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**SANMINA CORPORATION**  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**  
**To Be Held on March 9, 2015**

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Sanmina Corporation will be held on March 9, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time, at Sanmina Corporation's corporate offices, located at 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134, for the following purposes (as more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this Notice):

1. To elect nine directors of Sanmina Corporation.
2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as Sanmina Corporation's independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year ending October 3, 2015.
3. To approve the reservation of 1,700,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the 2009 Incentive Plan of Sanmina Corporation.
4. To approve, on an advisory (non-binding) basis, the compensation of Sanmina Corporation's named executive officers.
5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

These items of business are more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this Notice of Annual Meeting.

Pursuant to the Internet proxy rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, Sanmina Corporation has elected to provide access to its proxy materials over the Internet. Accordingly, stockholders of record at the close of business on January 16, 2015 will receive a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials and may vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement of the meeting. Sanmina Corporation expects to mail the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials on or about January 22, 2015.

All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting in person. You should bring a brokerage statement or other evidence of your Sanmina shareholdings for entrance to the Annual Meeting. Even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please vote, as instructed in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, via the Internet or the telephone as promptly as possible to ensure that your vote is recorded. Alternatively, you may follow the procedures outlined in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials to request a paper proxy card to submit your vote by mail. Any stockholder attending the Annual Meeting may vote in person even if he or she previously voted by another method.

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Christopher K. Sadeghian  
Corporate Secretary

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**SANMINA CORPORATION**

**30 E. Plumeria Drive  
San Jose, California 95134**

**PROXY STATEMENT  
FOR THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

**Q1:**

**Why am I receiving these proxy materials?**

A:

The Board of Directors of Sanmina Corporation ("Sanmina," "we," "us" or "our") is providing these proxy materials to you in connection with the solicitation of proxies for use at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 11:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time, and at any adjournment or postponement thereof, for the purpose of considering and acting upon the matters described in this document.

**Q2:**

**What is the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials?**

A:

In accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), instead of mailing a printed copy of our proxy materials to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, we are furnishing the proxy materials to our stockholders over the Internet. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the "Notice of Internet Availability") by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials. Instead, the Notice of Internet Availability will instruct you as to how you may access and review the proxy materials and submit your vote via the Internet. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability by mail and would like to receive a printed copy of the proxy materials, please follow the instructions for requesting such materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability.

We expect to mail the Notice of Internet Availability on or about January 22, 2015, to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. On the date of mailing of the Notice of Internet Availability, all stockholders and beneficial owners will have the ability to access all of our proxy materials on a website referred to in the Notice of Internet Availability. These proxy materials will be available free of charge.

**Q3:**

**Where is the Annual Meeting?**

A:

The Annual Meeting will be held at our corporate offices, located at 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134. The telephone number at the meeting location is (408) 964-3500.

**Q4:**

**Can I attend the Annual Meeting?**

A:

You are invited to attend the Annual Meeting if you were a stockholder of record or a beneficial owner as of January 16, 2015. You should bring a brokerage statement or other evidence of your Sanmina shareholdings for entrance to the Annual Meeting. The meeting will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time.

**Stock Ownership**

**Q5:**

**What is the difference between holding shares as a stockholder of record and as a beneficial owner?**

A:

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*Stockholders of Record.* If your shares are registered directly in your name with Sanmina's transfer agent, Wells Fargo Shareowner Services, you are considered, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record, and the Notice of Internet Availability has been sent directly to you.

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*Beneficial Owners.* Many stockholders hold their shares through a broker, trustee or other nominee, rather than directly in their own name. If your shares are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or another nominee, you are considered the "beneficial owner" of shares held in "street name." The Notice of Internet Availability should be forwarded to you by your broker, trustee or nominee who is considered, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, trustee or other nominee on how to vote your shares. For directions on how to vote shares beneficially held in street name, please refer to the voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee. Because a beneficial owner is not the stockholder of record, you may not vote these shares in person at the Annual Meeting unless you obtain a "legal proxy" from the broker, trustee or nominee that holds your shares, giving you the right to vote the shares at the Annual Meeting.

**Quorum and Voting**

**Q6: Who is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting?**

A: Holders of record of our common stock at the close of business on January 16, 2015 are entitled to receive notice of and to vote their shares at the Annual Meeting. Such stockholders are entitled to cast one vote for each share of common stock held as of January 16, 2015.

As of the close of business on January 16, 2015, there were 83,328,344 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting held by approximately 1,102 stockholders of record.

**Q7: How many shares must be present or represented to conduct business at the Annual Meeting?**

A: The presence of the holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary to constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting. Such stockholders are counted as present at the meeting if they are present in person at the Annual Meeting or have properly submitted a proxy.

Under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, abstentions and broker "non-votes" are counted as present and entitled to vote and are, therefore, included for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Annual Meeting.

**Q8: What is a broker "non-vote" and how are they counted at the Annual Meeting?**

A: A broker "non-vote" occurs if you are a beneficial owner of shares held in street name and you do not provide the organization that holds your shares with specific voting instructions. At the Annual Meeting, broker non-votes will be counted toward the presence of a quorum for the transaction of business at the meeting, but will not be counted as votes cast on any matter being voted upon at the Annual Meeting. As a result, broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of any proposal being voted upon at the Annual Meeting.

**Q9: Can I vote my shares in person at the Annual Meeting?**

A: Yes. Whether you hold shares directly as the stockholder of record or beneficially in street name, you may vote your shares at the Annual Meeting by following the procedures described below.

*Stockholders of Record.* Shares held in your name as the stockholder of record may be voted in person at the Annual Meeting even if previously voted by another method.



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*Beneficial Owners.* Shares held beneficially in street name may be voted in person at the Annual Meeting only if you obtain a legal proxy from the broker, trustee or other nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares.

**Even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we recommend that you submit your vote as described in the Notice of Internet Availability and below, so that your vote will be counted if you later decide not to attend the Annual Meeting.**

**Q10: Can I vote my shares without attending the Annual Meeting?**

A: Yes. Whether you hold shares directly as the stockholder of record or beneficially in street name, you may direct how your shares are voted without attending the Annual Meeting, as summarized below.

*Internet.* Stockholders of record with Internet access may submit proxies by following the "Vote by Internet" instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability until 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on March 8, 2015 or by following the instructions at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Most of our stockholders who hold shares beneficially in street name may vote by accessing the website specified in the voting instructions provided by their brokers, trustees or nominees. A large number of banks and brokerage firms are participating in the Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge") online program. This program provides eligible stockholders the opportunity to vote over the Internet or by telephone. Voting forms will provide instructions for stockholders whose bank or brokerage firm is participating in the Broadridge program.

*Telephone.* Depending on how your shares are held, you may be able to vote by telephone. If this option is available to you, you will have received information with the Notice of Internet Availability explaining this procedure.

*Mail.* If you are a record holder (i.e. you own your shares directly and not through a broker), you may request a proxy card from Sanmina on which you can indicate your vote by completing, signing and dating the card where indicated and by returning it in the prepaid envelope that will be included with the proxy card. If you hold your shares in street name, the voting instructions provided by your broker, trustee or nominee will indicate how you may vote by mail.

**Q11: How will my shares be voted if I submit a proxy via the Internet, by telephone or by mail and do not make specific choices?**

A: If you submit a proxy via the Internet, by telephone or by mail and do not make voting selections, the shares represented by that proxy will be voted "FOR" Proposals One, Two, Three and Four.

**Q12: What happens if additional matters are presented at the Annual Meeting?**

A: If any other matters are properly presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting, including, among other things, consideration of a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting to another time or place or adjournment for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies, the proxy holders will have discretion to vote on those matters in accordance with their best judgment. We do not currently anticipate that any other matters will be raised at the Annual Meeting.

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**Q13: Can I change or revoke my vote?**

A: Yes, by following the instructions below:

*Stockholders of Record.* If you are a stockholder of record, you may change your vote by:

Delivering to Sanmina's Corporate Secretary, prior to your shares being voted at the Annual Meeting, a written notice of revocation or a duly executed proxy card, in either case dated later than the prior proxy relating to the same shares, or

Attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person (although attendance at the Annual Meeting will not, by itself, revoke a proxy).

Any written notice of revocation or subsequent proxy card must be received by Sanmina's Corporate Secretary prior to the taking of the vote at the Annual Meeting.

A stockholder of record who has voted via the Internet or by telephone may also change his or her vote by making a timely and valid Internet or telephone vote no later than 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on March 8, 2015.

*Beneficial Owners.* If you are a beneficial owner of shares held in street name, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your broker, trustee or other nominee, or if you have obtained a legal proxy from the broker, trustee or other nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares, by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

**Q14: What proposals will be voted on at the Annual Meeting?**

A: At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will be asked to vote on:

*Proposal One.* The election of nine directors to hold office until the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified;

*Proposal Two.* The ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending October 3, 2015;

*Proposal Three.* The approval of the reservation of 1,700,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the 2009 Incentive Plan of Sanmina Corporation; and

*Proposal Four.* The approval on an advisory (non-binding) basis of the compensation of our named executive officers.

**Q15: What is the voting requirement to approve each of the proposals and how does the Board of Directors recommend that I vote?**

A: *Proposal One.* A nominee for director shall be elected to the Board if the votes cast for such nominee's election exceed the votes cast against such nominee's election. Abstentions and broker non-votes do not count as "votes cast" with respect to this proposal and therefore will not affect the outcome of the election. Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, should a nominee for director fail to receive the required number of votes for election, he or she is required to tender his or her resignation to the Board. In such a case, the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board has the option of accepting or declining such resignation, considering any factors that the Committee deems relevant.

You may vote "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on each of the nine nominees for election as director. **The Board of Directors recommends that you vote your shares "FOR" each of the nine nominees listed in Proposal One.**



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*Proposal Two.* The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast is required to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm. Abstentions have the same effect as a vote against this proposal. However, broker non-votes are not deemed to be votes cast and, therefore, have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

You may vote "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this proposal. **The Board of Directors recommends that you vote your shares "FOR" Proposal Two.**

*Proposal Three.* The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast is required to approve the reservation of an additional 1,700,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the 2009 Incentive Plan of Sanmina Corporation. Abstentions have the same effect as a vote against this proposal. However, broker non-votes are not deemed to be votes cast and, therefore, have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

You may vote "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this proposal. **The Board of Directors recommends that you vote your shares "FOR" Proposal Three.**

*Proposal Four.* The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast is required to approve on an advisory (non-binding) basis the compensation of our named executive officers, as disclosed in the Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables and the other related disclosure. Abstentions have the same effect as a vote against this proposal. However, broker non-votes are not deemed to be votes cast and, therefore, have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

You may vote "FOR," "AGAINST" or "ABSTAIN" on this proposal. **The Board of Directors recommends that you vote your shares "FOR" Proposal Four.**

**Q16:**

**Who will bear the cost of soliciting votes for the Annual Meeting?**

A:

Sanmina will bear all expenses of soliciting proxies. We must reimburse brokerage firms, custodians, nominees, fiduciaries and other persons representing beneficial owners of common stock for their reasonable expenses in forwarding solicitation material to such beneficial owners. Directors, officers and employees of Sanmina may also solicit proxies in person or by other means of communication. Such directors, officers and employees will not be additionally compensated but may be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in connection with such solicitation.

**Q17:**

**Where can I find the voting results of the Annual Meeting?**

A:

We intend to announce the voting results of the Annual Meeting in a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within four business days of the meeting date.

**Stockholder Proposals and Director Nominations**

**Q18:**

**What is the deadline to propose actions for consideration at next year's Annual Meeting of Stockholders or to nominate individuals to serve as directors?**

A:

You may submit proposals, including director nominations, for consideration at future stockholder meetings. All notices of proposals by stockholders should be sent to Sanmina Corporation, Attention: Corporate Secretary, 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134.

