieson	55%
Mr. Daigle	50%
Mr. Grudzien	50%
Ms. Zhang	50%

The AICP Earnings Percentage is equal to the sum of the actual attainment percentage for each performance goal (Sales, Profit, Cash Generation and Safety Participation), up to a maximum of 200%. The actual attainment percentage for a performance goal is equal to actual results divided by the results required for target performance. Target award opportunities (at threshold, target and maximum) under the AICP are reported in the "Grants of Plan Based Awards for Fiscal Year 2014" table under the heading "Estimated Possible Payouts under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards" on page 25. Mr. Hoechner's AICP incentive formula for 2014 is described under the heading "Short-Term Incentive Compensation" on page 18.

### Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

On February 11, 2014 the Committee granted performance-based stock units to all NEOs other than Mr. Mathieson and Ms. Zhang. These grants are intended to qualify as tax-deductible "performance-based compensation" for the purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. The target number of shares of Rogers' common stock to be awarded based on future performance is equal to (a) an initial dollar amount determined by the Committee for the NEO divided by (b) the average closing price per share of Rogers' stock for the 30 trading days prior to the grant date, and then rounding the number of shares up to the next highest 50 shares. Other than for Mr. Mathieson, the average closing price per share that was used in 2014 for this conversion was \$58.91. An earned percentage will be assigned after the end of the 2014-2016 performance period based upon our total shareholder return performance and return on invested capital.

Mr. Mathieson's 2014 compensation was pursuant to an offer letter dated May 9, 2014. The offer letter called for a base salary of \$360,000 per year, 2014 AICP participation with a target of 55% of base salary (prorated based on the portion of the year he was an employee) and a grant of restricted stock units with an initial grant value of \$300,000. The restricted stock unit grant was 50% in time-based units (with 3-year ratable vesting) and 50% in performance-based units. The share price that was used to convert Mr. Mathieson's targeted long-term incentive dollar value into the target number of shares was \$60.06, the average closing price per share of Rogers' common stock for the 30 trading days prior to his commencement of employment. The offer letter called for rounding the number of shares to the next highest ten shares.



## Outstanding Equity Awards At End Of Fiscal Year 2014

The following table contains information regarding outstanding equity awards held by the NEOs as of December 31, 2014. Stock options are reported under the heading "Option Awards." Time-based restricted stock awards are reported in the first two columns under the heading "Stock Awards." Performance-based restricted stock units are reported under the heading "Equity Incentive Plan."

Name	Grant Date	Option Awards		Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date	Stock Awards		Equity Incentive Plan	
		Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable (1)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (2)(3)			Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (6)(7)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (9)	Plan Awards: Number of Shares, Units or Rights That Have Not Vested (8)	Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Rights That Have Not Vested (9)
Bruce D. Hoechner	10/3/2011	11,600	11,600	\$37.05	10/3/2021				
	10/3/2011					10,800	\$879,552		
	2/18/2013					6,216	\$506,231		
	2/11/2014					11,475	\$934,524		
	2/9/2012							6,060	\$493,526
	2/18/2013							9,325	\$759,428
	2/11/2014							11,475	\$934,524
David Mathieson	5/19/2014					2,500	\$203,600		
	5/19/2014							2,500	\$203,600
Robert C. Daigle	5/12/2011	3,867	1,933	\$47.89	5/12/2021				
	2/9/2012	2,667	5,333	\$41.27	2/9/2022				
	2/9/2012					2,730	\$222,331		
	2/18/2013					2,656	\$216,305		
	2/11/2014					3,325	\$270,788		
	2/9/2012							2,730	\$222,331
	2/18/2013							3,985	\$324,538
	2/11/2014							3,325	\$270,788
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	2/14/2007	1,450	0	\$52.51	2/14/2017				
	2/10/2010	17,250	0	\$24.20	2/10/2020				
	5/12/2011	3,133	1,567	\$47.89	5/12/2021				
	2/9/2012	2,134	4,266	\$41.27	2/9/2022				
	2/9/2012					2,190	\$178,354		
	2/18/2013					2,213	\$180,227		
	2/11/2014					2,750	\$223,960		
	2/9/2012							2,190	\$178,354

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	2/18/2013					3,320	\$270,381
	2/11/2014					2,750	\$223,960
Helen							
Zhang	11/24/2014					4,950	\$403,128
Dennis M.	2/15/2006	6,000	0	\$48.00	2/15/2016		
Loughran	2/15/2006	9,000	0	\$48.00	2/15/2016		
	2/14/2007	10,350	0	\$52.51	2/14/2017		
	2/14/2008	16,600	0	\$31.31	2/14/2018		
	5/12/2011	3,867	1,933	\$47.89	5/12/2021		
	2/9/2012	2,667	5,333	\$41.27	2/9/2022		
	2/9/2012					2,730	\$222,331
	2/18/2013					1,360	\$110,758
	2/11/2014					1,134	\$92,353
	2/9/2012					2,150	\$175,096

(1) Represents fully exercisable stock options.

