

BROOKS AUTOMATION INC  
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UNITED STATES  
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Brooks Automation, Inc.

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to Be Held on February 5, 2014.

Brooks Automation, Inc.

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: December 11, 2013

Date: February 5, 2014 Time: 10:00 AM EST

Location: Four Seasons Hotel Boston

200 Boylston Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02116

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

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

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

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

— Before You Vote —

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

NOTICE AND PROXY  
STATEMENT

FORM 10-K

SHAREHOLDER LETTER

How to View

Online:

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(located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

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2) BY  
TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

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Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before January 22, 2014 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote in Person:** Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares. For directions to the meeting, go to [www.brooks.com/company/investors](http://www.brooks.com/company/investors).

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow

(located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

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

VOTING ITEMS

The Board of Directors  
recommends you vote FOR  
the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

- |                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 01) A. Clinton Allen        | 06) Kirk P. Pond           |
| 02) Robyn C. Davis          | 07) Stephen S. Schwartz    |
| 03) Joseph R. Martin        | 08) Alfred Woollacott, III |
| 04) John K.<br>McGillicuddy | 09) Mark S. Wrighton       |
| 05) Krishna G. Palepu       | 10) Ellen M. Zane          |

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3:

2. To approve a non-binding advisory vote on executive compensation.
3. To ratify the selection of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered accounting firm for the 2014 fiscal year.

NOTE: The stockholders will also act on any other business as may properly come before the meeting.