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*Requirements for stockholder proposals to be considered for inclusion in our proxy materials.* Stockholders may present proper proposals to be considered for inclusion in Sanmina's proxy statement and for consideration at the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders by submitting their proposals in writing to our Corporate Secretary in a timely manner. In order to be considered for inclusion in the proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, stockholder proposals must be received by Sanmina's Corporate Secretary no later than September 25, 2015 and must otherwise comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

*Requirements for stockholder proposals to be brought before an Annual Meeting of Stockholders.* In addition, our bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for stockholders who wish to present certain matters before an Annual Meeting of Stockholders, provided that the stockholders are stockholders of record when notice is given and on the record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, even though these proposals are not included in the Annual Meeting proxy statement. To be timely for the 2016 Annual Meeting, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received by our Corporate Secretary at our principal executive offices between November 9, 2015 and December 9, 2015. For all matters that a stockholder proposes to bring before the Annual Meeting, the notice must set forth:

A brief description of the business intended to be brought before the Annual Meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the Annual Meeting;

The name and address, as they appear on our books, of the stockholder proposing the business, and any beneficial owner on whose behalf the stockholder is proposing the business or proposing a director nomination and any person controlling, directly or indirectly, or acting in concert with, the stockholder or beneficial owner (a "Stockholder Associated Person");

The class and number of shares of Sanmina that are held of record or are beneficially owned by the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person and any derivative positions held or beneficially held by the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person;

Whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to any securities of Sanmina, or whether any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares) has been made, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to or manage risk or benefit from share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of, the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to any securities of Sanmina;

Any material interest of the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person in the business intended to be brought before the Annual Meeting; and

A statement whether either the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person will deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of Sanmina's voting shares required under applicable law to carry the proposal.

**Additional Information**

**Q19:**

**What should I do if I receive more than one Notice of Internet Availability or set of proxy materials?**

**A:**

If you received more than one Notice of Internet Availability or set of proxy materials, your shares are registered in more than one name or brokerage account. Please follow the voting instructions on each Notice of Internet Availability or voting instruction card that you receive to ensure that all of your shares are voted.

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**Q20:** **How may I obtain a separate copy of the Notice of Internet Availability?**

A: If you share an address with another stockholder, each stockholder may not receive a separate copy of the Notice of Internet Availability because some brokers and other nominee record holders may be participating in the practice of "householding," which reduces duplicate mailings and saves printing and postage costs. If your Notice of Internet Availability is being househanded and you would like to receive separate copies, or if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive a single copy, please contact our Investor Relations Department at (408) 964-3610 or write to us at 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134, Attention: Investor Relations.

**Q21:** **Can I access Sanmina's proxy materials and Annual Report on Form 10-K over the Internet?**

A: Yes. All stockholders and beneficial owners will have the ability to access our proxy materials, free of charge, at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) with their control number referred to in the Notice of Internet Availability. Sanmina's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 27, 2014 is also available on the Internet as indicated in the Notice of Internet Availability.

**Q22:** **What is the mailing address for Sanmina's principal executive offices?**

A: Our principal executive offices are located at 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134. Any written requests for additional information, copies of the proxy materials and the 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K, notices of stockholder proposals, recommendations for candidates to the Board of Directors, communications to the Board of Directors or any other communications should be sent to 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134, Attention: Investor Relations.

**NO PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT, AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED AND THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROXY STATEMENT SHALL, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES, CREATE ANY IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF SANMINA SINCE THE DATE OF THIS PROXY STATEMENT.**

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**PROPOSAL ONE:  
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

**Identification of Nominees**

Our Board of Directors (the "Board") currently consists of nine members. The Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board has nominated the nine incumbent members of the Board listed below for reelection at this meeting.

Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy holders will vote the proxies received by them for Jure Sola, Neil R. Bonke, Michael J. Clarke, Eugene A. Delaney, John P. Goldsberry, Joseph G. Licata, Jr., Mario M. Rosati, Wayne Shortridge and Jackie M. Ward. If any such nominee is unable or declines to serve as a director at the time of the Annual Meeting, the proxies will be voted for any nominee who shall be designated by the Nominating and Governance Committee to fill the vacancy. If stockholders nominate additional persons for election as directors, the proxy holders will vote all proxies received by them to assure the election of as many of the nominees listed below as possible, with the proxy holder making any required selection of specific nominees to be voted for. The term of office of each person elected as a director will continue until that person's successor has been elected by the holders of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and qualified, or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal in the manner provided in our bylaws.

Name of Nominee	Age	Principal Occupation	Director Since
Jure Sola	64	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Sanmina Corporation	1989
Neil R. Bonke	73	Private Investor	1995
Michael J. Clarke	60	President and Chief Executive Officer, Nortek, Inc.	2013
Eugene A. Delaney	58	Consultant	2013
John P. Goldsberry	60	Chief Accounting Officer, GLOBALFOUNDRIES Inc.	2008
Joseph G. Licata, Jr.	54	Operating Partner, BlueArc Capital Management	2007
Mario M. Rosati	68	Member, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation	1997
Wayne Shortridge	76	Consultant	2001
Jackie M. Ward	76	Chair of the Board of Sysco Corporation and Luna-C Clothing	2001

*Jure Sola* has served as Sanmina's Chief Executive Officer since April 1991, as Chairman of Sanmina's Board from April 1991 to December 2001 and from December 2002 to present, and Co-Chairman of Sanmina's Board from December 2001 to December 2002. In 1980, Mr. Sola co-founded Sanmina Corporation and initially held the position of Vice President of Sales. In October 1987, he became Vice President and General Manager of Sanmina Corporation, responsible for manufacturing operations and sales and marketing. In July 1989, Mr. Sola was elected as a director and in October 1989 was appointed as President of Sanmina Corporation.

*Neil R. Bonke* has served as a director of Sanmina since 1995. Mr. Bonke is a private investor and is the retired Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Electroglas, Inc., a semiconductor equipment manufacturer. He is a past director of Novellus Systems, Inc. and San Jose State University Foundation.

*Michael J. Clarke* has served as a director of Sanmina since December 2013. Since December 2011, Mr. Clarke has been a member of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer of Nortek, Inc., a publicly traded company which, through its subsidiaries, manufactures and sells a wide variety of products for the remodeling and replacement markets, the residential and new construction markets, the manufactured housing market and the personal and enterprise computer markets. From 2005 until joining Nortek, Mr. Clarke served as President, Flex Infrastructure and Group President of

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Integrated Network Solutions of Flextronics International, Ltd, a publicly traded provider of design and electronics manufacturing services to original equipment manufacturers.

*Eugene A. Delaney* has served as a director of Sanmina since December 2013. Mr. Delaney previously served as Executive Vice President, Product and Business Operations of Motorola Solutions, Inc., a worldwide provider of communications infrastructure, devices, software and services to government and enterprise customers, from January 2011 through July 2013. Prior to that time, Mr. Delaney held the positions of Executive Vice President, Product and Business Operations, Enterprise Mobility Solutions, Motorola, Inc., from August 2010 to January 2011; Executive Vice President, President, Enterprise Mobility Solutions from January 2009 to August 2010; Senior Vice President, Government and Public Safety from May 2007 to January 2009; and Senior Vice President, International Sales Operations, Networks and Enterprise from May 2006 to May 2007. Prior to that time, Mr. Delaney served in other senior management roles with Motorola, Inc., including Senior Vice President of the Cellular Infrastructure Group, President of Asia/Pacific region and Chairman of Motorola China Ltd.

*John P. Goldsberry* has served as a director of Sanmina since January 2008. Mr. Goldsberry is the Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Accounting Officer and acting Chief Financial Officer of GLOBALFOUNDRIES Inc., a semiconductor foundry company, a position he has held since mid-2014, having been Chief Accounting Officer since June 2013. Mr. Goldsberry served as Chief Financial Officer of American Traffic Solutions, Inc., the leading traffic camera services company, from July 2010 until November 2012, and as Chief Financial Officer of TPI Composites, Inc., a manufacturer of composites products for the wind energy markets, from July 2008 until July 2010. Mr. Goldsberry previously served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Gateway, Inc., a computer manufacturer, from August 2005 to April 2008. He also served as Senior Vice President, Operations, Customer Care and Information Technology from April 2005 to August 2005, as Senior Vice President, Strategy and Business Development from March 2004 to April 2005 and as Chief Financial Officer of eMachines, Inc., a PC manufacturer acquired by Gateway, from January 2004 until March 2004. Previously, Mr. Goldsberry held Chief Financial Officer positions at TrueSpectra, Inc., an imaging solutions company, Calibre, Inc., a wireless technology company, Quality Semiconductor, Inc., a semiconductor company, DSP Group, Inc., a semiconductor company and The Good Guys, Inc., an electronics retailer, and worked for Salomon Brothers and Morgan Stanley in a number of corporate finance positions.

*Joseph G. Licata, Jr.* has served as a director of Sanmina since August 2007. Since April 2014, he has been Operating Partner Private Equity, of BlueArc Capital Management. From January 2011 until April 2014, he was the Chief Executive Officer of Synergy Leadership, LLC, a firm specializing in Board and CEO advisory services in the areas of corporate and growth strategy, sales, performance improvement, operational full potential and customer value creation, a company which he also founded. He served as Chief Executive Officer of Peopleclick Authoria, Inc., a vendor of human resources process management software and services, from April 2010 through November 2010. He also served as President and Chief Executive Officer of SER Solutions, Inc., a global call management and speech analytics solutions company, from July 2007 through October 2008 and was a consultant from October 2008 through April 2010. Mr. Licata also served as President of Siemens Enterprise Networks, LLC, a vendor of open communications solutions for enterprises, from 2001 to 2006.

*Mario M. Rosati* has served as a director of Sanmina since 1997. He has been an attorney with the law firm of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation, since 1971. Mr. Rosati serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Aehr Test Systems, a manufacturer of electronics device testing equipment. Mr. Rosati also serves as a director of several privately held companies.

*Wayne Shortridge* has served as a director of Sanmina since December 2001 and has served as our lead independent director since December 2006. Mr. Shortridge also served as a director of SCI



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Systems, Inc. from 1992 until December 2001, when SCI merged with Sanmina. Mr. Shortridge is an attorney. From May 2012 until March 2014, he served as a Director of Business Development of The Partners Group, an attorney placement firm. From March 2004 to December 2011, Mr. Shortridge served as Atlanta Office Managing Shareholder of the law firm of Carlton Fields, PA. From 1994 to 2004, he was a partner in the law firm of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, LLP, in Atlanta, Georgia.

*Jackie M. Ward* has served as a director of Sanmina since December 2001. From 1992 until December 2001 when we merged with SCI Systems, Inc., she served as a director of SCI Systems, Inc. Ms. Ward also serves as a director of SYSCO Corporation (Chair of the Board). During the past five years, Ms. Ward also served as a director of WellPoint, Inc., Bank of America Corporation and Flowers Foods, Inc. Ms. Ward also serves as Chair of the Board of Luna-C Clothing, a sports clothing company. From December 2000 to October 2006, Ms. Ward was the Outside Managing Director of Intec Telecom Systems, USA, a provider of turnkey telecommunication systems and products. From 1968 to 2000, she served as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Computer Generation Incorporated, which company she also co-founded.

**Qualifications of Nominees**

The Nominating and Governance Committee believes its slate of nominees possess the strategic development, financial, operational and industry-specific skills necessary to effectively guide and oversee our business. In evaluating the qualifications of the nominees listed above, the Nominating and Governance Committee considered a number of factors, including the nominees' experience in the following areas:

Electronics manufacturing services and similar manufacturing companies;

Other technology/information technology;

Public company board membership;

Senior management for public and large companies and private and entrepreneurial companies;

International business;

Strategic planning;

Business development and marketing;

Executive compensation issues;

Accounting, audit and corporate finance;

Board governance, including board nominations;

Risk management and crisis communication; and

Senior leadership in business, professional services and education/government.

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The Nominating and Governance Committee does not require that each nominee have experience in each of these areas, instead evaluating nominees as a group to ensure that the Board as a whole possesses the appropriate mix of experience and knowledge. The Nominating and Governance Committee does not explicitly consider diversity in indentifying nominees for director. Below are listed the primary factors considered by the Nominating and Governance Committee with respect to each nominee in determining to nominate him or her for election to the Board and, if applicable, to serve as a member of one of our Board committees.