- (2) Represents stock option grants that will generally become exercisable in one-third increments on the second, third and fourth anniversary dates of the grant date, provided that the executive is still employed by the Company. Accelerated vesting applies in the case of death, disability, or termination of employment after attaining at least 55 years of age and completing five years of service, and in certain cases, in connection with a Change in Control. See the discussion under “Potential Payments on Termination or Change in Control” on page 31 for more details.
- (3) In the case of Mr. Hoechner, the stock options granted to him in 2011 shall be subject to the same terms as described in footnote (2) above, but shall also immediately accelerate and vest in full if either the Company terminates his employment without cause or he resigns in connection with a Constructive Termination.
- (4) All stock options have a ten year term except as described with respect to Mr. Hoechner in note (5) below, and subject to earlier termination as follows; post termination, the option term expires upon the earlier of the remaining term or three months, or in the case of death, disability or retirement, the lesser of the remaining term or five years.
- (5) In the case of Mr. Hoechner, the stock options granted to him in 2011 shall be subject to the same terms as described in footnote (4) above but will expire five years after any employment termination that results in accelerated vesting of such stock options or the tenth anniversary of the grant date of such stock options, whichever is earlier.
- (6) Represents 2012 time-based restricted stock units that vest in full on the third anniversary of the grant date and 2013 and 2014 time-based restricted stock units that vest in equal one-third increments on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, provided that the executive is still employed by the Company. For the 2012 grants, accelerated pro-rata vesting applies in the case of death, disability or termination of employment after attaining at least 55 years of age and completing five years of service, and in certain cases, in connection with a Change in Control. For the 2013 and 2014 grant, accelerated pro-rata vesting only applies in the case of death or disability, and in certain cases, in connection with a Change in Control. See the discussion under “Potential Payments on Termination or Change in Control” on page 31.
- (7) With respect to Mr. Hoechner, 10,800 of the time-based restricted stock units granted to him on October 3, 2011 vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date, provided that Mr. Hoechner is then employed by the Company. The same provisions governing accelerated vesting of stock options granted to Mr. Hoechner on October 3, 2011 also apply to the time-based restricted stock units awarded to him on that date.
- (8) Represents 2012, 2013 and 2014 performance-based restricted stock unit awards outstanding as of year-end 2014. The disclosed amount for the 2012 - 2014 grant, the 2013 - 2015 grant, and the 2014 - 2016 grant reflects a 100% payout based on the probable achievement of the performance objectives under these grants. Payment of shares earned based on performance generally requires that the executive remain employed on the last day of the performance period.
- (9) Calculation based on the closing price of the Company’s common stock of \$81.44 per share at the Company’s 2014 fiscal year end.

#### Option Exercises And Stock Vested For Fiscal Year 2014

The following table contains all stock option exercises and vesting events of time-based and performance-based restricted stock unit awards for all NEOs during fiscal year 2014.

Option Awards

Stock Awards



Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized Upon Exercise (1)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized Upon Vesting (2)(3)
Bruce D. Hoechner	0	\$0	13,872	\$962,577
David Mathieson	0	\$0	0	\$0
Robert C. Daigle	94,150	\$2,699,407	6,596	\$467,872
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	14,000	\$562,300	5,546	\$378,584
Helen Zhang	0	\$0	0	\$0
Dennis M. Loughran	21,550	\$770,657	5,942	\$413,897

(1) Reflects the difference between the price of Rogers' stock at time of exercise and the exercise price of the option.

(2) With respect to performance-based restricted stock units, reflects the value granted in 2012 that were settled in shares on February 9, 2015 based on the closing price of \$81.44 of Rogers' stock on December 31, 2014, the last day of the performance period.

(3) With respect to time-based restricted stock units, reflects the value of shares vesting during 2014 based on the closing price of Rogers's stock on the respective vesting dates.

## Pension Benefits At End Of Fiscal Year 2014

The table below sets forth information regarding the present value as of December 31, 2014 of the accumulated pension benefits of the NEOs. The present values were determined using assumptions consistent with those outlined in Footnote 9 of the Company's 2014 Form 10-K.

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit	Payments During the Last Fiscal Year
Bruce D. Hoechner (1)	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	-	-	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	-	-	-
David Mathieson (1)	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	-	-	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	-	-	-
Robert C. Daigle	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	25	\$599,155	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	25	\$125,126	-
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	13	\$302,182	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	13	\$18,685	-
Helen Zhang (1)	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	-	-	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	-	-	-
Dennis M. Loughran	Rogers Corporation Pension Plan	8	\$267,159	-
	Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan	8	-	\$104,943

(1) Salaried employees hired after December 31, 2007 were ineligible to participate in Rogers Corporation's Pension Plan or Pension Restoration Plan.

Rogers maintains a tax-qualified defined benefit pension plan (the "Pension Plan") and a non-qualified unfunded pension plan (the "Pension Restoration Plan") that is primarily designed to restore pension benefits that cannot be provided under the tax-qualified defined benefit pension plan. As of June 30, 2013, none of our NEOs or other executive officers accrued benefits under these plans.

A participant may commence payment of early retirement benefits under the Pension Plan at any time after attaining age 55. The early retirement benefit equals the normal retirement benefit described above reduced by 0.333% for each month (4% per year) that a participant commences benefits before attaining normal retirement age.

Available forms of payment under the Pension Plan are as follows:

- Single Life Annuity
- Joint and Survivor Annuity (50%, 66 2/3%, 75% and 100%)
- 10 Year Certain Annuity

A lump sum form of payment is unavailable under the Pension Plan (except for a single lump sum benefit if the actuarially equivalent value is \$5,000 or less).

Annuity features providing for continued payment to a survivor or guaranteed payments to beneficiaries are not subsidized by Rogers. Employees may elect their form of payment under the Pension Plan when they begin to collect their pension benefit.

If a participant dies before commencing payments under the Pension Plan, a death benefit is payable to the participant's surviving spouse or, if there is no surviving spouse, the participant's surviving children under the age of 21. In general, this benefit equals the amount payable under the survivor portion of the 50% Joint and Survivor Annuity beginning in no event before the participant's 55th birthday.

#### Pension Restoration Plan

Benefits under the Pension Restoration Plan are only payable in a lump sum. The lump sum amount is calculated using mortality tables applicable to tax qualified plans under IRS rules and an interest rate equal to the average of the annual interest rates on 10-year U.S. Treasury notes over the five years (as reported on September 1) prior to the year of employment termination plus 20 basis points. In general, the benefit under the Pension Restoration Plan is paid six months and one day following the termination of employment.

## Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation At End Of Fiscal Year 2014

This table provides information about the nonqualified deferred compensation accrued by Rogers for the benefit of our named executive officers. A NEO may only earn nonqualified deferred compensation by electing to defer receipt of compensation that would otherwise be payable to him in cash. The amounts shown in the column “Executive Contributions” reflect a deferral of the NEO’s salary earned in 2014 and AICP amount earned in 2013 which was otherwise payable in 2014. If the NEO had not chosen to defer these amounts, we would have paid these amounts to him in cash. The amount shown in the column “Executive Contributions” is not an additional award to the NEO.

