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AFFILIATED MANAGERS GROUP, INC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. (the Company) will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time, at the Company s offices, 600 Hale Street, Prides Crossing, Massachusetts 01965 for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect seven directors of the Company to serve until the 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified.
- 2. To approve the 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- 3. To amend the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the Certificate of Incorporation) to increase the authorized number of shares of voting common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the Common Stock), of the Company.
- 4. To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year.
- 5. To consider and act upon any other matters that may properly be brought before the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements thereof.

Any action may be taken on the foregoing matters at the Annual Meeting on the date specified above, or on any date or dates to which, by original or later adjournment, the Annual Meeting may be adjourned, or to which the Annual Meeting may be postponed.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on April 19, 2006 as the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements thereof. Only stockholders of record of the Common Stock, at the close of business on that date will be entitled to notice of the Annual Meeting and to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements thereof.

Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please carefully review the enclosed proxy statement and submit your proxy, which is being solicited by the Board of Directors. If you are a stockholder of record, please complete, sign, date and mail promptly the accompanying proxy card in the postage-prepaid envelope; or, vote by telephone or over the Internet by following the instructions included with your proxy card. If your shares are held by a broker, bank or other nominee, which are referred to as shares held in street name, please complete, sign, date and mail the voting instruction form or vote by telephone or over the Internet if your voting instruction form includes instructions and a toll-free telephone number or Internet website to do so. In any event, to be sure that your vote will be received in time, please cast your vote by your choice of available means at your earliest convenience.

Any proxy may be revoked by delivery of a later-dated proxy. Stockholders of record who attend the Annual Meeting may vote in person, even if they have previously submitted a completed proxy by telephone, Internet or mail. If you hold your shares in street name and would like to change your voting instructions, please follow the instructions on the voting instruction form provided to you by your broker, bank or other nominee.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

John Kingston, III Secretary

Prides Crossing, Massachusetts April 28, 2006

600 Hale Street Prides Crossing, Massachusetts 01965 PROXY STATEMENT FOR 2006 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To be Held on May 31, 2006

AFFILIATED MANAGERS GROUP, INC.

April 28, 2006

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. (AMG or the Company) for use at the 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company to be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time, at the Company s offices, 600 Hale Street, Prides Crossing, Massachusetts 01965, and at any adjournments or postponements thereof (the Annual Meeting). At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will be asked to elect seven directors of the Company, approve the Company s 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, amend the Company s Certificate of Incorporation to increase the authorized number of shares of Common Stock to 150,000,000, ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year, and consider and act upon any other matters properly brought before them.

This Proxy Statement and the accompanying notice of Annual Meeting and proxy card are first being sent to stockholders on or about April 28, 2006. The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on April 19, 2006 as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting (the Record Date). Only stockholders of record of the Company s Common Stock at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to notice of the Annual Meeting and to vote at the Annual Meeting. Holders of Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote as of the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to one vote for each share held by them. As of the Record Date, there were 33,302,594 shares of Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The presence, in person or by proxy, of holders of at least a majority of the total number of shares of Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. Both abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted as present in determining the presence of a quorum. A broker non-vote is a proxy from a broker or other nominee indicating that such person has not received instructions from the beneficial owner on a particular matter with respect to which the broker or other nominee does not have discretionary voting power. Of the matters to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting, brokers will not have discretionary authority to vote on the approval of the 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.

Directors will be elected by a plurality of votes cast, and withheld votes will have no effect on the outcome. Approval of each of the 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan and ratification of the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the current fiscal year requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Common Stock present or represented at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on each proposal. Approval of the amendment of the Company s Certificate of Incorporation requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Common Stock outstanding. Abstentions will have the effect of votes against each of these proposals, other than for the election of directors. Broker non-votes, which will apply only to the proposal to approve the 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, will have no effect on the outcome for these purposes.

Stockholders of the Company are requested to submit a proxy by telephone or Internet, or by completing, signing, dating and returning the accompanying proxy card or, for shares held in street name, the voting instruction form in the enclosed, postage-prepaid envelope. If you vote by telephone or the Internet, you should not return your proxy card or voting instruction form. Instead, please follow the instructions on your proxy card or voting instruction form for telephone and Internet voting. Shares

represented by a properly completed proxy received prior to the vote at the Annual Meeting and not revoked will be voted at the Annual Meeting as directed on the proxy. If a properly executed proxy is submitted and no instructions are given, the proxy will be voted FOR the election of each of the nominees for director, FOR approval of the 2006 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, FOR the amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation and FOR ratification of the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company s independent registered accounting firm for the current fiscal year. If other matters are presented, proxies will be voted in accordance with the discretion of the proxy holders on such other matters.

A stockholder of record may revoke a proxy at any time before it has been exercised by filing a written revocation with the Secretary of the Company at the address of the Company set forth above; by filing a duly executed proxy bearing a later date; or by appearing in person and voting by ballot at the Annual Meeting. A stockholder of record who voted by telephone or the Internet may also change his or her vote with a timely and valid later telephone or Internet vote, as the case may be. Any stockholder of record as of the Record Date attending the Annual Meeting may vote in person whether or not a proxy has previously been given, but the presence (without further action) of a stockholder at the Annual Meeting will not constitute revocation of a previously given proxy.

A stockholder whose shares are held in street name may change previously delivered voting instructions by following the procedure set forth in the voting instruction form provided by the broker, bank or other nominee. A stockholder whose shares are held in street name may vote in person at the Annual Meeting, upon presenting picture identification, an account statement or a letter from the record holder indicating that the stockholder owned the shares as of the Record Date, and a proxy from the record holder issued in the stockholder s name.

The Company s 2005 Annual Report, including audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, is being mailed to stockholders concurrently with this Proxy Statement. The Annual Report, however, is not part of the proxy solicitation materials.

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