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Name of Nominee	Board Nominating Factors	Committee Nomination Factors
Jure Sola	Mr. Sola's role as the co-founder of Sanmina as well as his more than 35 years of experience in the electronics manufacturing industry and deep knowledge of the company and its operations	N/A
Neil R. Bonke	Mr. Bonke's broad experience with a range of technology companies through his role as a private investor and board member for over 20 years	Mr. Bonke's experience as a chief executive officer with direct experience in management compensation programs (Compensation)
Michael J. Clarke	Mr. Clarke's more than 25 years of senior executive, business development and operational experience managing global companies in numerous industries, including electronics, telecommunications, industrial, aerospace and automotive	Mr. Clarke's chief executive role in overseeing the operations of a leading publicly-traded products company (Nominating and Governance)
Eugene A. Delaney	Mr. Delaney's more than 20 years of senior management experience with a major global communications technology company, particularly in the areas of business transformation and corporate finance	Mr. Delaney's numerous roles and extensive expertise overseeing the financial performance of large divisions within a major multinational firm (Audit)
John P. Goldsberry	Mr. Goldsberry's understanding of hardware and manufacturing businesses (computers, renewable energy, electronic equipment and semiconductors), providing knowledge to help Sanmina refine and improve its strategy and execution	Mr. Goldsberry's experience as chief accounting and financial officers of a number of public and private technology and manufacturing companies (Audit)
Joseph G. Licata, Jr.	Mr. Licata's more than 10 years of experience as chief executive of technology companies, giving him excellent visibility into operational and financial issues	Mr. Licata's role in several companies as chief executive officer (Audit and Compensation)
Mario M. Rosati	Mr. Rosati's senior and significant role in a major Silicon Valley law firm serving technology companies and service on multiple company boards, giving him unique viewpoints on the technology industry and strategies for growth	N/A

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<b>Name of Nominee</b>	<b>Board Nominating Factors</b>	<b>Committee Nomination Factors</b>
Wayne Shortridge	Mr. Shortridge's more than 40 years of experience as a business attorney representing a broad range of enterprises on a variety of matters and knowledge of the industry from his nine years of service as a board member of SCI Systems, Inc., Sanmina's predecessor, giving him insights and knowledge into the particular issues faced by electronics manufacturing companies	Mr. Shortridge's involvement and participation in a variety of governance forums and bodies, including serving as past Chair of the Board of the National Association of Corporate Directors, Atlanta Chapter, giving him a keen understanding of current governance and compensation trends and best practices (Compensation and Nominating and Governance); experience as a business attorney for over 40 years, including representation of public companies, from which he gained strong knowledge of accounting and corporate finance matters (Audit)
Jackie M. Ward	Ms. Ward's wealth of experience as a current or former board member of a number of leading Fortune 500 companies and her long-term service as a technology company chief executive officer	Ms. Ward's prior experience as a chief executive officer and her experience as a board, compensation and governance committee member of a number of leading Fortune 500 companies (Compensation and Nominating and Governance)

**Vote Required; Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

A nominee for director shall be elected to the Board if the votes cast for such nominee's election exceed the votes cast against such nominee's election. Abstentions and broker non-votes do not count as "votes cast" with respect to this proposal and therefore will not affect the outcome of the election. Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, should a nominee for director fail to receive the required number of votes for election, he or she is required to tender his or her resignation to the Board. In such a case, the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board has the option of accepting or declining such resignation, considering any factors that the Nominating and Governance Committee deems relevant.

**OUR BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS VOTING "FOR" THE NOMINEES LISTED ABOVE FOR ELECTION TO THE BOARD.**

**PROPOSAL TWO:  
RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF  
INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

The Audit Committee has approved the engagement of KPMG LLP ("KPMG") as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending October 3, 2015. In the event stockholders do not ratify the Audit Committee's selection of KPMG as our independent registered public accountants, the Audit Committee may reconsider its selection. Representatives of KPMG are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting, with the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so, and are expected to be available to respond to appropriate questions.

The following is a summary of fees paid to KPMG for the fiscal years ended September 28, 2013 ("fiscal 2013") and September 27, 2014 ("fiscal 2014").

Table of Contents**Audit Fees**

The aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by KPMG for the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements, various statutory audits and reviews of the condensed consolidated financial statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2014 were as follows:

Fiscal 2013	Fiscal 2014
\$ 2,268,900	\$ 2,413,877

**Audit-Related Fees**

The aggregate fees billed for audit-related services, exclusive of the fees disclosed above relating to audit fees, rendered by KPMG during fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2014 were as follows:

Fiscal 2013	Fiscal 2014
\$ 70,866	\$ 54,963

**Tax Fees**

The aggregate fees billed for tax services rendered by KPMG during fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2014 are set forth below. These services consisted primarily of tax compliance and tax consultation services.

Fiscal 2013	Fiscal 2014
\$ 1,041,350	\$ 976,000

**All Other Fees**

There were no other fees required to be reported as "all other fees" during fiscal 2013 or fiscal 2014.

The Audit Committee has concluded that the non-audit services provided by KPMG are compatible with maintaining the independence of KPMG.

**Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy with Respect to Audit Services and Permissible Non-Audit Services**

All services provided by our independent registered public accounting firm require prior approval of the Audit Committee, with limited exceptions as permitted by the SEC's Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X. Our management periodically reports to the Audit Committee services for which the independent registered public accountants have been engaged and the aggregate fees incurred and to be incurred. During fiscal 2014, all services provided by our independent registered public accounting firm were pre-approved in accordance with this policy.

**Vote Required; Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes duly cast is required to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm. Abstentions have the same effect as a vote against this proposal. However, broker non-votes are not deemed to be votes cast and, therefore, have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS VOTING "FOR" THE RATIFICATION OF KPMG LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 3, 2015.**

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**PROPOSAL THREE:  
APPROVAL OF THE RESERVATION OF 1,700,000 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK  
FOR ISSUANCE UNDER THE 2009 INCENTIVE PLAN**

The Board believes that equity compensation programs align the interests of management and the stockholders to increase long-term stockholder value by giving directors, executives and other key employees a stake in our success. By permitting us to grant equity in our company, our 2009 Incentive Plan (the "Incentive Plan") is a key tool for attracting, rewarding, motivating and retaining the key personnel necessary for us to achieve our business objectives and increase stockholder value. At the Annual Meeting, we are requesting that stockholders approve an amendment to the Incentive Plan to reserve an additional 1,700,000 shares for issuance thereunder in order to ensure that we have sufficient shares available during 2015 and through the date of our 2016 annual meeting of stockholders for (1) our annual grant to non-executive employees, which is typically made in March or April of each year, (2) grants to potential executive new hires and (3) an annual grant to executive management, which takes place in November of each year. We believe this increase is reasonable for the following reasons:

1. *Allowing Sanmina to make continued equity grants as necessary through the date of our 2016 Annual Meeting in order to attract and retain key talent.* As of December 31, 2014, 1.9 million shares remained available for future grant under the Incentive Plan, which is only slightly more than our three-year average annual net share utilization of 1.7 million shares (grants less cancellations available for re-grant). Consequently, unless the proposed increase is approved, Sanmina may be unable to make planned grants to existing high-value employees and executives and anticipated new executive hires, which will put us at a significant competitive disadvantage compared to our peers.
2. *We will not receive the full benefit of all canceled grants.* Like most issuers, we expect to be able to re-grant options that are canceled due to employee terminations or expiration of the option. The reuse of plan shares allows issuers to reduce the number of additional plan shares they ask stockholders to approve. However, in our case, as of December 31, 2014, approximately 2.2 million outstanding options, or 28.8% of our total, were granted under our now expired 1999 Stock Plan. As a result, none of these options will be returned to the Incentive Plan for future issuance if canceled in connection with terminations of employment or expiration of the option, eliminating a natural source of shares for future grant.
3. *Our burn rate is reasonable compared to our peers.* Sanmina's fiscal 2014 net burn rate (grants less cancellations divided by outstanding shares) of 1.8% was comparable to the 1.7% median net burn rate of the peer companies listed in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" on page 35 of the Proxy Statement for their most recent fiscal years for which data is publicly available. Our three-year average annual net burn rate is 1.6%.
4. *Our overhang is reasonable compared to our peers.* Sanmina's total overhang (outstanding options and restricted stock units plus remaining shares available for grant divided by outstanding shares) was 14.7% as of December 31, 2014, comparable to the 14.0% median total overhang for our peer companies as of the end of their most recent fiscal years for which data is publicly available. Giving effect to the proposed increase, Sanmina's total overhang as of December 31, 2014 would have been 16.8%.
5. *Our plan complies with ISS guidelines and follows best market practices.* Our Incentive Plan has been designed consistent with the qualitative standards of Institutional Shareholder Services and equity plan best practices. As a result, the Incentive Plan:
  - a. Does not permit the repricing of options or stock appreciation rights ("SARs") granted under the Incentive Plan;

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- b. Provides for responsible share counting in that any shares tendered or withheld to pay taxes or an option's exercise price are not available for re-issuance;
- c. Does not provide for automatic acceleration of vesting upon an acquisition of Sanmina; and
- d. Includes a fungible share ratio, which reduces the dilution of the plan for stockholders by decreasing the plan pool at a higher rate for full-value awards (1.36:1) than for stock options.

For these reasons, Sanmina requests stockholders approve the reservation of 1,700,000 shares for issuance under the Incentive Plan. We anticipate such number of shares, when added to our remaining Incentive Plan reserve, will be sufficient to attract and retain key employees through at least the date of our 2016 stockholder meeting. However, should the increase not be approved by stockholders, we could be unable to make sufficient equity awards to executive and non-executive level employees, which would hurt our ability to retain such individuals (and to attract new hires), who are necessary to grow and improve our business and, therefore stockholder value. In addition, Sanmina could in such case be required to provide additional cash compensation in lieu of equity compensation, which would increase our operating expense and reduce our cash.

**Description of the Incentive Plan**

The following is a summary of the principal features of the Incentive Plan. The summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Incentive Plan itself set forth in *Appendix A*.

*General*

The Incentive Plan provides for the grant of the following types of incentive awards:

- Stock options;
- Restricted stock;
- Restricted stock units;
- Stock appreciation rights;
- Performance units (including performance units payable in cash);
- Performance shares; and
- Other stock or cash awards.

Each of these is referred to individually as an "Award." Those eligible for Awards under the Incentive Plan include employees, directors and consultants who provide services to Sanmina and its affiliates. As of September 27, 2014, we had 33,840 full-time employees who were eligible to participate in the Incentive Plan.

*Number of Shares of Common Stock Available Under the Incentive Plan*

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An aggregate of 18,100,000 shares was previously reserved by the Board and approved by the stockholders for issuance under the Incentive Plan. We are requesting stockholders approve an increase of 1,700,000 in the number of shares reserved for issuance under the Incentive Plan. All of such shares may be authorized, but unissued, or reacquired common stock.

All awards other than options and stock appreciation rights count against the share reserve as 1.36 shares for every share of common stock subject to such an Award. To the extent that a share that was subject to an Award that counted as 1.36 shares of common stock against the Incentive Plan reserve is



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returned to the Incentive Plan, the Incentive Plan reserve will be credited with 1.36 shares of common stock that will thereafter be available for issuance under the Incentive Plan.

If an Award expires or becomes unexercisable without having been exercised in full, or, with respect to restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance shares or performance units which are to be settled in shares of common stock, is forfeited to or repurchased by Sanmina, the unpurchased shares of common stock (or for Awards other than options and stock appreciation rights, the forfeited or repurchased shares) will become available for future grant or sale under the Incentive Plan (unless the Incentive Plan has terminated). The following shares of common stock may not again be made available for issuance as Awards under the Incentive Plan: (i) upon exercise of a stock appreciation right settled in shares, the gross number of shares covered by the portion of the Award so exercised and (ii) shares used to pay the exercise price or withholding taxes related to an outstanding Award. Awards paid out in cash rather than shares will not reduce the number of shares available for issuance under the Incentive Plan.

If Sanmina declares a dividend or other distribution or engages in a recapitalization, stock split, reverse stock split, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination, repurchase, or exchange of shares of common stock or other securities of Sanmina, or other change in the corporate structure of Sanmina affecting Sanmina's common stock, the Administrator will adjust the number and class of shares that may be delivered under the Incentive Plan, the number, class, and price of shares covered by each outstanding Award, and the numerical per-person limits on Awards.