Name	Executive Contributions in the Last Fiscal Year	Registrant Contributions in the Last Fiscal Year (1)	Aggregate Earnings in the Last Fiscal Year (2)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions (3)	Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year Ending (4)
Bruce D. Hoechner	\$52,536	\$11,340	\$2,578	-	\$138,399
David Mathieson	-	-	-	-	-
Robert C. Daigle	\$25,558	\$2,795	\$591	-	\$28,944
Jeffrey M. Grudzien	\$11,106	-	\$213	\$5,040	\$11,319
Helen Zhang (5)	-	-	-	-	-
Dennis M. Loughran	-	-	-	-	-

- (1) Reflects 2014 matching credit on executive contributions in the last fiscal year.
- (2) Reflects interest and investment returns on balance throughout 2014.
- (3) Reflects withdrawals required under participant elections made before 2014.
- (4) Balances include deferrals into the Prior Plan as well as the New Plan; see definitions and explanation below.
- (5) Ms. Zhang is ineligible to participate in the Employee Deferred Compensation Plan.

In July 2014 the Rogers Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (“New Plan”) was instituted to replace the Rogers Corporation Voluntary Deferred Compensation Plan for Key Employees (“Prior Plan”). The New Plan allows for deferred salary and bonus amounts to be distributed in investment accounts elected by the participants. The New Plan is similar to the Prior Plan in that participants can elect to defer up to 100% of their annual bonus and 50% of their base salary. The New Plan allows for the participant to make investment elections similar to the qualified 401(k) plan. The participants’ balances and any earnings thereon will be reflected on the Company’s books as general unsecured obligations of the Company. All payments under the New Plan and Prior Plan will come from the general assets of the Company. The Company has placed assets to pay New Plan and Prior Plan benefits in a Rabbi Trust to protect the assets against a change in control in the ownership or management of the Company. Once a change in control occurs the assets may only be used to pay the promised benefit to participants, except in the event of the Company’s bankruptcy or insolvency. In the event of such an occurrence, Rabbi Trust assets are treated like all other corporate assets and are subject to the claims of all general creditors of the Company. Participants will be considered a general creditor and will have no greater rights to their balance than other general creditors.

The minimum dollar amount deferred for any year is \$4,000 of salary and/or \$4,000 of bonus. Compensation deferred after 2009 is only paid in cash.

A Company match is credited on all salary and bonus deferrals but with the amount of the match being equal to the then current rate of the 401(k) Company match (which is currently 100% of the first 1% and 50% of the next 5% of eligible compensation). The Company match on deferrals is made in cash. Each participant has a fully vested interest in the Company match.

The interest rate credited on deferred amounts up to June 2014 was 3.03%. Payment(s) of deferred amounts with respect to the deferrals made for a specific year will commence on April 15th (March 15th for lump sum payments related to deferral elections made after September 30, 2007) of the year following: (a) the passage of the number of years specified by the individual in the deferral election for that year, or (b) the year in which the participant ceases to be an employee. Payment elections are made at the time of the deferral election. Payments are made in a lump sum or installments over a period of not more than 10 years. Any requested changes in the timing of the payments by participants must result in the extension of the existing payment date by at least an additional five years. Accelerated payment is provided for in the case of a Change in Control or a bona fide unforeseen financial hardship. Payments made upon a participant's separation from service are delayed six months to the extent necessary to avoid penalties under Internal Revenue Code Section 409A. To the extent permitted under Internal Revenue Code Section 409A, certain amounts in a participant's deferred compensation account, such as amounts deferred and vested prior to January 1, 2005, are not subject to Section 409A.

#### Potential Payments On Termination Or Change In Control

The section below describes the payments that may be made to NEOs upon termination of employment or in connection with a Change in Control (as defined below). As Mr. Loughran's employment was terminated during 2014, no disclosure is provided below regarding potential payments to him. See the "All Other Compensation" table above for disclosure of the severance amount paid to Mr. Loughran.

#### Payments Made Upon Termination

A NEO may be entitled to receive the following amounts earned during his/her term of employment regardless of the manner in which a NEO's employment terminates, except where indicated to the contrary below:

- Unpaid base salary through the date of termination;
- Any accrued and unused vacation pay;
- Any unpaid AICP amount with respect to a completed performance period (except in the event of termination for cause);
- All accrued and vested benefits under the Pension Plan and the Pension Restoration Plan as described on page 29;
- All accrued and vested benefits under the Voluntary Deferred Compensation Plan For Key Employees as described on page 30;
- All outstanding and vested equity awards granted under the Rogers' equity compensation plans (except in the event of termination for cause) – all outstanding awards as of December 31, 2014, are set forth beginning on page 27; and
- All other benefits under the Company's compensation and benefit programs that are available to all salaried employees and do not discriminate in scope, terms or operation in favor of the NEOs.

#### Payments Made Upon Retirement

In the event of the retirement of a NEO, in addition to the items listed under the heading Payments Made Upon Termination, the NEOs will receive the following benefits:

- All outstanding unvested stock options will vest; and
- A pro-rata portion of the NEO's AICP award for the performance year in which the termination occurs, based on actual performance.

"Retirement" means termination of employment by the NEO after attaining age 55 or more with at least five years of service. In the case of Mr. Hoechner, all equity awards granted to him in 2011 do not include a provision of accelerated vesting on retirement.

#### Payments Made Upon Death or Disability

In the event of the death or disability (as defined in the applicable compensation program) in addition to the benefits listed under the heading Payments Made Upon Termination above, the NEO will receive the following:

- Benefits under Rogers' disability plan or payments under Rogers' life insurance plan, as appropriate;
- All outstanding unvested stock options will vest;
- A pro-rata portion of any performance-based restricted stock units vest based on employment and the Company's actual performance during the performance period. Shares with respect to vested units will be paid at the end of the performance period;
- A pro-rata portion of any time-based restricted stock units based on employment during the vesting period; and
- A pro-rata portion of the NEO's AICP award for the performance year in which the termination occurs based on actual performance.

In the case of Mr. Hoechner, all equity awards granted to him in 2011 will become immediately vested in full due to a physical or mental incapacity resulting from injury, sickness or disease that prevents him from performing his duties for one hundred and eighty (180) days during any twelve month period.

#### Payments Made Upon Involuntary Termination of Employment without Cause Prior to a Change in Control

Rogers provides separation pay and benefits to all of its regular U.S. full-time salaried employees, including the NEOs, according to the current Severance Pay Plan for Exempt Salaried Employees Policy (the "Severance Policy"). The Severance Policy

provides severance pay to eligible salaried employees whose employment is terminated by the Company without cause (a “Separation”) – in the form of continued salary payments, health insurance, and certain other benefits. Basic Severance Pay, as described below, is provided to eligible employees without any conditions, but the Additional Severance Pay, as described below, requires the employee to sign a General Release and Settlement Agreement. The number of weeks of salary and benefits continuance is based on length of service as follows:

Length of Service	Length of Severance Pay		Total Severance with Signed Agreement
	Basic Severance Pay	Additional Severance Pay	
Under 6 months	4 weeks	2 weeks	6 weeks
6 months to under 1 year	4 weeks	4 weeks	8 weeks
1 year to under 4 years	4 weeks	6 weeks	10 weeks
4 years to under 7 years	4 weeks	8 weeks	12 weeks
7 years to under 21 years	4 weeks	8 weeks plus 2 weeks for each year of service over 6 years	Based on years of service
21 years and more	4 weeks	36 weeks plus 1 week for each year of service over 20 years	Based on years of service

The Severance Policy may be amended, modified or terminated at any time by Rogers. The NEOs are also eligible for a lump sum payment upon termination of four weeks of pay under the Severance Policy in lieu of a lump sum auto payout.

In the case of Mr. Hoechner, in lieu of payment provisions described above, the Committee agreed to pay Mr. Hoechner ninety (90) weeks of base salary and continued insured welfare benefits, each provided over a period of one year after a termination of his employment by the Company without cause, under the Severance Policy. These benefits may also be triggered if Mr. Hoechner’s employment ends due to a Constructive Termination, which is described below. This severance protection will remain in effect during his employment with Rogers at all times prior to a Change in Control (as described below). In addition, the stock options and time-based restricted stock units granted to Mr. Hoechner in 2011 will become fully vested if he becomes entitled to severance benefits as described above.

#### Payments Made Upon Certain Events in Connection with a Change in Control

Rogers has entered into Officer Special Severance Agreements with each of its U.S. employee NEOs. These agreements, which are also referred to below as “Change in Control Agreements,” provide for enhanced severance benefits if there is a qualifying termination during the two year period beginning upon a change in control. The following severance benefits would be provided upon a qualifying termination of employment (as described below) within two years following a Change in Control (as described below):

• Cash severance pay equal to two and one half (2.5) multiplied by the sum of (a) base salary plus (b) target annual incentive compensation and/or any other cash bonus awards last determined for the NEO (or, if greater, most recently paid prior to the Change in Control);

• Pro-rata payment of the NEO’s annual target incentive compensation, except the President and CEO, who will receive a pro-rata payment based upon actual Company performance;

• Continued medical, dental and life insurance benefits at active-employee rates, for a period of two and one half (2.5) years, subject to offset from subsequent employment;



- Outplacement assistance up to six months; and
- Reimbursement of legal and accounting fees and expenses incurred to enforce the agreement.

A qualifying termination of employment consists of (1) termination of employment by Rogers without cause or (2) resignation by the NEO due to a Constructive Termination. A NEO is not eligible for enhanced severance benefits under the Change in Control Agreements if his or her termination is due to death or disability. Stock options and time-based restricted stock units do not automatically vest upon a Change in Control. Instead, such options and time-based restricted stock units will vest upon a Change in Control only if the NEO's employment is terminated in a manner entitling him/her to severance benefits under the Officer Special Severance Agreement or if the buyer does not assume or replace the stock options. All performance-based restricted stock units shall vest on a pro-rata basis upon a Change in Control based upon the extent to which the Company and its affiliates have met the designated performance objectives as determined by the Committee.

All of the payments described above are limited to the extent that payment would result in triggering golden parachute excise taxes under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code.

A “Change in Control” for purposes of the Change in Control Agreements and as used in this section entitled Potential Payments on Termination or Change in Control generally consists of one or more of the following events:

☐ Closing of the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company on a consolidated basis to an unrelated person or entity;

- Closing of the sale of all of the Company’s common stock to an unrelated person or entity; or

☐ There is a consummation of any merger, reorganization, consolidation or share exchange unless the persons who were the beneficial owners of the outstanding shares of the common stock of the Company immediately before the consummation of such transaction beneficially own more than 50% of the outstanding shares of the common stock of the successor or survivor entity in such transaction immediately following the consummation of such transaction. For purposes of this paragraph, the percentage of the beneficially owned shares of the successor or survivor entity described above shall be determined exclusively by reference to the shares of the successor or survivor entity which result from the beneficial ownership of shares of common stock of the Company by the persons described above immediately before the consummation of such transaction.

A “Constructive Termination” for purposes of the Change in Control Agreements generally includes any of the following actions by Rogers following a Change in Control:

▲ A material reduction in the officer’s annual base salary as in effect immediately prior to a Change in Control or as the same may be increased from time to time, and/or a material failure to provide the executive with an opportunity to earn annual incentive compensation and long-term incentive compensation at least as favorable as in effect immediately prior to a Change in Control or as the same may be increased from time to time;

▲ A material diminution in the officer’s authority, duties, or responsibilities as in effect at the time of the Change in Control;

▲ A material diminution in the authority, duties, or responsibilities of the supervisor to whom the officer is required to report (it being understood that if the officer reports to the Board, a requirement that the officer report to any individual or body other than the Board will constitute “Constructive Termination” hereunder);

- A material diminution in the budget over which the officer retains authority;

☐ The Company’s requiring the officer to be based anywhere outside a fifty mile radius of the Company’s offices at which the officer is based as of immediately prior to a Change in Control (or any subsequent location at which the officer has previously consented to be based) except for required travel on the Company’s business to an extent that is not substantially greater than the officer’s business travel obligations as of immediately prior to a Change in Control or, if more favorable, as of any time thereafter; or

▲ Any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of the terms of the Change in Control agreement.