*Administration of the Incentive Plan*

The Board, or a committee of directors or of other individuals satisfying applicable laws and appointed by the Board (referred to herein as the "Administrator"), will administer the Incentive Plan. To make grants to certain of Sanmina's officers and key employees, the members of the committee must qualify as "non-employee directors" under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and as "outside directors" under Code Section 162(m) so that Sanmina can receive a federal tax deduction for certain compensation paid under the Incentive Plan. The Board may delegate to one or more officers of Sanmina the authority to grant Awards of options, restricted stock and restricted stock units and the terms thereof, including the number of shares of common stock subject to such Awards, to certain non-officer employees or consultants. However, the Board's resolutions regarding such delegation will specify the total number of shares of common stock that may be subject to Awards granted by such officer. Subject to the terms of the Incentive Plan, the Administrator has the sole discretion to select the employees, consultants, and directors who will receive Awards, determine the terms and conditions of Awards, and to interpret the provisions of the Incentive Plan and outstanding Awards. In addition, the Administrator may not modify or amend an option or stock appreciation right to reduce the exercise price of that Award after it has been granted and neither may the Administrator cancel any outstanding option or stock appreciation right in exchange for cash, other awards or new options or stock appreciation rights with a lower exercise price, unless such action is approved by stockholders in advance.

*Options*

The Administrator is able to grant nonstatutory stock options and incentive stock options under the Incentive Plan. The Administrator determines the number of shares of common stock subject to each option, although the Incentive Plan provides that a participant may not receive options for more than 833,333 shares of common stock in any fiscal year, except in connection with his or her initial service as an employee with Sanmina, in which case he or she may be granted options to purchase up to an additional 833,333 shares of common stock.

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The Administrator determines the exercise price of options granted under the Incentive Plan, provided the exercise price must be at least equal to 100% of the fair market value of Sanmina's common stock on the date of grant. In addition, the exercise price of an incentive stock option granted to any participant who owns more than 10% of the total voting power of all classes of Sanmina's outstanding stock must be at least 110% of the fair market value of the common stock on the grant date.

The term of an option may not exceed ten years, except that, with respect to any participant who owns 10% of the voting power of all classes of Sanmina's outstanding capital stock, the term of an incentive stock option may not exceed five years.

After a termination of service with Sanmina for any reason other than death, a participant will be able to exercise the vested portion of his or her option for the period of time stated in the Award agreement. If no such period of time is stated in the participant's Award agreement, the participant will generally be able to exercise his or her option for (i) three months following his or her termination for reasons other than death or disability, and (ii) five years following his or her termination due to death or disability. In the case of termination of service as a result of death, the participant's beneficiary may exercise the option for shares that were unvested on the date of death. In no event may an option be exercised later than the expiration of its term.

No adjustment will be made for a dividend or other right for which the record date is prior to the date shares are issued upon exercise of an option.

*Stock Appreciation Rights*

The Administrator will be able to grant stock appreciation rights, which are the rights to receive the appreciation in fair market value of common stock between the grant date and the exercise date. Sanmina can pay the appreciation in either cash or shares of common stock or a combination of both. Stock appreciation rights will become exercisable at the times and on the terms established by the Administrator, subject to the terms of the Incentive Plan. The Administrator, subject to the terms of the Incentive Plan, will have complete discretion to determine the terms and conditions of stock appreciation rights granted under the Incentive Plan; provided, however, that the exercise price will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of a share on the date of grant. The term of a stock appreciation right may not exceed ten years. No participant will be granted stock appreciation rights covering more than 833,333 shares of common stock during any fiscal year, except that a participant may be granted stock appreciation rights covering up to an additional 833,333 shares of common stock in connection with his or her initial service as an employee with Sanmina.

After termination of service with Sanmina for any reason other than death, a participant will be able to exercise the vested portion of his or her stock appreciation right for the period of time stated in the Award agreement. If no such period of time is stated in a participant's Award agreement, a participant will generally be able to exercise his or her stock appreciation right for (i) three months following his or her termination for reasons other than death or disability, and (ii) five years following his or her termination due to death or disability. In the case of termination of service as a result of death, the participant's beneficiary may exercise the unvested portion of the stock appreciation right. In no event will a stock appreciation right be exercised later than the expiration of its term.

Participants holding unvested stock appreciation rights shall not be entitled to receive dividends or other distributions in respect of such Awards until the time specified for payout of the stock appreciation rights in the Award Agreement.

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*Restricted Stock*

Awards of restricted stock are rights to acquire or purchase shares of Sanmina's common stock, which vest in accordance with the terms and conditions established by the Administrator in its sole discretion. Grants of restricted stock are typically made without receipt of consideration (other than the recipient's continued service). The Administrator may set restrictions based on the achievement of specific performance goals. Vesting can also be time-based. Until the Administrator determines otherwise, shares of restricted stock will be held by Sanmina as escrow agent until the restrictions lapse. After the grant of restricted stock, the Administrator, in its discretion, may accelerate the time at which any restrictions will lapse or be removed.

The Award agreement will generally grant Sanmina a right to repurchase or reacquire the shares upon the termination of the participant's service with Sanmina for any reason at the cost, if any, paid by the recipient, other than in the case of termination of service as a result of death, in which case all restricted stock shall become fully vested. With respect to restricted stock intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code, no participant will be granted a right to purchase or acquire more than 333,333 shares of restricted stock during any fiscal year, except that a participant may be granted up to an additional 333,333 shares of restricted stock in connection with his or her initial employment with Sanmina.

*Restricted Stock Units*

Awards of restricted stock units result in a payment to a participant only if the vesting criteria the Administrator establishes is satisfied, which may be time-based or based on company or divisional performance. Upon satisfying the applicable vesting criteria, the participant will be entitled to the payout specified in the Award agreement. After the grant of restricted stock units, the Administrator, in its sole discretion, may reduce or waive any vesting criteria that must be met to receive a payout.

The Administrator, in its sole discretion, may provide in the Award agreement that earned restricted stock units shall be paid in cash, shares of common stock, or a combination thereof. Restricted stock units that are fully paid in cash will not reduce the number of shares of common stock available for grant under the Incentive Plan. All unearned restricted stock units will be forfeited to Sanmina in the event of termination of service by the recipient, other than termination of service as a result of death, in which case the Award will become fully vested. With respect to restricted stock units intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code, no participant may be granted more than 333,333 restricted stock units during any fiscal year, except that the participant may be granted up to an additional 333,333 restricted stock units in connection with his or her initial employment with Sanmina.

*Performance Units and Performance Shares*

The Administrator will be able to grant performance units and performance shares, which are Awards that will result in a payment to a participant only if the performance goals or other vesting criteria the Administrator may establish are achieved or the Awards otherwise vest. The Administrator will establish performance goals or other vesting criteria (including, without limitation, continued service to Sanmina) in its discretion, which, depending on the extent to which they are met, will determine the number and/or the value of performance units and performance shares to be paid out to participants. After the grant of performance units or performance shares, the Administrator, in its sole discretion, may reduce or waive any performance objectives or other vesting provisions for such Award.

The Administrator determines the number of performance units and performance shares granted to any participant. With respect to performance units and performance shares intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code, during any fiscal year, no participant will receive more than 333,333 performance shares and no participant will receive

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performance units having an initial value greater than \$5,000,000 except that a participant may be granted performance shares covering up to an additional 333,333 shares of common stock and performance units having an initial value up to an additional \$5,000,000 in connection with his or her initial employment with Sanmina. Performance units will have an initial dollar value established by the Administrator on or before the date of grant. Performance shares are deemed to have an initial value equal to the fair market value of the number of shares of Sanmina's common stock subject to the Award on the grant date.

*Performance Bonus Awards*

The Board's compensation committee ("Compensation Committee") may use the Incentive Plan to provide for cash bonuses intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code and that are payable upon the attainment of performance goals established by the Compensation Committee for a given performance period prior to a determination date. Performance-based awards in the form of cash bonuses granted under the Incentive Plan may not exceed more than \$5,000,000 in any fiscal year.

*Performance Goals*

The granting and/or the vesting of Awards of options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance shares, performance units (including performance units payable in cash), cash bonuses and other incentives under the Incentive Plan may be made subject to the attainment of performance goals relating to one or more business criteria within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code and may provide for a targeted level or levels of achievement of goals relating to: (a) accounts payable days; (b) accounts payable turns; (c) annual revenue; (d) cash collections; (e) cash cycle days; (f) customer satisfaction MBOs; (g) days sales outstanding; (h) earnings per share; (i) free cash flow; (j) gross margin; (k) gross profit; (l) inventory turns; (m) net income; (n) new orders; (o) operating income; (p) pro forma net income; (q) return on designated assets; (r) return on equity; (s) return on sales; and (t) product shipments.

Any performance goals may be used to measure the performance of Sanmina as a whole or a business unit of Sanmina, and may be measured relative to a peer group or index. The performance goals may differ from participant to participant and from Award to Award. The Compensation Committee may provide that partial achievement of performance goals may result in the payment or vesting corresponding to a partial (but not necessarily proportional) portion of an Award. The determination date is the latest possible date that the Compensation Committee can make adjustments to the method of calculating the attainment of performance goals for a performance period without jeopardizing the tax treatment of the award as performance-based. Prior to the determination date, the Compensation Committee is authorized to make adjustments in the method of calculating the attainment of performance goals for a performance period as follows: (i) to exclude restructuring and integration charges (including employee severance and benefits costs and charges related to excess facilities and assets); (ii) to exclude impairment charges for goodwill and intangible assets and amortization expense; (iii) to exclude exchange rate effects, as applicable, for non-U.S. dollar denominated net sales and operating earnings; (iv) to exclude the effects of changes to generally accepted accounting principles required by the Financial Accounting Standards Board; (v) to exclude the effects of any statutory adjustments to corporate tax rates; (vi) to exclude stock-based compensation expense determined under generally accepted accounting principles; (vii) to exclude any other unusual, non-recurring gain or loss or extraordinary item; (viii) to respond to, or in anticipation of, any unusual or extraordinary corporate item, transaction, event or development; (ix) to respond to, or in anticipation of, changes in applicable laws, regulations, accounting principles, or business conditions; (x) to exclude the dilutive effects of acquisitions or joint ventures; (xi) to assume that any business divested by Sanmina achieved performance objectives at targeted levels during the balance of a

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performance period following such divestiture; (xii) to reflect a corporate transaction, such as a merger, consolidation, separation (including a spin-off or other distribution of stock or property by a corporation), or reorganization (whether or not such reorganization comes within the definition of such term in Code Section 368); and (xiii) to reflect any partial or complete corporate liquidation. The Compensation Committee also retains the discretion to reduce or eliminate the compensation or economic benefit due upon attainment of performance goals.

*Terms and Conditions of Awards Intended to Qualify as "Performance-Based Compensation" under Section 162(m)*

The Incentive Plan permits the Compensation Committee to grant "performance-based" Awards to "covered employees," as such terms are defined under Code Section 162(m). Performance-based awards are generally not subject to the cap on the deductibility of compensation paid to covered employees contained in Code Section 162(m). Covered employees are defined as the Chief Executive Officer and the next three most highly compensated executive officers of Sanmina other than the Chief Financial Officer.

If the Compensation Committee grants an Award to a covered employee intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation," certain rules of the Incentive Plan control over any other provisions of the Incentive Plan. To the extent necessary to comply with the requirements of Code Section 162(m), with respect to any Award granted subject to performance goals, within the determination date, the Compensation Committee will, in writing, (a) designate the participants who are covered employees, (b) select the performance goals applicable to the performance period, (c) establish the performance goals, and amounts or methods of computation of such Awards, as applicable which may be earned for such performance period, and (d) specify the relationship between the performance goals and the amounts or methods of computation of such Awards, as applicable, to be earned by each covered employee for such performance period. For purposes of the Incentive Plan, a performance period is the fiscal year of Sanmina or such other period determined by the Administrator.

Following the completion of a performance period, the Compensation Committee must certify whether the applicable performance goals have been achieved for such performance period. In determining amounts earned by a "covered employee," the Compensation Committee will have the right to reduce or eliminate (but not increase) the amount payment at a given level of performance to take into account additional factors that the Compensation Committee may deem relevant to the assessment of individual or corporate performance for the performance period.

Unless otherwise provided in an Award agreement, a "covered employee" must be employed by Sanmina or any affiliate on the day an Award intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" is paid. Further, a "covered employee" will be eligible to receive a payment intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" only if the performance goals for such period are achieved.

*Transferability of Awards*

Awards granted under the Incentive Plan are generally not transferable, and all rights with respect to an Award granted to a participant generally will be available during a participant's lifetime only to the participant. The Administrator may approve certain transfers as specified in the Incentive Plan.