The officer shall not be entitled to terminate employment with the Company on account of “Constructive Termination” unless the officer provides notice of the existence of the purported condition that constitutes “Constructive Termination” within a period not to exceed ninety (90) days of its initial existence, and the Company fails to cure such condition (if curable) within thirty (30) days after the receipt of such notice.

A termination “for Cause” for purposes of the Change in Control protection means the willful commission of material theft or embezzlement or other serious and substantial crimes against the Company and its subsidiaries.

#### Coordination between Severance Policy and Officer Special Severance Agreements

The enhanced severance benefits under the Officer Special Severance Agreements are in lieu of any other severance benefits to which a NEO may be entitled under the severance policy or any other arrangements.

#### Confidentiality and Non-Compete Agreements

The Company entered into confidentiality and non-compete agreements with most of its salaried employees, including its NEOs. These agreements generally prohibit the NEOs from accepting employment with a competitor of the Company for two years following termination of employment. If a NEO terminates employment prior to a Change in Control and cannot obtain employment at a rate of compensation at least equal to the rate in effect upon terminating employment with Rogers during this period, the NEOs may become entitled to additional payment from the Company. This payment will equal the difference between the executive’s current compensation and their last regular rate of compensation with the Company, reduced by any retirement or severance income. In lieu of making payments on account of an employment termination prior to a Change in Control, the Company can waive its rights to enforce the non-compete agreement. Enhanced severance benefits under the Officer Special Severance Agreement are contingent upon complying with non-compete obligations.

#### Assumptions Regarding Post Termination Table

The following table was prepared as though each NEO terminated employment on December 31, 2014, (the last business day of 2014) using the closing share price of Rogers' common stock of \$81.44 as of the last trading day of the fiscal year ending on December 31, 2014. The amounts under the column labeled "Termination by Rogers without Cause or Constructive Termination on or after a Change in Control" assumes that a Change in Control occurred on December 31, 2014. Rogers is required by the SEC to use these assumptions. With those assumptions taken as a given, the Company believes that the remaining assumptions listed below, which are necessary to produce these estimates, are reasonable in the aggregate. However, the employment of Messrs. Hoechner, Mathieson, Daigle, Grudzien and Zhang was not terminated on December 31, 2014, and a Change in Control did not occur on that date. As a result there can be no assurance that a termination of employment, a Change in Control or both would produce the same or similar results as those described if either or both of them occur on any other date or at any other price, or if any assumption is not correct in fact.

#### Equity Award Assumptions

Stock options vested on December 31, 2014, due to double trigger vesting (i.e., a Change in Control followed by a qualifying termination), death, disability or retirement, or solely in the case of Mr. Hoechner, a qualifying involuntary termination;

Stock options that become vested on an accelerated basis are in all events valued based on their option spread (i.e., the difference between the stock's fair market value and the exercise price) on December 31, 2014;

Time-based restricted stock units vested on December 31, 2014, due to double trigger vesting, death, disability, or retirement or, solely in the case of Mr. Hoechner, a qualifying involuntary termination. With respect to 2013 and 2014 grants only, the number of performance-based restricted stock units that become earned and vested in connection with a double trigger vesting, death, disability or retirement is based on the probable level of achievement as of December 31, 2014; and

The value of each vested time-based restricted stock unit and vested performance-based restricted stock unit is estimated at \$81.44 per share.

#### Annual Bonus Assumption

All amounts, if any, under Rogers' AICP were earned for 2014 in full based on actual performance and are not treated as subject to the golden parachute excise tax upon a Change in Control; and

Earned amounts under Rogers' AICP are treated as paid as regular compensation and are not included in the severance estimates.

#### Benefit Continuation Assumption

- Medical, dental and life insurance benefit continuation costs for 2015 are based on rates for 2015.



Post Termination  
Table

Summary of Separation Benefits	Termination by Rogers without Cause		Termination by Rogers without Cause or by Constructive Termination on or after a CIC		Termination Due to Death or Disability		Termination Due to Retirement	
	Proxy Reported Values		Proxy Reported Values		Proxy Reported Values		Proxy Reported Values	
<b>Bruce Hoechner</b>								
Cash Severance	\$1,038,462	(1)	\$3,000,000	(4)	\$0	(10)	\$0	
Accelerated Vesting of Unvested Equity	\$1,394,476	(2)	\$3,653,079	(5)	\$2,802,800	(11)	\$0	(12)
Benefits								
Continuation	\$49,223	(3)	\$70,263	(6)	\$0		\$0	
Retirement Benefits	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	
Outplacement Services	\$0		\$8,500	(8)	\$0		\$0	
280G Payment Reduction	\$0		(\$2,145,418)	(9)	\$0		\$0	
Total Pre-Tax Payment	\$2,482,161		\$4,586,423		\$2,802,800		\$0	
<b>David Mathieson</b>								
Cash Severance	\$69,231	(1)	\$1,395,000	(4)	\$0	(10)	\$0	
Accelerated Vesting of Unvested Equity	\$0		\$271,467	(5)	\$127,924	(11)	\$0	(12)
Benefits								
Continuation	\$3,294	(3)	\$42,825	(6)	\$0		\$0	
Retirement Benefits	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	
Outplacement Services	\$0		\$8,500	(8)	\$0		\$0	
280G Payment Reduction	\$0		(\$163,667)	(9)	\$0		\$0	
Total Pre-Tax Payment	\$72,525		\$1,554,125		\$127,924		\$0	
<b>Robert Daigle</b>								
Cash Severance	\$293,250	(1)	\$1,243,125	(4)	\$0	(10)	\$0	
Accelerated Vesting of Unvested Equity	\$0		\$1,295,203	(5)	\$1,014,571	(11)	\$0	(12)
Benefits								
Continuation	\$25,095	(3)	\$70,083	(6)	\$0		\$0	

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Retirement Benefits	\$0	\$257,600	(7)	\$0	\$0	
Outplacement Services	\$0	\$8,500	(8)	\$0	\$0	
280G Payment Reduction	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	
Total Pre-Tax Payment	\$318,345	\$2,874,511		\$1,014,571	\$0	
<b>Jeffrey Grudzien</b>						
Cash Severance	\$158,846	(1)	\$1,106,250	(4)	\$0	(10) \$0
Accelerated Vesting of Unvested Equity Benefits	\$0		\$1,061,428	(5)	\$829,028	(11) \$0 (12)
Continuation	\$15,120	(3)	\$69,363	(6)	\$0	\$0
Retirement Benefits	\$0		\$170,997	(7)	\$0	\$0
Outplacement Services	\$0		\$8,500	(8)	\$0	\$0
280G Payment Reduction	\$0		(\$63,408)	(9)	\$0	\$0
Total Pre-Tax Payment	\$173,966		\$2,353,130		\$829,028	\$0
<b>Helen Zhang</b>						
Cash Severance	\$0		\$0		\$0	(10) \$0
Accelerated Vesting of Unvested Equity Benefits	\$0		\$403,128	(5)	\$13,622	(11) \$0 (12)
Continuation	\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
Retirement Benefits	\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
Outplacement Services	\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
280G Payment Reduction	\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0
Total Pre-Tax Payment	\$0		\$403,128		\$13,622	\$0

(1) Messrs. Daigle, Grudzien and Mathieson are eligible to receive cash severance benefits (base salary only) under the Severance Policy, while Mr. Hoechner is eligible to receive severance benefits under his offer letter. The severance period (assuming, in the cases of Messrs. Daigle, Grudzien and Mathieson, the executive signs a General Release and Settlement Agreement) for these executives is 46, 30, 8 and 90 weeks, respectively.

(2) Reflects the in-the-money value of stock options and value of time-based restricted stock units (based on a stock price of \$81.44 as of December 31, 2014) granted to Mr. Hoechner on October 3, 2011 in connection with commencing employment with Rogers.

(3) Reflects Rogers' cost to provide Messrs. Hoechner, Daigle, Grudzien and Mathieson 52, 46, 30 and 8 weeks, respectively, of continued medical, dental, vision, and life insurance under the Severance Policy, or, in the case of Mr. Hoechner, pursuant to his offer letter.

(4) Represents cash severance pay equal to two and one-half times the sum of the executive's base salary plus the higher of target bonus or the last actual paid bonus (paid in 2014 for services in 2013). No pro-rata AICP payment is reflected in this calculation – AICP payments are fully earned by remaining employed until December 31, 2014.





- (5) Represents the in-the-money value of all unvested and outstanding stock options based on a stock price of \$81.44 as of December 31, 2014. Stock options and time-based restricted stock units granted under the Rogers Corporation 2009 Long-Term Equity Compensation Plan become fully vested upon a qualifying termination event occurring within two years of a Change in Control. Performance-based restricted stock units vest pro-rata based on the executive's period of employment and performance achieved (as determined by the Compensation and Organization Committee) during the performance period. The data reflects acceleration of the 2013 and 2014 performance-based restricted stock units on a pro-rata basis assuming the achievement of targeted performance, respectively, as of December 31, 2014. This amount does not reflect the value of all vested and outstanding equity awards as set forth on the "Outstanding Equity Awards at End of Fiscal Year 2013."
- (6) Represents the cost to the Company of providing medical, dental, and life insurance for two and one-half years.
- (7) Represents the incremental benefits provided under the Rogers Corporation Pension Restoration Plan.
- (8) Represents the present value of 6 months of outplacement services.
- (9) Represents the estimated reduction as of December 31, 2014 to the payments set forth in this column as required in order to avoid triggering excise taxes under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code. The reported figure does not take into account that amounts may not be subject to reduction under Section 280G on account of being treated as reasonable compensation.
- (10) No pro-rata AICP payment is reflected in this estimate; AICP payments are fully earned by remaining employed until December, 31, 2014.
- (11) Represents (i) the in-the-money value of all unvested and outstanding stock option, (ii) the fair market value of the pro-rata portion of the performance-based restricted stock units (based on the probable level of achievement as of December 31, 2014) and (iii) the fair market value of the time-based restricted stock units that are subject to accelerated vesting in the case of death or disability.
- (12) Represents (i) the in-the-money value of all unvested and outstanding stock option, (ii) the fair market value of the pro-rata portion of the performance-based restricted stock units (based on the probable level of achievement as of December 31, 2014) and (iii) the fair market value of the time-based restricted stock units that are subject to accelerated vesting in the case of retirement. No NEOs were eligible for retirement as of December 31, 2014.

Proposal 2: Vote on a Non-Binding Advisory Resolution to Approve Executive Compensation

In accordance with Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, we are requesting shareholder approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, of the compensation of our named executive officers (“NEOs”) as presented under the heading “Executive Compensation” beginning on page 14.

Executive compensation is an important matter for Rogers Corporation (the “Company”) and our shareholders. We believe that our executive compensation program provides an appropriate balance between salary and incentive compensation as well as an appropriate balance between risk and reward so that such compensation practices are strongly aligned with the long-term interests of our shareholders.

We urge you to carefully read the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this proxy statement for additional details on Rogers’ executive compensation, including Rogers’ compensation philosophy and the 2014 compensation of our named executive officers. Our Board of Directors believes that our executive compensation program is effective in implementing our compensation philosophy.

Accordingly, we will present the following resolution for vote at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which provides you the opportunity to approve or not approve, on an advisory basis, our executive compensation program:

“RESOLVED, compensation paid to the Company’s named executive officers, as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the “Compensation Discussion and Analysis” section, compensation tables and narrative discussion, is hereby APPROVED.”

Although the advisory vote is non-binding, our Compensation and Organization Committee will review the results and consider the outcome of this vote in making determinations regarding our executive compensation program.

Vote Required and Recommendation of the Board of Directors

The advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers may be approved by the affirmative vote of the majority of votes properly cast (i.e., the number of shares voted “FOR” the proposal must exceed the number of shares voted “AGAINST” the proposal). Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of the vote.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote “FOR” the approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, of the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this proxy statement.