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In the event of a change in control of Sanmina, each outstanding Award will be assumed or an equivalent option or right substituted by the successor corporation or a parent or subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation, or the parent or subsidiary of the successor corporation, does not assume or substitute for the Award, the participant will fully vest in and have the right to exercise all of his or her outstanding options or stock appreciation rights, including shares of common stock as to which such Awards would not otherwise be vested or exercisable, all restrictions on restricted stock will lapse, and, with respect to restricted stock units, performance shares and performance units, all performance goals or other vesting criteria will be deemed achieved at target levels and all other terms and conditions met. In addition, if an option or stock appreciation right becomes fully vested and exercisable in lieu of assumption or substitution in the event of a change of control, the Administrator will notify the participant in writing or electronically that the option or stock appreciation right will be fully vested and exercisable for a period of time determined by the Administrator in its sole discretion, and the option or stock appreciation right will terminate upon the expiration of such period.

*Amendment and Termination of the Incentive Plan*

The Administrator will have the authority to amend, alter, suspend or terminate the Incentive Plan, except that stockholder approval will be required for any amendment to the Incentive Plan to the extent required by any applicable laws. No amendment, alteration, suspension or termination of the Incentive Plan will impair the rights of any participant, unless mutually agreed otherwise between the participant and the Administrator and which agreement must be in writing and signed by the participant and Sanmina. The Incentive Plan will terminate ten years after the date it originally became effective (January 26, 2009), unless the Board terminates it earlier.

**Number of Awards Granted to Employees, Consultants, and Directors**

The number of Awards that an employee, director or consultant may receive under the Incentive Plan is in the discretion of the Administrator and therefore cannot be determined in advance. Therefore, the following table sets forth the aggregate number of shares of common stock subject to stock options and the aggregate number of shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units granted during fiscal 2014 with respect to (i) each of our named executive officers, (ii) all of our executive officers as a group, (iii) our non-executive officer directors as a group, and (iv) all employees other than executive officers as a group:

<b>Name of Individual or Group</b>	<b>Number of Options</b>	<b>Number of Restricted Stock Units</b>	<b>Dollar Value of Restricted Stock Units(1)</b>
Jure Sola, <i>Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer</i>	200,000	200,000	\$ 3,095,000
Robert K. Eulau, <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</i>	50,000	100,000	\$ 1,547,500
Charles F. Kostalnick II, <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Business Officer</i>			\$
Dennis R. Young, <i>Executive Vice President, Worldwide Sales and Marketing</i>	20,000	20,000	\$ 309,500
Alan McW. Reid, <i>Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources</i>	10,000	10,000	\$ 154,750
All executive officers, as a group	280,000	330,000	\$ 5,106,750
All directors who are not executive officers, as a group	71,516	96,177	\$ 1,636,692
All employees who are not executive officers, as a group	296,500	777,550	\$ 13,910,581

- (1) Represent the grant date fair value of restricted stock unit awards, determined in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, *Compensation Stock Compensation ("ASC 718")*.

Table of Contents**Other Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table summarizes the number of shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding options and deliverable upon vesting of restricted stock units granted to our service providers and directors, as well as the number of shares of common stock remaining available for future issuance under Sanmina's equity compensation plans as of September 27, 2014. Sanmina has no stock appreciation rights or other awards outstanding that are convertible into or exchangeable for common stock.

<b>Plan Category</b>	<b>Number of Common Shares to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options and Rights</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options</b>	<b>Number of Common Shares Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans</b>
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders	10,518,712(1)\$	12.90	3,128,926
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders	2,690(2)\$	27.94	
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,521,402</b>	<b>\$ 12.90(3)</b>	<b>3,128,926</b>

- (1) Includes 2,340,888 shares deliverable upon vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Represents options granted under the 2000 Incentive Plan and the 1999 French Plan, the material terms of which are substantially similar to those of the 2009 Incentive Plan which is described beginning on page 15 of this proxy statement.
- (3) Weighted average remaining term of options is 5.3 years.

**Federal Tax Aspects**

The following paragraphs are a summary of the general federal income tax consequences to U.S. taxpayers and Sanmina of Awards granted under the Incentive Plan. Tax consequences for any particular individual may be different.

*Nonstatutory Stock Options.* No taxable income is reportable when a nonstatutory stock option with an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant is granted to a participant. Upon exercise, the participant will recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value (on the exercise date) of the shares of common stock purchased over the exercise price of the option. Any taxable income recognized in connection with an option exercise by an employee of Sanmina is subject to tax withholding by Sanmina. Any additional gain or loss recognized upon any later disposition of the shares of common stock would be capital gain or loss.

*Incentive Stock Options.* No taxable income is reportable when an incentive stock option is granted or exercised (except for purposes of the alternative minimum tax, in which case taxation is the same as for nonstatutory stock options). If the participant exercises the option and then later sells or otherwise disposes of the shares of common stock more than two years after the grant date and more than one year after the exercise date, the difference between the sale price and the exercise price will be taxed as capital gain or loss. If the participant exercises the option and then later sells or otherwise disposes of the shares of common stock before the end of the two- or one-year holding periods described above, he or she generally will have ordinary income at the time of the sale equal to the fair market value of the shares of common stock on the exercise date (or the sale price, if less) minus the exercise price of the option and short-term capital gains equal to the sales price minus the fair market value of the shares on the exercise date.

*Stock Appreciation Rights.* No taxable income is reportable when a stock appreciation right with an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant is granted

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to a participant. Upon exercise, the participant will recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to the amount of cash received and the fair market value of any shares of common stock received. Any additional gain or loss recognized upon any later disposition of the shares of common stock would be capital gain or loss.

*Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, Performance Units and Performance Shares.* A participant generally will not have taxable income at the time an Award of restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance shares or performance units are granted. Instead, he or she will recognize ordinary income in the first taxable year in which his or her interest in the shares underlying the Award becomes either (i) freely transferable, or (ii) no longer subject to substantial risk of forfeiture (generally, when the Award vests). However, the recipient of a restricted stock Award may elect to recognize income at the time he or she receives the Award in an amount equal to the fair market value of the shares of common stock underlying the Award (less any cash paid for the shares) on the date the Award is granted.

*Tax Effect for Sanmina.* Sanmina generally will be entitled to a tax deduction in connection with an Award under the Incentive Plan in an amount equal to the ordinary income realized by a participant and at the time the participant recognizes such income (for example, the exercise of a nonstatutory stock option). Special rules limit the deductibility of compensation paid to Sanmina's Chief Executive Officer and to each of its three most highly compensated executive officers, excluding the Chief Financial Officer. Under Section 162(m) of the Code, the annual compensation paid to any of these specified executives will be deductible only to the extent that it does not exceed \$1,000,000. However, Sanmina can preserve the deductibility of certain compensation in excess of \$1,000,000 if the conditions of Section 162(m) are met. These conditions include stockholder approval of the Incentive Plan, the number of Awards that any individual may receive and, for Awards other than certain stock options, the types of performance criteria on which vesting can depend. The Incentive Plan has been designed to permit the Administrator to grant Awards that qualify as performance-based for purposes of satisfying the conditions of Section 162(m), thereby permitting Sanmina to continue to receive the maximum federal income tax deduction in connection with such Awards.

*Section 409A.* Section 409A of the Code provides that certain non-qualified deferred compensation arrangements must meet certain requirements to avoid additional income taxes for those deferring compensation. These include new requirements with respect to an individual's election to defer compensation and the individual's selection of the timing and form of distribution of the deferred compensation. Section 409A also generally provides that distributions must be made on or following the occurrence of certain events (e.g., the individual's separation from service, a predetermined date, or the individual's death). Section 409A imposes restrictions on an individual's ability to change his or her distribution timing or form after the compensation has been deferred. For certain individuals who are officers, Section 409A requires that such individual's distribution commence no earlier than six months after such officer's separation from service.

Awards granted under the Incentive Plan with a deferral feature will be subject to the requirements of Section 409A. If an Award is subject to and fails to satisfy the requirements of Section 409A, the recipient of that Award will recognize ordinary income on the amounts deferred under the Award, to the extent vested, which may be prior to when the compensation is actually or constructively received. Also, if an Award that is subject to Section 409A fails to comply with Section 409A's provisions, Section 409A imposes an additional 20% federal income tax on compensation recognized as ordinary income, as well as possible interest charges and penalties. Certain states have enacted laws similar to Section 409A which impose additional taxes, interest and penalties on non-qualified deferred compensation arrangements. Sanmina will also have withholding and reporting requirements with respect to such amounts.



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**THE FOREGOING IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE EFFECT OF FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION UPON PARTICIPANTS AND SANMINA WITH RESPECT TO THE GRANT AND EXERCISE OF AWARDS UNDER THE INCENTIVE PLAN. IT DOES NOT PURPORT TO BE COMPLETE, AND DOES NOT DISCUSS THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF A PARTICIPANT'S DEATH OR THE PROVISIONS OF THE INCOME TAX LAWS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY, STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY IN WHICH THE PARTICIPANT MAY RESIDE.**

**Vote Required; Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes duly cast is required to approve the reservation of 1,700,000 shares for issuance under the Incentive Plan. Abstentions are deemed to be votes cast and have the same effect as a vote against this proposal. However, broker non-votes are not deemed to be votes cast and, therefore, have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS VOTING "FOR" THE RESERVATION OF AN ADDITIONAL 1,700,000 SHARES FOR ISSUANCE UNDER THE INCENTIVE PLAN.**

**PROPOSAL FOUR:  
APPROVAL, ON AN ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) BASIS, OF COMPENSATION OF  
NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, or the Dodd-Frank Act, requires that we provide our stockholders an opportunity to vote to approve, on an advisory or non-binding basis, the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this proxy statement in accordance with the SEC's rules. This proposal, commonly known as a "say-on-pay" proposal, gives our stockholders the opportunity to express their views on our named executive officers' compensation as a whole. This vote is not intended to address any specific item of compensation or any specific named executive officer, but rather the overall compensation of all of our named executive officers and the philosophy, policies and practices described in this proxy statement.

The say-on-pay vote is advisory, and therefore not binding on us, the Compensation Committee or our Board of Directors. However, our Board of Directors and our Compensation Committee value the opinions of our stockholders and to the extent there is any significant vote against the named executive officer compensation as disclosed in our proxy statement, we will consider our stockholders' concerns and the Compensation Committee will evaluate whether any actions are necessary to address those concerns.

As described under the heading "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," our executive compensation programs are designed to reward executives for improvement in our financial results and shareholder value and to provide alignment between the interests of executives and our stockholders.

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" on page 31, the tabular disclosure regarding such compensation and the accompanying narrative disclosure set forth in this proxy statement for additional details about our executive compensation programs, including information about the fiscal 2014 compensation of our named executive officers.

Accordingly, our Board of Directors is asking our stockholders to cast a non-binding advisory vote "FOR" the following resolution at the annual meeting:

"RESOLVED, that the Company's stockholders approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed in the Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the 2014 Summary Compensation Table and other related tables and disclosure."

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**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THE APPROVAL OF THE COMPENSATION FOR OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.**

**CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Sanmina has long upheld a set of basic beliefs to guide its actions. Among those beliefs is the responsibility to conduct business with the highest standards of ethical behavior when relating to customers, suppliers, employees and investors. Accordingly, we have implemented governance policies and practices which we believe meet or exceed regulatory standards and which reflect current corporate governance best practices.

**Corporate Governance Guidelines**

Sanmina has adopted a set of Corporate Governance Guidelines that are intended to serve, among other things, as a charter for the full Board. These guidelines contain various provisions relating to the operation of the Board and set forth the Board's policies regarding various matters. The guidelines can be found on our website at

[http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IROL/69/69249/corp%20gov%20guidelines%20final%20090913.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IROL/69/69249/corp%20gov%20guidelines%20final%20090913.pdf).

**Code of Business Conduct and Ethics**

Sanmina has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "Code") that includes a conflict of interest policy and applies to the Board and all officers and employees. Sanmina provides training to familiarize employees with the requirements of the Code. An ethics reporting resource is available to all employees to enable confidential and anonymous reporting of questionable practices, as well as to the Chairs of the Audit Committee and the Nominating and Governance Committee, if desired. The Code can be found on our website at

[http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IROL/69/69249/CODE%20OF%20BUS%20CONDUCT%20&%20ETHICS%20\(ENG\)%20\(Rev%20071913%20FINAL\).pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IROL/69/69249/CODE%20OF%20BUS%20CONDUCT%20&%20ETHICS%20(ENG)%20(Rev%20071913%20FINAL).pdf).

**Independent Directors**

The Board of Directors has determined that all of the non-employee members of the Board satisfy the definition of independence under applicable Nasdaq rules. There are no family relationships among our directors or executive officers. The non-management directors regularly meet in executive session, without members of management, as part of the normal agenda of our regularly scheduled board meetings.

**Lead Independent Director**

The Board has appointed director Wayne Shortridge to serve as lead independent director. His duties in that capacity include: serving as the principal contact between the independent directors and the Chairman of the Board; assisting the Chairman of the Board in establishing the agenda for Board meetings; recommending the retention of outside advisors and consultants; and monitoring the quality, quantity and timeliness of information sent to the Board. The charter for the lead independent director can be found on our website at

[http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IROL/69/69249/SANMINA\\_-\\_Corporate\\_Governance\\_Charter\\_of\\_Lead\\_Independent\\_Director.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IROL/69/69249/SANMINA_-_Corporate_Governance_Charter_of_Lead_Independent_Director.pdf).

**Board Meetings**

The Board held six meetings during fiscal 2014. No director attended fewer than 75 percent of the meetings of the Board or of committees on which such person served.

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**Board Committees**

The Board currently maintains three standing committees: an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, and a Nominating and Governance Committee.

*Audit Committee*

Since December 2013, the Audit Committee consisted of directors Eugene A. Delaney, John P. Goldsberry, Joseph G. Licata, Jr. and Wayne Shortridge, each of whom is "independent" as that term is defined for Audit Committee members by the Nasdaq listing standards. Mr. Goldsberry served as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and meets the definition of "audit committee financial expert" as defined by the SEC. Effective as of the date of the Annual Meeting, the Audit Committee will continue to be comprised of directors Eugene A. Delaney, John P. Goldsberry, Joseph G. Licata, Jr. and Wayne Shortridge, with Mr. Goldsberry continuing as Chair.

The Audit Committee reviews and monitors our corporate financial reporting and external audit, including, among other things, our control functions, the results and scope of the annual audit and other services provided by our independent registered public accountants and our compliance with legal matters that have a significant impact on our financial reports. The Audit Committee has established policies that are consistent with regulatory reforms related to auditor independence, and also reviews and monitors our internal audit function, reviews related party transactions and receives regular reports from the internal audit department. In addition, the Audit Committee is responsible for approving the appointment of our independent auditors. Finally, the Audit Committee oversees certain risks relating to the preparation of our financial statements, investment policies and casualty risk insurance policies. The Audit Committee held nine formal meetings during fiscal 2014. The Annual Report of the Audit Committee appears in this proxy statement under the caption "Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors."

The Audit Committee has adopted a written charter approved by the Board, a copy of which is available at our website at [http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IROL/69/69249/audit.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IROL/69/69249/audit.pdf).

*Compensation Committee*

During fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee consisted of directors Neil R. Bonke, Joseph G. Licata, Jr., Wayne Shortridge and Jackie M. Ward. Mr. Shortridge served as the Chairman of the Compensation Committee. Each such member of the Committee is an "independent director" and satisfies the requirements for compensation committee membership under the Nasdaq listing requirements and is a "non-employee director" under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Effective as of the date of the Annual Meeting, the Compensation Committee will continue to be comprised of directors Neil R. Bonke, Joseph G. Licata, Jr., Wayne Shortridge and Jackie M. Ward, with Mr. Shortridge continuing as Chair.

The Compensation Committee reviews and approves the salaries and equity, incentive and other compensation of our executive officers. The Committee also approves the terms of our annual bonus program, monitors our global compensation policies and practices and serves as the administrator under our equity compensation plans. Finally, the Compensation Committee assists in the oversight of our risk management practices and policies insofar as they are impacted by our bonus and equity compensation plans and practices. The Compensation Committee held eight meetings during fiscal 2014.

The Compensation Committee has adopted a written charter approved by the Board, a copy of which is available at our website at [http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IROL/69/69249/Comp%20comm%20charter%20final%20090913.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IROL/69/69249/Comp%20comm%20charter%20final%20090913.pdf).

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*Nominating and Governance Committee*

Since 2013, the Nominating and Governance Committee consisted of directors Michael J. Clarke, Wayne Shortridge and Jackie M. Ward, each of whom is "independent" as that term is defined by the Nasdaq listing standards. Ms. Ward served as the Chairman of the Nominating and Governance Committee. Effective as of the date of the Annual Meeting, the Nominating and Governance Committee will continue to be comprised of Michael J. Clarke, Wayne Shortridge and Jackie M. Ward, with Ms. Ward continuing as Chair.

The Nominating and Governance Committee is responsible for evaluating the size and structure of the Board and its committees, determining the appropriate qualifications for directors and nominating candidates for election to the Board. The Nominating and Governance Committee also develops overall governance guidelines for the Board, conducts an annual Board and committee evaluation, considers stockholder proposals for action at stockholder meetings, including stockholder nominees for director and reviews our management succession planning process. Finally, the Nominating and Governance Committee reviews and recommends all equity and cash compensation payable to non-employee members of the Board. The Nominating and Governance Committee held four meetings during fiscal 2014.

The Nominating and Governance Committee has adopted a written charter approved by the Board, a copy of which is available at our website at

[http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/IRO/69/69249/NGC%20charter%20final%20090913.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/IRO/69/69249/NGC%20charter%20final%20090913.pdf).

**Leadership Structure**

Each year, Sanmina's Board selects a Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. The Chairman of the Board is responsible for helping establish Sanmina's strategic priorities, presiding over Board meetings and communicating the Board's guidance to management. The Chief Executive Officer, on the other hand, is responsible for the day-to-day management of our operations and business and reports directly to the Board.

During fiscal 2014, the roles of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer were both held by Jure Sola. Mr. Sola has been with Sanmina for more than 30 years, which has given him a unique understanding of the electronics manufacturing industry, market trends and Sanmina's strategic position, strengths and weaknesses, as well as its day-to-day operational details. The Board believes that these attributes make Mr. Sola uniquely qualified to serve in both positions and helps the Board and management operate in an efficient and effective manner.

The Board has also appointed Wayne Shortridge as Lead Independent Director, a role that he has held since 2006. In this capacity, Mr. Shortridge serves as the principal contact between the independent directors and the Chairman, assists the Chairman of the Board in establishing the agenda for Board meetings, recommending the retention of outside advisors and consultants and monitoring the quality, quantity and timeliness of information sent to the Board. The Board believes that the position of Lead Independent Director allows the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer to focus on strategic, industry and operational level issues, while helping ensure the Board maintains and adopts corporate governance best practices.

Although the Board currently believes that this leadership structure is currently in the best interests of Sanmina and its stockholders, the Board will, from time to time, reevaluate whether to select a non-executive Chairman in the future.

**Role of the Board of Directors in Risk Management Practices and Policies**

Under Sanmina's risk management practices and policies, Sanmina's management has primary responsibility for the development and implementation of risk management strategies, with oversight by the Board and its committees. As part of this oversight, the Board and its Committees regularly receive

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presentations from management concerning enterprise-level risks that could have a significant adverse impact on Sanmina's business and operations. This process permits the Board and its Committees to provide guidance to management in scoping and managing each of the company's enterprise risk areas.

**Stock Ownership Guidelines**

In order to better align the interests of our Board and executive officers with those of our stockholders, we have adopted stock ownership guidelines. Under these guidelines, Board members must acquire and hold Company shares with a dollar value of at least four times the amount of the cash retainer for Board service within three years of becoming a director. Shares counted towards satisfaction of the guideline include shares held through our non-management director deferred compensation plan, shares issued upon vesting or exercise of restricted stock units or stock options issued to directors and shares purchased on the open market, if any. All of our directors currently meet this standard or are in the initial three year period to achieve compliance. For executive officers, the guidelines provide that such officers should hold equity with a value equal to a specified multiple of their base salary, as follows: Chief Executive Officer: four times; Chief Financial Officer: three times; and other executive officers: one and one half times. Covered officers have until November 2016 or five years from commencement of their service as executive officers, whichever is later, to reach their recommended equity position. The equity counted towards achievement of the executive ownership guidelines includes shares owned outright, shares deemed to be beneficially owned under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and shares underlying unvested time-based restricted stock units. All of our current named executive officers meet this guideline.

**Attendance at Annual Meeting of Stockholders by the Board of Directors**

Sanmina encourages, but does not require, its Board members to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Our annual meetings of stockholders typically coincide with a regular Board meeting date, which facilitates the attendance of Board members at the stockholder meetings. All nine directors who stood for reelection at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders attended such meeting.

**Contacting the Board of Directors**

Our Board welcomes the submission of any comments or concerns from stockholders. If you wish to submit any comments or express any concerns to the Board, please send them to the Board, c/o Sanmina Corporation, Attention: Corporate Secretary, 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134. If a communication does not relate in any way to matters of the Board, our Corporate Secretary will handle the communication as appropriate. If the communication does relate to the Board, the Corporate Secretary will forward the message to the Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee, who will determine whether to inform the entire Board or the non-management directors.

**Stockholder Proposals and Nominations to the Board**

Stockholders may submit proposals for inclusion in our proxy statement and may recommend candidates for election to the Board, both of which shall be considered by the Nominating and Governance Committee. Stockholders should send such proposals to Nominating and Governance Committee, c/o Sanmina Corporation, Attention: Corporate Secretary, 30 E. Plumeria Drive, San Jose, California 95134.

Any stockholder submitting the name of a candidate for election to the Board must include all of the following information with their request:

The candidate's name, age, business address and residence address;

The candidate's principal occupation or employment;

The class and number of shares of Sanmina that are beneficially owned by the candidate;

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Whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of the candidate with respect to any securities of Sanmina, or whether any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares) has been made, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to or manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of the candidate;

A description of all arrangements or understandings between the stockholder and each candidate and any other person or persons (naming such person or persons) pursuant to which the nominations are to be made by the stockholder;

Any other information relating to the candidate that would be required to be disclosed about such candidate if proxies were being solicited for the election of the candidate as a director, or that is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (including without limitation the candidate's written consent to being named in the proxy statement, if any, as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected); and

A statement whether such person, if elected, intends to tender, promptly following such person's election or re-election, an irrevocable resignation effective upon such person's failure to receive the required vote for re-election at the next meeting at which such person would face re-election and upon acceptance of such resignation by the Board, in accordance with Sanmina's Corporate Governance Guidelines.

For all other matters that a stockholder proposes to bring before the Annual Meeting, the notice must set forth:

A brief description of the business intended to be brought before the Annual Meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the Annual Meeting;

The name and address, as they appear on our books, of the stockholder proposing the business, and any beneficial owner on whose behalf the stockholder is proposing the business or proposing a director nomination and any person controlling, directly or indirectly, or acting in concert with, the stockholder or beneficial owner (a "Stockholder Associated Person");

The class and number of shares of Sanmina that are held of record or are beneficially owned by the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person and any derivative positions held or beneficially held by the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person;

Whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to any securities of Sanmina, or whether any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares) has been made, the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to or manage risk or benefit from share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of, the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to any securities of Sanmina;

Any material interest of the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person in the business intended to be brought before the Annual Meeting; and

A statement whether either the stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person will deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of Sanmina's voting shares required under applicable law to carry the proposal.

Stockholders must comply with certain deadlines in order for proposals submitted by them be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement or brought to a vote at the Annual Meeting. Please see "**Q18 What is the deadline to propose actions for consideration at next**

year's Annual Meeting of Stockholders or to nominate individuals to serve as directors?" above.

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**Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

None of the members of the Compensation Committee are employees of Sanmina. During fiscal 2014, no executive officer of Sanmina (i) served as a member of the compensation committee (or other board committee performing similar functions or, in the absence of any such committee, the board of directors) of another entity, one of whose executive officers served on Sanmina's Compensation Committee, (ii) served as a director of another entity, one of whose executive officers served on Sanmina's Compensation Committee, or (iii) served as a member of the compensation committee (or other board committee performing similar functions or, in the absence of any such committee, the board of directors) of another entity, one of whose executive officers served as a director of Sanmina.



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**COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

**2014 Compensation Highlights**

Management continued to emphasize sustainable and profitable growth during fiscal 2014, achieving a fifth consecutive year of profitability for our company despite an uncertain and challenging economic environment. Management's efforts led to increases in stockholder value in a number of areas, including the following:

Generating more than \$300 million in operating cash flow in fiscal 2014, Sanmina's fourth consecutive year of generating more than \$200 million in annual operating cash flow;

Generating a return on invested capital of 18.3% (non-GAAP(1)) in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, significantly in excess of Sanmina's cost of capital;

Returning \$75 million to stockholders in the form of stock repurchases;

Further improving Sanmina's capital structure by redeeming or calling for redemption approximately \$136 million of long-term debt, favorably refinancing certain long-term debt and achieving a gross leverage ratio of 1.7 as of the end of fiscal 2014; and

Increasing fiscal 2014 non-GAAP earnings per share by \$0.55 per share, or approximately 38%, from fiscal 2013.