### Proposal 3: Ratification of Ernst & Young as Independent Auditor

We are asking our shareholders to ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm. Although ratification is not required by our by-laws or otherwise, the Board is submitting this proposal as a matter of good corporate practice. If the selection is not ratified, the Audit Committee will consider whether it is appropriate to select another independent auditor. Even if the selection is ratified, the committee may select a different independent auditor at any time during the year if it determines that this would be in the best interests of Rogers and our shareholders. Rogers expects representatives of Ernst & Young LLP to attend the annual meeting. They will have an opportunity to make a statement if they wish, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

### Fees of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The following table sets forth the aggregate fees billed to Rogers by Ernst & Young LLP for the fiscal years shown.

	2014	2013
Audit Fees (1)	\$2,023,500	\$2,401,334
Audited-Related Fees (2)	\$17,000	\$15,000
Tax Fees (3)	\$36,900	\$27,735
All Other Fees (4)	-	-
Total	\$2,077,400	\$2,444,069

- (1) Audit Fees consist of fees billed for professional services rendered for the audit of the Company's consolidated annual financial statements and review of the interim consolidated financial statements included in quarterly reports and services that are normally provided by Ernst & Young LLP in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements. Amounts for both 2013 and 2014 also include fees for the required audits of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.
- (2) Audit-Related Fees consist of fees billed for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Company's consolidated financial statements and are not reported under "Audit Fees". This category includes fees related primarily to accounting consultations.
- (3) Tax Fees consist of fees billed for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning (domestic and international). These services include assistance regarding federal, state and international tax compliance; tax planning and compliance work in connection with acquisitions and international tax planning.
- (4) All Other Fees consist of fees for products and services other than the services reported above; however, there were no such fees in either year.

The Audit Committee's policy is to pre-approve all audit and non-audit services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. Pre-approval is generally provided for up to one year and any pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or category of services and is generally subject to a specific budget. The Audit Committee has delegated pre-approval authority to its chairperson when expedition of services is necessary. The independent registered public accounting firm and management are required to periodically report to the full Audit Committee regarding the extent of services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm in accordance with this pre-approval, and the fees for the services performed to date. All of the audit, audit-related, tax and other services

provided by Ernst & Young LLP in fiscal year 2014 and related fees were approved in accordance with the Audit Committee's policy.

Vote Required for Ratification and Recommendation of the Board of Directors

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes properly cast on this proposal shall constitute approval of the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Rogers' independent registered public accounting firm for 2015. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not have any effect on the outcome of the proposal.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Rogers' independent registered public accounting firm for 2015.

## Related Party Transactions

Since January 1, 2014, neither Rogers, nor any of its subsidiaries, has been a participant in any transaction, other than compensation paid for services rendered as an executive officer or director, in which any of its executive officers, directors, 5% shareholders, or any immediate family member of the foregoing, has a material interest.

## Policies and Procedures for Approval of Related Party Transactions

Rogers' Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, which sets forth standards applicable to all directors, officers and employees of Rogers, prohibits the giving or accepting of personal benefits that could result in a conflict of interest. Any waiver of this Code for a director or an officer may only be granted by the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board of Directors. Any waiver of this Code that is granted to a director or an officer would be posted on Rogers' website, or otherwise publicly disclosed, as required by applicable law or the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange. Waivers for other employees must be approved by certain members of senior management.

In addition, to supplement the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, in May of 2012, the Board of Directors adopted a revised Related Party Transactions Policy. The purpose of the policy is to describe the procedures used to identify, review, approve and disclose, if necessary, any transaction or series of transactions in which: (i) the amount involved will or may be expected to exceed \$120,000 in any calendar year, (ii) Rogers was, is or will be a participant (even if not necessarily a party); and (iii) a related party has or will have a direct or indirect interest (other than solely being a director or less than 10 percent beneficial owner of another entity).

For purposes of the policy, a related party is one of the following:

- A member of the Board of Directors;
- A nominee for the Board of Directors;
- An executive officer;
- A person who beneficially owns more than 5% of Rogers' common stock; or
- Any immediate family member of any of the people listed above.

Under the policy, the Company's Nominating and Governance Committee is responsible for reviewing the material facts regarding related party transactions that require its approval and either approve or disapprove of Rogers entering into the transaction, subject to certain exceptions (or, in the case of transactions for which advance approval is not feasible, ratify the transaction or, if the Committee determines the transaction not to be appropriate, terminate the transaction). In determining whether to approve or disapprove a related party transaction, the Committee shall consider all relevant facts and circumstances, including the following factors:

Whether the transaction is on terms no less favorable to Rogers than terms generally available from an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances;

- Whether the transaction is material to Rogers;
- The role that the related party has played in arranging the transaction; and

- The extent of the related party's interest in the transaction.

No director shall participate in the review of a related party transaction in which he or she is a related party, except that the director shall provide all material information concerning the transaction to the chairperson of the Nominating and Governance Committee or the full Nominating and Governance Committee, as applicable. The chairperson of the Nominating and Governance Committee has the authority to individually pre-approve (as applicable) any related party transaction (except where the chairperson is the related party) in which the aggregate amount involved is expected to be less than \$500,000.

Each of the following related party transactions shall generally be considered pre-approved by the Committee, even if the aggregate amount involved exceeds \$120,000:

- Executive officer compensation;
- Director compensation;
- Grants of awards to executive officers or directors pursuant to the Company's incentive compensation plans;
- Certain transactions with other companies;
- Certain Company charitable contributions;
- Transactions where all shareholders receive proportional benefits; and
- Transactions involving competitive bids.

Rogers will disclose the terms of related party transactions in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission to the extent required.

## Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires Rogers' executive officers and directors, and persons who own more than 10% of Rogers' capital stock, to file reports of ownership and changes of ownership with the SEC. Executive officers, directors and greater than 10% shareholders are required to furnish Rogers with copies of all reports they file.

Based solely on Rogers' review of the copies of such forms it has received, and written representations from certain reporting persons, Rogers believes that all of its executive officers and directors, and persons who own more than 10% of Rogers' capital stock, complied with all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to them during Rogers' fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, except as described in the next sentences. Mr. Grudzien, in connection with the acquisition of shares under the Rogers Corporation Global Stock Ownership Plan for Employees (an employee stock purchase plan), failed to report in a timely manner the acquisition of 207.996 shares. Ms. Zhang failed to report the receipt of a grant of 4,950 Time-Based Restricted Stock Units under the Company's 2009 Long-Term Equity Compensation Plan on a timely basis.