These actions helped drive a stock price increase of 23% during fiscal 2014.

Incentive cash and equity compensation rose in fiscal 2014 as a result of these and other improvements in the business. However, executive pay remains well aligned with corporate performance and stockholder returns and our pay-for-performance philosophy, as shown by the following:

Base salaries of our executive officers remained flat during fiscal 2014;

More than three quarters of the equity awards granted to the named executive officers as a group and all of the grants made to the Chief Executive Officer during fiscal 2014 vest only upon achievement of specified company or stock price performance goals;

Total compensation was heavily weighted towards incentive cash compensation and equity awards that will perform only if Sanmina's financial and stock price performance continues to improve, with more than 60% of named executive officers' compensation, measured at target, being at risk.

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The table below summarizes our performance during the past three fiscal years compared to our named executive officers' compensation during that period.

The table below shows the composition of the total target compensation payable to our Chief Executive Officer and our named executive officers as a group during fiscal 2014.

(1)

Non-GAAP measures exclude the impact of stock-based compensation expenses, restructuring costs, integration costs, asset impairment charges, intangible asset amortization expense and other infrequent or unusual items (including, when applicable, charges associated with distressed customers, litigation settlements, gains and losses on sales of assets and redemptions of debt and discrete tax events), to the extent material or which Sanmina considers to be of a non-operational nature in the applicable period.

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Throughout this Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the individuals who served as Sanmina's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer during fiscal 2014, as well as the other individuals included in the "Summary Compensation Table" in the Proxy Statement, are referred to as the "named executive officers."

**Response to Last Year's Say on Pay Vote**

At last year's annual meeting of stockholders held in March 2014, stockholders representing approximately 98% of the votes cast on the matter approved the compensation of the named executive officers on an advisory basis. Although the fiscal 2014 Corporate Bonus Plan and fiscal 2014 equity grants had already been approved at the time of the stockholder vote, the Committee did take such vote into consideration in its planning for fiscal 2015 executive compensation.

**Sanmina's Compensation Philosophy**

Sanmina's pay-for-performance compensation program is focused on achieving Sanmina's financial goals, which are key to increasing long-term stockholder value. Our program is designed to reward executives based upon overall financial results and individual performance and to create a direct link between long-term financial performance and individual rewards. With its underlying focus on increasing stockholder value, Sanmina's compensation system is aimed strategically at aligning the interests of executives and stockholders.

The program aims to advance Sanmina's financial performance and stockholder value by compensating executives for improvements in the financial metrics that Sanmina believes are most likely to drive increases in stockholder value. In furtherance of this strategy, a significant portion of executives' compensation is at risk, subject to the achievement of specific performance targets. Sanmina's program also aims to incentivize executives to cause Sanmina to achieve financial performance metrics that further the Company's strategic and tactical goals.

**Role and Authority of Sanmina's Compensation Committee**

The Compensation Committee of Sanmina's Board:

oversees Sanmina's overall compensation policies, plans and benefit programs;

reviews and approves the performance targets for Sanmina's annual incentive compensation programs;

designs and administers Sanmina's equity compensation plans; and

reviews and approves the compensation of each of Sanmina's executive officers, including the amount of base salary, incentive compensation and equity compensation payable, including any performance criteria for the vesting of such equity.

In performing its duties, the Committee considers the need to offer compensation packages that are comparable to those offered by companies competing with us for executive talent. Therefore, the Committee conducts an annual review of Sanmina's compensation programs. Should the review show that an executive is non-competitive relative to Sanmina's peers, the Committee will consider an adjustment in the executive's compensation package in order to better ensure his or her retention. The Committee also considers the relationship of the Chief Executive Officer's compensation to that of the other named executive officers as a general guideline in determining executive compensation.

The Committee meets in person at least quarterly each year. In addition, the Committee meets in person early in each fiscal year to review target compensation levels for Sanmina's executive officers, to approve the annual incentive compensation plan for such fiscal year, to grant equity awards for such

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fiscal year and to approve executive officer incentive compensation for the previous fiscal year per the plan approved in such year.

**Role of Executive Officers in Compensation Decisions**

Sanmina's Chief Executive Officer and Executive Vice President of Global Human Resources regularly attend the Committee's meetings, but are excused, as appropriate, when certain matters of executive compensation are discussed. In addition, the Chief Executive Officer makes recommendations to the Committee with respect to the compensation payable to the named executive officers (other than himself) and other employees. However, the Committee is not bound by the Chief Executive Officer's recommendations and makes all decisions with respect to the Chief Executive Officer's compensation without him being present during those discussions.

**Role and Independence of Compensation Consultant**

The Committee retained Compensia, Inc., an executive compensation consulting firm, to provide advice on executive pay issues. During fiscal 2014, the Committee directed Compensia to review for accuracy and completeness the analysis of peer company compensation data and materials provided by management to the Committee, to provide the Committee with information regarding compensation trends generally, as well as industry specific compensation trends, and to answer questions the Committee posed regarding compensation issues. The Committee has engaged Compensia to conduct a similar review of Sanmina's executive compensation program for fiscal 2015.

Sanmina is required to disclose whether the work of its compensation consultant raises any conflict of interest issues and, if so, the nature of the conflict and how the conflict was addressed. The Committee does not believe the retention of Compensia to advise it concerning executive compensation matters creates a conflict of interest. The Committee's belief in this regard is informed by the following:

According to Compensia, revenue from Sanmina represented less than 1% of Compensia's total revenue for fiscal 2014;

Compensia has adopted and disclosed to the Committee its conflicts of interest policy concerning client engagements and the Committee believes such policy provides reasonable assurance that conflicts of interest with Compensia will not arise;

There are no business or personal relationships between Compensia and any member of the Committee; and

Compensia has represented to the Committee that, per its conflicts of interest policy, no Compensia employee is a stockholder of Sanmina.

In addition, Compensia reported solely to the Committee, Sanmina's management was not involved in the negotiation of fees charged by Compensia or in the determination of the scope of work performed by Compensia and the Committee has the sole authority to hire and terminate compensation consultants. As a result of the foregoing, the Committee believes that Compensia is independent of Sanmina.

**Review of Peer Group Data**

In making compensation decisions for fiscal 2014, the Committee examined competitive market practices for base salary, incentive compensation and equity compensation awards of global, diversified electronics manufacturing services companies and high-technology product manufacturing companies of comparable revenue. The Committee included these types of companies in the peer group because, like Sanmina, they have numerous, geographically dispersed manufacturing operations and design,

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manufacture, assemble and sell complex, highly engineered products and components. Data on compensation practices of peer group companies generally was gathered through publicly available information. The Committee also considered data from third-party surveys, which are reported on an aggregate, not individual company, basis. The peer group companies considered by the Committee in determining named executive officer compensation for fiscal 2014 are listed below:

Advanced Micro Devices

Applied Materials, Inc.

Benchmark Electronics, Inc.

Celestica Inc.

Emerson Electric Co.

Flextronics International Ltd.

Jabil Circuit, Inc.

Lexmark International

Molex

NCR

Plexus Corp.

Seagate Technology

TTM Technologies, Inc.

Viasystems Group Inc.

Western Digital

**Components of Compensation**

Sanmina's named executive officer compensation program consists of three main elements:

Base salary;

Incentive cash, or bonus, compensation; and

Equity compensation in the form of stock options and full value awards consisting of time and performance-based restricted stock units.

The Committee selected these components because it believes each is necessary to help us attract, develop and retain executive talent. These components also allow us to reward performance throughout the fiscal year and to provide an incentive for executives to appropriately focus on both the annual and long- term financial performance of Sanmina.

**Base Salary**

Base salary compensates named executive officers for their services rendered on a day-to-day basis. The Committee typically reviews the appropriateness of the named executive officers' base salary between September and December of each year. The Committee primarily considers individual performance, experience level, changes in individual roles and responsibilities during the year and competitive compensation data in determining appropriate base salary levels for individual named executive officers.

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At meetings held in September, November and December of 2013, the Committee reviewed the base salary of each of the named executive officers against the base salaries of similarly situated executive officers of the peer group. No changes were made to named executive officer base salaries for fiscal 2014 as a result of this review as such salaries were seen by the Committee to be competitive.

**Incentive Compensation***Approval of Fiscal 2014 Corporate Bonus Plan*

In December 2013, the Committee approved the Sanmina Fiscal 2014 Corporate Bonus Plan (the "2014 Plan"). The 2014 Plan contains the fiscal 2014 compensation targets, expressed as a percentage of salary, for the named executive officers. The 2014 Plan also contains targets for Sanmina's revenue, non-GAAP operating margin, cash flow, inventory turns and non-GAAP return on invested capital for fiscal 2014. Under the 2014 Plan, Sanmina's performance for fiscal 2014 was measured against these targets, resulting in a corporate performance factor used in determining named executive officer bonuses for the year, as described in "*Determination of Fiscal 2014 Corporate Performance Factor*," below. No bonus would be payable under the 2014 Plan unless Sanmina achieved a minimum level of performance for revenue and non-GAAP operating margin. Each 2014 Plan participant's actual incentive compensation for fiscal 2014 would be determined by reference to his or her target incentive compensation, Sanmina's achievement against its targets and, if applicable, achievement of the participant's individual/divisional performance goals for fiscal 2014. In the case of the named executive officers other than the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Business Officer, incentive cash payments were capped at 100% of such executives' base salary. In the case of Chief Business Officer, incentive cash payments for fiscal 2014 were capped at 80% of such executive's base salary.

The Committee chose the financial measures contained in the 2014 Plan because they are all measures used to assess the financial performance and condition of the business and ones that are frequently communicated to stockholders. The Committee approved the targets contained in the 2014 Plan based primarily upon forecasts for fiscal 2014 financial performance, the Committee's view of the likelihood of underachievement or overachievement of the targets and the competitiveness of total cash compensation that would be paid to executives compared to peer companies if the plan funded at target levels. At the time it approved the 2014 Plan in December 2013, the Committee believed that achievement of the targeted level of performance under the 2014 Plan would be moderately difficult based upon industry-wide conditions and Sanmina's internal forecasts at the time.

*Determination of Fiscal 2014 Corporate Performance Factor*

For fiscal 2014, the corporate performance factor was 170%. This figure was determined in reference to actual revenue and non-GAAP operating margin for fiscal 2014 and adjusted for the levels of non-GAAP operating margin exiting the fourth quarter, cash flow from operations and non-GAAP return on invested capital, as shown below:

**Base Corporate Performance Factor**

<b>Performance Metric</b>	<b>Minimum Target</b>	<b>Actual Performance</b>	<b>Corporate Performance Factor Yielded</b>
Fiscal 2014 Revenue	\$5.5 billion	\$6.2 billion	
Fiscal 2014 non-GAAP operating margin	2.8%	3.8%	<b>110%</b>



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<b>Performance Metric</b>	<b>Threshold</b>	<b>Actual Performance</b>	<b>Amount of Addition in respect of Actual Performance</b>
Non-GAAP operating margin exiting Q4	Greater than or equal to 4.0%	4.2%	<b>20%</b>
Cash flow from operations	Greater than or equal to \$170 million	\$309 million	<b>20%</b>
Non-GAAP return on invested capital exiting Q4	Greater than or equal to 15.5%	18.9%	<b>20%</b>
<b>Fiscal 2014 Corporate Performance Factor, adjusted as set forth above</b>			<b>170%</b>
<b><i>Determination of Named Executive Officer Incentive Compensation under 2014 Plan</i></b>			

For fiscal 2014, each named executive officer's incentive compensation was determined by applying the dollar amount of his target incentive compensation to the corporate performance factor yielded by the 2014 Plan and adjusting for individual performance, if applicable, as shown below:

<b>Name and Position of Named Executive Officer</b>	<b>Base Salary (A)</b>	<b>Target Incentive Compensation Percentage (B)</b>	<b>Actual Incentive Compensation (A) × (B) × 170%, as adjusted, if applicable(1)</b>
Jure Sola, <i>Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer</i>	\$ 900,000	150%	\$ 2,295,000
Robert K. Eulau, <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</i>	\$ 510,000	100%	\$ 867,000
Charles F. Kostalnick II, <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Business Officer</i>	\$ 400,000	80%	\$ 280,000
Dennis R. Young, <i>Executive Vice President, Worldwide Sales and Marketing</i>	\$ 350,000	75%	\$ 245,000
Alan McW. Reid, <i>Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources</i>	\$ 290,000	75%	\$ 261,000

- (1) In the case of the Chief Executive Officer, whose bonus compensation was determined only in reference to corporate financial performance, fiscal 2014 bonus compensation was calculated entirely based upon the formula described in the table above. In the case of the other named executive officers, fiscal 2014 bonus compensation was determined in reference to both corporate financial performance and the extent of achievement of individual/divisional performance goals.

**Long-Term Equity-Based Incentive Awards**

Sanmina provides long-term incentive compensation through awards of stock options and full value awards. The purpose of equity compensation is to provide, when base and incentive cash compensation are also considered, substantially comparable compensation packages for the key financial, operational and executive managers who are also recruited by other manufacturing and high technology companies, particularly in Silicon Valley where Sanmina's headquarters is located. In addition, Sanmina's equity compensation program also encourages Sanmina's named executive officers to remain employed with

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Sanmina for a substantial period because unvested awards are forfeited upon termination of employment, except as provided in the Change-in-Control plan as outlined below.

Sanmina grants equity awards to its named executive officers under the 2009 Incentive Plan. Grants approved by the Committee become effective and, for stock options, are priced at the fair market value of Sanmina's common stock, in each case, as of a predetermined future effective grant date in accordance with Sanmina's Equity Award Administration Policy. The amount and type of equity granted to the named executive officers by the Committee during fiscal 2014 was made on a discretionary basis, taking into account the value of unvested full-value awards and outstanding stock options, including the extent to which any outstanding options are "out-of-the-money."

Since fiscal 2012, Sanmina's practice has been to subject a substantial part of executive equity awards to performance-based vesting conditions tied to the achievement of certain financial or stock price metrics. In this way, Sanmina's equity compensation program is intended to better align the interests of Sanmina's named executive officers with those of Sanmina's stockholders by creating an incentive for Sanmina's named executive officers to help maximize stockholder value.

In fiscal 2014, the Committee granted both time and performance-based stock options and restricted stock units, reflecting its belief that a mix of both time and performance-based awards can aid in long-term retention of executives while providing incentive to take specific actions (such as revenue growth and improving profitability and cash flow) to increase stockholder value. In furtherance of this philosophy, none of the equity awards granted to the Chief Executive Officer during fiscal 2014 vest unless certain financial metrics and stock price targets are achieved within a specified time period. In the case of the other named executive officers, half of the restricted stock units granted to them during fiscal 2014, representing 30% of the total number of shares subject to stock options and restricted stock units awarded to this group, will vest only if certain financial criteria are met within a specified time period.

**Change-in-Control and Severance Arrangements**

In order to continue to attract and retain key employees and to provide incentive for their continued service in case of an acquisition of Sanmina, the Committee approved a change-in-control plan in December 2009 to provide benefits to such employees, including the named executive officers, in the event that their employment terminates under certain circumstances following a change-in-control of Sanmina. These benefits are comprised of (1) payment, in a lump sum, of one to two times base salary and one times target incentive compensation for the year, (2) acceleration in full of all unvested stock options and restricted stock held by the employee and (3) payment, in a lump sum, of premiums for continued health insurance coverage for a period of 18 months. A change-in-control is defined as an acquisition, in a merger or otherwise, of more than 50% of the voting power of Sanmina, a sale of substantially all of the assets of Sanmina or a change in a majority of the Board other than upon recommendation of the incumbent Board. The plan does not provide for a tax gross-up for any of the benefits payable thereunder. In addition, the plan does not provide benefits unless the employee is terminated without cause, or terminates for good reason, within a specified period of time following a change-in-control, as such terms are defined in the plan. The Committee believes that such plan will help Sanmina's key employees maintain continued focus and dedication to their assigned duties to maximize stockholder value if there is a change-in-control. The Committee also believes the benefits provided by the plan are comparable to those offered by peer group companies based upon benchmarking exercises performed at the direction of the Committee. Among the factors considered by the Committee were the multiple of base salary and incentive compensation used by peer companies to calculate severance benefits and the Committee's assessment of the extent to which such benefits would motivate named executive officers to remain with Sanmina.

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**Other Benefits**

In addition to the base, bonus and equity compensation discussed above, Sanmina provides Sanmina's named executive officers with some additional benefits that the Committee has determined are necessary to attract and retain key talent, which include:

Health insurance, as generally available to U.S. employees;

Optional participation in Sanmina's 401(k) plan, as generally available to all U.S. employees;

Supplemental life insurance;

Optional participation in a non-qualified executive deferred compensation plan that permits executives to defer receipt of part or all of their base salary and incentive compensation to a future date; and

Executive group travel accident insurance.

Sanmina does not provide the following types of perquisites to named executive officers:

Personal use of corporate assets;

Executive pension plans;

Sanmina-funded deferred compensation programs; or

Sanmina-funded housing (except on a temporary basis in cases of relocation).

**Policy Regarding Executive Repayment of Compensation Following Misconduct**

Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 requires that if misconduct results in a material non-compliance with SEC financial reporting requirements, and as a result of such non-compliance Sanmina is required to restate its financial statements, then the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer must disgorge any incentive compensation received during the 12-month period following the filing of the non-compliant report and profits on the sale of Sanmina stock during such period.

In order to better align itself with corporate governance practices in this area, the Board of Directors has adopted a policy for reimbursement of incentive cash payments received by all executive officers under certain circumstances. This policy supplements, but does not replace, the reimbursement requirements of Section 304 discussed above. Under this policy, Sanmina shall seek reimbursement of all bonus compensation paid to any executive officer during the 12 month period following the filing with the SEC of financial results required to be restated as a result of such executive's intentional violation of SEC rules or Sanmina policy.

**Policy Regarding Tax Deduction for Compensation under Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m)**

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") limits Sanmina's tax deduction to \$1 million for compensation paid to certain executive officers named in the Proxy Statement unless the compensation is performance-based. Sanmina's 2009 Incentive Plan permits Sanmina to grant performance-based awards that are intended to be exempt from the IRC limit on deductibility. The Committee believes it is desirable for Sanmina to preserve the full tax deduction for compensation paid to executive officers. However, Sanmina may determine, for business reasons, employee retention or other reasons, to provide compensation to its executive officers that does not qualify for the full deduction under IRC Section 162(m).



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**COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed with management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis for fiscal 2014. Based on the review and discussions, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in Sanmina's Proxy Statement for its 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
SANMINA CORPORATION

Wayne Shortridge, Chairman  
Neil R. Bonke  
Joseph G. Licata, Jr.  
Jackie M. Ward

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The following table presents the compensation earned by our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer and our three next most highly compensated executive officers for the fiscal years indicated.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)(1)	Option Awards (\$)(1)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)(2)	Change in Pension Value and	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
							Non-qualified Deferred Compensation (\$)		
Jure Sola <i>Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer</i>	2014	896,538		3,095,000	1,859,000	2,295,000	145,175	54,000(3)	8,344,713
	2013	876,260		1,293,000	577,720	1,012,500	63,020	54,000	3,876,500
	2012	790,392		685,920	581,550	543,848	183,566	54,000	2,839,276
Robert K. Eulau <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</i>	2014	510,000		1,547,500	449,135	867,000		6,664(5)	3,380,299
	2013	501,346		862,000	404,404	382,500		6,375	2,156,625
	2012	469,231		320,096	407,085	216,000	540	5,000	1,417,952
Charles F. Kostalnick II <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Business Officer</i>	2014	398,846				280,000	149	3,400(4)	682,395
	2013	15,385		696,000	453,596				1,164,981
Dennis R. Young <i>Executive Vice President, Worldwide Sales and Marketing</i>	2014	350,000		309,500	179,654	245,000		2,975(4)	1,087,129
	2013	350,000		215,500	231,088	196,875		2,975	996,438
	2012	343,716		91,456	232,620	118,125		2,734	788,651
Alan McW. Reid <i>Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources</i>	2014	290,000		154,750	89,827	261,000		2,491(6)	798,068
	2013	288,846		119,850	107,100	163,125		1,972	680,893

- (1) Represents the grant date fair value of each equity award, determined in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, *Compensation - Stock Compensation ("ASC 718")*. These amounts do not purport to reflect the value that will be realized upon sale of the underlying shares.
- (2) Represents bonuses earned pursuant to Sanmina's Fiscal 2014 Corporate Bonus Plan.
- (3) Comprised of \$40,000 in premiums for life insurance and \$14,000 in premiums for business travel accident insurance.
- (4) Consists of premiums for business travel accident insurance.
- (5) Consists of \$6,375 in premiums for business travel accident insurance and a \$289 credit towards health insurance premiums payable by the employee.
- (6) Consists of \$1,972 in premiums for business travel accident insurance and a \$519 credit towards health insurance premiums payable by the employee.

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The following table presents information regarding grants of plan based awards made to each of our named executive officers during fiscal 2014. All equity awards were granted under our 2009 Incentive Plan.

	Grant Date	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards(1)			All Other Stock Awards; Number of Shares or Units (#)(2)	All Other Option Awards (#)	Exercise Price of Option Awards	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards(5)
		Threshold	Target	Maximum				
Jure Sola <i>Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer</i>	11/15/13 12/9/13	\$ 337,500	\$ 1,365,000	\$ 2,835,000	200,000(7)	200,000(3)	\$ 15.48	\$ 4,954,000
Robert K. Eulau <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</i>	11/15/13 12/9/13	\$ 127,500	\$ 510,000	\$ 1,071,000	100,000(2)	50,000(4)	\$ 15.48	\$ 1,996,635
Charles F. Kostalnick II <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Business Officer</i>	12/9/13	\$ 200,000(6)	\$ 320,000	\$ 400,000			\$	\$
Dennis R. Young <i>Executive Vice President, Worldwide Sales and Marketing</i>	11/15/13 12/9/13	\$ 65,625	\$ 262,500	\$ 350,000	20,000(2)	20,000(4)	\$ 15.48	\$ 489,154
Alan McW. Reid <i>Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources</i>	11/15/13 12/9/13	\$ 54,375	\$ 217,500	\$ 290,000	10,000(2)	10,000(4)	\$ 15.48	\$ 244,577

- (1) Represents potential cash payments under Sanmina's Fiscal Year 2014 Corporate Bonus Plan approved on December 9, 2013. Actual cash awards made under this plan are shown in the Summary Compensation Table above under the column entitled "Non-Equity Plan Incentive Compensation".
- (2) Represents a total of two equal grants made on this grant date, one for restricted stock units vesting in full on the third anniversary of the grant date and one for performance stock units vesting in full on the third anniversary of the grant date only if specified financial criteria are achieved by the end of fiscal 2016.
- (3) May vest in four equal installments if the market price of Sanmina's Common Stock exceeds specified target prices on or prior to December 31, 2016.
- (4) Subject to the holder continuing to be a service provider, 25% of these stock options vest on the first anniversary of the grant date and the remaining shares vest at a rate of  $\frac{1}{36}$  of such shares per month thereafter.
- (5) Represents the grant date fair value of stock awards, determined in accordance with ASC 718.
- (6) Mr. Kostalnick was guaranteed a minimum bonus of \$200,000 for Fiscal 2014 per the terms of his offer letter with Sanmina.
- (7) Performance stock units vest in full upon achievement of specified financial criteria through December 31, 2016.

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The following table presents certain information concerning outstanding option awards held as of September 27, 2014, the last day of fiscal 2014, by each of our named executive officers.

**Option Awards**

Name	Option Grant Date	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date
<b>Jure Sola</b>	11/15/13	100,000	100,000(2)	\$ 15.48	11/15/23
<i>Chairman of the Board and</i>	11/15/12	45,833	54,167(1)	\$ 8.62	11/15/22
<i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	11/15/11	70,833	29,167(1)	\$ 8.70	11/15/21
	11/15/10	191,667	8,333(1)	\$ 11.23	11/15/20
	11/16/09	900,000		\$ 8.79	11/16/19
	11/17/08	166,667		\$ 2.94	11/17/18
	11/15/07	125,000		\$ 11.88	11/15/17