## Proposals of Shareholders

Proposals of shareholders intended to be presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must be received by Rogers on or before November 26, 2015, to be considered for inclusion in Rogers' proxy statement and form of proxy. In addition, the Company's bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for shareholders to present business to be conducted at the Annual Meeting. In order for a shareholder to present a proposal at the 2016 Annual Meeting, but not included in the proxy statement and form of proxy, notice of such proposal must be received by Rogers on or before December 10, 2015, and it must also comply with the other requirements of the Company's bylaws. All shareholder proposals or notices of an intention to make a proposal should be marked for the attention of the Office of the Corporate Secretary, Rogers Corporation, One Technology Drive, P. O. Box 188, Rogers, Connecticut 06263-0188.

## Solicitation of Proxies

Rogers will pay the cost of soliciting proxies, including preparing, assembling and mailing the Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials, proxy statement, proxy card and other proxy materials, except for some costs associated with individual shareholders' use of the Internet or telephone. In addition to solicitations by mail, officers and employees of Rogers may solicit proxies personally and by telephone, facsimile or other means, for which they will receive no compensation in addition to their normal compensation. Rogers will also request banks, brokers and other nominees holding shares for a beneficial owner to forward proxies and proxy soliciting materials to the beneficial owners of capital stock held of record by such persons. Rogers will upon request reimburse brokers and other persons for their related reasonable expenses. In addition, Rogers has retained Alliance Advisors LLC to assist it in the solicitation of proxies at a cost of approximately \$4,000 plus reimbursement of certain expenses.

## "Householding" of Proxy Materials

The SEC permits companies and intermediaries (e.g., brokers) to satisfy the delivery requirements for proxy materials with respect to two or more security holders sharing the same address by delivering a single Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials, and, for those who request, a single paper copy of the proxy statement and annual report addressed to those security holders. This process, which is commonly referred to as "householding," potentially means extra convenience for security holders and cost savings for companies. This year, a number of brokers with account holders who are Rogers' shareholders will be "householding" proxy materials. A single Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials and, for those who request, a single paper copy of the proxy statement and annual report will be delivered to multiple shareholders sharing an address unless contrary instructions have been received

from an affected shareholder. If, at any time, a shareholder no longer wishes to participate in “householding” and would prefer to receive a separate Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials, proxy statement and/or annual report, please notify the broker and send a written request to Rogers Corporation, Office of the Corporate Secretary, One Technology Drive, P. O. Box 188, Rogers, Connecticut 06263-0188 and Rogers will promptly deliver a separate copy of the proxy statement and annual report to such shareholder. Shareholders who share the same address, who currently receive multiple copies of the Rogers Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials, proxy statement and annual report and would like to request “householding” of such information should contact their broker or Rogers.



#### Communications with Members of the Board of Directors

Although the Board of Directors has not formally adopted a process by which shareholders may communicate directly with directors, it believes that the procedures currently in place and described below will continue to serve the needs of the Board and shareholders. Until such time as the Board may adopt a different set of procedures, any such shareholder communications should be sent to the Board of Directors, Rogers Corporation, One Technology Drive, P. O. Box 188, Rogers, Connecticut 06263-0188, c/o Office of the Corporate Secretary of the Company. At the present time, all such communications sent by shareholders to the above address will be forwarded to the Lead Director of the Board for consideration.

#### Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be Held on May 8, 2015

This proxy statement and our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, are available at <http://materials.proxyvote.com/775133>.

#### Availability of Certain Documents

Rogers Corporation maintains a website at <http://www.rogerscorp.com>. Rogers' Bylaws, Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Related Party Transactions Policy, Audit Committee Charter, Compensation and Organization Committee Charter and Nominating and Governance Committee Charter are each available in a printable format on this page of the website: <http://www.rogerscorp.com/cg/>. Rogers Corporation's website is not incorporated into or a part of this proxy statement.

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**VOTE BY INTERNET - [www.proxyvote.com](http://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 on May 7, 2015 (May 5, 2015 for employee stock purchase plan participants). Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

**ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS**

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

**VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903**

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on May 7, 2015 (May 5, 2015 for employee stock purchase plan participants). Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

**VOTE BY MAIL**

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

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ROGERS CORPORATION	For	Withhold	For All	To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark "For All Except" and write the number(s) of the nominee(s) on the line below.
	All	All	Except	
The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the following:				
1. Election of Directors	o	o	o	
Nominees				

01) Michael F. Barry	05) Ganesh Moorthy
02) Bruce D. Hoechner	06) Robert G. Paul
03) Carol R. Jensen	07) Helene Simonet
04) William E. Mitchell	08) Peter C. Wallace

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR proposals 2 and 3.

2. To vote on a non-binding advisory resolution to approve the executive compensation as disclosed in the accompanying proxy statement for the meeting.
3. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of Rogers Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015.
4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

For address change/comments, mark here.  (see reverse for instructions)

Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. If a corporation or partnership, please sign in full corporate or partnership name by authorized officer.

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX]

Date

Signature (Joint Owners)

Date

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:  
The Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)

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As a shareholder, you are entitled to vote at this year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders and are encouraged to do so by dating, signing and returning the proxy card as soon as possible.

PLEASE ACT PROMPTLY

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ROGERS CORPORATION

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
MAY 8, 2015

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The undersigned hereby appoints DAVID MATHEISON, JAY B. KNOLL and ROBERT J. MCCARD, and each of them, acting singly, with full power of substitution, as attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, to vote all shares of capital stock of Rogers Corporation which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Rogers Corporation to be held on May 8, 2015 at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Hyatt Harborside Hotel at Logan International Airport, 101 Harborside Drive, Boston, Massachusetts 02128 and any adjournment thereof. The proxies are authorized to vote all shares of stock in accordance with the instructions and with discretionary authority upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. The proxies will vote as The Board of Directors recommends where a choice is not specified.

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